

April 10, 2016

Ebenezer Emissary



We welcome you to worship! Make yourself at home, you are among friends who would love for you to be part of the family! Please take a moment to fill out the Ebenezer Communications Card which is part of the Emissary. This communication is a vital link which helps our Body stay connected. Please feel free to place completed ones in the offering plate or in the box provided in the Missions Center on the Prayer Counter.

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

- 9:00 a.m.** Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship
(Various Classrooms)
- 10:00 a.m.** The Good News Hour *(2 year olds-B16, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11)*
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship Gathering-Charles Alsheimer, *The Gift*
(Crossroads Ministry Center)
Scripture Reading: Pastor Jim
Special Music: Brent Zimmerman
- 6:00 p.m.** Disciple Singers' Choir and Actors
(118-119, Crossroads Ministry Center)
- 6:30 p.m.** Small Groups *(Kings, Niswanders)*
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service-Pastor Dick *(Sanctuary)*
Joshua's Farewell
Junior High and High School Small Groups
(Schoolhouse)

Special welcome to Charles Alsheimer, our guest speaker this morning. Mr. Alsheimer is an awarding winning outdoor writer, nature photographer, lecturer, and whitetail consultant from Bath, New York. He is also the senior contributing editor for *Deer & Deer Hunting* magazine and contributing host of their national television show, *Deer & Deer Hunting TV* which airs on NBC-Sports network. He is also a contributing editor for *Whitetail News* and *The Christian Bowhunter* magazines. Mr. Alsheimer was the guest speaker at the Wild Game Event last evening.

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- Apr. 24** Disciple Singers' Spring Musical *(10:15 a.m., CMC)*
- Apr. 27** Wednesday Children's Ministries Skate Night
(6:00 p.m., Grove Skateland)
- Apr. 30** Wild Game Trap Shoot *(8:30 a.m., outside field)*
- May 5** National Day of Prayer Event *(7:00 p.m., CMC)*
- May 7** High School Students *(7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home)*
- May 8** Mother's Day Chicken BBQ *(11:30 a.m., CMC)*
- June 19-25** Middle School 1 *(Grades 5&6, Miracle Camp)*
- July 3-10** High School Missions Trip to New York City
- July 17-23** Senior High 2 *(Grades 9-12, Miracle Camp)*
- July 24-30** Junior High 2 *(Grades 7&8, Miracle Camp)*
- Aug 7-13** Grade School 2 *(Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)*
- Aug 7-10** Grade School 3 *(Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)*
- Aug 10-13** Grade School 4 *(Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)*

~ PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAYER LIST ~

Please call the church office for any names or concerns that you want listed in the Weekly Prayer List or prayed for during our Worship Services. To have a prayer e-mail sent, call or text Kathy Brauen at 419-234-7808 or call the church office at 419-358-8588.

Church Office Hours:

Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

~ SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 A.M. ~

Infant Nursery - 111

Toddler Nursery – 106

~ Sunday School for Children ~

Age 2 - B16

Age 3 - B-10

Ages 4&5 - B-11

Grade 1 - B-12

Grade 2 - B-14

Grade 3 - B-18

Grade 4 - B-13

Grade 5 – Sanctuary 4

Grade 6 - B-15

Grades 7 & 8 (Junior High) - B-17

Grades 9 – 12 (Senior High) - Schoolhouse

Ebenezer Communications Card

Please take a moment to complete the information below. Place in the offering plate or the box provided in the Missions Center on the Prayer Counter.

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

I am interested in information on:

Ebenezer Mennonite Church Baptism Membership

Child dedication Getting involved in ministry

Joining a small group Prayer requests _____

~ GRADUATION INFORMATION ~

Please fill in the information needed below or e-mail the church office at: info@ebenezymennonite.org. Thank you!

Student Name: _____

Date/Time: _____

High School/College: _____

Degree (if applicable): _____

~ MANY THANKS ~

To Ebenezer Church Family: Thank you for your prayers, visits, cards, memorial gifts, and words of comfort expressed during Darly's illness and home going. - *We love you, Dean Sommers and family*

The family of Julia Luginbill would like to thank the church family for all your support to our mom over the last 10 years, as she was at the Hilty Home. Your visits, cards, songs, and words of encouragement were so much appreciated. A special thank you to those who were able to celebrate Julia's life whether by preparing food, visitation, or attending the service. Your kindness has overwhelmed us and demonstrated God's love and comfort to our entire family. - *Greg, Gary, Don, Sandy, Dwight and families*

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on April 3:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	305
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	415
Evening Fellowship Ministries	(7:00 p.m.)	96

Giving on April 3:

\$15,924.65

Benevolent Fund	10.00
Building Fund	510.00
Christian Education Fund	796.65
General Fund	8,429.00
Missions Fund	5,629.00
New Building Fund	50.00
Youth Fund	500.00
Memorials for Darlyn Sommers – Missions Fund	\$125.00
General Fund	\$884.00

~MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK~

Hannah Slechter

Youth for Christ – Pandora/Bluffton
656 S. Main Street, Bluffton, OH 45817
slehsa@bluffton.edu

Feel free to take with you missionary newsletters located in the
Missions Center under the large world map.

