

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 _____



FaithFull Singles: The deacons and pastors would like to invite our widows, widowers, and *all* singles age 50 and older to our next gathering scheduled for Sunday, October 16. A luncheon will be provided following the Worship Gathering. A special guest speaker will describe how his faith helped him during times of historical significance in our country's past. Hope to see you there!

MOPS is in need of childcare volunteers for the MOPPET (kids) program 9-11 a.m. every second and fourth Monday from October 2016 to May 2017. Your willingness to serve makes the MOPS ministry possible! Substitute teachers and helpers are needed for the one and two year olds. Contact Jessica at 419-303-3190.

~ THANK YOU ~

Dear Ebenezer Family: Thank you for all the prayers, visits while I was in the hospital, phone calls, and cards. I am still recovering, but all is good. Thank you! – *Joyce McGill*

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- Oct. 22** Wild Game Trap Shoot (8:30 a.m., Outside field)
Oct. 24 Evening Sew (6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m., CMC)
Oct. 25 All Day Sew (9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., CMC)
Oct. 30 Fellowship of Evangelical Church Sunday
(11:30 a.m. question and answer session with FEC leaders)
Nov. 5 Maranatha ABF Class (7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home)
Nov. 6-13 Missions Conference-Acts 11:21 (CMC)
Dec. 4 *Messiah* (4:00 p.m., Bluffton University)
Dec. 9 Ladies' Christmas Tea (6:30 p.m., Crossroads Ministry Center)
Dec. 11 Children's Christmas Program (CMC)

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October 9, 2016

Ebenezer Emissary

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION SUNDAY!

The members of the CE Committee want to give glory to God and thank Him for moving the hearts of so many people to volunteer and help out in Christian Education all around the church during the past year. We also want to thank our army of volunteers, who helped as teachers, drivers, cooks, snack servers, assistants, nursemaids, game leaders, etc., in Sunday School, youth meetings, Wednesday night meetings, Vacation Bible School, skating parties, dodgeball, Miracle Camp, and a hundred other activities. We thank you for showing up in answer to God's call and for your willing, selfless service in His name--for that is what it was, serving the Lord, not just "activities"! Thank you for carrying out our theme verse for this year: *This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples.* John 15:8

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY ~

- 9:00 a.m.** Chapman "Chap" R. Clark (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Adoptive Church: The Essence of Biblical Community
Sunday School (Various Classrooms)
- 9:45 a.m.** Disciple Singers' Choir Rehearsal (118-119)
- 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.** Christian Education Volunteer Sunday
Chapman "Chap" R. Clark (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Who We Are Together –
Mark 10:13-16, John 1:1-14
- 12:00 p.m.** Potluck Luncheon with Seminar following
Chapman "Chap" R. Clark (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Parenteen: Understanding Today's Young...
A seminar for parents and other caring adults.
- 6:30 p.m.** Junior High and High School Small Groups
(Schoolhouse)
- 6:31 p.m.** Small Groups (Kings)
- 6:45 p.m.** Disciple Singers' Choir (Grades 1-6, 118-119)
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service (Sanctuary)

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on October 2:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	265
Morning Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	368
Evening Fellowship Ministries	(7:00 p.m.)	80

Giving on October 2:

\$19,292.63

Benevolent Fund	481.00
Building Fund	1,030.00
Christian Education Fund	767.63
General Fund	10,424.00
Missions Fund	6,540.00
New Building Fund	50.00

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Thank you to everyone who came in and was photographed for our 2016 pictorial directory. You should have already or soon will receive your ordered prints at your home address. The complimentary 8x10 portraits were delivered to the church. Please see Deb Hilty today or stop by the church office sometime during the week to pick up your photo.

~ PRAYER CONCERNS ~

Our sympathy is extended to the family of Betty Leffman. Betty, grandmother of Jammie Halker and Kaitlyn Sanderson and mother-in-law of Lynn Saunders, passed away on Sunday, October 2. Services were held at Chiles-Laman Funeral & Cremation Services, Shawnee Chapel on Thursday, October 6.

