

HILLTOP NEWS

Be patient, then, brothers and sisters, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop, patiently waiting for the autumn and spring rains.

James 5:7



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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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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



Upcoming Events

- Oct. 1** **Men's Connection (Every Monday Night) ~ 7:00PM**
 - Oct. 3** **WNO (Wednesday Night Out) ~ Meal at 5:45, Groups at 6:30**
 - Oct. 5** **Ladies Fellowship & Study ~ 9:30AM**
 - Oct. 7** **Communion**
 - Oct. 8** **MCC Service Day in Ephrata ~ 8:00AM - 4:30PM**
 - Oct. 10** **WNO ~ Meal at 5:45, Groups at 6:30**
Menno Knotters ~ 6:30-8:30PM
 - Oct. 17** **WNO ~ Meal at 5:45, Groups at 6:30**
 - Oct. 19** **Ladies Fellowship & Study ~ 9:30AM**
 - Oct. 21** **CROP Walk**
 - Oct. 24** **WNO ~ Meal at 5:45, Groups at 6:30**
 - Oct. 30** **Book Discussion Group ~ 7:00PM**
 - Oct. 31** **WNO ~ Meal at 5:45, Groups at 6:30**
- (No Book Discussion Group meetings in November or December)**



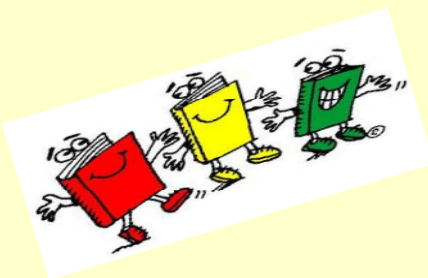
HEALTHIER EATING

Quinoa? Kale? Pomegranates? “Superfoods” all, but just how do you incorporate those foods into a family menu? And without breaking the bank?

A positive trend toward healthier eating has begun and the Wellness Outreach Committee would like to hop on the bandwagon! We are looking for Slate Hillers who are knowledgeable about healthy eating/cooking to share their expertise with others. Some options we are considering are a “healthy swaps” method for moving to healthier options within our current menu and “Show Us How and Let Us Sample It” for new recipes that include superfoods or whole foods. These mini-classes could be held after FOB groups on Sundays or during Wednesday Night Out or at any other time that works for you! If you are interested in sharing your cooking skills with others, please speak with Connie Werner or contact her at 717-576-7222.

At Slate Hill, engaging community members is an important aspect of living our faith. As part of that mission, the Wellness Outreach Committee will interact with the community by offering whole health opportunities, recognizing that God created us as intricate beings encompassing mind, body and spirit.

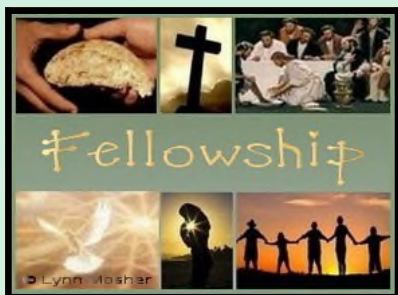
BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP



Where has the year flown to? We have only one more meeting in 2018! The book we will be discussing on October 30 is *The Masterpiece* by Francine Rivers. We will meet in the church conference room at 7:00.

Enjoy your holidays and stay tuned for the new schedule.

Submitted by Kathy Krug



FOB's Are Running

FOB's are running! FOBs are groups modeled after the Fellowship of Believers described in Acts 2. At Slate Hill, FOB groups are a primary connection for studying God's Word, sharing prayer time, and developing relationships.

Most FOBs meet on Sunday mornings from 11:00 to noon and some meet on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-7:30. There are also two groups meeting on alternate schedules; feel free to inquire about that if your schedule prevents you from attending at the other times.

All FOB groups are open groups, so new people may join at any time. Large FOBs are invited to multiply into two groups whenever they feel the time is right and small FOBs are welcome to grow their group through invitations or by joining with another group.

Whether you are new to Slate Hill or have been here for years, whether you are a regular attender or a community member, whether you identify as a follower of Christ or are just curious, you are invited to be a part of a FOB. To learn more or get connected, visit the table in the foyer or contact Lynn (lynn_shertzer@verizon.net) or Joy (joyfasick@gmail.com).

