

HILLTOP NEWS



You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your **freedom** to indulge the flesh; rather, serve one another humbly in love. Galatians 5:13

They promise them **freedom**, while they themselves are slaves of depravity—for “people are slaves to whatever has mastered them.” 2 Peter 2:19

Speak and act as those who are going to be judged by the law that gives **freedom**, James 2:12

Live as free people, but do not use your **freedom** as a cover-up for evil; live as God’s slaves. 1 Peter 2:16

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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)

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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



Upcoming Events

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| July 11 | MCC Sewing Group ~ 6:30PM
Walking Club ~ 7:00PM; 1 Memorial Park, Mech. (pool parking lot, Hersheys) |
| July 18 | Walking Club ~ 7:00PM; 104 Lavyndon Lane (Rolands) |
| July 23 | Men's Group ~ 7:00PM |
| July 25 | Walking Club ~ 7:00PM; 128 Century Lane, Franklin Twp. Park (Joy Fasick) |
| July 31 | Book Discussion Group ~ 7:00PM |
| Aug. 1 | Walking Club ~ 7:00PM; McCormick Park, 500 McCormick Rd., Mech
(Miningers) |
| Aug. 8 | MCC Sewing Group ~ 6:30PM
Walking Club ~ 7:00PM; Messiah College Campus; covered bridge parking lot
(Weaver-Zerchers) |
| Aug. 12 | MCC Sewing Group ~ 6:30PM |
| Aug. 15 | Walking Club ~ 7:00PM; 2037 Harvest Dr., Mech. (Paul & Janet Zimmerman) |
| Aug. 20 | Men's Group ~ 7:00PM |
| Aug. 28 | Book Discussion Group ~ 7:00PM |
| Sept. 12 | Wednesday Night Out Resumes |
| Sept. 15 | Chicken BBQ |
| Sept. 25 | Book Discussion Group ~ 7:00PM |

Abbey Serving in Mexico City

Hello! I am excited to announce that I have committed to a year of service in Mexico City starting this August. I will be serving through Mennonite Central Committee's (MCC) Serving and Learning Together (SALT) program!

Where will I be serving?

During my year in Mexico City, I will be serving and living at an organization called **Casa de los Amigos** (Friends' House), a Quaker Center for Peace and International Understanding. It is a guest house and a community center. They offer lodging for international guests, as well as community activities related to social justice and human rights.

<http://www.casadelosamigos.org/en/>



What will I be doing?

As the **Hospitality Assistant** at Casa de los Amigos, some of my work will include:

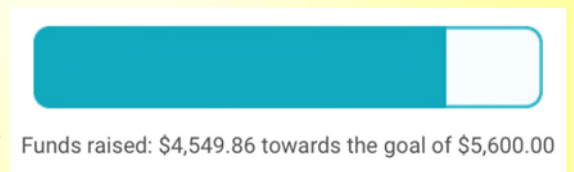
- Welcoming international guests at the reception desk
- Helping to coordinate and run the social justice programs
- Serving migrants and refugees who receive temporary lodging at Casa
- Making breakfast for the guests
- Living in community and building relationships with Casa staff, yearlong volunteers and international guests
- **Above all, striving to love my neighbors- to faithfully follow Christ's example of radical love and service, to put my faith into action and to see God in the people I meet and the stories I hear.**

How can you support me?

- **Prayer & Encouragement:** Knowing that I have a caring community by my side gives me such peace. One of the ways you can encourage me is by keeping in touch through messages, phone calls, FaceTime, emails, and letters.
- **Financial Support:** While MCC will be covering half of my expenses for the year, I will be responsible for raising a minimum of \$5,600 to meet the remaining costs. If you are interested and able to support me financially, I would greatly appreciate your partnership and generosity. Any donations can be made through my online giving registry: <https://donate.mcc.org/registry/abbey-combs-mexico>.

Let's Connect!

- Abbey Combs; 443-987-8347; abbey.combs@outlook.com
- My blog: <https://puentedepaz.wordpress.com/>
- If you would like to receive email updates during my year in Mexico, please send me your email address and I would be happy to add you to my list. Thankyou so much for your support and encouragement.