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Larry & Ginny Moser
Missions Center: Jady Barhorst, Emily Metzger

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: OCTOBER 10-16 ~

Monday	7:00 p.m.	Ladies' Bible Study (<i>Sanctuary Foyer</i>) CE Meeting (<i>103-104</i>)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
	5:00 p.m.	Women's Ministries Mystery Dinner (meet at the church)
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.	Women's War Room (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	6:00 p.m.	Men's Prayertime for Families (<i>103</i>)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (<i>Crossroads Ministry Center</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (<i>103</i>) Ladies' Bible Study (<i>Schoolhouse</i>) Small Group (<i>115</i>) Children's Ministry (<i>various</i>) Junior High Wednesday Night (<i>117</i>)
	7:01 p.m.	Divorce Group (<i>Grades 7-12, Sanctuary Overflow</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	Connections Small Groups (<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.	Young Adult Small Group (<i>Jaden & Amber August's home</i>)
	8:30 p.m.	Young Adult Basketball (<i>Crossroads Ministry Center</i>)
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Beth Moore Simulcast (<i>Crossroads Ministry Center</i>)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Sunday School (<i>Age 2-Grade 6, Various Classrooms</i>)
	10:00 a.m.	The Good News Hour (<i>2 year olds-B16,</i> <i>3 year olds-B10, 4&5 year olds-B11</i>)
	11:30 a.m.	FaithFull Singles Luncheon (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	6:00 p.m.	Disciple Singers Tryouts (<i>Fellowship Hall</i>)
	6:30 p.m.	Junior High and High School Small Groups (<i>Schoolhouse</i>)
	6:31 p.m.	Small Groups (<i>Kings, Lemleys</i>)
	6:45 p.m.	Disciple Singers' Choir (<i>Grades 1-6, 118-119</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (<i>Sanctuary</i>)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, OCTOBER 16 ~

Infant & Toddler Nurseries:

Jason & Kim Fritsch, Seth & Kara Zink

Good News Hour:

Jessica Robinson, Rosemary Carman, Olivia Spallinger,
Julie McKanna, Madeline Burghaze, Kim & Jason Fritsch

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

Last Mystery Dinner of 2016! Ladies...please join us on Tuesday evening October 11 for our last meal of the season together! Invite a friend and meet at the church at 5:00 p.m. Please RSVP to Christy Garmatter so I know how many will be joining us; garmatterc@gmail.com or leave a message at (419)358-0864

Men's Prayertime for Families: Any men interested in praying for the families of our church are invited to join us in the Conference Room (103) on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Questions? Call Pastor Dale at 419-358-8588.

Wednesday Night Ladies Bible Study...The Best Yes, by Lysa Terkeurst. Join us for this six-week study beginning October 5 at 7 p.m. in the schoolhouse. Sign up in the Missions Center or contact Heidi Steiner at steinerhl@gmail.com. Cost is \$12 for the book and study guide. This same study is offered on Monday evenings.

A Living Proof simulcast featuring Beth Moore will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., this Saturday, October 15, in the Crossroads Ministry Center. Join women from around the world for this one-day event, during which participants can hear Moore's dynamic storytelling and passionate Bible teaching. The morning session begins with coffee and pastries. The cost for tickets is \$15 with an additional \$5 optional Subway lunch. Tickets are available until Sunday, October 9. To purchase tickets, visit ebenezer mennonite.org or call the church office at 419-358-8588.

Help still needed: The Christian Education Committee is looking for help in age 3, kindergarten, and Grades 1&2 (combined) class for this year's Wednesday Night Children's Ministry. Volunteers can be in high school or older. If you have any questions, want more information, or would like to volunteer, please contact Marti Meza at 419-296-9574 or real.meza4@gmail.com.