

July 10, 2016

Ebenezer Emissary



May you find a warm welcome, sincere hearts and joyful fellowship. We invite everyone to join in worshipping the Creator of us all. Let us sing for joy, pray with confidence, share with enthusiasm, and witness with love. "In Christ there is no east or west, in him no south or north, but one great fellowship of love throughout the whole wide earth."

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 cards 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 year olds-B11)*
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship & Communion Service – Pastor Jim
Jesus is the Best: Grow Up (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Scripture: Lynn Saunders
Special Music: Brent Zimmerman
- 11:30 a.m.** FaithFull Singles *(FH)*
- 5:00 p.m.** Trustee Meeting *(103)*
- 6:00 p.m.** Agape ABF Small Group *(Jaden & Amber August's home)*

**** No Evening Fellowship Service ****

Please note: All loose offerings taken during the Morning Worship Gathering will go towards the Benevolent Fund (in connection with communion).

Shepherd of Love

by John W. Peterson

Shepherd of love

You knew I had lost my way

Shepherd of love

You cared that I'd gone astray

You sought and found me placed around me

Strong arms that carried me home

No foe can harm me or alarm me

Never again will I roam

Shepherd of love

Savior and Lord and Guide

Shepherd of love

Forever I'll stay by Your side

Shepherd of love

Contentment at last is mine

Deep in my heart

There's peace and a joy divine

The future's brighter burden's lighter

My cup runs over each day

Your grace supplied me now provides me

All that I need for the way

Shepherd of love

Savior and Lord and Guide

Shepherd of love

Forever I'll stay by Your side

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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 _____

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- July 15-17** Family Camp *(Grand Lake St. Mary's State Park)*
- July 17-23** Senior High 2 *(Grades 9-12, Miracle Camp)*
- July 24-30** Junior High 2 *(Grades 7&8, Miracle Camp)*
- July 30** Wild Game Trap Shoot *(8:30 a.m., outside field)*
- 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. 13** Cup of Grace *(9:00 a.m., 103)*
- Aug. 14** Baptism Service
(6:30 p.m., Elnora Stratton's Pond, 6121 Bentley Road)

Sept. 1, 2, 3, 6,7,8,9,10 Pictorial Directory Photography Dates

Open invitation to church family and friends, swimming and Bible life lesson, every Wednesday (noon till 5:00 p.m.) until school starts and weather permitting, at the home of John & Rosie Good, 401 County Road 33 (just east of County Line Road). Welcome to bring snacks and pool toys. Life lesson will begin around 2:00 p.m.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on July 3:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship (9:00 a.m.) 202

Morning Worship Gathering (10:15 a.m.) 343

Giving on July 3:

The Giving Report for July 3, will be in next week's Emissary.

~ CAMP NEWS ~

Junior High– Grades 7&8 (July 10-16)

Kaden Basil	Haelyn Bischoff	Allison Burghaze
Elijah Conley	Dillion Crohn	Jordyn Garmatter
Eli Huffman	Will Huffman	Jaelle Keller
Tayton Kleman	Connor Lee	Eden Nygaard
Drew Oaks	Jay Oaks	Tanner Schultz

Driving to camp: Christian & Jamie Nygaard

Driving home: Joel & Jodi Conley

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Chuck & Saun Niswander

Missions Center: Wayne & Susan Bixel

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JULY 11-17

Tuesday 6:30 a.m. Men's Small Group (*Bluffton McDonald's*)

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Game Time (*Fellowship Hall*)

6:15 p.m. Worship Team Rehearsal
(*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

7:00 p.m. Adult Bible Study & Prayer (*103*)
Junior High Summer Session (*Schoolhouse*)

Thursday 7:00 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting (*103*)

8:30 p.m. Young Adult Basketball
(*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

Friday 6:30 p.m. Family Camp Begins
(*Grand Lake St. Mary's State Park*)

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Family Camp Morning Service
(*Grand Lake St. Mary's State Park*)
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 year olds-B11)

10:15 a.m. Worship Gathering (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

12:00 p.m. Baptism Class (*Schoolhouse*)

6:00 p.m. Agape ABF Small Group
(*Jaden & Amber August's home*)

7:00 p.m. Evening Fellowship Service (*Sanctuary*)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 17 ~

Infant & Toddler Nurseries: Aaron & Emily Koogler

Good News Hour: Janet Brauen, Rosemary Carman, Kim Gordon,
Charlie & Alison Mosler, Jessica Robinson,
Diane Sharrock, Olivia Spallinger

~ PRAYER CONCERNS ~

Our sympathy to the family of Darrell Frysinger. Darrell, the brother of Alan, passed away on Saturday, July 2. The funeral service was held on Thursday, July 7, at the Gomer Congregational Church.

Scheduled Surgery: Mark Kinsinger, Tuesday, July 12, Blanchard Valley.

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

FaithFull Singles: The deacons and pastors would like to invite our widows, widowers, and *all* singles age 50 and older to join us for a luncheon today in the Fellowship Hall following the Morning Worship & Communion Service. Special music will be provided. Hope to see you there!

Next weekend is Family Camp 2016! Going Themeless! – *Being open to God's leading.* You should have received an e-mail with all the pertinent Family Camp information about group meals and devotion times. If you did not, please e-mail Christy Garmatter (garmatterc@gmail.com) to have one resent to you. Be sure to look at your packet ahead of time for changes with meals! Looking forward to seeing you there! -*The Family Camp Committee*

Baptism classes begin next Sunday. Please sign up with Pastor Jim (jim.king@ebenezymennonite.org) or Pastor David (david.glick@ebenezymennonite.org) to take three baptism classes meeting on Sundays July 17, 24, & 31 in the schoolhouse (available for anyone Grade 9 to adult). Classes will meet from noon to 1:00 p.m. and lunch will be included. The baptism service will take place on Sunday, August 14, at 6:30 p.m. at Elnora Stratton's pond.

Children Choosing Christ needs volunteers to help present the gospel to children attending the Allen County Fair. If you can help, contact Kay Spallinger at 419-230-9346, or you can attend training on Tuesday, July 19, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at English Lutheran Church in Bluffton, Thursday, July 28, from 6:30 – 8:30 p.m. at Woodlawn Baptist Church in Lima, or Sunday, July 31, from 2:00 – 4:00 p.m. at Cable Road Alliance Church in Lima. If you have previously helped you can also contact Kay to get a DVD or the link for online training.

~ MARK YOUR CALENDARS ~

We are producing a new pictorial directory for our church. There is no cost to you or the church to have your photographs taken, and you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and directory for participating. The photography dates are: September 1,2,3,6,7,8,9,10. Look for more information coming at a later date.