

## Ecclesiastes 5:18-20 (NIV)

Then I realized that it is good and proper for a man to eat and drink, and to find satisfaction in his toilsome labor under the sun during the few days of life God has given him—for this is his lot. Moreover, when God gives any man wealth and possessions, and enables him to enjoy them, to accept his lot and be happy in his work—this is a gift of God. He seldom reflects on the days of his life, because God keeps him occupied with gladness of heart.

### UPCOMING OPPORTUNITIES

- Sept. 29 Kick-off for Wednesday Night Children's Ministry  
(6:00 p.m., Bill & Joan Steiner's home)
- Oct. 3 Worship & Communion Service (10:15 a.m., CMC)
- Oct. 6 Wednesday Night Children's and Junior High  
Ministries, Women's Bible Study, and Adult Choir  
Rehearsals all begin (7:00 p.m.)
- Nov. 14-21 Missions Conference

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### GRADES 1-6



It is **KICK OFF** time for the  
**BIG EVENT.**

Next Sunday, September 12, at 6:45 p.m.  
we will introduce our new year of  
choir with a

**PARTY!**

We have a lot of exciting new things  
this year including learning hand bells.



We will be singing country and praise  
songs as well as working on a musical.

**Come and join in on the fun next week  
as we introduce all this to you  
in Rooms 118 & 119!**

September 5, 2010

Welcome to  
**EBENEZER**

Welcome friends! We hope that you find our church hospitable, the worship meaningful, and the fellowship enjoyable. Your presence is a blessing to us all.

*He will keep you strong to the end, so that you will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful. 1 Corinthians 1:8-10*

### 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 B10,  
4-5-year-olds B17)
- 10:15 a.m. Worship Gathering – Pastor Dick (CMC)  
A Workman Approved

*Please note that due to the Labor Day Weekend there will not be an Evening Fellowship Service.*

### CONGRATULATIONS

**Jora Grace Boisvert** was born to Christopher & Elizabeth (King) on Saturday, August 28, weighing 7 lb. 3 oz.

**Josiah Lee Spallinger** was born to Steve & Amy on Thursday, September 2, weighing 7 lb. 3 oz.

## ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

### Attendance on August 29:

ABF and Sunday School	(9:00 a.m.)	318
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	403
Evening Fellowship	(7:00 p.m.)	48

### Giving on August 29:

\$11,574.32

Benevolent Fund	135.00
Building Fund	270.00
Christian Education Fund	701.11
General Fund	8,468.21
Missions Fund	1,900.00
New Building Fund	100.00

## ABOUT OUR MISSIONARIES

**Missionaries of the week: Dave & JoAnn Loewen** serve with **SEND International**. Dave is the US Personnel Director and JoAnn is his assistant. Their department is responsible for recruiting missionaries from all over the United States. They work with these new missionaries by mentoring them and helping them to prepare to go overseas. You may send a note to Dave & JoAnn at:

36661 Vicary Lane  
Farmington, MI 48335  
E-mail: dloewen@send.org

## LAST DAY TO SIGN-UP!

**Ebenezer Family:** You're invited to help us celebrate **Christian Education Volunteer Appreciation** next Sunday, September 12. To thank those who have given of their time to serve. Rev. Randy Keeler, Associate Professor of Religion at Bluffton University, will be our guest speaker at 10:15 a.m. A Harlan's chicken BBQ dinner will be served after the Worship Gathering. **Everyone is welcome, but please sign up today.** A sign-up sheet is on the counter in the Missions Center. The meal is free, donations are accepted.

## YOUTH NEWS

**Dodgeball has been moved** to Wednesdays from 8:30 - 10:00 p.m., in the Crossroads Ministry Center. Junior High and up are welcome.

## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: SEPTEMBER 6-12

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

- Monday**    **\*\* Church Office Closed - Labor Day \*\***
- Tuesday**    **7:00 p.m.** Missions Committee Meeting (103)
- Wednesday**    **9:00 a.m.** Game Time (FH)  
**7:00 p.m.** Adult Bible Study & Prayer  
*The Book of Philippians (FH)*  
Worship Team Rehearsal (CMC)  
**8:30 p.m.** Dodgeball (CMC)
- Sunday**    **9:00 a.m.** Sunday School & ABF (Various classrooms)  
**10:00 a.m.** The Good News Hour (2&3-year-olds B10,  
4-5-year-olds B17)  
**10:15 a.m.** **Christian Education Volunteer Appreciation Sunday**  
Speaker: Rev. Randy Keeler -  
*Lessons in Discipleship* (10:15 a.m., CMC)  
Christian Education Volunteer Chicken  
BBQ Lunch (following service in the CMC)  
**6:45 p.m.** **Big Event** (Grades 1-6, 118-119)  
**7:00 p.m.** Evening Fellowship Service -  
*Defending the Faithful* (Sanctuary)

## TODAY'S GREETERS

Wayne & Susan Bixel – Missions Center  
Dave & Lora Basinger – Crossroads Ministry Center

## HELPERS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

### Nursery:

Sara Smith, Patty Geiger, Jared & Sarah Lehman,  
Dru Spallinger, Josh & Heidi Steiner

### Good News Hour:

Madison Schantz, Sarah Shank, Erica Sheehan,  
Hannah Slechter, Milo & Deb Luginbuhl

## PLEASE NOTE

**Adult Coed Volleyball League:** If you are interested in playing volleyball on Monday nights and will be 18-years-old or older by Monday, September 27 we need you. Please sign-up before Sunday, September 19, by contacting Kevin Hilty at 419-202-0162.

**All ladies are invited!** Wednesday Evening Women's Bible Study will resume on October 6, at 7:00 p.m. This fall we will begin our study with, *Lord, I Want to Know You: A Devotional Study on the Names of God*, by Kay Arthur. Please contact the church office at 419-358-8588 or call Linda Sommer at 419-358-0054 if you plan to attend.

**Attention All College Students:** The church office needs to know where you will be attending classes this fall. Please e-mail the church office with the name of your college, starting date, your mailing address, and college year to: info@ebenezermennonite.org. You may also fill out the appropriate information on the green EMC Communications card. Thanks so much!

## PRAYER CONCERNS AND PRAYER CHAIN

**Please call the church office** for any names or concerns that you want listed in the Weekly Prayer List or announced during our Worship Services. To start the Prayer Chain, contact Kathy Brauen at 419-234-7808 or the church office at 419-358-8588.

### Church Office Hours:

Monday – Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

## GREEN CARDS

**Please notice** the Green Ebenezer Communications Card in your bulletin. These cards may be used: to request prayer for you and/or your family or friends; to request information concerning our many church ministries; to provide address information or address/phone changes, etc. These cards are a vital communication link which helps our Body stay connected. Please feel free to use these cards and place completed ones in the offering plate or in the box provided in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer. Thank you!