

## Give Me Jesus

(Piano Prelude)

*Take the world, but give me Jesus,  
All its joys are but a name;  
But His love abideth ever,  
Through eternal years the same.*

*Oh, the height and depth of mercy!  
Oh, the length and breadth of love!  
Oh, the fullness of redemption,  
Pledge of endless life above!*

*Take the world, but give me Jesus;  
In His cross my trust shall be,  
Till, with clearer, brighter vision,  
Face to face my Lord I see.*

*Oh, the height and depth of mercy!  
Oh, the length and breadth of love!  
Oh, the fullness of redemption,  
Pledge of endless life above!*

### Mark 8:36

*For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world,  
and lose his own soul?*

### Ephesians 3:17-21

*... And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love,  
may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how  
wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to  
know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be  
filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who  
is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine,  
according to his power that is at work within us, to him be  
glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all  
generations, for ever and ever! Amen.*

**Ebenezer Church Family:** Thank you for the cards, thoughts, and prayers during my recent surgery. Thanks also to Kathy, Pastor Warren, Pastor Dick, & Cheryl for your visits and comforting words. God is good! – *Karla Burkholder*

**We were truly honored** and blessed by the many cards and also Gideon Bibles that were sent in recognition of our 60<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. Ebenezer friends are some of the finest people on earth! Thank you! – *Paul & Jean Reichenbach*

**Church Around The World:** The monthly newsletter about how God is moving worldwide is located on the table in the Sanctuary Foyer for those who would like to pick up a copy.

### ► UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES ◀

- Aug. 17** David & Marjory Patrick TEAM (7:00 p.m., Sanctuary)  
Afterglow following Evening Service (FH)
- Aug. 21** Ladies' Reading Fellowship (Common Grounds, Bluffton)
- Aug. 24** Christian Education Sunday (Sanctuary)  
CE Appreciation Lunch (12:00 p.m., CMC)  
Family Music Night (7:00 p.m., Sanctuary)
- Aug. 31** Combined Worship Service (10:30 a.m., Sanctuary)  
Video - *Effective Stewardship: Wisdom on the Environment*  
(7:00 p.m., Sanctuary)
- Sept. 6&7, 13&14** Dinner Theatre/~~The Rubber Room~~ (6:00 p.m., CMC)
- Sept. 7** Agape/Living Faith ABF Breakfast (9:30 a.m., CMC)  
Communion Sunday (8:15 & 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary)
- Sept. 28** Gideon Presentation (8:15 & 10:30 a.m., Sanctuary)
- Oct. 28** All Day Sew (9:00 a.m., CMC)
- Nov. 16-23** Missions Conference – *A World Waiting for Jesus*

### Ebenezer Mennonite Church Staff

Pastor Dick Potter, Senior Pastor  
Pastor Jim King, Associate Pastor Elect  
Pastor Wade Slechter, Pastor of Student Ministries  
Rev. Charles Warren, Pastor Emeritus  
Kathy Brauen, Visitation Coordinator/Administrative Assistant  
Deb Hilty, Secretary



## Ebenezer

Emissary Weekly  
August 3, 2008

### Opportunities of the Day

- 8:15 a.m.** Worship Service – Phillip Steiner/**The Quest**  
(Sanctuary)
- 9:30 a.m.** Adult Bible Fellowship  
Sunday School (2-year-olds – High School)
- 10:30 a.m.** Worship Service – Phillip Steiner/**The Quest**  
(Sanctuary)  
Children's Church (3 & 4-years-old)
- 5:00 p.m.** Dinner Theatre Rehearsal (CMC)
- 6:00 p.m.** Women's Ministries Com. Meeting (115)
- 7:00 p.m.** NYC Youth Missions Trip Report (Sanctuary)

**The flowers in the sanctuary** are in memory of Mike, who went home to be with the Lord one year ago today and a thank you to my Ebenezer family for all the prayers, hugs, and support over the last year. – *Susan Hawk*

**The flowers in the foyer** are in honor of Marjorie Marquart's 85th birthday on Wednesday, August 6. We love and appreciate you! - *Joy, Jay, Jed, and families*

**Be sure to return tonight** at 7:00 to hear from our Youth Missions Team. They will share with us some of their experiences in New York City.

**Missionary of the Week: Margaret Edmondson** serves with **AMF International** among the Jewish students in **Florida**. Your prayers are being answered by our gracious Father, and I am so grateful for them! They have prepared hearts and opened doors in miraculous ways. I am so blessed to have you on my team! Thank you for upholding me with your prayers and support. Please take a few moments to mail an encouraging letter to Margaret: at 14813 Carnation Drive., Tampa, FL 33613.