~ PRAYER CONCERNS ~

In Rehab: Rella Augsburger, St. Rita's Medical Center and Emily Crawfis, Leesburg Regional Acute Rehabilitation Hospital in Florida.

Surgery Scheduled: Phil Sprunger, tomorrow at Sarasota Memorial Hospital in Florida.

~ YOUTH NEWS ~

Mothers Day Chicken BBQ - Sunday, May 8, we can all make our mothers happy with some great chicken and no cooking. At the same time, you will be helping send the youth group to serve in New York City, July 3-10. You can reserve your BBQ now through Sunday, May 1. If you have any questions or desire to reserve your chicken dinners, call or text Pastor David at 567-204-9777 or e-mail him at david.glick@ebenezymennonite.org! Donations only.

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Missions Center: Nicki Biery, Brittany Reigle
Crossroads Ministry Center: Larry & Ginny Moser

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: APRIL 11-17

Monday	9:00 a.m.	MOPS (Fellowship Hall)
	7:00 p.m.	Beth Moore Study Group (Sanctuary Foyer) Christian Education Com. Meeting (103)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (Arby's)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (Fellowship Hall)
	5:30 p.m.	Family Supper (Fellowship Hall)
	6:00 p.m.	Women's Prayer Group (Fellowship Hall)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (115)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (103) Children's Ministries (age 3-Grade 6) Junior High Meet (B17)
	7:05 p.m.	Connections Small Group (Bluffton McDonald's) Putting God First (Bible Study, Schoolhouse)
	8:30 p.m.	Bread of Life Ministries (Church Kitchen) Junior High and High School Dodgeball (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Thursday	8:30 p.m.	Young Adult Basketball (CMC)
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Youth Prayer Group (Bluffton McDonald's)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship (Various Classrooms)
	10:00 a.m.	Disciple Singers' Choir (meet in Fellowship Hall) The Good News Hour (2 year olds-B16, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (Crossroads Ministry Center)
	11:30 a.m.	Wild Game Committee Meeting (FH)
	5:00 p.m.	Women's Ministries Meeting (115)
	6:00 p.m.	Disciple Singers' Choir and Actors (Crossroads Ministry Center)
	6:30 p.m.	Small Groups (Kings & Niswanders)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (Sanctuary) Junior High and High School Small Groups (Schoolhouse)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 17 ~

Infant & Toddler Nursery:

Ann Gladwell, Barry & Mandy Schneck, Sarah Shank

Good News Hour:

Madeline & Allison Burghaze, Rosemary Carman, Julie McKanna,
Bruce, Cindy, & Rachel Moser, Jessica Robinson, Olivia Spallinger

~PLEASE NOTE~

Disciple Singers' Choir will present a spring musical called, *The Agape League*, Sunday morning April 24, at 10:15 in the Crossroads Ministry Center. This story unfolds in the impenetrable Agape Fortress, where General Agape has called the mighty Agape League together to solve a crisis in Suburbia City! Calling on the super-powered Fruits of the Spirit available to every follower of Christ, these superheroes soon find themselves facing a problem within their own ranks when Ironblade forgets his superhero identity (self-control) and becomes entangled in the pervasive worldly culture. Things worsen when they learn that unless each member continues to exhibit their gifts, the entire group faces the same fate! Will the League recover their powers? Will the citizens of Suburbia City be saved? Will the source of true power – God's Word – finally be utilized before time runs out? Come to the musical and find out! Everyone is welcome, please invite your family and friends!

Rally Point Fundraiser: St. John Mennonite Church is hosting a BBQ Chicken dinner on May 1, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. to support the Rally Point youth. Tickets are \$8 and will be on sale in the Missions Center on April 17 and 24. The dinner includes 1/2 chicken, green beans, applesauce, roll, and drink. Dessert will be available for an extra charge. See Bev Stockman for more information.

NDP Bite: The National Day of Prayer is a vital part of our heritage. Since the first call to prayer in 1775, when the Continental Congress asked the colonies to pray for wisdom in forming a nation, the call to prayer has continued through our history, including President Lincoln's proclamation of a day of "humiliation, fasting, and prayer" in 1863. In 1952, a joint resolution by Congress, signed by President Truman, declared an annual national day of prayer. In 1988, the law was amended and signed by President Reagan, permanently setting the day as the first Thursday of every May.