

## ***HILLTOP NEWS***



*“Glory to God in the highest heaven,  
and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”*  
*Luke 2:14*

*And this is the testimony: God has given us eternal  
life, and this life is in his Son.*

*1 John 5:11*



*He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what  
does the LORD require of you? To act justly and to  
love mercy and to walk humbly with your God.*

*Micah 6:8*

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*Sunday Worship: 9:30 a.m.  
Including Children's Church  
Sunday School: 11:00 a.m.  
Classes available for all ages  
(Nursery also available)*



**Pastor:** Lynn Shertzer

**Associate Pastor of Community Life:** Joy Fasick

**Administrative Assistant:** Fran Leiter

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**Church Office Hours:**

Monday	No office hours
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Thursday	8:00 AM - 3:30 PM
Friday	By Appointment



## Upcoming Events

- Dec. 2** Rosalie Roland's Holiday Open House ~ 6:30PM
- Dec. 3** Men's Group (Every Monday Night) ~ 7:00PM
- Dec. 5** Ladies Fellowship Christmas Brunch ~ 9:30AM
- Dec. 6** MCC Sewing Night (WNO Activity) ~ 6:30PM
- Dec. 10** Congregational Meeting and Potluck Lunch
- Dec. 13** WNO Meal Followed by Christmas Caroling ~ 5:45PM
- Dec 24** Nativity Pageant by Children ~ 9:30AM  
Christmas Eve Candlelight Service and Meal ~ 6:00PM
- Jan. 5** Jr. High Retreat at Camp Hebron
- Jan. 12** Sr. High Retreat at Camp Hebron





## 2017 Christmas Giving Project

During the entire month of December you have the opportunity to donate the following items to New Hope. You may place them under the Christmas tree during the offering.

### FOOD ITEMS

Canned Fruit  
Canned Vegetables  
Sugar  
Boxed Macaroni & Cheese  
Spaghetti Sauce  
Ketchup  
Instant Potatoes  
Peanut butter

### NON-FOOD ITEMS

Bathroom Tissue  
Deodorant (men/women)  
Diapers (size 2,3,4)  
Shampoo  
Conditioner

The above items will be delivered to New Hope in January to help restock their shelves after the holidays when it is often more difficult to obtain donations.

## Christmas Blessing Express

Anyone wishing to go *"the extra mile"* may donate a gift toward the **Christmas Blessing Express** project. Pick up a suggestion sheet of needed items at the bulletin board, purchase the item, then place it in the New Hope collection basket under the mailboxes or deliver it UNWRAPPED to New Hope, Mechanicsburg before DECEMBER 10 – ***please do not place it under the tree as items under the tree will not be delivered until January!*** Gifts will be made available in New Hope's "store" for clients to shop for their loved ones. Therefore New Hope must receive gifts prior to December 11 to allow for processing and shopping availability. Thank you for blessing others with the joy of giving, as well as receiving!





# Is There Room in Your Christmas for Others Christ Came to Serve?

## ~ Slate Hillers are Invited to Spread Christmas Cheer ~

Both the Mechanicsburg and Dillsburg New Hope Centers and the Life Time Adult Day Care in Mechanicsburg have invited Slate Hillers to spread Christmas caroling cheer to senior citizens and adults with special needs.

Slate Hillers have enjoyed the tradition of caroling at the New Hope locations for the past eight years. You are invited to embrace those who are more vulnerable in our neighborhood. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board - several opportunities are available to accommodate your schedule.

**Wednesday, December 13, 2017, 11:00AM-1:00PM**

**New Hope Ministries West Shore Center**

5228 E. Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg PA 17050

**Friday, December 15, 2017, 12:00-2:00PM**

**New Hope Ministries Dillsburg Center**

Held at Calvary United Methodist Church, 203 Mumper Lane, Dillsburg, PA 17019 [Directions to Calvary UMC](#): 15 South / Left on N. Baltimore St. (74 South) / Left on Greenbriar Lane / Short right onto Harrisburg Pike before quick left onto Mumper Lane. Church is 0.2 miles on the left.

