

Tomorrow night, 7:00pm - VBS work night. There is a lot to do, and anyone is invited to come even if you cannot help with VBS the week of July 6-10. There will be work nights each Monday in June: June 1, 8, 15, 22 and 29.

Congratulations to our daughter Whitney who was married to Jon Reynard last Saturday, May 23. Thanks to our many friends and church family who blessed this day with their talents, help, and presence to make it a beautiful day!!!

Rich & Rose Longacre

Round tablecloths missing!!! We are short 8 round cloth tablecloths from the bin in the closet. If you borrowed them, please return them to the bin. Thanks! See Rose Longacre if you have questions.

Yarn wanted!!! More yarn is needed for the Prayer Shawl Ministry. If you have any yarn no longer needed and would like to donate it, please let Rose Longacre know.

Caleb & Roni Kiefer will be coming home from their year of service with the school for the deaf in Jamaica at the end of June. On June 14th we will have an affirmation ballot for them to become youth group sponsors along with AJ & Hailee Longacre beginning with a September term.

Book Club members - Read *"Prepared for a Purpose"* by Antoinette Tuff for June 17, 7:30pm. We will not meet during the months of July and August.

Please note: Pennsylvania now has a law requiring everyone working with children and youth to have a child abuse and criminal records check done **every 3 years**. We have many volunteers in our congregation working with children in Sunday school, clubs, nursery duty, VBS, etc. This is a **reminder** to those of you who have not turned in a recent (2012 or newer) form to the church secretary to please get it done. See Dee Dee Good if you have any questions about where and how to fill out the forms.

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.

American Home Life International is looking for 15 Christian host families for high school Spanish students coming to the Quakertown area from July 2-30. Alan and Karen Kratz will be hosting one of these students. If you have interest in providing a home, please see additional information on the poster on the bulletin board. See Karen if you have questions, or call Rosanne Kelsall at 215-206-9815.

Anyone interested in subbing for the church secretary when Martha is away or in emergencies, please contact Lynn or Tara. We will be collecting names for the next few weeks. If you have any questions, please let us know. Email Tara Gilmore: atgilmore@verizon.net or Lynn Swartley: Swartley53@verizon.net.

May 31, 2015 insert - Finland Mennonite Church

Community Events

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