

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 ~

Just fill in the information needed below or e-mail the church office at: info@ebenezermennonite.org. Thank you!

Student Name: _____

Date/Time: _____

High School/College: _____

Degree (if applicable): _____

Vacation Bible School teacher/volunteer training will be held Sunday, June 4, at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. All those volunteering for VBS need to attend this training. Donuts will be provided.

Day for Fishing! Sign up for the Fishing Charter at Fisherman's Wharf with Irish Drifters Charters on June 10, from 7 a.m.–2 p.m. before we get filled up! The cost is \$35/person and includes all bait. To sign up, contact Pastor Dick Potter at the church 419-358-8588 or at 567-204-0647.

Our Daily Bread: Pick up your copy of the June, July, August 2017 issue at the Information Center in the Missions Center or the wall rack in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer.

~ MANY THANKS ~

Thank you so much to our Ebenezer family from the family of Max Rodabaugh. Whether you sent a kind note, gave a gift in memory of Max, provided food, hugged us, prayed for us, or showed your love and support for us in some other way, thank you! We have been so well cared for during this time of loss and we thank God for you!!

Thank you so much for those who donated towards the scholarships to Ice Camp at Miracle Camp. This meant so much to those who may not have been able to go without your help. A quote from one student: *We had so much fun and personally I really needed it. I have been so scared to come to Christ for many reasons, but when I was there I learned that what I needed to do was let go and let God. It was on the second night I realized this. I came home and told my mom I wanted to start going to church much more. This would not have happened without the scholarship so thank you very much!*

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- May 25** Women's Ministries Mystery Dinner
(meet at Campito Lindo Mexican in Bluffton)
- June 3** High School & Agape *(7:00 p.m., Lima Rescue Home)*
- June 4** VBS Teacher/Volunteer Training *(Sanctuary)*
- June 4-9** Vacation Bible School
- June 10** Wild Game Fishing Charter *(Fisherman's Wharf)*
- June 11-17** Middle School 1 *(Miracle Camp, Grades 5-7)*
- June 18-24** Junior High 1 *(Miracle Camp, Grades 6-8)*
- June 24** Wild Game Trap Shoot *(outside field)*
- June 25-July 1** Senior High 1 *(Miracle Camp, Grades 9-12)*
- July 9-17** High School Students *(Toronto, Canada)*
- 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)*
- Aug. 4,5,6** Dinner Theatre
- Jan. 12-14** Junior High Ice Camp *(Miracle Camp)*
- Feb. 23-25** High School Ice Camp *(Miracle Camp)*



May 14, 2017

Ebenezer Emissary



It is with joy that we welcome all worshipers. We are especially happy to welcome mothers as we celebrate Mother's Day and the Christian home. Let us take time to thank God for our families.

If you are visiting today 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 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 *(CMC)*
Live in a New Way-Intergenerational Church
- 11:30 a.m.** Mother's Day Chicken BBQ *(pick up in kitchen)*
****No Evening Fellowship Service****

~ MOTHER'S DAY CHICKEN BBQ ~

Thank you so much to those who reserved chicken BBQ. Your donations will help send the youth group to serve at Journey Church, Toronto Canada (July 9-17). There are extra meals/chicken available if you are interested. Please pick up your order following the Morning Worship Gathering in the Fellowship Hall.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on May 7:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	284
Morning Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	407
Evening Fellowship Ministries	(7:00 p.m.)	66

Donations for Playground: If you are interested in assisting with the cost of the new playground equipment, please give to the Building Fund and designate "Playground" on your donation. Thank you!

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Bart & Joy Moser
Missions Center: Don & Vicki Kirkendall

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: MAY 15-21

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

Tuesday	6:30 a.m.	Men's Small Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Trustee & Legacy Finance Committee Meeting (<i>103</i>)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (<i>FH</i>)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Bible Study & Prayer (<i>103</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	Connections Small Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Deacon 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>)
	7:30 p.m.	Agape (college & career) ABF Class (<i>home of Chuck & Saun Niswander</i>)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Promotion Sunday (<i>All Sunday School and ABF classes please meet in the CMC</i>)
	10:00 a.m.	The Good News Hour (<i>2 year olds-B16, 3 year olds-B10, 4&5 year olds-B11</i>)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (<i>CMC</i>)
	6:30 p.m.	Youth Volunteer Meeting (<i>Schoolhouse</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Evening Fellowship Service (<i>Sanctuary</i>)
		Youth Toronto Trip Meeting (<i>Schoolhouse</i>)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, MAY 21 ~

The Infant and Toddler Nursery:

Aaron & Emily Koogler, Seth & Kara Zink

The Good News Hour:

Janet Brauen, Rosemary Carman, Jason & Kim Fritsch,
Kim Gordon, Jessica Robinson, Olivia Spallinger

All Ladies: Women's Ministry needs you! Today we are visiting the Adult Bible Fellowship Classes and passing out a survey that you can fill out at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/R6NSYQJ> or return the paper survey to a committee member. We would appreciate your feedback! Please complete the survey by the end of May. - *Thanks, Julie McKanna, Kelli Foster, Jaime Shaw, Lisa Shadle, Emily Koogler, Christina Lemley, & Tammy Whitlow*

~ HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE GRADUATES ~

Graduate Recognition Sunday is May 28, during the morning Worship Gathering at 10:15. Please fill out the Graduation Information on the Ebenezer Communications Card which is part of the Emissary and place in the offering plate or e-mail the church office at info@ebenezermennonite.org. Thank you!

~ YOUTH NEWS ~

Junior High and High School Students
Trip to Stevi B's and Putt Putt on Saturday, May 20
Meet at the church at 5:00 p.m. Cost is \$15
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Toronto trip meeting on Sunday, May 21  
Volunteers will meet from 6:30-7:00 p.m.  
Students 7:00-8:15 p.m.

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~ PLEASE NOTE ~

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**In Rehabilitation:** Dwight Bixel, Mennonite Memorial Home.

**Infant nursery** will be closed until after Vacation Bible School week. Infants and toddlers will be combined in the Toddler nursery.

**No limits cheese sale!** Thanks to all who purchased cheese. We have Pearl Valley mozzarella, Colby, baby Swiss, and mild Swiss. A \$5 suggested donation for a 12 oz. package. The cheese is located in the kitchen window during the chicken BBQ. All funds go to the summer youth trip to Toronto.

**Agape (college & career) ABF Class:** You are invited Saturday, May 20, at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Chuck & Saun Niswander (8680 Putnam Road, Pandora) for an evening around the fire with hot dogs and s'mores. Bring a lawn chair and friends. If you have questions call Barb Steiner at 419-230-0979.

**Mystery Dinner** is back ladies! Although this first one, not such a mystery, as we are meeting at Campito Lindo Mexican Restaurant in Bluffton on Thursday, May 25, at 5:00 p.m. If you are coming e-mail [kelli.foster@gmail.com](mailto:kelli.foster@gmail.com) or call/text 419-234-3559 by May 24. Thanks! - *Kelli Foster*

**Save the dates of June 4-9** for Vacation Bible School. We are so excited to find out this year how God made us and what we were made to do! Please sign up at <https://vbspro.events/p/c3e1f3> to help as crew leaders, crafts, recreation, KidVid, Bible teacher, kitchen staff, etc. or sign up your children age 4 years old – students leaving Grade 6. You will see tables with food donations and sign-up forms in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer. #builtforapurpose