**Friday, December 22, 2017, 1:30-3:00PM**

**Life Time Adult Day Care**

3 Crossgate Drive, Mechanicsburg PA 17050

Crossgate Drive is a small road that lies between Denny's and T-Mobile on the Carlisle Pike. Life Time is located on the first floor at the back of the large National Recovery Agency (NRA) office building behind Denny's.

Contact **Ulli Klemm** with any questions or to let him know you'll join the fun at: **(724) 464-8748** or **ulliklemm@yahoo.com**



# Eliezer's Update



At the beginning of this month I met with my advisor to plan for the Spring semester. I was able to register for the following classes: Information Systems and Managers, Database Applications, Interactive 3D Graphics, Fundamentals of French II, and Photography. I am currently finishing up projects, papers, and assignments due at the end of this semester, after which I will start looking ahead to the next semester which should be less demanding.

Ken Eshleman and Cindy Lehman are still providing my transportation most of the week. Transportation details for next semester won't be finalized until closer to the beginning of classes next semester.

I continue to be most grateful to all my supporters at Slate Hill, and others, for their generous funding and prayers. Due to your commitments and my college financial package, the remaining need for the upcoming semester is only about three thousand dollars. My host, Ray Leiter, recently prepared and distributed the current financial status, based upon Messiah College information, to Slate Hill supporters. There is a good indication this amount will be met with your help before the beginning of next semester. St. Paul's Lutheran church, pastored by Randy Barr's wife, Anne-Rose Reeves, is assisting with the collection and forwarding of individual funds to Messiah College. We are counting on St. Paul's to continue helping with this important function for the upcoming semesters as well. If you wish to make a contribution, please contact Dorlene, St Paul's Lutheran Church, 6839 Wertzville Rd, Enola, PA 17025, Phone: (717) 697-9675. Please help Dorlene identify the purpose of your tax-deductible contribution by writing **"Scholarship Fund"** in the memo field of your check.

Thank you very much and God's blessings.

Eliezer Mwankenja



**EVERYONE IS INVITED TO THE SOUTH EAST ASIAN PROGRAM  
AND POTLUCK LUNCHEON, SUNDAY DECEMBER 3**

The Lao Fellowship is once again sponsoring a holiday gathering of South East Asian worshipers here at Slate Hill in Fellowship Hall at 11:30AM. Everyone from the "big church" is invited to attend then join them for a potluck luncheon afterward. Please bring one each of a large hot and cold dish to share.



# Scrapbooking Retreat

JANUARY 26-28, 2018

The pricing below includes lodging for overnight guests, 5 meals, devotionals, snacks and an 8 foot table for your personal crafting space.

Save your spot for only \$50.

*Want to get extra work done?* Come on Thursday for an additional \$60.

Triple Occupancy

**\$150**

Per Person

Double Occupancy

**\$165**

Per Person

Single Occupancy

**\$190**

Per Person

# Women's Retreat

FEBRUARY 23-25, 2018

Looking for spiritual refreshment? Reconnect with God at Camp Hebron's Women's Retreat featuring speaker LaRie Miller. The pricing below includes lodging, 5 meals, snacks and program fees.

Save your spot for only \$50. Can't come for the whole weekend?

*Saturday guests only \$60.*

Triple Occupancy

**\$160**

Per Person

Double Occupancy

**\$175**

Per Person

Single Occupancy

**\$220**

Per Person



[www.camphebron.org/events](http://www.camphebron.org/events)



# Fall 2017 Schedule of Events with Cumberland Vista

Since 2009, volunteers from Slate Hill have partnered with adults with special needs who call Cumberland Vista home. Cumberland Vista is located at [1073 York Rd, Dillsburg PA 17019](#) (click for directions) and is home to eight residents.

## ~ Schedule of Upcoming Events ~

Sat., Dec. 2, 2017, 6:30PM - *Christmas Cookie Decorating at Cumberland Vista*  
Sun., Dec.17, 2017, 11:00AM - *V.I.P. Sunday School Class at Slate Hill Mennonite*  
Noon - *Soup and Bread Meal with the residents at Slate Hill Mennonite*  
2:00 PM - *"The Best Christmas Pageant Ever: The Musical" Allenberry Play*  
house, 1559 Boiling Springs Rd, Boiling Springs, PA 17007.  
Tickets: \$20

Regular Slate Hill volunteers include: Matt Bergey, Jim Burkholder, James Mitchell and Elaine Baumbach, Tara Mayes, Richard Mininger, Sue Weigel, Gary and Cindy Musselman, Ulli and Theda Klemm, Dale and Debbie Weaver in addition to several Messiah College students.