Eliezer's Update



After finishing the Spring semester, just like last year, I started working on campus for the summer. However, this summer I am living on campus while I work for Information Technology Services of the Learning Technology Services office, instead of the Student Computer Services like I did last year. So far, I have been helping with various tasks involving Canvas, which is an Online Learning Management System used by Messiah College. Also, I have been spending my free time playing soccer with my coworkers and people who live around the area. Ben Simcox is really good and a strong player! Apart from working and playing soccer, I spend some of my weekends at Ray and Fran's house where I have been helping with yard work and continue attending church at Slate Hill where I assist with the coffee set up each week.



Since I am staying on campus, I don't need transportation to and from Messiah college throughout the summer. As for the upcoming Fall semester, Ken Eshleman and Cindy Lehman, have volunteered to discuss my schedule needs as we get closer to the beginning of the semester. As for now, Ken, Cindy, and others involved in my transportation, will have a break until the end of the summer.

Eliezer Mwankenja



Slate Hill Walking Club 2018

Break out your walking shoes to join the Slate Hill Wednesday evening Walking Club this summer. Print out and refer to the schedule on the next page then gather at the designated walk point by 6:45 to step off at 7:00PM. Walks each week will be hosted by folks from Slate Hill and will traverse local neighborhoods or community parks; most have playgrounds. Don't miss the fun! Enjoy the fellowship, fresh air and fitness boost by participating in the Walking Club as your weekly schedule permits. Contact Barb Springer at 717-691-0626 if you have any questions.



SLATE HILL WEDNESDAY WALKING CLUB 2018 - STEP OFF AT 7:00 pm

<u>DATE</u>	<u>COMMUNITY</u>	<u>GATHERING ADDRESS</u>	<u>TERRAIN</u>	<u>HOST</u>
4-Jul		NO WALKING CLUB		
11-Jul	Memorial Park, Mburg	1 Memorial Park Dr.; parking lot by pool	paved, crushed	Ron & Rhoda Hershey
18-Jul	Upper Allen Twp	104 Lavynndon Lane, Mburg	paved	Lee & Rosalie Roland
25-Jul	Franklin Twp Park	128 Century Lane, Dillsburg	paved	Joy Fasick
1-Aug	McCormick Park	500 McCormick Rd, Mburg		Rich & Linda Mininger
8-Aug	Messiah College Campus	Parking lot by the covered bridge	paved/unpaved	Val & Dave Weaver-Zercher
15-Aug	Winding Hills Develp.	2037 Harvest Drive, Mburg	paved	Paul & Janet Zimmerman

Questions – Contact Barb Springer, 717-691-0626 or barbspringer51@yahoo.com

www.camphebron.org/family-camps



FAMILY CAMPS

A family vacation that is all-inclusive and loads of fun with a little something for everyone. Be active and outside, or enjoy a cup of tea and talking around the table. Enjoy a variety of activities including crafts, sports, swimming in our pool, boating and time in creation. Morning features biblical teaching in age groups followed up by family devotions in the evening. Build lasting, hilarious and special family memories with extended family or camp friends!



CAMP	DATES
Moms & Tots	June 25-29
Family Camp V	July 1-6
Family Camp I	July 8-13
Family Camp II	July 15-20
Family Camp III	July 22-27
Family Camp Adoption Focus	July 29-Aug 3
Grandparent/Grandchild	Aug 10-12

Grandparent/Grandchild Weekend at Camp Hebron

Experience a fun-filled weekend with your grandchildren!



Worship together and experience interactive Bible Studies.

Enjoy many of camp's different activities.

Pricing is set by the pair with the option to add additional grandchildren.

One Grandparent \$125
First Grandchild \$100
Second Grandchild \$75

Friday August 10, 2018 6:00pm-Sunday August 12, 2018 3:00pm

Register at: <http://register.circuitree.com/CampHebron/Registration/EventSelection.aspx?>

Summer Ministry Changes

Ladies Fellowship & Study

The Ladies Fellowship will NOT meet during the summer months. Sessions will reconvene in September on the FIRST & THIRD FRIDAYS of each month.

Men's Group

The Men's Group will not conduct weekly sessions during the summer but will meet only one time each month. The designated dates are: July 23 and August 20.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

No matter what the weather, we can all enjoy a good book. Below is the information for the upcoming months so you can read ahead! Please record the information on your calendar.

