

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 _____

An Adult Bible Fellowship elective will begin Sunday, July 30, at 9:00 a.m. in Room 115. The elective is titled “Lead – Servant Leadership” It is available to anyone 18 years and older. Classes will run six weeks, July 30-September 3. If you want more information, contact Pastor Jim.

For those newer to our fellowship and college age are invited to stay for lunch shortly after the Worship Gathering Sunday, August 27. This is an opportunity to get to know one another better! Lunch will be provided - all we need is you! Contact Pastor Jim at jim.king@ebenezymennonite.org if you have any questions.

~ CHURCH CONTACT INFORMATION ~

Ebenezer Mennonite Church

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Phone: 419-358-8588

Website: www.ebenezymennonite.org

E-mail: info@ebenezymennonite.org

~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- July 21-23** Family Camp (*Deer Creek Park*)
July 27 Ladies’ Mystery Dinner (*meet at church at 5:15 p.m., will go to Hollander On Main in Lima*)
July 29 Wild Game Trap Shoot (*outside field*)
July 30-Aug. 2 Grade School 3 Half Week (*Miracle Camp, Grades2-4*)
July 30-Aug. 5 Grade School 2 Full Week (*Miracle Camp, Grades2-4*)
Aug. 4,5,6 Dinner Theatre – *The Service at Rocky Bluff* (*6:00 p.m. each night, CMC*)
Aug. 13 Baptism Service (*6:30 p.m.*)
Aug. 27 Engage Luncheon (*11:30 a.m., CMC*)
Jan. 12-14 Junior High Ice Camp (*Miracle Camp*)
Feb. 23-25 High School Ice Camp (*Miracle Camp*)

~ SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 9:00 A.M. ~

Infant & Toddler Nursery - 106

~ Sunday School for Children ~

Age 2 - B16

Age 3&4 - B-10 a&b

Ages 5&6 - B-11

Grade 1 - B-12

Grade 2 - B-14

Grade 3 - B-18

Grade 4 - B-13

Grade 5 – Sanctuary 4 (*Upstairs*)

Grade 6 - B-15

Grades 7 & 8 (*Junior High*) - B-17

Grades 9 – 12 (*High School*) - Schoolhouse

~ Adult Bible Fellowship (ABF) ~

Agape (*college & career*) – 116

Genesis - Sanctuary Foyer

Maranantha - Sanctuary Overflow

Living Faith – 112-114 (*Fellowship Hall*)

New to Ebenezer – 103

Berean – 118-119

July 9, 2017

Ebenezer Emissary

We welcome you to worship! 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.

~ 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*)
Teach Us to Pray – Pray Like Solomon
Scripture & Prayer: Pastor David
Special Music: Tiffany Rodabaugh

~ THOSE SERVING IN TORONTO, CANADA JULY 9-17 ~

Students: Jadyne Barhorst, Zac Basinger, Madeline Burghaze, Lilian Burkholder, Leah Conley, Kim Gordon, Daniel Huber, Emma Klinger, Grant Klinger, Emily Metzger, Jared Meyer, Eden Nygaard, Theri Plethu, Miranda Schutz, Sarah Schutz, Lily Shadle, Maria Spallinger, Luke Young

Leaders: Pastor David, Pastor Jim & Pat, Hanné Burkholder, Jodi Conley, Tobi Meyer, Cindy Moser, Lynn & Linda Saunders, Levi Shadle.

The team will lead a Day Camp/VBS for 65+ Chinese children from the Markham, Ontario area. The camp runs from 9 a.m.-4 p.m. so please pray for energy and listening hearts for the children!

~ BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT ~

Congratulations to Mark & Julie Rieman on the birth of their son, Trace Vincent, on Thursday, July 6, weighing 9 lb. 3 oz.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on July 2:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	225
Morning Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	356

White Christmas in July: The month of July is time to remember and honor our Ebenezer member missionaries with our White Christmas giving. This annual offering is to help make Christmas a little more special for our missionaries. Please use the small envelope for your gift and place in the offering plate. There are extra envelopes in the Missions Center at the Information Counter. (Since Christmas gifts are considered personal by the IRS, no tax-deductible receipts will be issued.) - *The Missions Committee*

~ WEDDING ANNOUNCEMENT ~

Congratulations to Matthew & Millie (Sievers) Spallinger who were united in marriage yesterday here at Ebenezer.

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Jerry & Vickie Cartwright
Missions Center: Dave & Lydia Huber

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JULY 10-16

(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>)
Wednesday	9:00 a.m.	Game Time (<i>FH</i>)
	6:15 p.m.	Worship Team Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	Connections Small Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
Thursday	6:30 p.m.	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Men's Prayer Time (<i>Sanctuary</i>) Young Adult Small Group (<i>Jaden & Amber August's home</i>)
	8:45 p.m.	Young Adult Basketball (<i>CMC</i>)
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	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>)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 16 ~

Infants and Toddlers together in the Toddler Nursery:

Job & Jammie Halker Family

The Good News Hour:

Janet Brauen, Rosemary Carman, Kim Gordon, Charles & Alison Mosler, Jessica Robinson, Diane Sharrock, Olivia Spallinger

A group of Mennonite church leaders (including Hasson Mosoka) from Tanzania, will be sharing their vision to reach one million of their people in 15 years. If you are interested in hearing about this evangelism and church planting venture, you are invited to Campito Lindo on Monday, July 17, at 6:00 p.m.

If you desire baptism please sign up with Pastor Jim (jim.king@ebenezymennonite.org) or Pastor David (david.glick@ebenezymennonite.org) to take two baptism classes meeting on Sundays, July 30 & August 6, in the schoolhouse (available for anyone Grade 9 to adult). Classes will meet right after Worship until 1:00 p.m. and lunch will be included. The baptism service will take place on Sunday, August 13, at 6:30 p.m.



Dinner Theatre News

Ticket sales begin today at 8:00 a.m. in the Missions Center. May be purchased in the church office Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

The Service at Rocky Bluff, a two-act musical comedy by Scott Icenhower, is the biennial Dinner Theatre presented by the Ebenezer Drama Ensemble in the Crossroads Ministry Center August 4, 5, 6. Tickets sales begin July 9, at 8:00 a.m. Tickets are \$10 and include dinner at 6:00 and the show at 7:00 each evening. A genuinely funny and tender play with plenty of familiar songs, like *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*, *The Unclouded Day*, *Since Jesus Came into My Heart*, *A Wonderful time Up There*, *I'll Fly Away*, and many more. The cast includes Kara Zink, Mary Glick, Sarah Lehman, Sam Brauen, Shawn Stevens, and Kevin Gratz. Band members are Janie Wireman, Roger Rhodes, Raymond Harner, and Dave Brauen. A portion of the proceeds will be given to our Small Town Super Hero: Owen Weaver.

Servers are needed for all three nights of the Dinner Theatre. If you are available any or all evenings August 4,5,& 6, please sign up in the Missions Center or contact Mary Gratz at 419-358-6410.

Assistant Receptionist/Secretary: We are searching for a person to provide vacation and sick-time relief for Deb Hilty. This person needs to be proficient with telephone communication, computer applications including Word and Excel, scheduling, database entry, and e-mail correspondence. Stop by Kathy Brauen's office to pick up a job description and job application.

Electronic giving (E-giving) is now 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.