

HILLTOP NEWS

Advent

*A Season of Hope
& Expectation*

*"I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me
will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

John 8:12

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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

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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

- Dec. 3** Men's Group ~ 7:00PM
- Dec. 7** Ladies Fellowship Christmas Brunch ~ 9:00AM
- Dec. 9** Congregational Meeting and Potluck Luncheon
- Dec. 10** Men's Group ~ 7:00PM
- Dec. 12** Christmas Caroling ~ New Hope, Mech. ~ 11:30AM-1:00PM
WNO ~ Meal and Christmas Caroling ~ 5:45PM
Menno Knotters ~ 6:30PM
- Dec. 14** Holiday Open House at Rosalie Roland's ~ 7:00PM
- Dec. 17** Men's Group ~ 7:00PM (No meetings on 12/24 & 12/31)
- Dec. 20** Christmas Caroling ~ New Hope, Dillsburg ~ 12:00-2:00PM
- Dec. 21** Ladies Fellowship and Study ~ 9:30AM
Caroling at Life Time Adult Day Care ~ 1:30-3:30PM
- Dec. 24** Candlelight Service followed by dinner ~ 6:00PM
- Jan. 26** Menno Knotters "Knotting Frenzy" ~ 10:00AM-4:00PM



Sharing Joy through Christmas Caroling

Dec. 12 ~ New Hope Ministries, Mechanicsburg

Dec. 12 ~ WNO, Slate Hill Friends

Dec. 20 ~ New Hope Ministries, Dillsburg

Dec. 21 ~ Life Time Adult Day Care, Mechanicsburg

Please sign up at the bulletin board.

Christmas Eve

Candlelight Service and dinner

Invite your family and friends to come to the **Christmas Eve Candlelight service** at 6:00 and the dinner afterward. Ham and potato dishes will be provided; please bring a side dish to share. *Volunteers to prepare, serve, and clean up after dinner are needed; a sign up sheet is at the bulletin board.* Thanks!



Christmas Giving for New Hope Ministries

You are invited to bring the following most needed food items to place under the Christmas tree during the offering any Sunday from December 2 through 30 for distribution to New Hope after the holidays when their food supply runs low.

FOOD ITEMS

Tuna
Canned Fruit
Canned Vegetables
Sugar (not over 20# bag)
Macaroni & Cheese
Spaghetti Sauce
Pasta
Peanut Butter

NON-FOOD ITEMS

Bathroom Tissue
Deodorant (men/women)
Diapers (size 3, 4, 5)
Shampoo
Conditioner

Thanks to all who contributed to *New Hope's Christmas Blessing Express* gifting program. Your compassion and love will transform hope into joyful reality! Clients "shop" gift donations to give to their loved ones at Christmas, bringing good cheer to both the giver and receiver to help restore a semblance of normalcy to the holiday at this difficult time in their life. To God be the glory! (Gifts can be donated through Sunday, December 2 or delivered directly to New Hope on Monday, December 3.)

More Opportunities to Bless and Spread God's Love

Make it personal! *Many volunteers are still needed* at each center to assist with this massive holiday endeavor. You may view all the jobs, dates, times, etc. at: <https://www.timetosignup.com/nhm-sheet/1270707/>. To be a blessing, carve out a few hours of your time to give unto others in the name of Christ this holy season.



“Be Christmas” to Vulnerable Neighbors

Slate Hill friends are invited to spread Christmas cheer.

New Hope Ministries Centers in Mechanicsburg and Dillsburg and the Life Time Adult Day Care in Mechanicsburg invite friends of Slate Hill to sing Christmas carols with the senior citizens and adults with special needs which these agencies serve. Consider “being Christmas” to some of our most vulnerable neighbors.

Wednesday, December 12, 2018, 11:30AM-1:00PM

New Hope Ministries West Shore Center – Senior Citizen Party

5228 E. Trindle Road, Mechanicsburg PA 17050

Thursday, December 20, 2018, 12:00-2:00PM

New Hope Ministries Dillsburg Center – Senior Citizen Party

99 W. Church Street, Dillsburg, PA

(Lunch is provided at New Hope Dillsburg Center if you R..S.V.P. by Dec. 16th)

Friday, December 21, 2018, 1:30-3:30PM

Life Time Adult Day Care – Serving Adults with Special Needs

3 Crossgate Drive, Mechanicsburg PA 17050

Crossgate Dr. is between Denny's and T-Mobile on the Carlisle Pike. Drive behind the National Recovery Agency (NRA) building. Life Time entrance on the backside.