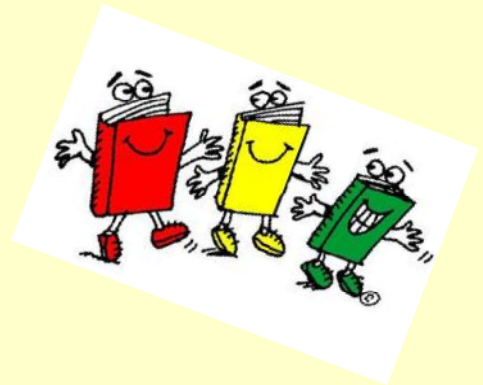
July 31 - *The Sweetness at the Bottom of the Pie* by Alan Bradley

August 28 - *Sensible Shoes*, Sharon Garlough Brown

September 25 - *Poisonwood Bible* by Barbara Kingsolver

October 30 - *The Masterpiece* by Francine Rivers

November 27 - *The Lemon Tree* by Sandy Tolan



All meetings are held on TUESDAY evening at 7:00PM in the church conference room.

Submitted by Kathy Krug



Pride of the Susquehanna Riverboat Worship Services

Each Sunday from June through August you can worship on the Pride of the Susquehanna Riverboat, leaving at 10am from City Island in Harrisburg. Worship is led by a different local pastor, church or group each week. Boarding begins 15 minutes before the start time, and the cruise lasts until around 11:15 AM. No reservations required, but seating is limited to first-come, first-served.

Freewill Offering: A freewill offering will be taken as you depart the boat. The offering is divided evenly between the Harrisburg Area Riverboat Society (to support riverboat operations) and **Christian Churches United (to support its HELP Ministries)**. HELP Ministries provides emergency assistance to individuals and families in crisis, including: access to emergency shelter, rental assistance to prevent or end homelessness, utility assistance, and other emergency help, case management and referrals.

DATE	MESSAGE	CHURCH/GROUP
June 3	Rev. Dave Eddy	Fullness of Joy Ministries
June 10	Pastor Bob Shelley	Brass Triumphant Musical Group
June 17	Pastor Dan Schmidt	St. Thomas United Church of Christ
June 24	Tim Lyne	Canaan's Land Musical Group
July 1	Rev. Kate Harrigan	St. Paul's Episcopal Church
July 8	Edward Zook	Herr Street Mennonite Church
July 15	Pastor Bob Shelley	Vintage Brass Quartet Musical Group
July 22	To Be Announced	Salem United Church of Christ
July 29	Reverend Karin Pejack	Zion Lutheran Church, Harrisburg

http://www.ccuhbg.org/?page_id=1468

*Sponsored by **Christian Churches United (to support its HELP Ministries)**.*



Kind of like an "Off-Site Fun Fest"

**Slate Hill Volunteers Needed to Staff
Carnival Games at Life Time Adult Day Care
Friday, July 6, 2018, 9:15 - 11:30AM**

Last year thirteen adult volunteers assisted by five children and five Trinity High School students served our community. They gave their love and time at the Life Time Adult Day Care in Mechanicsburg supporting those needing supervision and a safe place to go during the day.

The volunteers were excitedly welcomed by about fifty clients and seven staff who were eager to get on with sixteen carnival games which had been set up earlier. All the games were standard games used for the Spring Fling which Slate Hill Mennonite Church hosts annually.

Clients were cheered on by the volunteers as they tossed bean bags, tried to knock down bowling pins, hit a bull's eye, or a hole in one. For their effort, the clients received a colorful sticker validating they played the game. They proudly showed their decorated game card with 16 stickers to staff and volunteers.



"It was actually really a lot of fun," said Connor Gerber (8-year-old grandson of Barb and Roger Springer). "I kinda felt good for the people there; they got to play lots of games." Noted Sarina Jackson (daughter of Chris and Rachel Zimmerman), "I helped with the lasso toss and gave the people stickers with wild animals and superheroes." Zach Gerber (5-year-old grandson of Barb and Roger Springer) said that it was hard for some of the people to release the plastic bowling ball in order to knock down the six pins. "So I had to tell them how to bowl."

Debbie Weaver staffed the Spinning Wheel game. There, clients spun the wheel and won whichever prize (a box of raisins, a pencil, a string of beads, a notebook or a mint) the spinner signified. "I did have to make some executive decisions when a client preferred a pencil over a mint," said Debbie with a smile.