Browse Service Opportunities



Do you like to be in-the-know about mission opportunities? Pray for their needs? Wonder where and what you could do for the Lord on your next vacation?

Explore www.ChooseService.org, the go-to site for a wide range of volunteer opportunities, from multiple organizations, to express your faith. This is a doorway to hundreds of Anabaptist faith-based partners in hundreds of places. Search and filter to find what you want... by term length (little as 1 week); type of work; setting of choice (indoor/outdoor, camp, city, etc.; and country, state or province. Connect with a real person and find what's right for you.

Check it out and share it with others!



Fall Festival

Saturday, October 6, 2018

2:00 PM 7:00 PM

Camp Hebron 957 Camp Hebron Road, Halifax, PA, 17032

Bring your family and friends to our Homecoming Fall Festival. This event will be filled with family-friendly fun, nostalgia, good eats and lots of laughs. This year we've invited actor, musician and singer [Jeff Raught](#) as the entertainment and we are hosting a [5k Trail Run!](#)

Our event will be rain or shine. Homecoming is free but does serve as a fundraiser for Camp Hebron. Please consider contributing during the free-will offering to be received during the evening program.

Space is available in our Campground during Homecoming weekend. Reserve your campsite and bring your RV, camper or tent for a great weekend with family and friends.



Autumn Retreat for Ages 55+

Tuesday, October 16, 2018; 8:45 AM -

Thursday, October 18, 2018 1:00 PM

New this year: Bring a new friend and get \$25 off your registration fee! Your friend must be new to Camp Hebron.

Come away for a time of relaxation, inspiration, and fellowship in the Sylvan View Retreat Center. The Autumn Retreat is a three-day getaway designed for adults ages 55+. Play a few games, go for walk in the serenity of nature, or just enjoy the conversations, worship, and wonderful messages. For more information or to register go to: <http://www.camphebron.org/events/autumn-retreat>.



BBQ Funds Support Shirati Hospital in Tanzania

Friends of Shirati, a nonprofit that supports the work of the Shirati Hospital in Tanzania, received \$1,000 from the April 21 chicken barbecue at Slate Hill. The money is supporting scholarships for staff at the hospital, which is owned by the Tanzania Mennonite Church and serves communities near Lake Victoria.

The generous donation from the Slate Hill barbecue funds will allow five medical assistants at the hospital to take a test preparation course for a government-mandated exam. A recent requirement by the Tanzanian government means that numerous hospital staff members who had not had a high school diploma need to take this high school equivalency exam.

“Scholarships like the ones provided by Slate Hill help stabilize the workforce,” says Dale Ressler, volunteer executive director of Friends of Shirati, who attends Slate Hill. Staff who receive scholarships from Friends of Shirati are required to work two more years for each year of the scholarship. A recent four-year scholarship for a radiologist at the hospital, for example, means the physician has committed to work for at least eight more years at the hospital. Shirati Hospital staff have a stellar reputation among medical professionals in Tanzania, and the hospital itself serves as a designated regional hospital of the government.

Since its founding in 2005, Friends of Shirati has worked toward flourishing, sustainable, and healthy communities in Tanzania via partnerships with Shirati Hospital, Shirati College of Health Sciences, and the Shirati Leprosy compound. Friends of Shirati assists in developing and expanding the medical work, providing educational assistance, and offering support for those living with leprosy.

Friends of Shirati recently completed a solar electricity project that means the hospital is powered almost exclusively by sustainable energy. Also nearly complete is a solar water project, which means the hospital now has a sustainable water supply. The solar-powered system pumps water from Lake Victoria to the hospital, producing 5,800 gallons of water per day. That’s enough water to both supply the hospital and to sell to residents of the community surrounding the hospital at an affordable price. Ressler says the solar water project “has changed the lives of many people in the vicinity, who no longer have to walk two miles to get water.”

Friends of Shirati is grateful for donations and for the generous support. For more information about the work of Friends of Shirati, talk to Dale Ressler or Valerie Weaver-Zercher.

Submitted by Valerie Weaver-Zercher



THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Thank you to Slate Hill and to Camp Hebron for their parts in helping these young people attend summer camp at Camp Hebron.

