

Announcements

A number of people from Finland are away this morning. Some are camping at Swatara, and the Youth and Jr. High groups had a work weekend at Spruce Lake.

Reminder: Nomination sheets for both Elder & Witness Director will be collected on November 1st. Prayerfully consider who fits the biblical expectations of a leader.

Our Mission Project for October is *America's Keswick* and *Hope Christian Center*.

"Jonah - Navigating a Life Interrupted" DVD series by Priscilla Shirer, is open to all women 9:30-11am Tuesday mornings or 7-9pm Wednesday nights until Nov. 18.

November 2 is the **"First Monday Meal"** for the Upper Perk community. Finland is preparing and serving this meal at Pennsburg UCC. Anyone who can help from 3:00-7:30pm, please talk with Ginnie Tietjens or Karen Kratz.

November 18, 7:30pm - Book Club members read *"Out of a Far Country"* by Christopher Yuan and Angela Yuan.

Nov. 22, 4:30pm - Thanksgiving meal followed by Prayer & Praise service at 6:30pm.

An aide is needed for the 2-3 year old Toddler's S.S. class for every other month. Please talk to Sherry Frederick for more information if you're interested in helping.

Enjoy spending time with little ones? Our church nursery is in need of helpers during 1st service and Sunday school. If you are interested in helping with this in any way, please contact Naomi Hawkins at NHawkinsRN@hotmail.com or Nichele York at nichele.m.york@gmail.com.

Girls "Old Navy" jean jacket (size 8 or 10) was left in the community room a few weeks ago. It is new and does not have her name in it, but belongs to Paige Frederick who would like to wear it in this colder weather. Please check at home to see if it was picked up by mistake. Contact Sherry Frederick if you find it. Thanks.

Individually-wrapped candy is being collected to hand out at the Hometown Christmas Parade on Dec. 6th. Place donations in the bin in the Community Room.

Celebrate Recovery - An informational meeting will be held next Tuesday, November 3, 7:00pm in classroom 1 next to the Community Room. Please sign up by the kitchen if you would like to attend this meeting.

If you consider Finland to be your home church and would like to be included in the church directory, we invite you to fill out a purple "Church Directory Information" sheet below the mailboxes and place it in the secretary's mailbox. We would be happy to give you a church mailbox & send you our weekly email prayer requests.

MDS short-term (weekly) volunteers are needed in **Pateros, Washington** from Nov. 16 – Dec. 12; **Detroit, Michigan** from Nov. 9 – Dec. 12; **Pilger, Nebraska** from Dec. 6–12 (with finishing construction skills), **Bastrop, Texas** from Nov. 9 – 13 and Nov. 23 – Dec. 12. Call 800-241-8111 for more info.

**October 25, 2015 insert - Finland Mennonite Church
Community Events**

Today, 3pm, Zion Choral concert, First Baptist Church, 3235 Linden St., Bethlehem.

Tonight, 6:30pm - Anniversary Hymn Sing at Plains Mennonite Church.

Oct. 31, 11am-3pm - Free *Harvest Festival* at Blooming Glen Mennonite Church with live music, bonfire, food, hayrides, and kid's games. Visit <http://www.bgmc.net/>.

Oct.. 31, 8:00am - *Life With God* fall breakfast meeting at Franconia Menn. Church.

Oct. 31, 6pm - Fried oyster & ham dinner at Franconia Heritage Banquet Center to support MCC. Call Material Resource Center 267-203-8074 for advance tickets (\$28).

Nov. 3, 6-7pm - *Understanding your Options with Medicare* at Everence Souderton office. RSVP's not required, but appreciated. 215-703-0111.

Nov. 6, 10am-5pm - Rockhill Mennonite Community's gift shop "*Katie's Korner*" will host a holiday open house featuring practical gifts, home decor, wreaths, and more.

Nov. 7, 7:00pm - Line Lexington Mennonite Church invites you to a special evening with Bob Stevenson, an Anabaptist evangelist, church planter and missionary, who is affiliated with Franconia Mennonite Conf. congregations and serves in Mexico City. Hear about the exciting things happening there. Questions? Call 215-822-0446.

Nov. 13, 7:00pm - Franconia Conf. and Eastern District invite you to the Conference Assembly Worship Gathering at Penn View Christian School. This year's theme is "*Built to Build*". Join us for inspiring worship, a children's choir, encouragement and stories from several conference voices. All are welcome.

Nov. 13 & 14 - Holiday Bazaar at Souderton Mennonite Homes. See flyer in mailbox.

Plains Mennonite Church invites parents or caregivers of children with Autism or Aspergers to join a support group the second Friday of each month, 7-8:00pm. Come to give and receive emotional & practical support as well as to exchange information, share stories, and be more effectively equipped with skills and insights. For more info call 215-362-7640 or visit plainsmennonitechurch.org/events-calendar/everyone/.

The 60th annual PA Relief Sale at the Farm Show Building in Harrisburg is not until April 1 & 2, 2016, but the time to begin creating crafts is **NOW**. Quality crafts of wood, fabric, paper, yarn, thread, jewelry etc. can be brought to the Ephrata MCC Material Resource Center. Call Janet Runion Patton at 717-272-1708 for more information or email cjpatton99@aol.com. See blue flyer on the bulletin board for more info.

Quakertown Christian School is looking for basketball coaches for both their Middle School boys and girls teams. The season runs from mid-November through the beginning of February. Anyone interested should contact Athletic Director, Caleb Kiefer, at ckiefer@quakertownchristian.org or call 215-536-6970 ext. 517.

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