Rachel Zimmerman enthusiastically welcomed clients to the lasso toss where clients tried to toss 6-inch lassos onto dowels which protruded from a slanted board. When Kay, a wheelchair-bound client, had trouble tossing the lassos, Rachel invited her to inch forward so she was able to place a lasso on each of the dowels. "A world record," Ulli proclaimed. Kay was pleased with her accomplishment. Her only one request, "Can I have a blue sticker? Blue is my favorite color."

Slate Hill volunteers included: Barb Springer (with her grandsons: Owen, Connor and Zach Gerber); Dale and Debbie Weaver, Linda Mininger, Dottie and Gene Seitz, Fran Leiter, Chris, Rachel, Jackson and Zimmerman, Sue Weigel, Matt Bergey, Theda and Ulli Klemm. Five teens from Trinity High School, who were performing service hours, joined the fun and truly were a blessing. "Mary, John, Patrick, Michael and Ben were incredible," noted Ulli Klemm. "They had hearts of service and hope to be invited back."

Submitted by Ulli Klemm

A Sending Celebration: EMM worker commissioning for



Marty and Glenna Sollenberger

(Marty and Glenna have a dual affiliation - they serve both EMM and Wycliffe Bible Translators)

Date: Sunday, July 8, 2018, 6:30PM

Location: The Oakwood Chapel at
Black Rock Retreat

Address: 1345 Kirkwood Pk
Quarryville, PA 17566

A missionary never serves alone. Through prayer, finances, and friendship, a sending and supporting community is always part of the journey. You have been a valued part of our sending community, and we want to thank you for standing with us as we prepare to take the gospel to places in need of Jesus' hope.

On July 8 we will be commissioned to serve as missionaries with EMM. Since you have helped make this possible, we would like to invite you to the commissioning service. It will be a special time for supporters to gather around new and reappointed missionaries in prayer and watch them take this important final step before they are sent.

Randy Friesen, the executive director of MB Mission, will serve as the speaker, drawing on almost 30 years of experience directing short-term and long-term mission programs. The service will also include worker testimonies. Afterwards, stay to chat and say goodbyes over ice cream! Child care is not available, but children are welcome.

You can find more details at emm.org/commissioning. Whether or not you are able to come to the commissioning service, please know how deeply your ongoing fellowship and support are appreciated.

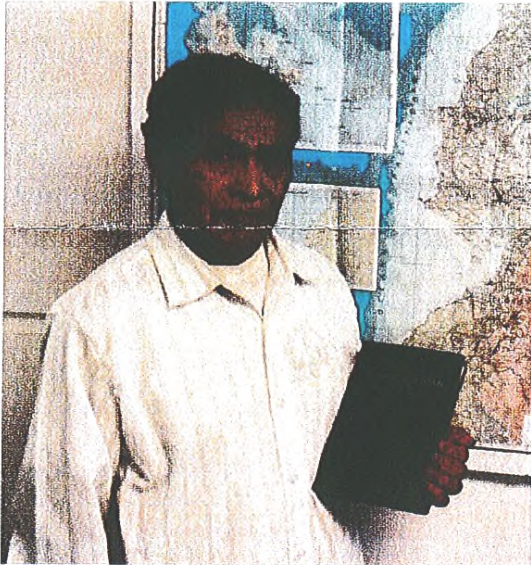
Bringing God's Word to the Nations

The latest from Marty and Glenna Sollenberger

JUNE 2018

Dear Partners, Friends, and Family,

An exciting event took place in Dallas last month. Pastor Carlos came to the U.S. to show us the newly-published New Testament in his language*. I (Glenna) got to meet him at the Scripture Dedication. He told us, **"When we read the Bible in Spanish, we don't understand all the words. Now it is in our language, and we can understand it."** Pastor Carlos played for us a portion of it through his cell phone. He told us, "Many of the older people cannot read and write. But now we have an audio recording of it in multiple voices, so they can listen to it. It is also available through the Internet, so young people can read and listen to it in their language through their cell phones and computers."



Pastor Carlos and his people want to translate the Old Testament too. Please pray for him and his people so they can have the full Bible in their language.

*Due to sensitivities, the language name and country of this translation project need to remain unnamed.

Pastor Carlos with the New Testament he helped translate into his language.

Thank you for your interest in us and in our ministry with Wycliffe Bible Translators. We are making another trip to Pennsylvania July 2-18.