See Ulli Klemm ([ulliklemm@yahoo.com](mailto:ulliklemm@yahoo.com)) or Cindy Musselman ([garycindy1020@gmail.com](mailto:garycindy1020@gmail.com)) for more information.



Slate Hill Volunteers with Cumberland Vista at Knoebels, Aug. 2017



## 2017 MECHANICSBURG CROP WALK RAISES NEARLY \$10,000

Slate Hillers have "walked their faith" for many years to help feed the hungry in our community and around the globe. In October, Slate Hill participants joined 108 walkers/joggers from other area churches to raise money to support the efforts of Christian World Service to fund New Hope Ministries, Meals on Wheels and international food relief efforts. Our group raised just over \$1,000 of the \$9,862 total raised. Thank you to all who walked, jogged and supported this effort with their pledges.

### 2017 MECHANICSBURG CROP WALK DONATIONS REPORT

WALKERS	CHURCH	TOTAL
4	FIRST United Methodist, Mech.	\$70.00
6	HOPE United Methodist, Mech.	\$315.00
3	Mechanicsburg Church of Brethren	\$554.00
10	MECHANICSBURG PRESBYTERIAN	\$610.00
1	MT. ZION United Methodist, Mech.	\$517.00
10	MT. OLIVET United Methodist, Mech.	\$680.00
14	ST. JOHNS LUTHRAN, Shiremanstown	\$1,045.00
33	ST. MARKS' LUTHERAN, Mech.	\$1,496.53
22	ST. PETER'S Lutheran, Mechanicsburg	\$2,320.00
1	SHEPHERDSTOWN United Methodist	\$455.17
21	SLATE HILL MENNONITE, Camp Hill	\$1,005.00
0	TRINDLE SPRINGS LUTHERAN, Mech..	\$421.50
0	UNIDENTIFIABLE	\$20.00
	MEMORIAL	\$50.00
	HOSS'S FUNDRAISER	\$302.81
<b>129</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$9,862.01</b>

### Historical Stats of the Mechanicsburg CROP Walk (Highest figures are bold and underlined)

2017 – 129 walkers for 12 churches raised ----- \$ 9,862.01  
 2016 – 159 walkers for 13 churches raised ----- \$12,028.26  
 2015 – 106 walkers for 11 churches raised ----- \$ 7,937.47  
 2014 – 152 walkers for 15 churches raised ----- \$ 8,724.82  
 2013 – **191** walkers for 13 churches raised ----- \$11,532.12  
 2012 – 148 walkers for 12 churches raised ----- \$ 9,803.20  
 2011 – 165 walkers for 13 churches raised ----- \$ 8,743.71  
 2010 – 175 walkers for 12 churches raised ----- \$11,070.95  
 2009 – 97 walkers for 12 churches raised ----- \$ 8,581.82  
 2008 – 114 walkers for 12 churches raised ----- **\$20,069.62**  
 2007 – 99 walkers for 12 churches raised ----- \$ 7,533.00  
 2006 – 135 walkers for **20** churches raised ----- \$10,533.25





## *December Birthdays*

REDLINE, Jimmy	12/01
EWING, Jason	12/02
KLEMM, Ulli	12/02
FREDRICK, Ben	12/07
MARTINEZ, Philip	12/07
RIOUX, Jackson	12/07
QUICKEL, Julie	12/10
SAENGDY, Khamsene	12/10
TOTHERO, Jenna	12/12
ZERCHER, Henry	12/12
BAUMAN, Debra	12/13
RIDER, Amanda	12/13
CLARK, Kendra	12/15
EDWARDS, Gabriel	12/15
MAYES, Tara	12/15
SAENGDY, Loun	12/15
BAUMBACH, Elaine	12/16
SCHWARTZENTRUBER, Eric	12/18
WEAVER, Joseph	12/18
LY, Matthew	12/20
MITCHELL, James	12/20
ZIMMERMAN, Norm	12/20
RIOUX, Julia	12/21
ZIMMERMAN, Chris	12/21
HARTZLER, Ernest	12/23
PETERSHEIM, Kaylie	12/23
BOUNMA, Khaek	12/24
ESHLEMAN, Ken	12/24
LAMB, Brad	12/25
CHRONISTER, Jodiah	12/27
WITMER, Lonie	12/27
HOOVER, Deborah	12/27



