

Thank you to all who helped with **Crocodile Dock** Vacation Bible School. The average attendance for the week was 157 with a total enrollment of 179. The offering which went for *Operation Kid to Kid* was \$515.61. – *VBS Committee*

Thank you so very much for the many prayers, cards, and caring thoughts expressed during my recent trip to Indianapolis for surgery. Thank you so much to Pastor Dick, Pastor Warren, and Kathy Brauen for your visits. It was such a blessing to have Pastor Warren and Kathy with my family during the procedure. Thank you so much. – *Norma Zimmerly*

Church Family: Thank you for all the prayers and support as I have grown up in this church! I will definitely think back to this church as I use my Study Bible throughout college! Thanks for everything! – *Brittany Ann Sheehan*

Lost & Found Items are located on the coat rack and table outside the kitchen. There are several jackets. Please check it out to see if something looks familiar.

▶ **UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES** ◀

- June 27** Berean ABF Class Party (4:00 p.m., Bill & Joan Steiner's home)
- June 28-July 1** Grade School Short Week (Grades 2-4, Miracle Camp)
- July 5-11** Junior High (Grades 6-7-8, Miracle Camp)
- July 12-18** Senior High (Grades 9-12, Miracle Camp)
- July 19** BBQ & Corn Hole Toss Tournament (5:00 p.m., CMC)
- July 24-26** Family Camp 2009 (Maumee Bay State Park)
- Aug. 30** Teacher Appreciation Sunday/Dr. David Draper of Winebrenner Seminary/*Making Disciples* (10:15 a.m., CMC)
- Sept 12,13,19,&20** Dinner Theatre/***State Road 47*** (CMC)

FAMILY CAMP 2009

Maumee Bay State Park - **July 24-26**

Contact Greg & Sue Luginbill for reservations.

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EBENEZER
Emissary Weekly

June 14, 2009

Opportunities of the Day

- 9:00 a.m.** Adult Bible Fellowship
Sunday School (2-year-olds – High School)
- 10:00 a.m.** The Good News Hour (2-3-year-olds, Room B10 & 4-5-year-olds, B17)
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship Gathering – Pastor Jim (CMC)
Baptism Testimonies
- Baptism Service following Worship Gathering** (Zimmerman's Pond)
- 7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service (Sanctuary)
Ezra 5, 6 - *The Restoration of the Temple Celebration and Dedication*

Please join us for a baptism service immediately following the Worship Gathering. The baptism will be at the Zimmerman Pond on Cool Road just south of Highway 30. Come and encourage those who are being baptized. Those being baptized are: *Katy Alt, Jerrod Amstutz, Hanné Burkholder, Marlin Burkholder, Mary Cherry, Mikaela Diller, Joanna Gratz, Megan Kirkendall, Jessica Lehman, Krista Lehman, Marissa Schutz, Diane Sharrock, Megan Spallinger, & Alyssa Willow*. Pray this will be a meaningful and encouraging experience for each of them.

Grade School 1 to Miracle Camp

Grades 2, 3, & 4 - June 14-20

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| Emily Bish | Allison Bowsher | Alton Burkholder |
| Lillian Burkholder | Leah Conley | Connor Dawson |
| Eli Edie | Kimberly Gordon | Daniel Huber |
| Brooke Koontz | Mattison Larson | Brandon Morris |
| Sarah Schutz | Hannah Willow | Lauren Willow |
| Luke Young | | |
| Drivers to Camp: | Ron & Cindy Bowsher | |
| | Brian & Kendy Young | |
| Drivers from Camp: | Dave Huber, Jim or Beth Bish | |
| | Brian & Kendy Young | |

Attendance and Giving

Attendance on June 4:

Vacation Bible School	(6:30 p.m.)	150
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Attendance on June 5:

VBS Closing Program	(6:30 p.m.)	350
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Attendance on June 7:

Sunday School & ABF	(9:00 a.m.)	308
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	345
Evening Fellowship Service	(7:00 p.m.)	41

Giving on June 7:

\$11,890.83

Benevolent Fund	95.00
Building Fund	941.00
Christian Education Fund	1,057.02
Current Expense Fund	4,160.81
Missions Fund	5,397.00
New Building Fund	180.00
Van Fund	10.00
Youth Fund	50.00

Memorial for Vinton Bucher – Missions Fund	\$25.00
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Missionaries of the Week - **Norman & Gwen Bowman** serve with **Global Outreach** in **Spain**. Norman gives prayer and worship seminars as well as directing choirs. Gwen has a ministry to Romanian immigrants. They are thankful for each of you who have remembered them with your prayers and financial gifts during the past 26 years. Please send Norman & Gwen a note of encouragement at normandbowman@gmail.com.

