

July 16, 2017



# Ebenezer Emissary

We give you a warm welcome. What a delight to have you join in fellowship today. May you feel God's presence as you worship. *Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker. Psalm 95:6*

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 Dick *(CMC)*  
*Teach Us to Pray – Pray Like Isaiah*  
*Scripture & Prayer: Pastor Dale*  
*Special Music: Sam & Dave Brauen*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE RETURNING FROM TORONTO, CANADA LATER TODAY

**Students:** Jadyne Barhorst, Zac Basinger, Madeline Burghaze, Lillian Burkholder, Leah Conley, Kim Gordon, Daniel Huber, Emma Klinger, Grant Klinger, Emily Metzger, Jared Meyer, Eden Nygaard, 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.

**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” and 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.

**Week 1** – Sunday, July 30

*Servant Leader - Christian Character of the Leader*  
*Iceberg Illustration*

Mark 10:35-45; Galatians 5:16-26; 1 Timothy 3; Titus 1:5-9

**Leaders:** Don Leader and Lynn Saunders

**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.

### ~ THANK YOU ~

**My dear Ebenezer church family:** Thank you for the many cards, letters, and notes you have so graciously written. Your choice of cards and words has encouraged and blessed me as I have read them and have kept them close for more times of reading and offering prayers of thanks for you all! You have been so very generous and kind in your remarks which give me reason to glorify our God and Savior! What an honor to have had the privilege of serving you in the ministry of the church for so many years. I pray that God will continue to bless you and your leaders and pastors. I thank God for you all and miss your fellowship. Thank you for your prayers which God is hearing! - *With love and peace* (John 14:27)  
*Pastor Warren*

### ~ UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ~

- July 27** Ladies' 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)*

### 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 \_\_\_\_\_

**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.

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~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

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**Attendance on July 9:**

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	234
Morning Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	428

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**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*

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~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

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*Crossroads Ministry Center:* Jerry & Vickie Cartwright  
*Missions Center:* Dean & Deb Klingler

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OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JULY 17-23

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

- Monday 6:00 p.m.** Legacy Investment Com. Meeting (103)  
**7:00 p.m.** Church Council Meeting (103)
- Tuesday 6:30 a.m.** Men's Small Group (Bluffton McDonald's)
- Wednesday 9:00 a.m.** Game Time (FH)  
**6:00 p.m.** Worship Team Rehearsal (CMC)  
**7:00 p.m.** Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (CMC)  
**7:05 p.m.** Connections Small Group (Bluffton McDonald's)
- Thursday 7:00 p.m.** Men's Prayer Time (Sanctuary)  
Young Adult Small Group (Jaden & Amber August's home)  
**8:45 p.m.** Young Adult Basketball (CMC)
- Friday 5:00 p.m.** Family Camp (Deer Creek Park)
- Sunday 9:00 a.m.** Family Camp Morning Service (Deer Creek Park)  
Mark & Liz Sisler, Naomi's Village (For all ages meet in the CMC)  
**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)  
**6:30 p.m.** Small Group—Teach Us to Pray (Bluffton McDonald's)
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~ NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 23 ~

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**Infants and Toddlers together in the Toddler Nursery:**

Deb Hilty and Tammy Whitlow

**The Good News Hour:**

Emily Gladwell, Pat King, Cory & Molly Meyer, Kathy Steiner, Bev Stockman, Lauren Willow

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**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.



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**A Musical Comedy  
Dinner Theatre**

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Tickets on sale today in the Missions Center. They may be also 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 are \$10 and include dinner at 6:00 and the show at 7:00 each evening. Dinner menu consists of an appetizer, bread, Henry's skinless boneless baked chicken, baked potato, green beans, slaw, and Anita's apple pie. The drama is 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.

**All Ladies are invited** to meet at the church at 5:15 p.m. on Thursday, July 27, for a ride to Hollander on Main in Lima or meet at the restaurant by 6:00 p.m.