Please pray for:

- Safety in travel.
- Good health, especially during the Global Fair outdoor missions festival July 7. We will be there to represent our ministry with Wycliffe. See <https://www.emm.org/stories/articles/item/2045-eastern-mennonite-missions-global-fair-brings-the-world-to-hans-herr-house> for more information.
- For God to provide new prayer and financial partners for our ministry with Wycliffe Bible Translators.

Thank you for your partnership in our Wycliffe ministry through your prayers and financial support. **We couldn't do it without you!**

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www.wycliffe.org/partner/sollenbergers or
www.wycliffe.org and search for "Sollenbergers"

Slate Hill's Sewing Circle Celebrates 100 years!

(Part 2 of 3 by Ulli Klemm)



Dottie Seitz, who joined the Sewing Circle in the 1960's, noted that Ruth Hertzler was one of the most dedicated sewers she knew. Dottie recalls some of the women taught the grade-school girls how to knit, crochet or knot comforters. "It was a nice time for different generations for serve together," noted Dottie. "It was really cool what we turned out."

"Before our first child was born in 1974," commented Rosalie Roland, "I had Ruth Lauver help me make a quilt for the baby crib. I learned this skill due to the Sewing Circle." Rosalie remembers being the president of Sewing Circle around 1977 which also made her part of the Church Council.

There were a number of years, from the late 1990's through the early years of this century, interest in the Sewing Circle subsided. However, a few years ago, some women convened for a monthly craft night, where items were made to donate to the MCC Relief Sale. Julie Quickel remembers she and Cindy Musselman were talking one day about putting some comforters together again. Soon they were joined by Rose Haury, Lucy McAloose and Stacy Stoltzfus - and they were off to the races.

As a young girl, Cindy Musselman went to Sewing Circle with her mom, Emma Jean Zimmerman. Cindy learned how to knot comforters and helped with MCC Christmas bundles by pinning each corner of a towel shut to keep the contents inside. Through the years she has enjoyed meeting with other ladies and being part of many conversations as the women worked. Pat White remembered when she was about eight years of age how she crawled under the quilt frame and poked inserted needles from above back up through the material to help the woman who poked through the top of the comforter.

Today, the Sewing Circle, now called "MCC Sewing Group," meets in a corner classroom on the lower level of the church addition. When Wednesday Night Out (WNO) takes place, the MCC Sewing Group officially meets on the second Wednesday evening of each month after supper. "Often, one or two of us will go down each week though and work," noted Stacy Stoltzfus.

Julie Quickel, Lucy McAloose and Stacy Stoltzfus take care of getting the word out about upcoming meetings and purchasing the supplies and fabrics. They assume responsibility for knotting the comforters according to MCC specifications. In addition to tops and finished comforters, the group also makes baby comforters to donate to local pregnancy centers. Baby comforters are also gifted to new moms at Slate Hill and several have been donated to Camp Hebron's annual Boots and Blue Jeans auction to help raise funds for the horsemanship program. When the group has a batch of comforters ready to go to MCC, Stacy delivers them to Cathy Irwin, a friend of Rose Haury's, who lives in Carlisle. "Cathy volunteers once a week at the MCC Material Resource Center and is glad to take them with her," noted Stacy.



Sewing Circle members at work circa early 1970's in the Slate Hill basement. At sewing machines (L to R): Ruth Hertzler, Elverta Horst, Emma Jean Zimmerman. Quilting (L to R): Alice Zimmerman, Mabel Hertzler. *Photo by Bert Asper*

From 2016 to 2018, the ladies attending the MCC Sewing Nights made the following:

- 74 Comforters for MCC
- 66 Comforters for local pregnancy centers
- 19 Comforter tops (only) for MCC

In addition to the above, the group sews bags needed for MCC school kits, hygiene kits and sewing kits. Over the years, the Sewing Circle has fashioned hundreds of double drawstring cloth

bags. While the same size bag is used for all the kits, the fabric used for the kit bags differs. School and hygienic kit bags are made from heavier and sturdier fabric such as denim, corduroy, drapery or upholstery fabric. Lucy McAloose shared, "our goal is usually 100 school kit bags each year. We also collected items and donated 16 sewing kits to the MCC several years ago. One year, we made well over 100 bags and sent the extras to the Material Resource Center."



Sewing Circle circa early 1970's in the Slate Hill basement. At sewing machine (L to R): Emma Jean Zimmerman; Quilting: Mabel Hertzler, Alice Zimmerman.