## Attendance and Giving

### Attendance on July 27:

Family Camp Worship Service	(9:00 a.m.)	155
Sunday School & ABF	(9:30 a.m.)	200
Combined Worship Service	(10:30 a.m.)	268

### Giving on July 27:

\$11,421.97

Benevolent Fund	30.00
Building Fund	320.00
Christian Education Fund	228.97
Current Expense Fund	4,778.00
Missions Fund	1,785.00
New Building Fund	3,340.00
White Christmas Offering	840.00
Youth Fund	100.00

**Our sympathy** to the family of Suzanne Herr. Suzanne, daughter of Gary & Ladene (Diller) and the niece of Kathy Brauen, went home to be with the Lord on Sunday, July 27. Funeral services were held Wednesday in Trotwood, OH.

**Recent Move:** Marie Place, Richland Manor, 7400 Swaney Road, Bluffton.

**Reminder to all youth with 4-H projects:** Please provide a schedule with the dates, places, and times you will be showing your projects at the County Fairs. – *Pastor Wade*

**Attention library patrons:** The fiction section has been rearranged alphabetically according to the author's last name. Also, there is a table of used fiction books in the library, free to anyone who is interested.

**Flowers for the Sanctuary:** Please sign your name on the Flower Calendar in the Missions Center if you would be interested in supplying an arrangement for our Sanctuary on August 10 and September 21 & 28.

## Opportunities of the Week: August 4-10

Monday-Friday 7:30 a.m. - Walking Program – Gym

<b>Monday</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	Christian Education Com. Meeting <i>(B14)</i> Dinner Theatre Rehearsal <i>(CMC)</i> Trustee Meeting <i>(FH)</i>
	<b>7:15 p.m.</b>	EMC Softball Game <i>(Village Park, Bluffton)</i>
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal <i>(CMC)</i> Missions Committee Meeting <i>(B14)</i>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>9:00 a.m.</b>	Game Time <i>(FH)</i>
	<b>6:30 p.m.</b>	Worship Team Rehearsal <i>(Sanctuary)</i>
	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal <i>(CMC)</i>
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>7:00 p.m.</b>	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal <i>(CMC)</i>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>5:00 p.m.</b>	Dinner Theatre Rehearsal <i>(CMC)</i>
	<b>8:15 p.m.</b>	Berean Class Get-together <i>(Hefner Dairy)</i>

### Nursery workers for next Sunday, August 10

Holly Gudakunst, Manuel & Marti Meza, Ginny Moser,  
Mark & Kay Spallinger

**All High School Students:** Beginning next Sunday, August 10, at 7:00 p.m. in the schoolhouse we will begin a new three week Bible Study Series. – *Pastor Wade*

**Berean Adult Bible Fellowship Class Get-together:** Next Sunday, August 10, immediately *after* the 7:00 Evening Fellowship service, we will be going to the Hefner Dairy on Route 309 for a time of fellowship.

**Just a reminder** to all Sunday School Scripture Memory Program Students - Promotion Sunday will be August 24, and your memory work will need to be completed before this day.

### TODAY'S GREETERS

Mikaela Diller & Kaitlin Thompson, *Sanctuary Foyer*  
Amber Bewsey & Evania Bonifaz, *Missions Center*  
Joshua & Heidi Steiner, *Crossroads Ministry Center*

**Starting next Sunday, August 10, Dinner Theatre tickets** will be available from 8:00 a.m. – Noon and 6:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. in the Missions Center. Plan now to attend and invite a friend or two to **The Rubber Room** scheduled for September 6, 7, 13, & 14 at 6:00 p.m. in the Crossroads Ministry Center. All tickets are \$10.00. **A donation of \$1.00 per ticket will be given to the Bluffton Community Assistance Corp.** Please be prepared to pay for your tickets when you pick them up.



**Christian Education Promotion Sunday** is on August 24. Lunch that day will be provided by our Christian Education Committee as a thank you to the many CE workers here at Ebenezer. If you plan to attend please sign up at the table in the Missions Center or check the appropriate box on the green EMC Communications Card so we can have a count on how many plan to attend.

### Ministry Opportunity

**A classroom helper** is needed for a 3, 4, or 5-year-old Sunday School Class just once a month. All you need to do is smile, help with attendance, and guide the children during class time. Could this be the ministry opportunity you have been looking for? Think about this and contact the church office 419-358-8588 or Joan Steiner 419-358-0486. You'll enjoy working with these little ones.

**Lost & Found:** Please check out the clothes rack outside the Fellowship Hall for any items you may have left here at the church. Items include: clothes, two sleeping bags, Bible, umbrellas, and kitchen items.

**The Family Fun Finder:** If you are looking for something for the family to do this summer without traveling a long distance, **The Family Fun Finder** booklet may be helpful and is available for you to pick up off the table in the Missions Center.