

April 24, 2016

Ebenezer Emissary



~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

- 9:00 a.m.** Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship
(Various Classrooms)
- 9:30 a.m.** Disciple Singers' Actors *(meet in Crossroads Ministry Center)*
- 9:45 a.m.** Disciple Singers' Choir *(meet in Crossroads Ministry Center)*
- 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.** Disciple Singers' Choir Spring Musical
The Agape League (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Special Music: Olivia Spallinger
Scripture: Pastor Dale
- 6:30 p.m.** Small Groups *(Kings & Niswanders)*
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service – Pastor Dick *(Sanctuary)*
The Real Mt. Sinai
Junior High and High School
Small Groups *(Schoolhouse)*

Disciple Singers' Choir will present their spring musical, *The Agape League*, this morning. 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?

Today is the last day to get your BBQ chicken dinner tickets for the Rally Point youth fundraiser. They are \$8 and are on sale in the Missions Center. Chicken dinners will be served at St. John Mennonite Church next Sunday, May 1, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Thank you for helping to send the Rally Point youth to summer camps.

Charter Fishing: The Ebenezer Wild Game Committee is sponsoring a charter boat fishing trip on Lake Erie Saturday, June 11. The cost is \$35 per person. Space is limited to 30 people so if you are interested, call the church office (419-353-8588) soon, as it is filling up quickly.

National Day of Prayer: Stop by the display at the table at the back of the Crossroads Ministry Center to sign up to pray for one-half hour during the 24 hours of the National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 5. As you sign up, you will receive a prayer guide with prayer points to assist you in your prayer time. Also, please invite a friend and plan to attend a special program at 7:00 that evening in the Crossroads Ministry Center. There will be a variety of persons leading us as we lift up in prayer our nation, our community, and many other prayer focus points. The program will also include special music led by our worship team. - *Sponsored by the Prayer Action Team Committee*

~ THANKS ~

Thank you to all who helped at the Wild Game Event. We as a committee cannot make this a successful night without the help of each volunteer. We appreciate each of you! - *Wild Game Committee*

Dear Ebenezer Family: Thank you so much for the gift card you sent me. It is always nice to know that I have people back home supporting me! – *Thanks, Alyssa Willow*

After surgery and a short stay in St. Rita's Rehab Unit, I am home and recuperating from a broken ankle. To the wonderful friends and family in the Berean Class and the church family, we thank you for your thoughtfulness in providing food, cards, gifts, and for your thoughts and prayers. We feel blessed to be a part of such a caring community. – *Rella & Marvin Augsburgsberger*

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): _____

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- 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)*
- May 22** Promotion Sunday *(9:00 a.m., CMC)*
- May 27-June 7** Ethiopia Missions Trip
- May 29** Graduate Recognition Sunday *(10:15 a.m., CMC)*
- June 5-10** Vacation Bible School *(6:30 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.)*
- June 19-25** Middle School 1 *(Grades 5&6, Miracle Camp)*
- June 26-July 8** France Missions Trip
- 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)*
- Aug. 14** Baptism Service *(6:30 p.m.)*

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on April 17:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	283
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	396
Evening Fellowship Ministries	(7:00 p.m.)	104

Giving on April 17:

\$13,745.75

Benevolent Fund	85.00
Building Fund	495.00
Christian Education Fund	225.75
General Fund	9,410.00
Missions Fund	3,205.00
New Building Fund	25.00
Youth Fund	300.00

<i>Memorials for Julia Luginbill</i>	Digital Keyboard	\$20.00
	Schoolhouse Chairs	\$800.00

Chairs to be Purchased: Thank you to each one who donated towards the Schoolhouse Chairs. The required amount, \$2,000, has been met and exceeded, praise the Lord! The chairs will be ordered and placed in the schoolhouse in the near future.