Money from the BBQ Committee and the camperships (scholarships) offered through Camp Hebron were used to cover the cost to attend camp this summer.

These letters express not only the gratitude for this financial assistance but also the value for children to attend a carefree, fun-filled week at Camp Hebron where they make new friends, learn more about Jesus, and form a deeper commitment to their faith.

Thank you.

Submitted by Kathy Krug

Thank you so much for helping me go to camp. I'm so glad I could go to camp this year. My cabin was the silliest and my counselor was great. She was so talented and nice and her name was Grace and I was in grouse hideaway. I'm just so grateful and the pastors, daughter and sons were just so cute and we went to the pool as much as possible. It was so fun so thank you.
Love, Tyleanna

Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to go to Camp. I learned so much like "we are all part of God's perfect plan" & I also learned that God has over 8 billion visions of perfection. I met some great people too, they made it so hard to come home because I knew I wasn't gonna see them till next year. I always love looking at the pictures afterwards. Thank you so so much for giving me the opportunity.!!
Love, Victoria
O'Leary



Dear camp hebron & slate hill,
Thank you for allowing me to go to camp this year. I really love going to camp. My favorite part of my week at camp was the shaving cream wars. My counselors were Grace & V, they were the best people in the world. They made my week so much fun. I had 8 people in my cabin, they were really fun to be around. Once again thank you for allowing me to go to camp this year.
From,
Ruthann



Sharing Christ's love by meeting human needs

Food Pantry Grocery List

- ☐ Applesauce
- ☐ Boxed meal mixes (chicken helpers; home style bakes)
- ☐ Breakfast cereals and pancake mix, instant oatmeal
- ☐ **Canned chicken, tuna or beef stew**
- ☐ **Canned fruit and fruit cups**
- ☐ Canned milk
- ☐ Canned ravioli or other canned pasta
- ☐ **Canned vegetables**
- ☐ Cookies or cookie mix
- ☐ Dry milk
- ☐ Flour; sugar; brown sugar
- ☐ Ground coffee; tea bags; iced tea mix
- ☐ Infant formula
- ☐ Instant potatoes; rice mixes
- ☐ **Juice and juice boxes**
- ☐ **Ketchup and mustard**
- ☐ Mayonnaise, Miracle Whip
- ☐ Muffin, cake, bread mixes
- ☐ Pancake syrup
- ☐ **Peanut Butter**
- ☐ Powdered drink mixes
- ☐ Pudding or Jell-O
- ☐ Raisins
- ☐ Vegetable oil, including spray
- ☐ Pasta
- ☐ Macaroni and cheese
- ☐ Jelly or jam
- ☐ Canned gravy
- ☐ Saltine crackers; snack crackers
- ☐ Salt, pepper
- ☐ Popcorn

Cleaning and Hygiene items

- ☐ Bar soap
- ☐ Deodorant (men's and women's)
- ☐ **Diapers, wipes, diaper cream**
- ☐ Dish soap
- ☐ Disposable razors (men's and women's)
- ☐ **Feminine hygiene products**
- ☐ **Laundry detergent**
- ☐ **Shampoo**
- ☐ Shaving cream
- ☐ **Toilet paper; paper towels**
- ☐ Toothpaste
- ☐ Toothbrushes

Most-needed items are in boldface font.

We also welcome donations of fresh or frozen meats, fresh fruits and vegetables, and milk and dairy products.

Donations typically accepted Monday through Friday between 9:00am and 4:00pm at our centers located in Adams, Cumberland, and York counties:

Dillsburg Center

99 W. Church St
Dillsburg, PA 17019
717-432-3053

Dover Center

1836 Industrial Ct
Dover, PA 17315
717-292-3441

Hanover Center

135 Baltimore St
Hanover, PA 17331
717-698-3365

Mechanicsburg Center

5228 E. Trindle Rd
Mechanicsburg, PA 17050
717-766-7333

New Oxford Center

120 N. Peters St
New Oxford, PA 17350
717-624-4700

West Shore Center

701 Bosler Ave
Lemoyne, PA 17043
717-774-6255

Joseph, Erin,
Lucie, & William **LONGENECKER**

Longenotes: Bonjour from Burkina

August 31, 2018

In our last newsletter, we mentioned security concerns in the East, where we originally planned to work. Unfortunately, the situation does not seem to be improving, so SIM Burkina recently decided not to relocate any families to the East for at least one year. We are grateful for SIM's prayerfulness, wisdom, and local knowledge as they made this decision and feel peace about living in Ouagadougou, the capital, for now.

