

Ebenezer Communications Card

Please take a moment to complete the information below. You may place in the offering plate. Thank you!

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. 3-10 Missions Trip with Mission Possible (*Haiti*)

Feb. 10 Ultimate Date Night/ Jay & Laura Laffoon
(6:30 p.m., CMC)

Feb. 11 ABF-*Navigating the Seasons of Marriage* (9 a.m., CMC)
Worship Gathering-Jay & Laura Laffoon
Blessed Beyond Belief (10:15 a.m., CMC)

Feb. 11-17 SIM Work Team (*Charlotte, NC*)

Feb. 23-25 High School Ice Camp (*Miracle Camp*)

Feb. 25 Congregational Meeting (11:30 a.m., CMC)

March 3 High School (7:00 p.m., *Lima Rescue Home*)

Mar. 24 Wild Game Event (5:00 p.m., CMC)

April 7 Berean ABF (7:00 p.m., *Lima Rescue Home*)

May 5 High School (7:00 p.m., *Lima Rescue Home*)

June 2 High School (7:00 p.m., *Lima Rescue Home*)

June 3-8 Vacation Bible School Week (6:30 p.m., *ages 4-Grade 6*)

June 10-16 Middle School 1 (*Grades 5&6, Miracle Camp*)

June 17-23 Junior High 1 (*Grades 7&8, Miracle Camp*)

July 14-21 Young Adult Missions Trip with Be2Live (*Mexico*)

July 27-29 Family Camp 2018 (*Whitewater Memorial State Park, Indiana*)

July 29-Aug. 1 Grade School 2&3 (*Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp*)

July 29-Aug. 4 Grade School 2&3 (*Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp*)

Special Music – Piano Solo

We Are an Offering

We lift our voices
We lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You
We are an offering

Lord use our voices
Lord use our hands
Lord use our lives
They are Yours
We are an offering

All that we have
All the we are
All that we hope to be
We give to You
We give to You

We lift our voices
We lift our hands
We lift our lives up to You
We are an offering

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January 28, 2018

Ebenezer Emissary

Welcome friends! Remember the words of the psalmist who prayed: *We are filled with the good things of your house* (Psalm 65:4). God is here! We are here! Let us join together in mind and spirit to worship the source of all life, Almighty God.

Make yourself at home; you are among friends who would love for you to be part of the family! 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)
Be Holy: The Burnt Offering – A Holy Dedication
Special Music: Brent Zimmerman

6:30 p.m. Disciple Singers' Choir (*Grades 1-6, 118-119*)
High School Small Groups (*Meet in schoolhouse*)

6:32 p.m. Small Groups (*King, Lemley, Luginbuhl*)

7:00 p.m. Sunday Evening Bible Study (*Sanctuary Foyer*)

Giving receipts for 2017 are ready and available for you to pick up in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer. Receipts which are not picked up will be mailed this week. Thank you for giving!

~ PRAYER CONCERNS ~

Please pray for the 30 plus Junior High school students and their 11 leaders as they return from Ice Camp at Miracle Camp in Michigan this afternoon.

In the Hospital: Ann Gladwell, Bluffton.

~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on January 21:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	270
Morning Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	411
Evening Fellowship Ministries	(7:00 p.m.)	72

Tickets are on sale today in the back of the Crossroads Ministry Center! You won't want to miss the *Ultimate Date Night* with **Jay & Laura Laffoon** on Saturday, February 10, at 6:30 p.m. in the CMC. All married couples and those who are currently dating will enjoy attending this hilarious glimpse into married life. It's full of laughter, entertainment, and ministry as Jay & Laura explore the unique reality marriage brings to everyday life! Dinner menu of chicken breast or pulled pork, green beans, baked potatoes, roll, and cheesecake is included in the ticket price of \$10 per person. You may also purchase tickets in the church office Monday-Friday (9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.).

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Hanné Streicher, Janie Wireman
Missions Center: Wayne & Susan Bixel

OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JANUARY 29-FEBRUARY 4

(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.	Beth Moore's Daniel Study (<i>Sanctuary Foyer</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>)
		Worship Team Rehearsal (<i>CMC</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Adult Devotional & Prayer (<i>103</i>)
		Children's Ministries (<i>Various Classrooms</i>)
		Cup of Grace (<i>Church Library</i>)
		Junior High Dodgeball and Devos (<i>CMC</i>)
		<i>Pleasing Our Savior More Each Day</i> (<i>Schoolhouse</i>)
	7:05 p.m.	Connections Small Group (<i>Bluffton McDonald's</i>)
	8:30 p.m.	High School Bread of Life Ministries (<i>Church Kitchen</i>)
		High School Dodgeball (<i>CMC</i>)
Thursday	7:00 p.m.	Men's Prayer Time (<i>Sanctuary</i>)
	8:30 p.m.	Young Adult Basketball (<i>CMC</i>)
Saturday	7:00 p.m.	Maranatha ABF (<i>Lima Rescue Home</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, 3 year olds-B10, 4&5 year olds-B11</i>)
	10:15 a.m.	Worship Gathering (<i>CMC</i>)
	11:30 a.m.	Trustee Meeting (<i>103</i>)
	6:30 p.m.	Disciple Singers' Choir (<i>Grades 1-6, 118-119</i>)
		Junior High & High School Small Groups (<i>Meet in schoolhouse</i>)
	6:32 p.m.	Small Groups (<i>King, Lemley, Luginbuhl</i>)
	7:00 p.m.	Sunday Evening Bible Study (<i>Sanctuary Foyer</i>)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4 ~

Infant and Toddler Nurseries:

Sue Epp, Deb Hilty, Gail Schantz, Tammy Whitlow

The Good News Hour:

Kathy & Cassandra Bishop, Mary Glick, Traci Heinze,
John & Jaime Shaw

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

Year-end reports for 2017 are due today. All boards and committees should submit their annual reports to the church office for inclusion in the 2017 Annual Report.

Family Campers: Believe it or not, it is time to start thinking about booking your site for Family Camp 2018! This year we will be staying at Whitewater State Park in Indiana. Dates are July 27-29. Stop by the Missions Center for more information, or if you have questions!

We want to show our college youth how much we care and pray for them. Please consider taking a heart and commit to sending them a gift thru the month of February and, if led, do so through May. Hearts and a prayer list are on a table outside the CMC **beginning February 4**. If a college student name is not on prayer list, please let the church know.

PrimeTimers will take place at noon on Tuesday, February 6, at St. John Mennonite Church. Following a free luncheon, ACE Basketball will perform. PrimeTimers is a monthly lunch gathering for persons age 55 or older. For more information including the menu, please see the church bulletin boards.

If you have extra cookies or cookie dough, SIM (Serving in Mission) could use more than we brought last year! Please put in the church freezer marked for SIM. We will also need cookie dough in February before we go to Charlotte, North Carolina on Sunday, February 11. Thank you, it is so appreciated. - *Ginny Moser*

Senior High Ice Camp is February 23-25. Cost is \$115 and financial aid is available. Payment is due the week before. Contact Pastor David at 567-204-9777.

Mark your calendar: June 3-8. Vacation Bible School *Shipwrecked - Rescued by Jesus*. Start thinking and praying about how you would like to help. Are you crafty, do you like to hold babies, like to hang out with kids, pray, or sing are just a few ways you can help. We need all of you (particularly adults college age or older). - *VBS Committee*

We sure appreciate all that your whole church community contributed to the success of our shoe drive. Thank you! – *BFR Sports and Fitness*