

Tanzania in June 2018!!! Missions is looking toward an all church field trip to Tanzania in June of 2018 to visit, share, learn, and worship with some Mennonite congregations there. We are thinking that the trip would total 10-14 days, including travel time. If you have even mild interest in such a trip, please see Lidia, Mark, or Bill.

October 1, 2017

Happy Birthday to:

Monday Mim Wenger
 Wednesday Christopher Kalapodis



Happy Anniversary to:

Thursday Sherm and LaVonne Amstutz

Please remember these persons by sending a card, calling them or offering a special prayer of thanks for them.

Coming Events:

- October 11 Koinonia Women's Lunch Group @ Ming Hing, 12:30 pm
- October 14-17 MCC Relief Meat Canning, 4:55 am – 9 pm
- October 15 Five Church Mission Sunday at Martins Mennonite
 Speaker is Cesar Flores, Central America MCC Director.
 A meal will follow the service.
- October 26 Ohio Conference Cluster Meeting
 at Salem (Kidron) MC, 7 pm
- October 29 Fifth Sunday Mission Offering

"We are dedicated to loving God and loving people"

To the Glory of God and through the power of the Holy Spirit, it is our mission to be a loving community of believers who intentionally further God's Kingdom by going out and loving all people, sharing the good News of Jesus Christ and making disciples.

Welcome

Songs *The Body*
Be The Center

Scripture Reading John 13.31-35
Hymn *Jesus Took a Towel* WB 449

Footwashing

Offering/Prayer

(God's children are invited to bring offerings for the "My Coins Count" Jug)

Offering Song *O God in Heaven* SJ 53

Song *Amen*

Scripture 1 Corinthians 1.18-24, John 3.16-18
Message *The Message of the Cross* Pastor Bill Seymour

Communion Those who are baptized are invited to come to the front and receive the bread and the cup of the Lord.

Song *Amen (Because He Lives)*

Sharing and Prayer Announcements

Love Step Prayer – *Lord, give me time and energy to pay attention when you put me in front of someone so I can meet them with love where they are. Help us to learn from each other and walk together in a way that we can both grow closer to Christ.*

Benediction

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Bill and Allison Seymour

Reader: Marilyn Kamp

Today (October 1) World Communion Sunday

9:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:45 a.m. Worship Service
Pastor Bill Seymour preaching
Footwashing & Communion
10:45 a.m. Sharing and Prayer
11:05 a.m. Sunday School
6:30 p.m. Europe Pictures and Carry-In Dessert

Tuesday

3 – 6 p.m. WINGS After School Program in Fellowship Hall
6:00 p.m. WINGS – *Talent Show*

Wednesday

6:30 p.m. Axis Youth Group
6:30 p.m. BreakAway – *Bowling at Wayne Lanes*

Thursday

9:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship and Service
3 – 6 p.m. WINGS After School Program in Fellowship Hall
7:00 p.m. Community Discipleship Meeting

Saturday

8:30 a.m. Community Action Workshop
(see bulletin announcement for more details)

Next Sunday (October 8)

9:30 a.m. Fellowship
9:45 a.m. Worship Service
Pastor Bill Seymour preaching
Message: *Have it Now or Have it Later?*
Scripture: James 4.13-5.6
10:45 a.m. Sharing and Prayer
11:05 a.m. Sunday School

Last Sunday (September 24)

Ministry Spending Plan: \$599.00	Weekly MSP Needed: \$3,054.79
Partnership Plan: \$	Weekly PP Needed: \$897.35
Mennonite Mission Network: \$100.00	Other: \$202.90
Land: \$100.00	

Greeters Today Stan and Marilyn Kamp, Liz Snyder

Next Sunday Diane Hostetler, Mel and Mim Wenger

Elder Greeter Jen Bixler **Next Sunday** Bill Seymour

Worship Nursery Jan Kauffman **Next Sunday** Mim Wenger

Coffee Hospitality Ralph and Carol Rheinheimer

Next Sunday John and Barb Shilling

The flowers today are provided by John and Barb Shilling celebrating Kara's arrival in Costa Rica for Discipleship School through VidaNet.