Joseph has already set up shop outside our home and is constructing the first drill rig. While being in the capital will change the way we test and implement the rig, it also brings many advantages, including greater access to parts and people. Our goal remains to help local entrepreneurs establish well-drilling businesses, providing opportunities for sharing the Gospel and greater resources for the Church. Erin continues to work part-time for HOPE International and will also help with writing projects for our local team.

Our children have encouraged us with their resilience in the face of all these changes. Lucie is full of energy and seems to learn something new every day. We live next door to two other SIM families, and she loves running off to play with them. William weighs almost as much as his sister and is happiest when sitting outside next to Joseph's workbench. Brother and sister can make each other belly laugh like no one else.

As always, we'd love to hear how you're doing. Thank you for your prayers and support!

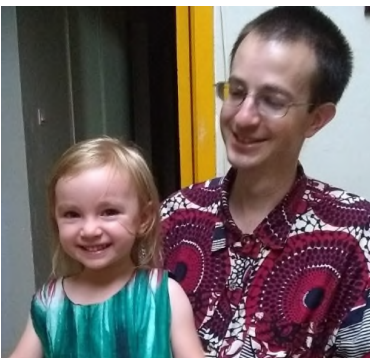
Joseph, Erin, Lucie, and William Longenecker

P.S. Open Door Development, the SIM project we've joined, sends a monthly e-newsletter with more details about our work. [Send us an email](#) if you'd like to receive it!

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Lucie and Joseph



Lucie and Will



Well rig under construction,
supervised by baby Will

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Pray

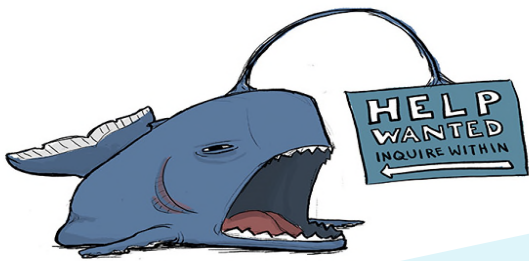
- Praise God for helping us adjust! Pray for continued learning and for grace for ourselves and each other.
- Pray for improved security in the North and East.
- Pray for wisdom as we process the decisions that come with our change of plans.
- Pray for good health, as we've faced a few rounds of illness.

Support

- Online: www.simusa.org/give. Search for the "Joseph and Erin Longenecker - Support" fund using our account number **043533**.
- By check: Payable to **SIM USA**. Write our account number **043533** in the memo line. Mail to SIM USA at the address in the footer.

Stay in touch

- **Burkina address:** SIM Mission Protestante, Joseph and Erin Longenecker, BP 1552 Ouagadougou 01, Burkina Faso
- **U.S. address:** 924 Lemiwai Street, Wahiawa, HI 96786 (Erin's parents)
Email: joseph.longenecker@sim.org / erin.longenecker@sim.org
- Blog: longenotes.wordpress.com
- Instagram: jblongen / erinalong



No, you won't be thrown to the sharks!!

CHICKEN BBQ COMMITTEE CHAIR NEEDED

Ulli Klemm has whole-heartedly and faithfully overseen the Chicken BBQ about eleven years and has helped "grow" it to its current success. By holding a spring and a fall BBQ, over \$10,000 has been raised yearly in recent years to support local and global mission work to glorify God.

However, Ulli is unable to continue in this important role. Existing committee members will support you, answer questions, and do much of the legwork. Many volunteers within the congregation step forward to prepare for and carry out the duties of each BBQ so you will not have a heavy burden. A leader should oversee and delegate, not be enslaved!

Many groups within SHMC benefit from the funds raised by the BBQ and all are encouraged to take an active role by recommending a potential chairperson or by serving on the committee. If you would like to be part of this important mission fundraiser, either as leader or as a planning member, please contact Joy Fasick.