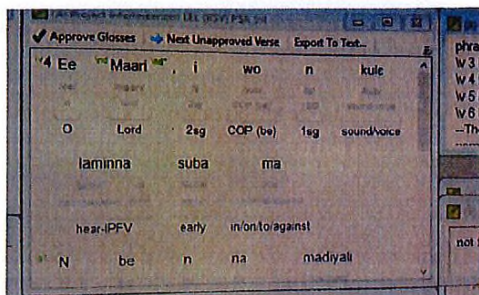
Sign up on the bulletin board or contact
Ulli Klemm with questions: **(724) 464-8748**
or ulliklemm@yahoo.com.



Bringing God's Word to the Nations

The latest from Marty and Glenna Sollenberger

NOVEMBER 2018



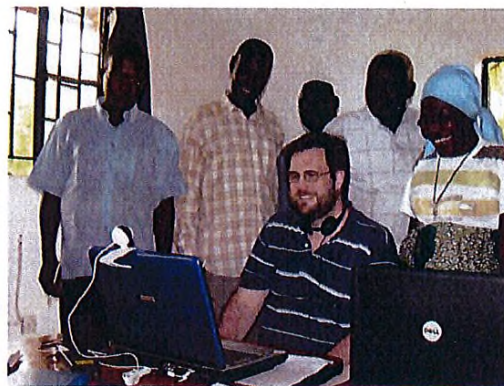
Computers and internet have made a world of difference in Bible translation. Software programs like ParaText help translators work together more quickly and accurately than ever before. Programs like ParaText require computers and training.

Recently Jeff Shrum, a ParaText trainer, brought his computer to me (Marty) for repairs. I was glad to help him out. We provide support services, like computer repair, so our colleagues have the tools they need.

*For more about technology, see wycliffe.org/blog/featured/translation-and-technology

1000th New Testament

We are excited to discover we have a **personal connection to the Keliko New Testament**, the **1000th New Testament** completed with help from Wycliffe Bible Translators. Several years ago, Marty set up a new computer for Jim Clarke, a translation consultant for the Keliko project. Jim was one of the speakers at the 1000th NT celebration at the International Linguistics Center in Dallas, TX.



Jim Clarke in South Sudan in 2011

*For video of the Keliko New Testament dedication in Uganda, see wycliffe.org/blog/posts/a-greater-joy-celebrating-the-1000th-new-testament

Thanksgiving

As we write this during Thanksgiving week, **we thank God for you, our partnership team.** Your prayer and financial support make it possible for Marty to provide much-needed computer services to colleagues like Jim Clarke and Jeff Schrum. This year the Keliko and other people groups will be celebrating Christmas with the wonderful gift of God's Word in their own language. **Thank you for being a part of this exciting ministry!**

Marty & Glenna

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For secure online giving go to:
www.wycliffe.org/partner/sollenbergers or
www.wycliffe.org and search for "Sollenbergers"

Going to the



Farm Show?

Make the Farm Show a Reality for Cumberland Vista Residents

Many Slate Hillers enjoy spending a day at the PA Farm Show. For some, this annual trek is so ingrained that many will take for granted that others in the church depend on someone taking them to the Farm Show. Otherwise they won't be able to enjoy it. The 2019 Farm Show will be January 5-12, 2019.

Would you consider taking one of the residents of Cumberland Vista with you when you go? The residents really enjoy spending time with a family and getting some one-on-one time attention. It's also easier to walk through the Farm Show with one resident than with multiple residents who have different walking paces.

You may invite one (or up to two) residents to join your family. Jimmy, Lonie, Margie, Chris, Theresa, Jason, Derek and Brian would LOVE to go.

If interested, contact Terry Monn, the house parent, at terrymonncv@gmail.com or call

(717) 432-2822 or email cumberlandvista@gmail.com.

Residents would need to be picked up and dropped back off at 1073 York Rd, Dillsburg PA 17019. The residents can bring their own funds for snacks if asked to do so.



Your Groceries and the Church Driveway

What's the connection? The holiday season brings lots of food preparation, usually resulting in increased spending. Put those dollars to use to enlarge and improve the Slatehill Mennonite Church driveway by purchasing gift cards from Gene Musselman! He stands by the stairs after the worship service or track him down at your convenience.

When you purchase a gift card at face value, 5% of your purchase is deposited into our driveway fund. Everyone is encouraged to participate - it allows you to give to the church without incurring additional expenses.

Please consider purchasing gift cards long after the holidays to continue building the driveway fund. The gift card program helped pay off the church mortgage early and it can help pave the way for an improved driveway too! 😊



Are you looking for a thoughtful gift for family, friends, or a cooking enthusiast this Christmas season? There are some Slate Hill ***Sharing Our Best, Volume II*** cookbooks available for \$12. These cookbooks are extra special because friends are remembered each and every time you use them! Please contact Cindy Musselman at garycindy1020@gmail.com or 717-766-1043 or contact Fran Leiter at fleiter1@outlook.com or 717-756-1884 to obtain a copy.