Our Sympathy to the family of Carl Montgomery. Carl, the brother of Norma Zimmerly, passed away on Saturday, June 6. Services were held Friday, June 12, at the Chiles-Laman Funeral Homes, Bluffton.

Congratulations to John & Jaime (Schaefer) Shaw who were united in marriage yesterday at St. Paul's Church, Paulding, OH.

2009 Church Directories are now ready. You may pick one up in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer or the Missions Center.

Recent Move: Dorothy Lugibihl, staying with her daughter Joyce Ginther (5995 State Route 224, Ottawa, OH 45875) for further strengthening and rehabilitation.

Dodgeball Players: Please note we will not meet this Tuesday.

Opportunities of the Week: June 15-21

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

Monday 7:00 p.m. Constitution Revision Committee *(FH)*

Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Game Time *(FH)*

Thursday 7:00 p.m. Deacon Meeting *(FH)*

Saturday 5:30 p.m. Fishing Event *(Kent Cherry's Pond)*

Sunday 9:00 a.m. Sunday School & ABF *(Various classrooms)*

10:00 a.m. The Good News Hour *(ages 2-3, B10, 4-5-year-olds, B17)*

Middle School 1 (Grades 5-6, leave for Miracle Camp)

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

11:00 a.m. Youth Missions Trip *(Leave for France)*

7:00 p.m. Evening Fellowship Service
Ezra 7 - *Ezra's Revival*
The Word in Hand (Sanctuary)

~ Helpers for Sunday, June 21 ~

Nursery: Karla Burkholder, Patty Geiger, Dan & Joanna Gratz, Jared & Sarah Lehman, Donita Luginbill

The Good News Hour: Cindy & Katie Breidenbach, Mariah Burkholder, Virginia Gladwell, Jane Shank, Adel Sommers, Rhonda & Allene Thompson

Two adults are needed to share teaching responsibilities in the Grade 5 Sunday School classroom. This would start in July and be every other month. Please pray about this and contact Joan Steiner at 419-358-0486 if you are interested in this ministry.

TODAY'S GREETERS

Amber Bewsey & Evania Bonifaz, *Missions Center*
Al & Carolyn Frysinger, *Crossroads Ministry Center*

This Friday & Saturday Transport for Christ will hold its 18th Annual Truck Show & Benefit Auction. Activities and features are posted on a flyer on the bulletin board in the Missions Center. If you have any items new or nearly new to donate to the auction or bake sale items, please call the Transport for Christ office at 330-465-4587.

ATTENTION MEN & BOYS: Tell your buddies it's the second annual **Fishing Event** at Kent Cherry's pond (2647 Road M, Pandora) **Saturday, June 20**, 5:30 p.m. cook out, 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. fishing. Bring your own bait and gear. All boys under 16 must be accompanied by an adult. Monetary donations will be taken that night for the cook out. Event cancelled if raining. Call Steve Shaw at 419-358-4391 to be counted in!

On Sunday, June 28, you're invited to the Annual Swiss Day Potluck & meeting of the Swiss Community Historical Society, at 1:00 p.m. (half-hour later than earlier years) in the Crossroads Ministry Center. Bring food dishes, hot and cold, to feed your family or share with others for the potluck lunch. Beverages provided. Music by the Ebenezer Quartet: Mark & Sam Brauen, Kevin Gratz, and Kerris Wright. Program: Wayne Liechty, President of Kidron [Ohio] Community Historical Society and new PowerPoint presentation of its *Sonnenberg Village* project. We will also have our annual election. The public is invited for the dinner and/or program. For more information call 419-358-6909 (days), 419-358-2691 (evenings), or 419-358-1599.

The Call to Joy and Pain. This is the topic of this year's Xenos Summer Institute being held at Xenos Christian Fellowship in Columbus, Ohio. Join us as we attend the Conference this year. The dates are July 15-17. Two of this year's speakers are Ajith Fernando, the National Director of Youth for Christ, Sri Lanka, and Joni Eareckson Tada, founder of Joni and Friends. There are some great **Breakout Sessions** at the conference. A couple of Breakout session titles are *Adult Discipleship Models*, *Satan and Suffering*, and *Quiet Time in a Noisy Culture*. You might even consider attending a portion of the conference. If you have any questions contact Pastor Dick or Pastor Jim through the church office at 419-358-8588. - *Pastor Dick*