MYERS, Duane & Megan	10/02
LAMB, Brad & Rindy	10/07
LEHMAN, Dean & Bonnie	10/12
MUSSELMAN, Richard & Jen	10/12
WIDMER, Lamarr & Margaret	10/16
HORST, Bernie & Joan	10/21
MCALOOSE, Gene & Lucy	10/21
LY, Tom & Cassandra	10/26
WALTER, Jeff & Judy	10/29



HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

ROSS, Dustin	10/01
LEHMAN, Mabel	10/02
ALEXANDER, Lincoln	10/03
MUSSELMAN, Amanda	10/03
MALAY, Gigi	10/10
MANIVONG, Synakhone	10/11
JENKINS, Tyleeanna	10/13
BURKHOLDER, Marian	10/14
SACHS, Acacia	10/14
WALTER, Jeff	10/14
BECK, Joelle	10/15
FREDRICK, Ellie	10/15
ZOOK, Mary	10/15
HOWER, Jacquie	10/16
BARR, Randy	10/18
ESCALANTE, Jery	10/18
BECK, Seng	10/20
CROUSE, Bill	10/20
ONELANGSY, Hope	10/20
CHRONISTER, Karman	10/22
WALTER, Judy	10/25
ZOOK, Maxine	10/25
KLEMM, Karisa	10/28
ROTH, Silas	10/28
WEAVER-ZERCHER, Dave	10/28
MAYES, Lewis	10/29
HUTCHINSON, Hutch	10/30
MARTIN, Lou	10/31

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2018-2019

Elder Team

Lynn Shertzer
Joy Fasick
Dave Bauman ('20)
Jen Fredrick ('19)
Roger Myers ('21)
Caleb Miller ('20)

Church Board

Lamarr Widmer, Chair ('19)
Dale Weaver, Treasurer
Lynn Shertzer
Debbie Bauman ('21)
Cassandra Ly ('20)
Danielle Hawley ('19)
Paul Zimmerman ('20)
Ken Eshleman ('21)
Lee Roland ('21)
Ben Fredrick ('19)

Christian Education

Danielle Hawley, Chair ('19)
Joelle Beck ('20)
Liz Hess ('21)
Lori Manivong ('20)
Allie Parker ('21)
Julia Rioux ('19)
Patricia Fleischer ('19)

Evangelism, Peace and Service

Ken Eshleman, Chair ('21)
Sara Chubb ('20)
Rick Onelansy ('21)
John Snyder ('20)
David Weaver-Zercher ('19)
Uriah Parker ('21)

Trustees

Paul Zimmerman, Chair ('20)
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Dwayne Gish ('19)
Lionel Hess ('21)
Gary Musselman ('19)
Rich Musselman ('20)
Spencer Petersheim ('21)
Lyndon Hess ('19)

Worship Commission

Lee Roland, Chair ('21)
Lynn Shertzer
Chris Zimmerman ('19)
Megan Myers ('20)
Valerie Weaver-Zercher ('21)

Stewardship

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Brad Lamb ('19)
Rosalie Roland ('19)
Diana Zimmerman, Financial Sec't. ('19)

Food and Fellowship

Cindy Musselman, Chair ('19)
Melinda McGrath ('21)
Sandy Crouse ('19)
Fran Leiter ('20)
Lucy McAloose ('21)
Jen Musselman ('19)
Bonnie Lehman ('20)
Debbie Hoover ('19)
Lucinda Gish ('21)
Janet Zimmerman ('21)

Pastoral Relations

Richard Mininger, Chair ('22)
Paul Nisly ('20)
Roger Springer ('21)
Kara Miller ('22)

Technology Committee

Tom Ly, Chair ('21)
Chris Hawley ('21)
Jeff Krug ('20)
Joshua Ly ('21)
Ed White ('19)

Wellness Committee

Joy Fasick, Chair ('20)
Hope Moore ('21)
Mary Hey ('21)
Rod Petersheim ('19)
Ben Simcox ('21)
Connie Werner ('20)

Gifts Discernment Committee

Stacy Petersheim, Chair ('19)
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Barb Springer ('19)
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