## *December Anniversaries*

ONELANGSY, Rathasamy & Yoomie	12/03
CHRONISTER, Jodiah & Karman	12/17
KRUG, Jeff & Kathy	12/27
VIRAYA, Somphone & Keomani	12/29





# Ministry Assignments 2017-2018

## Elder Team

Lynn Shertzer  
Joy Fasick  
Dave Bauman ('20)  
Jen Fredrick ('19)  
Ron Hershey ('18)  
Caleb Miller ('20)

## Church Board

Lamarr Widmer, Chair ('19)  
Dale Weaver, Treasurer  
Lynn Shertzer  
Debbie Bauman ('18)  
Cassandra Ly ('20)  
Danielle Hawley ('19)  
Lyndon Hess ('19)  
Ken Eshleman ('18)  
Lee Roland ('18)  
Ben Fredrick ('19)

## Christian Education

Danielle Hawley, Chair ('19)  
Joelle Beck ('20)  
Rhoda Hershey ('18)  
Lori Manivong ('20)  
Stacy Petersheim ('18)  
Julia Rioux ('18)  
Patricia Fleischer ('19)

## Evangelism, Peace and Service

Ken Eshleman, Chair ('18)  
Sara Chubb ('20)  
Debbie Ehrhart ('18)  
John Snyder ('20)  
David Weaver Zercher ('19)  
Jim Mitchell ('18)

## Trustees

Lyndon Hess, Chair ('19)  
Carl Lehman ('20)  
Dwayne Gish ('19)  
Lionel Hess ('18)  
Gary Musselman ('19)  
Rich Musselman ('20)  
Eric Swartzentruber ('18)  
Paul Zimmerman ('20)

## Worship Commission

Lee Roland, Chair ('18)  
Lynn Shertzer  
Chris Zimmerman ('19)  
Megan Myers ('20)  
Valerie Weaver Zercher ('18)

## Stewardship

Ben Fredrick, Chair ('19)  
Dale Weaver, Treasurer  
Mike Fasick ('18)  
Brad Lamb ('19)  
Rosalie Roland ('19)  
Diana Zimmerman, Financial Sec. ('19)

## Food and Fellowship

Cindy Musselman, Chair ('19)  
Matt Fasick ('18)  
Sandy Crouse ('19)  
Fran Leiter ('20)  
Lucy McAloose ('18)  
Jen Musselman ('19)  
Bonnie Lehman ('20)  
Debbie Hoover ('19)  
Debbie Weaver ('18)  
Janet Zimmerman ('18)

## Pastoral Relations

Judy Walter, Chair ('18)  
Roger Springer ('21)  
Trang Rioux ('18)  
Richard Mininger, Bishop

## Technology Committee

Tom Ly, Chair ('18)  
Chris Hawley ('18)  
Jeff Krug ('20)  
Isaac Shertzer ('18)  
Ed White ('19)

## Wellness Committee

Joy Fasick, Chair ('20)  
Hope Alexander ('18)  
Roger Myers ('20)  
Rod Petersheim ('19)  
Ben Simcox ('18)  
Connie Werner ('20)

## Gifts Discernment Committee

Stacy Petersheim, Chair ('19)  
Lee Roland ('19)  
Barb Springer ('18)  
Janet Zimmerman ('20)

## Church Retreat

Joelle Beck ('19)  
Amanda Musselman ('19)

## Child Protection Committee

Joy Fasick  
Debbie Bauman  
Rindy Lamb  
Danielle Hawley  
Sue Weigel  
Tara Hess