

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 _____

Please remove items from the church refrigerators and freezers, so that there will be room to store food for the Wild Game Event, Saturday, April 1. Thank you!

~ 2 CORINTHIANS 5:17-21 (NIV) ~

¹⁷Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come: The old has gone, the new is here! ¹⁸All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. ²⁰We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

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)

Apr. 14 Good Friday Service (7:00 p.m., CMC)

Apr. 16 SonRise Service (7:30 a.m., CMC)

SonRise Breakfast (8:30 a.m., CMC)

Easter Worship Service (10:15 a.m., CMC)

No Sunday School, ABF, or Evening Fellowship Service

Apr. 26 Wednesday Children's Ministries Skate Night

(6:00 p.m., Grove Skateland)

Apr. 29 Wild Game Trap Shoot (8:30 a.m., outside field)

Apr. 30 Disciple Singers, *Kidz Under Construction* (10:15 a.m., CMC)

May 4 National Day of Prayer Event (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*)

Electronic giving (E-giving) is a viable way to give your tithes and offerings. Please go to Ebenezer's website <http://ebenezymennonite.org> and click on the Online Giving link (bottom left) to receive information and instructions which will lead you through the process of registering to consistently give to the church or to make one-time gifts. If you desire assistance with the set-up process or have questions or problems, please contact Kathy Brauen at the church office 419-358-8588.

March 19, 2017

Ebenezer Emissary



We are grateful for your presence today. In this place of worship, let your worries give way to peace and your doubts be changed into hope. Let us remind ourselves that the Lord holds the whole world in His hands. May the Lord bless us all.

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. Membership Class (115)
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*)
Philemon: Mending Torn Relationships
Scripture: Pastor David
Special Music: Kevin Gratz

6:00 p.m. Disciple Singers' Choir & Actors (*Grades 1-6, CMC*)

6:30 p.m. Junior High/High School Small Groups (*Schoolhouse*)
Small Groups (*Kings, Lemleys*)

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

Scheduled Surgery: Ron Steiner, tomorrow at Cleveland Clinic.

Easter Reflections: Stop by the table in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer and pick up a special edition of *Our Daily Bread* to help you anticipate and prepare for Resurrection Sunday on April 16. Included are ten reflections designed to help you in your spiritual journey during this most holy time. Allow this devotional booklet to strengthen, comfort, and encourage you and your friends this Easter season.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on March 12:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	271
Morning Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	402
Evening Fellowship Ministries	(7:00 p.m.)	95

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Jerry & Vickie Cartwright
Missions Center: Jodi Conley, Lydia Huber

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: MARCH 20-26

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

Monday	7:00 p.m.	Ladies' Bible Study (<i>Sanctuary Foyer</i>)
Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (<i>FH</i>)
	5:30 p.m.	Family Supper (<i>FH</i>)
	6:00 p.m.	Men's Prayertime for Families (<i>103</i>) Women's War Room (<i>FH</i>)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (<i>103</i>) Children's Ministries (<i>Various Classrooms</i>) Junior High Wednesday Night (<i>117</i>) Ladies' Book Study (<i>Schoolhouse</i>) Men's Bible Study (<i>Sanctuary Overflow</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	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 Ministries Com. Meeting (<i>103</i>) Men's Prayer Time (<i>Sanctuary</i>) Young Adult Small Group (<i>Jaden & Amber August's home</i>)
	8:30 p.m.	Young Adult Basketball (<i>CMC</i>)
Saturday	8:30 a.m.	Wild Game Trap Shoot (<i>outside field</i>)
	1:00 p.m.	Hope for Korah (<i>CMC</i>)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Membership Class (<i>115</i>) Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship (<i>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>)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (<i>CMC</i>)
	11:30 a.m.	Wild Game Committee Meeting (<i>FH</i>)
	6:00 p.m.	Disciple Singers' Choir & Actors (<i>Grades 1-6, CMC</i>)
	6:30 p.m.	Junior High/High School Small Groups (<i>Schoolhouse</i>) Small Groups (<i>Kings, Lemleys</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (<i>Sanctuary</i>)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, MARCH 26 ~

The Infant and Toddler Nursery: Ryan & Katie Kruse,
Patty Geiger, Stacy Stumbaugh

The Good News Hour: Jaden & Amber August, Emily Gladwell,
Cory & Molly Meyer, Kathy Steiner, Lauren Willow

~ WILD GAME EVENT NEWS ~

Tickets are still available for the Wild Game Night Event, Saturday, April 1, in the Crossroads Ministry Center. All tickets are pre-sold for \$15 which includes exhibits at 5:00 p.m., appetizers at 5:30 p.m., and dinner at 6:00 p.m. Our guest speaker is Joe Martin of Runnin'N Gunnin' Productions, a hunting show on YouTube and HuntTv with tree and bay dogs. If interested, contact Tina Alt at 419-410-4205.

The Wild Game Committee is looking for volunteers to help us serve our guests. If you can help, please sign up on either bulletin board or in your Adult Bible Fellowship class. Thank you.

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

Children's Sunday School Class photos will be taken during the Sunday School Class hour today.

The Trustees are now accepting bids for the 2017 mowing of the church and cemetery lawns. Please submit your bid to the church office or Trustee no later than 5:00 p.m., Sunday, April 2.

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

You can help! Come and join us Saturday, March 25, at 1:00 p.m. here at the church as we stand with our brothers and sisters affected by the trashslide/landslide in Korah, Ethiopia. We will pray for those who are suffering, share stories and videos, and serve a pancake and tea to replicate the breakfast served to the children in Korah each morning. Let's "mourn with those who mourn" and reach out our hands to lift them up.

Facing Darkness a Samaritan's Purse film will be shown one day only on Thursday, March 30, in Lima and Findlay theaters. The movie takes you into the fight against the Ebola pandemic in West Africa. This film features Dr. Kent Brantly, Franklin Graham, Nancy Writebol, and other Samaritan's Purse team members who with faith, determination, and prayer witnessed God perform miracles.