Europe Pictures and Carry-In Dessert. You're all invited this evening at 6:30 pm (fellowship hall) to see Bill and Allison's pictures from their trip this summer. Bring a dessert or finger food to share!

A Community Action Workshop. *Walk in Solidarity with Our Immigrant Neighbors.* This upcoming workshop is scheduled for Saturday, October 7 from 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Centro San Jose/Love Canton. All are welcome to attend. You can register by talking to Pastor Bill.

Five Church Mission Sunday, Sunday, October 15th, at Martins Mennonite Church. Fellowship will begin at 10 a.m. followed by Worship at 10:30 a.m. Lunch will be provided by Open Arms and a free will offering will be received for the lunch with the proceeds going to Open Arms Hispanic Ministries. Cesar Flores, the MCC Co-AD for Central America and Haiti, will present the message for the morning, focusing on immigration. (Please see the In Touch newsletter for more information on our speaker.)

Five Church Mission Sunday Help Needed – Bill is looking for 3 people from OMC to join him on one of two dish washing teams after the meal on October 15th so we can avoid using plastic, paper, or Styrofoam plates and flatware. Shawn Hilliard and Martins Mennonite Church are providing one team as well.

Also for Five Church Mission Sunday! We need 3 or 4 volunteers to bring a dessert to lighten the load of Open Arms folks as they prepare our lunch on October 15th. See Bill to sign up. Thanks!

GROW GROUP Emphasis and HYMN SING Sunday!!!! On Sunday, October 22nd, we will have a hymn/song sing during worship. We'll try out some songs being considered for the new Mennonite hymnal (coming in 2020) and sing some others as well. We'll also be updated and encouraged in our Grow Group experiences!

MCC Relief Canning is coming up soon! October canning dates are Saturday, October 14, Monday and Tuesday, October 16, 17, 4:55 am to 9 pm daily at the Gerber Building in Kidron. There are some brochures by the mailboxes. If you would like to contribute financially, you can mail your contribution to Doug Winkler, Treasurer, MCC Relief Canning, Inc., Kidron, 414 Overlook Circle, Dalton, OH 44618.

(prayer requests continued)

Evangelical Garifuna Mennonite Church in Bronx, New York. They will be starting the course Introduction to Bible Study. Pray that this course will be of blessing for the students, their congregations and their communities as these leaders learn new tools to spread God's word to expand God's kingdom.

Orrville Mennonite Church Daily Devotions
Week ending with Sunday, October 8, 2017

Day One Read James 4.13-17

What are your plans in the next few years? Who is in charge of – responsible for those plans?

Day Two Read Matthew 6.25-34

What are your worries today? Why? Will you give these worries to the Lord today? What will that look like?

Day Three Read Matthew 6.19-25

What are you stockpiling in your life?

Day Four Read James 4.13-17

What is it you know you ought to do and yet you do not do it?

Day Five Read James 5.1-6

What does it mean to be rich?

“Love Step Prayer” – Pray this daily and as you go through your day, look for how God might be answering...*Lord, give me time and energy to pay attention when you put me in front of someone so I can meet them with love where they are. Help us to learn from each other and walk together in a way that we can both grow closer to Christ.*

Bill and Allison will be hosting a Five Church Marriage Retreat. You may pick one of two weekends in February (9-11 or 16-18). Ohio Conference has given us a grant to offset some of the cost, so each couple only needs to pay \$250 for the weekend, everything included. Information is in your mailboxes. Reservations need to be made by November 1st.

Sermon Notes for October 1, 2017

1 Corinthians 1.18-24, John 3.13-18

The Message of the Cross

1 Corinthians 1.18-24

Judging God

We make demands – e.g. 1 Corinthians 1.22-25

The Problem is not God, the Gospel, or the Cross.

The Problem is our need to be in charge.

This challenge began long ago and is recorded in Genesis 3.4 and Romans 1.18-25

The Cross makes absolutely no sense!