~ In Appreciation ~

Dear Slate Hill Family,

On behalf of Stewardship Commission, we want to thank you for all the many ways you serve, participate, give, donate, and share of yourselves! Though our Commission often focuses on issues related to the financial health of the congregation, we recently took a step back to look at many of the ways people in our congregation give by volunteering. We were so grateful for the great outpouring of people who give of their time and talent that we wanted to recognize this with the beautiful cakes that we all enjoyed in November. We take a view of stewardship that goes beyond finances and includes time, our energies, other material gifts, talents and skills, and our attitudes!

For 2019 we intend to embark on a new message: God's Goodness and Grace, Our Gratitude and Generosity. By recognizing that all good things come from God, we want to promote greater attitudes of gratitude and generosity among our congregation in response to God's goodness and grace. The first message is a big note of gratitude to you for supporting the Slate Hill community and seeking to be stewards of what God has given you!

Please remember to Thank those who you see serving and giving of themselves! This will help all of us remember to be grateful on a regular basis.

Thanks!



Cumberland Vista takes in the Bears on Ice!

Residents and friends of Cumberland Vista were treated to a Hershey Bears game at the Giant Center in October. The Bears (AHL affiliate of the Washington Capitals) took on the Lehigh Valley Phantoms (AHL affiliate of the Philadelphia Flyers). The Bears won 3-1. The residents enjoyed being visited in their seats by Cocoa, the Bears mascot, as much as they enjoyed the Bears' victory.

Pictured above:

Front Row (L to R): Chris Witmer, Brian Williams, Theresa Dixon, Terri Diehl, Joshua Dean, Lonie Witmer, Connie O'Neill.

Back Row (L to R): Cindy Musselman, Gary Musselman, Margie Hoff, Ismael, Jason Ewing, Jimmy Redline, Richard Mininger.

Not Pictured but in attendance: Derek Eshenour, Ulli Klemm (photographer), Nancy Benson, Matt Bergey



Mechanicsburg Center

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Mary Wheeler



Mechanicsburg
Center Manager



*It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas! And it's soon time for "Christmas Blessing Express," where our guests are able to shop for unwrapped gifts for the whole family. You cannot imagine the difference you make in the families' lives by your willingness to help make their Christmas a special one, full of wonderful memories. New items can be dropped off at the Mechanicsburg center **now through 12/3**. We also need volunteers to help serve during the program. Please check our website for more details about how you can give this season.*

Need help?

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



Merry Christmas! May the light of love shine upon you, and may your life be filled with blessings in this Christmas season.

Wish List:

- Canned veggies
- Canned fruit
- Canned proteins
- Peanut butter
- Pasta

Volunteer with us!

- Pantry and warehouse help
- Help recording holiday donations



ONELANGSY, Rick & Yoomie
 HUTCHINSON, Hutch & Gail
 KRUG, Jeff & Kathy
 VIRAYA, Somphone & Keomani

12/03
 12/18
 12/27
 12/29

★HAPPY★ BIRTHDAY!



REDLINE, Jimmy	12/01
EWING, Jason	12/02
KLEMM, Ulli	12/02
FREDRICK, Ben	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
MAYES, Tara	12/15
SAENGDY, Loun	12/15
BAUMBACH, Elaine	12/16
SCHWARTZENTRUBER, Eric	12/18
WEAVER, Joe	12/18
LY, Matthew	12/20
MITCHELL, James	12/20
ZIMMERMAN, Norm	12/20
RIOUX, Julia	12/21
ZIMMERMAN, Christopher	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, Debra	12/27

Holiday Open House

All ladies and community friends are invited to Rosalie Roland's open house in her new home on Friday evening, December 14 at 7:00 PM. Bring a snack to share and enjoy an informal time of friendly fellowship as part of the Roland's first Christmas in their new home - 112 Lavyndon Lane in Mechanicsburg - just two doors away from their former home!

MINISTRY ASSIGNMENTS FOR 2018-2019

Elder Team

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

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Danielle Hawley ('19)
Paul Zimmerman ('20)
Ken Eshleman ('21)
Lee Roland ('21)
Ben Fredrick ('19)

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Joelle Beck ('20)
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Lori Manivong ('20)
Allie Parker ('21)
Julia Rioux ('19)
Patricia Fleischer ('19)

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Rick Onelansy ('21)
John Snyder ('20)
David Weaver-Zercher ('19)
Uriah Parker ('21)

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Lionel Hess ('21)
Gary Musselman ('19)
Rich Musselman ('20)
Spencer Petersheim ('21)
Lyndon Hess ('19)

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

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Dale Weaver, Treasurer
Mike Fasick ('21)
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)
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Ed White ('19)

Wellness Committee

Joy Fasick, Chair ('20)
Hope Moore ('21)
Mary Hey ('21)
Rod Petersheim ('19)
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Gifts Discernment Committee

Stacy Petersheim, Chair ('19)
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Amanda Musselman ('19)

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