



### Announcements and Upcoming Events

**A Child Dedication Service** will be planned for the near future. Interested parents should meet with Pastor Kris in the gym during S.S. today.

**We are in need of volunteers** to help staff the nursery on Sunday mornings. If you are willing to help with our precious babies and toddlers, please contact Naomi Hawkins or Nichele York.



**Contact Karen Kratz** if you would like to help with cleaning at *"The Well"* as soon as construction is finished. We will let you know the date as soon as we find out.

**Our sympathy and prayers** go out to Lon & Sara Hansen in the passing of Sara's mother. May God's comforting peace surround your family during this difficult time.

**The prison ministry worship team** left for Alabama on Friday night. They are participating in an orientation all day today and will be serving in various prisons Monday through Thursday. Pray for God's Spirit to give boldness and power to Pastor John and the team as they share the gospel through word and song each evening. Pray that God will soften hardened hearts to accept Christ, and that those who are already Christians will be uplifted and encouraged.

### Upcoming Events

**March 7** - Annual Youth Auction begins at 3:30pm with an open concession stand throughout the evening. Come for dinner on a donation basis & join in the **friendly but sometimes competitive bidding** with or against 😊 family & friends. Begin thinking about an item, service or activity you'd like to donate and contact AJ or Hailee Longacre with that information. Proceeds go for year-long events and summer service projects for the Boys & Girls Club, Jr. High, and Youth Group.

**March 14, 5-7:00pm** - MS fundraiser dinner with Chicken BBQ made by Dennis Derstine followed by family bingo from **7-8pm**. Event is planned by Clara Guntz.

**March 21, noon-4:00pm** - The Fellowship Committee wants you to save the date for "Celebrating Creativity" with involvement from Finland Mennonite Church and the community. Stay tuned for details about the event and how you can participate.

**March 28, 7-11:00am** - Fundraiser Pancake Breakfast.

**April 4** - Easter Egg Hunt. More details later.

**April 5, 6:15am** - Easter Sunrise Service followed by a continental breakfast.

**September is Interfaith Hospitality Month** at Finland.

**September 19** - Chicken BBQ. More details will be given later.

**October 3, 9am-12 noon** - Craft Show and Flea Market fundraiser. \$20 for space and table or \$15 if you provide your own table. Contact Barb Hess at 484-459-5853.

**Oct. 5 and Nov. 2** - Finland is helping with First Monday Meals at Pennsburg UCC.

## January 25, 2015 insert - Finland Mennonite Church

### Community Events

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**February 1** - Bally Community Preschool invites you to an open house from 2-4pm. They are accepting registrations for the spring Play & Learn class for 2-year olds which begins Jan. 30, as well as openings for the current year in the 3-4 year old classes. Call the Preschool office with any questions at 610-845-1600.

**Feb. 3 & April 7, 6-7:00pm** - *Everence* will hold seminars "*Understanding your Options with Medicare*". Call 215-703-0111 or visit [www.everence.com/souderton](http://www.everence.com/souderton) for more information.

**February 6 & 7 - "Refresh 2015"** will be held at Penn View Christian School. You are invited to experience spiritual revival through worship & the teaching of God's Word. The speaker is **Basil Marin**, whose love for Jesus & pastor's heart connects with people of all ages. Friday is Youth Night with games at 6:30pm and Worship at 7pm. Saturday there is worship at 4pm, breakout sessions at 5pm, refreshments at 6pm, and final worship at 7pm. You will be glad you chose to attend.

**Feb. 7, 9:00am** - The Women's Fellowship of New Goshenhoppen UCC, 1070 Church Road, East Greenville, invites all women to join them for a communion service followed by a continental breakfast to celebrate "*Women's Week*".

**February 13-15** - Winter Peace Retreat at Spruce Lake. See flyer on bulletin board.

**Zion Mennonite Nursery School** is now enrolling for the 2015-2016 school year. Spots are available for the 3, 4, and 5-year old classes. For more information call the church office at 215-723-3592 or stop by their new student open house on March 19 from 6:30-7:30pm.

**MAMA teams** are planning a trip March 7 through 16 to San Pedro Sula, Honduras and are in need of donations. Items needed include medicine for clinics (generic brands are fine): Tylenol, Ibuprofen, Tums, antibacterial and antifungal creams; small stuffed animals (beanie baby size), matchbox car-sized toys, crayons (can be used, package 4-5 each in small Ziploc bags), coloring books, and large suitcases. Items can be dropped off at Deep Run East Mennonite Church Monday through Thursday, 9am to 1pm. Nurses are also needed for this trip! Please call 215-766-8380 or email [dre@deepruneast.org](mailto:dre@deepruneast.org) if you are a nurse who would be interested in joining the team.

**Water For Life** in Haiti is a well-drilling mission that was started in 1983 by Willis Miller, Kalona, Iowa. He went home to be with the Lord on Dec. 17, 2014. See newsletter on bulletin board with memories written by his children. **Water For Life** was one of our Mission Projects in July.

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