The Mystery

Put to song in Romans 11.33-36

Many questions (use this space to write some of your questions about Jesus dying on the Cross – to admit them to God)

And a Mystery at Least Partially Revealed

Without Christ, we stand condemned, making up our own way of living

Genesis 3.4 and Romans 1.18-25, John 3.18, Romans 3.21-23

God changes this for us

Romans 9.15-16 By God's mercy

John 3.3, 16 That we might have life by believing in him

John 11.25-26 Whoever believes in Christ will die,
but will not die.

1 John 2.1-2 Jesus is the Atoning sacrifice

A Gift

Romans 5.6-8

So that we are transformed

Ephesians 2.8-10

And will be with Jesus

John 14.3

As children of God

John 1.12

And Co-Heirs

Romans 8.17

Who know God's voice

John 10.14-15

And live in and for Jesus

John 15.1-8, Galatians 2.20

Loving

Matthew 22.16-20, 25.31-46

John 13.35, 1 Cor. 13.4-7,

1 John 4.1

Doing

Ephesians 2.8-10, John 14.23-24

None of this needs to make sense in order for it to be true.

What is the Message of the Cross?

I have given everything for you.

Believe in me – Give in to me.

I will give you life.

Come, and Be With Me.

Prayer Concerns & Praises for Week of October 1, 2017

- **That God would be glorified and that lives would be transformed** in every aspect of Orrville Mennonite Church.
- **Areas of unrest and instability in our world today** – Prayer for those caught up in the world's violence and for ways we can respond.
- **Praise! Heather and Ryan Miller and Eva welcomed Catalina Lynn** to their family on Sunday, September 24th (6 lbs. 14 oz. and 19" long)
- **Prayers for all those impacted by Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, Maria and earthquakes in Mexico.**
- **Prayers for our government leaders** in these uncertain times.
- **Elder Council, Pastor and Ministry Team leaders, Grow Groups**
- **Mennonite Church USA Future Church Summit** – prayers for leadership at all levels & all of us as we reflect on & discuss the outcome of the summit.
- **Grace Geiser (Brenn-Field), Dorothy Miller (Inn at Belden Village), Cathy Gable (Orrville Pointe), and Ida Shoup (at Brenn-Field)**
- **Mel and Lois Leidig** – ongoing health concerns
- **Youth who connect with us through WINGS, BreakAway and Axis YG**
- **Christi's neighbor boy, DJ** whose family moved to Canton. Prayer for DJ as he adjusts to many changes.
- **Kara Shilling and Evan Zuercher** as they begin Vida220 Discipleship School in Costa Rica.
- **Lowell Bowers** – is at Shady Lawn for rehab following his knee injury.
- **Duane Amstutz (John Michaels' grandfather)** – serious health concerns.
- **Amos & Esther Muhagachi** – prayers for them and their family.
- **SWAP Ministry/Pete & Lou Erb**
- **Lance Almond**
- **Anna Miller, Sandy Miller's mother** – continued prayers for Anna as she adjusts to life transitions
- **Lidia Zehr's sister, Alicia** – prayers for Lidia as she ministers to family members and especially prayers for Alicia who has serious health concerns.
- **Sawsan Elateek and her children, Seif and Yasmine.** Yasmine is starting college for a career in pharmacy.
- **Larry Gerber, Ralph Rheinheimer, and Wilma Eash** – continued healing.
- **Pastor Santos & Ester Reyes** – Continue to pray that God would provide ways to meet their spiritual, physical & material needs.
- **Bill and Allison's niece, Amy**, who has been diagnosed with untreated brain trauma and begins treatments that may give her real relief, at least to be able to read, and perhaps more.
- **Allison Seymour's mother, Sharon Walter** – Pray for Sharon's health concerns and for Allison's father, Gary, as he helps care for her needs.
- **Mennonite Mission Network** – Delicia Bravo and Peter Wigginton of Mennonite Mission Network serve alongside communities in Ecuador to help *Vida Juvenil* become a thriving, locally organized project. Pray for them as they help mothers, children and youth become grounded in a better quality of life.
- **Mennonite Education Agency – Instituto Bíblico Anabautista (IBA).** Pray for students and tutor Lilian Flores at the new IBA Study Center at