Photo by Bert Asper



Sewing Circle circa early 1970's in the Slate Hill basement. (L to R): Julie (Hertzler) Quickel, Cindy (Zimmerman) Musselman, Martha (Hartzler) Rohrer, Ruth Hess, Judy (Zimmerman) Walter, Pam Parks.

Photo by Bert Asper



Dottie Seitz speaking with Julie Quickel (seated). Elizabeth Martin in background knotting a comforter.

Photo by Bob Saline, May 2018



Maxine Zook knotting a comforter and Stacy Stoltzfus sewing patches together.

Photo by Bob Saline, May 2018



FUN FEST Thanks!

Hilltop Fun Fest was another great success this year as we welcomed over 900 people to the church grounds on June 2, 2018. The threat of rain proved to be an empty one as our friends and neighbors enjoyed BBQ'd chicken, snacks, games, Bingo, and a special closing event featuring a Christian Juggler. On behalf of the Fun Fest Committee, I thank everyone who donated money, time, and resources to make the event a success for the community. Also a special thanks to the AdHoc BBQ Committee for a generous donation from their designated funds.

By Matt Bergey



The AdHoc BBQ Committee is pleased to announce that in June the Church Board approved the disbursement of the following BBQ proceeds to sow missional seeds in our community and the world. Persons requesting funds are noted in parentheses.

\$ 2,500	HILLTOP FUN FEST (Matt Bergey)
\$ 1,000	MCC SEWING GROUP Materials (Stacy Stoltzfus)
\$ 1,000	ELIEZER G. MWANKENJA TUITION (Ray and Fran Leiter)
\$ 1,000	CUMBERLAND VISTA MINISTRY – SPRING FLING 2019 (Ulli Klemm)
\$ 1,000	FRIENDS OF SHIRATI – Nursing Scholarships (Dale Ressler)
\$ 800	CAMP HEBRON SCHOLARSHIPS (Kathy Krug)
\$ 750	CLA MISSION TRIP SUPPORT (Michaelah Gehman)
\$ 700	INTERVARSITY CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP trainings (Kara Miller)
TOTAL \$ 8,750	

The AdHoc BBQ Committee is in the process of obtaining estimates to build a roof over the BBQ pits. It is needed as we BBQ rain or shine and it must meet township codes. We hope the project can be completed this year. Funding will come from the balance of BBQ funds and anticipated funds from the Sept. 15 BBQ. The availability of missional funds in 2019 will be impacted because of this capital improvement but we hope to continue sowing seeds for years to come.

AdHoc BBQ Committee Members include: Bob Saline, Paul Zimmerman, Fran and Ray Leiter, Joy Fasick, Carl Lehman, Gene Seitz, Cindy Musselman, Ulli Klemm (facilitator)

Apart ... For ... With ... By, Relating to Persons with Disabilities

Bill Gaventa, an expert on faith and disability, often speaks about how churches move through a progression of relating to people with both physical and developmental disabilities. Gaventa proposes that many churches progress through four stages regarding this relationship: apart; for; with; by.

Churches start by keeping those with disabilities **apart** - only pretending to include them in the life of the church and community. Some in the church will interpret having folks with disabilities walk through their church doors confirms it is a welcoming church. However, at a closer glance, in such churches it is not uncommon for those with disabilities to sit by themselves or, if there are multiple persons with disabilities, by themselves in one group. Some in the church will assume that "staff will take care of them" so there's no need to learn to know who is who.

Some churches begin ministries "**for** the disabled." Such ministries, while well-intended, can be paternalistic. In this phase, the attitude can come across as: "Let's see what we (the nice and caring non-disabled) can do for you (the needy disabled)." Still, those with disabilities are kept at shoulder length. For example, instead of asking those with disabilities how the church could be more accommodating in its physical layout, parking or entrances, the (non-disabled) powers propose and implement changes that they hope will make those with disabilities grateful. Sadly, those affected most by the changes are never consulted or asked for their input. Instead, the non-disabled tout "what they did **for** the disabled" even if those changes don't work (e.g. the expensive newly painted parking lot lines are still too narrow or the handicapped parking spaces require those with disabilities to enter doors furthest from the main entrance).

