Dear Ebenezer Church Family:

Merry Christmas in July! Christmas reminds us of the good news that Christ came to earth to save sinners! As we transition from missions to pastoral ministry this fall, we’re excited to continue proclaiming this same hope! We really enjoyed the time we’ve had getting to know so many of you over the past few years! Thank you so much for your years of faithful prayers and financial support for our ministry! - In awe of His grace, Ben, Ashley, Ezekiel, Titus, & Baby Krueger

~ THANK YOU ~

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~ 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)
Senior High (leave for Miracle Camp)

10:15 a.m. Worship Gathering - Pastor Jim (CMC)
Songs for the Journey: Christ Circles All
Scripture: Pastor David
Special Music: Jammie Halker

11:30 a.m. Baptism Class (Schoolhouse)

~ SPECIAL WELCOME TODAY ~

Daniel & Lynn Plett serve with Trans World Radio in Slovakia. They will share of their ministry in the Genesis Adult Bible Fellowship Class at 9:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary Foyer.

Mark & Liz Sisler serve with Naomi’s Village in Kenya. They will share of their ministry in the High School Sunday School Class at 9:00 a.m. in the schoolhouse.
~ ATTENDANCE AND GIVING ~

Attendance on July 15:
- Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship (9:00 a.m.)  240
- Morning Worship Gathering (10:15 a.m.)  364

~ 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

~ TODAY'S GREETERS ~

Crossroads Ministry Center: Dan & Barb Steiner

~ OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: JULY 23-29 ~

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

**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)
**7:05 p.m.**  Connections Small Group  (McDonalds)
**Thursday 5:15 p.m.**  Women’s Ministries Mystery Dinner  (meet at the church)
**7:00 p.m.**  Deacon Meeting  (FH)
**8:30 p.m.**  Young Adult Basketball

**Friday 6:30 p.m.**  Family Camp  

Family Camp Morning Service  

(Whitewater Memorial State Park, Indiana)

Sunday School & Adult Bible Fellowship  

(Whitewater Memorial State Park, Indiana)

**10:00 a.m.**  The Good News Hour  (2 year olds-B16, 3 year olds-B10, 4&5 year olds-B11)

Grade School 2&3  (Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)

**10:15 a.m.**  Worship Gathering  (CMC)

~ NEXT SUNDAY, JULY 29 ~

**Infant and Toddler Nurseries:** Teresa Marquart, Bev Stockman

**Good News Hour:** Jammie, Kirby, & Keaton Halker, Grant Klinger, Bruce & Cindy Moser, Maria Spallinger

~ UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS ~

**Saturday, August 4** – High School and Junior High trip to Toledo Mud Hens’ baseball game. Meet at the church at 4 p.m. Cost is $20.

**Saturday, August 18** – High School and Junior High trip to Indian Lake for tubing, swimming, and food. Meet at the church at 10 a.m. and bring $15.

~ CHILDREN’S WORSHIP BULLETIN ~

Children ages 7-12 are welcome to pick up at the rear of the Crossroads Ministry Center an age appropriate worship bulletin with activities. Also available are colored pencils and crayons which can be returned after the morning service to the basket.

~ MIRACLE CAMP NEWS ~

Senior High (July 22-28)

Kassandra Bishop  Kaitlyn Clymer  Elijah Conley

Xavier Dunifon  Lauren Gray  Maddy Hall

Grant Klinger  Anna Knauß  Darrien Lim

Lauren Rhodes  Jacob Schutz  Luke Shadle

Olivea Spallinger  Jeremy Sturgeon  Cara Young

Driving to camp: Jodi Conley and Brian & Kendy Young

Driving home: Kathy Bishop and Larry Moser

~ ALL LADIES INVITED ~

Women’s Ministries Mystery Dinner is on Thursday, July 26. It’s called a Mystery Dinner because the location of dinner for the evening is a surprise! All you have to do is RSVP and then show up at church at 5:15 p.m. We all go together in a van. It is really a wonderful time to get to know ladies who you have seen, but maybe not had a chance to chat with. It’s also an easy way to invite a friend to a church event! Please call the church at 419-358-8588 to RSVP or go to: womens.ministry@ebenezermennonite.org by Tuesday, July 24.

~ TRAINING FOR “DINOSAUR DIG” ~

Children Choosing Christ will be at the Allen County Fair. If you are willing to be a volunteer this year, please contact Kay Spallinger at 419-230-9346 or kay.spallinger@gmail.com. Please keep this ministry at the area county fairs in your prayers.

~ BLUFFTON AREA SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE ~

Just a reminder: There is a table provided under the coat rack outside the Fellowship Hall for any school supplies donations toward the Bluffton Community Assistance Corporation (Bluffton Food Pantry) to local families and children who may need help with the back-to-school season. Donations accepted through July 29.

~ PLEASE NOTE ~

Selection of 2019 Church Officers: Please remember to fill out the yellow form with your recommendations. Extra forms are in the Missions Center. Forms may be placed in the offering plate, given to an usher, or to any member of the Nominating Committee listed on the form by next Sunday, July 29.