~MISSIONARIES OF THE WEEK ~

Lee & Michelle Sonius
Reach Beyond - Ghana
505 Crescent Leaf Lane
Rock Hill, SC 29730
lsonius@reachbeyond.org
msonius@reachbeyond.org

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

~ YOUTH NEWS ~

This Wednesday, April 27, will be the last night for Bread of Life Ministries and Junior High and High School Dodgeball.

High School Guys Only: Dodgeball, basketball, and food for Man Night on Friday, April 29, from 7:00-12:00 in the Crossroads Ministry Center.

High School Girls Only: Pinterest Party at Tobi Meyer's home at 7055 Lugabill Road, on Friday, April 29, from 7:00 p.m. – 12 a.m.

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Missions Center: Hunter Garmatter, Daniel Klingler
Crossroads Ministry Center: Donita Luginbill, Jean Reichenbach

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: APRIL 25-MAY 1

Monday	9:00 a.m.	MOPS (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (<i>Arby's</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Missions Committee Meeting (<i>103</i>)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	5:30 p.m.	Family Supper (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	6:00 p.m.	Children's Ministries & Junior High Skate Night (<i>meet at Grove Skateland</i>)
		Women's Prayer Group (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (<i>115</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (<i>103</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	Connections Small Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
	8:30 p.m.	Bread of Life Ministries (<i>Church Kitchen</i>)
		Junior High and High School Dodgeball (<i>Crossroads Ministry Center</i>)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Engage Committee Meeting (<i>103</i>)
	8:30 p.m.	Young Adult Basketball (<i>Crossroads Ministry Center</i>)
Friday	7:00 a.m.	Youth Prayer Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	High School Guys Only (<i>Crossroads Ministry Center</i>)
		High School Girls Only (<i>Tobi Meyer's home</i>)
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Wild Game Trap Shoot (<i>outside field</i>)
	9:00 a.m.	Cup of Grace (<i>103</i>)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship (<i>Various Classrooms</i>)
	10:00 a.m.	The Good News Hour (<i>2 year olds-B16, 3 year olds-B10, 4,5&6 year olds-B11</i>)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (<i>Crossroads Ministry Center</i>)
	5:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting (<i>103</i>)
	6:00 p.m.	Junior High and High School Small Groups (<i>Ron & Tobi Meyer's home</i>)
	6:30 p.m.	Small Groups (<i>Kings & Niswanders</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (<i>Sanctuary</i>)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 1 ~

Infant & Toddler Nursery:

Deb Hilty, John & Jaime Shaw, Tammy Whitlow

Good News Hour:

Lillian Burkholder, Kathy & Cassandra Bishop, Ashley Fry, Traci Heinze, Milo & Deb Luginbuhl

~PLEASE NOTE ~

Wednesday Night Children's and Junior High Skate Night

end-of-the-year party is this Wednesday, April 27, from 6:00-8:00 p.m. at Grove Skate Land (10970 Ottawa Road, Columbus Grove, phone 419-659-2718). Skaters pay \$2 at the door. Those who do not wish to skate do not need to pay. The concession shop will be open for snacks at an additional cost. Children and adults of all ages are welcome to come and participate. Children who are five or younger need an adult (18+) chaperone. Feel free to invite your friends and neighbors! Strollers and personal skates are allowed in the skating rink. You are on your own for transportation, but if you do need a ride, please let Marti Meza know as early as possible by calling her at 419-296-9574. Texting is fine, just please include your name.

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, see today's insert. If you have any questions or desire to reserve your chicken dinners, call or text Pastor David at 567-204-9777 or e-mail at david.glick@ebenezymennonite.org. Donations only when you pick up your meals.

Vacation Bible School is Coming! It is time to start thinking about VBS at Ebenezer. It will be June 5-10, from 6:30-9:00 each night. We have over 200 children register each year! Registration is now open online for participants and for volunteers. Go to ebenezymennonite.org and follow the link for VBS. You can register all of your children there and also sign up to volunteer. We appreciate this church body making VBS possible. - *God bless from your VBS committee. Children are a gift from the Lord. They are a reward from Him.* Psalm 127:3