

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 ~

Feb. 24-26 High School Ice Camp (*Miracle Camp*)

Feb. 26 Congregational Meeting (*11:30 a.m., CMC*)

Mar. 4 High School Students (*7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home*)

Mar. 5 Engage Luncheon (*11:30 a.m., CMC*)

Trustee Meeting (*5:00 p.m., 103*)

Mar. 6 Evening Sew (*6:00 p.m., CMC*)

Mar. 7 All Day Sew (*9:00 a.m., CMC*)

Mar. 25 Wild Game Trap Shoot (*8:30 a.m., outside field*)

Apr. 1 Berean ABF Class (*7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home*)

Wild Game Event (*5:00 p.m., CMC*)

Joe Martin of Runnin N Gunnin Productions

Apr. 2 Worship Gathering-Speaker, Joe Martin (*10:15 a.m., CMC*)

June 4-9 Vacation Bible School

June 10 Wild Game Fishing Charter

June 11-17 Middle School 1 (*Miracle Camp, Grades 5-7*)

June 18-24 Junior High 1 (*Miracle Camp, Grades 6-8*)

June 25-July 1 Senior High 1 (*Miracle Camp, Grades 9-12*)

July 21-23 Family Camp (*Deer Creek Park*)

July 30-Aug. 2 Grade School 3 Half Week (*Miracle Camp, Grades 2-4*)

July 30-Aug. 5 Grade School 2 Full Week (*Miracle Camp, Grades 2-4*)



1 Corinthians 13 (NIV)

¹³If I speak in the tongues of men or of angels, but do not have love, I am only a resounding gong or a clanging cymbal. ²If I have the gift of prophecy and can fathom all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have a faith that can move mountains, but do not have love, I am nothing. ³If I give all I possess to the poor and give over my body to hardship that I may boast, but do not have love, I gain nothing.

⁴Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

⁸Love never fails. But where there are prophecies, they will cease; where there are tongues, they will be stilled; where there is knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰but when completeness comes, what is in part disappears. ¹¹When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I put the ways of childhood behind me. ¹²For now we see only a reflection as in a mirror; then we shall see face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I am fully known.

¹³And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest of these is love.

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Ebenezer Emissary

Come, dear friends, let us join together with sincere hearts and receptive minds to worship our loving Creator. As we open ourselves to the sunshine of God's presence, we will receive blessings only God can give. Welcome!

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. 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 year olds-B11)

10:15 a.m. Worship Gathering-Pastor Jim (Crossroads Ministry Center)
Body Life: All You Need Is Love
Special Music: Mary Glick

11:30 a.m. Berean Class Party (Fellowship Hall)

6:30 p.m. Junior High/High School Small Groups (Schoolhouse)
Small Groups (Kings, Lemleys)
Women's Ministry Committee Meeting (115)

6:45 p.m. Disciple Singers' Choir (Grades 1-6, 118-119)

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

~ PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE SERVING IN MISSIONS ~

Kathy Steiner February 4-15 Kenya, Africa

Missions Team (Group of 18) February 12-19 Haiti

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on February 5:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	260
Morning Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	401
Evening Fellowship Ministries	(7:00 p.m.)	70

~ MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY ~

We are in need of a few more MOPPET workers or substitutes, particularly for infants through age 2. MOPS meet the second and fourth Monday of the month (October-May) from 9:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. Please contact Tobi Meyer at 419-303-2899 if you are interested or have any questions.

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Marvin & Karen Garmatter
Missions Center: Jady Barhorst and Emily Metzger

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: FEBRUARY 13-19

(ABF- Adult Bible Fellowship, CMC-Crossroads Ministry Center, FH-Fellowship Hall)

Monday	9:00 a.m.	MOPS (FH)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (Bluffton McDonald's)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (FH)
	5:30 p.m.	Family Supper (FH)
	6:00 p.m.	Men's Prayertime for Families (103) Women's War Room (FH)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (CMC)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (103) Children's Ministries (Various Classrooms) Junior High Wednesday Night (117) Ladies' Book Study (Schoolhouse) Men's Bible Study (Sanctuary Overflow)
	7:05 p.m.	Small Group (Bluffton McDonald's)
	Thursday	7:00 p.m.
8:30 p.m.		Young Adult Basketball (CMC)
Sunday		9:00 a.m.
	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 (CMC)
	11:30 a.m.	Wild Game Committee Meeting (FH)
	6:30 p.m.	Junior High/High School Small Groups (Schoolhouse) Small Groups (Kings, Lemleys)
	6:45 p.m.	Disciple Singers' Choir (Grades 1-6, 118-119)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (Sanctuary)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 19 ~

The Infant and Toddler Nursery:

Sarah Lehman, Seth & Kara Zink

The Good News Hour:

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

The congregational business meeting to approve the 2016 Reports and the proposed 2017 Missions Budget is scheduled for Sunday, February 26, following the morning service. The Annual Report for 2016 will be handed out today following the Morning Worship Gathering.

The Transport for Christ Second Chance Chapel's banquet and concert will be held Friday, February 17, at 6:30 p.m. at Marbeck Center, Bluffton University. Singing guests will be "11th Hour" from Baton Rouge, Louisiana. Your meal has already been paid for, but you must call and make reservations by tomorrow with David Lugibihl at 419-230-3294. Seating is limited to the first 400.

~ THANK YOU ~

Dear Ebenezer family and friends: Thank you so very much for the love and support through the cards, visits, and prayers. A special thank you to our pastoral staff for all the love and encouragement during Dad's illness and homegoing. *Thanks again, Marvin Reigle family*

I would like to thank Kathy Brauen and Pastor Dick for being with me and my family during my procedure at Toledo Hospital. I am also grateful for all the prayers that went up on my behalf. I found out that God is not good – He is great! – *Ron Zimmerly*

Dear Ebenezer: You are making a difference in the lives of the people of Korah and we are deeply grateful and appreciate your generosity! Thank you for your kind gift towards medical supplies through our Christmas catalogue. We are so grateful and encouraged by your support of Korah! This will have a profound impact on the lives of our families and children in Ethiopia. Thank you! – *Blessings, Karissa and the Hope for Korah team*

We want to thank you for your personal financial gift given at year end, 2016. There were matching gifts given to the first \$10,000 – given above regular monthly gifts. The yearend/end of year giving totaled almost \$53,000! We are blessed to have passionate partners with us in prayer, volunteering their time, and financial support for the mission of Youth for Christ. Thank you for your sacrifice in sharing. You are a blessing. Almost \$4,000 was given to the Paul Miserlian Foundation to have a lasting impact on his desire to see this mission funded. God makes these numbers possible! We are excited to see how He multiplies these gifts to reach more young people! *We are privileged to serve with you, The staff of Youth for Christ of Northwest Ohio, Hancock Co., Pandora/Bluffton, and Rally Point Youth Center – Lima. Thank you for partnering with us! Don & Ann Leader*