Next comes ministry **with** people who have disabilities. In this phase, the church begins to take down its guard and move toward viewing those with disabilities as equals. "**We do life together with** our brothers and sisters in our group homes," says Jim Roberts, Executive Director of C.R.O.S.S., who administers Cumberland Vista and two other group homes. Doing life together means that we invite those with disabilities to join our conversations, take the initiative to learn to know their names, invite them to sit with us during worship or during meals in the Fellowship Hall, and ask for their input and suggestions.

Moving to ministry **by** those with disabilities requires a ministry and mission based on deep trust ALL of God's people - including those with severe disabilities - have real gifts to share. It also comes with the conviction that without the disabled sharing their gifts, God's body and Kingdom are not complete. Ministry **by** those with disabilities means opening ourselves to receive God's grace and revelation through persons with disabilities. It's more than just watching a skit with actors who have disabilities, having some serve as ushers, or listening to someone with disabilities play an instrument. It's about really listening to those with disabilities and taking them seriously. Not many churches do ministry **by** those with disabilities.



Jim Burkholder sharing love with Joshua Dean.

Where is Slate Hill in this mix? I'm not sure. Where are you in this mix? I am even less sure. All I know is that I continue to pray for God to mold my heart to fully respect, embrace and take seriously all of the children God brings into my neighborhood called the church.

The late Jim Burkholder knew how to do ministry by those with disabilities. His friends at Cumberland Vista, others with disabilities, and those who embarked on ministry with the disabled deeply mourn his passing.

by Ulli Klemm



Many thanks to the BBQ committee for approving and awarding missional funds to Eliezer Mwankenja to assist with his educational costs. This award will help greatly to provide the \$9,000 needed for the Fall Semester which begins Eliezer's last year at Messiah College - then only one more semester to go! Lord willing, he'll graduate in May 2019 with a Bachelor of Science in Computer & Information Sciences after which he will return to Tanzania for a long awaited reunion with his family.

Fran and I are most grateful to all who have supported Eliezer thus far in obtaining a college education. All your prayers, travel assistance, friendship, help with fundraisers, and financial contributions have been a huge blessing.

Submitted by Ray Leiter

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

HERSHEY, Erin	07/01
WIDMER, Margaret	07/01
MUSSELMAN, Gary	07/02
LY, Cassandra	07/05
DOLL, Sharon	07/08
ZIMMERMAN, Sarina	07/08
AROKO, Elam	07/10
COCHRAN, Ben	07/10
ONELANGSY, Somxay	07/11
MANIVONG, Laythong	07/13
BERGEY, Matt	07/14
FASICK, Mike	07/14
QUICKEL, Bill	07/14
ZIMMERMAN, Diana	07/14
BECK, McKenna	07/15
CHUBB, Jeremy	07/15
NISLY, Nancy	07/16
HERSHEY, Ron	07/17
BARNES, Harleigh	07/18
BECHTOLD, Wayne	07/18
MANIVONG, London	07/18
LEITER, Ray	07/21
ZOOK, Milla	07/24
AROKO, Eni	07/26
BOUNMA, Philip	07/26
BECHTOLD, Debbie	07/28
WERNER, Reagan	07/28
RIDER, Grant	07/29
LAMB, Kyla	07/31
MCGRATH, Kevin	07/31
SNYDER, John	07/31



HAWLEY, Chris & Danielle	07/05
ZIMMERMAN, Christopher & Rachael	07/07
FASICK, Mike & Joy	07/18
MILLER, Caleb & Kara	07/19
NISLY, Paul & Nancy	07/19
MININGER, Richard & Linda	07/25



Mechanicsburg Center

*Serving Mechanicsburg, New Kingstown,
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This past June, the children in our **PETALS** (Preschool & Toddler Activity Learning Support) Program enjoyed a field trip to pick fresh nutritious berries. These kiddos sure look like they're having fun! Our PETALS Program prepares children for kindergarten. For details on this program, including how you can volunteer with us, please give us a call!



Wish List:

- Cereal
- Canned veggies
- Canned tuna or chicken
- Peanut butter
- Condiments

Volunteering opportunities:

- Marketplace host
- Hospitality host
- Stockers

Need Help?

If you or someone you know needs help with food, budgeting skills, finding a job, or dealing with a financial crisis, please contact us.

Our **Back to School Daze Craze** is coming up! Check our website for more details in the coming month.



Visit our website to learn how you or your church group can **Sponsor A Day** at our Mechanicsburg Center!

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

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

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)
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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)