

Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Martine Audéoud and Gary Wittig engage in teaching ministries in Ivory Coast through Mennonite Mission Network. Pray that papers from a powerful symposium (presenting guidelines for the church's witness during political elections) will be available to the public before October when national presidential elections are scheduled to take place.

This congregation: Pray for BCMC members attending Mennonite World Conference in Harrisburg, PA, as they interact with Anabaptist sisters and brothers from around the world.

To request prayer or a visit, or if a family member is hospitalized, please contact the church office or a pastor so that visits and prayer support can be offered. Names of people receiving medical care are printed in the BCMC bulletin only by permission of the patient or a guardian/family-member. This is part of the caring network at BCMC, which includes support among members of Sunday school classes and small groups, as well as the Prayer Network, Visitation Team, and Caring Fund sponsored by Deacon Commission.

Bethel College Mennonite Church welcomes into fellowship and membership all persons who confess faith in Jesus Christ, without regard to their race, ethnic background, gender, age, sexual orientation, education, ability, and other factors which give rise to discrimination and marginalization.

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Church office hours: 9:00 a.m. – noon on Mon – Fri; 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. on Mon – Thur
Building is locked daily at 5 p.m. unless evening activities are scheduled.

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Bethel College Mennonite Church
July 19, 2015

July 12 at BCMC: Attendance 257. General Fund \$9,184.10; Living Stones \$397; Media Supplies \$100; Transfer-General \$4,488; *Rejoice* \$527.25; Caring Fund \$80

Everence Financial will present a seminar, *Retiring soon? Make sense of your Medicare and Social Security choices*, with explanation on how to enroll and options if you continue to work, at 4 p.m. and 7 p.m., Aug. 10, at Everence Financial, 371 N. Old Highway 81, Hesston. For reservations contact Darlene Buller darlene.buller@everence.com or (877) 467-7294, (620) 327-4043.

Camp Mennoscah announcements (For info call 620-297-3290 or olivia.bartel@campmennoscah.org)

- Power Up with the Spirit! Camp Mennoscah still has room for campers during these remaining weeks of camp. Limited space at Senior High Camp. Register online or call.
- Family Camp is July 25-26—Alan Stucky and Katie Best, leaders
- Mental Health Spiritual Retreat is Sept. 6-7. All affected by mental illness, including family members and friends, are welcome. Scholarships available. Register online or request a brochure.
- Camp Mennoscah Camp Sing is Aug. 9, 6 p.m. at Grace Hill Mennonite Church.
- Women and Girls Retreat will be Sept. 11-13 (Friday evening – Sunday lunch) with a variety of seminars, and Nadine Friesen speaking on *Joy is More Than a Detergent*.

Hopi Mission School is undergoing some structural changes, new governance and staffing arrangements. Not all the details have been worked out; in the meantime, it is recommended that any financial contributions be sent either to Mennonite Church USA or to the Hopi Mission School Foundation. Boxtops for Education and Campbells product labels are still being collected, but until further notice, they can be sent to the HMS Foundation at the following address: 500 Main Place, Suite 150, Newton, KS 67114. For those in the Newton area, they can be dropped off at the Western District Conference office in North Newton.

Harvey County Homeless Shelter is experiencing a budget shortfall and invites one-time or monthly financial donations. They shelter and feed 25-30 residents, and help them find a path out of their difficult situations. Donations can be sent to: HCHS, P.O. Box 978, Newton, Kansas 67114.

This Week at BCMC: July 19 – July 26, 2015

Today—July 19

10:30 a.m. Fellowship in Fellowship Hall with refreshments served to bid farewell to Sarah Turner

10:50 a.m. Christian Education – Visitors welcome!

• 2-3 year olds through 8th grade—meet in Fellowship Hall for snack, then Room B-8 for activities

• **Faith Forum:** Megan Leary reports on Mennonite Voluntary Service experience--Sanctuary

Adult classes:

- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study, Catacombs, Fine Arts, and Seekers Sojourners classes will not meet—members may attend the Faith Forum sessions
- Mosaic—Attend Faith Forum
- Issues & Christianity—Rm 23—*Understanding the New Testament*
- Open Circle—Rm B-7—Sermon reflection and response

Monday, July 20

2:30 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care

7:00 p.m. Worship Commission—Rm 14

Tuesday, July 21

1:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living
Summer children's story hour for children ages 3-8—BCMC Children's Library

7:00 p.m. Facilities Committee—Rm 14

Thursday, July 23

4:00 p.m. Bethel College Relations Team—Mojo's Coffee Bar, Bethel College campus

Sunday, July 26

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Heidi Regier Kreider with a ritual of release for Pastor Heidi, and farewell for Ministerial Inquiry Program intern Allie Shoup.

10:30 a.m. Fellowship time

10:50 a.m. Christian Education; Faith Forum in sanctuary begins a series on faith and technology

12:00 noon Congregational potluck and farewell program for pastor Heidi

Summer Faith Forums at BCMC during Sunday school at 10:50-11:45 a.m.: July 26, August 2 and 9: Series on faith and technology

You are invited to a special event with BCMC member, Emily Harder, preparing for a service assignment this coming year. Emily plans to serve with Mennonite Voluntary Service (MVS) in Washington, DC. On Wednesday, Aug. 5, 6-8 p.m., a dessert reception will be served in the BCMC Fellowship Hall, to learn more about Emily's upcoming MVS term. The event will offer opportunity to support expenses beyond funds provided by the BCMC Mission and Service Endowment Fund.

The 2016 budget building process has started. Worksheets have been distributed to commissions and board-appointed committees with a September 27 deadline. The Pony Express starts in November when members and friends can express their intentions to give in 2016. The 2016 budget will be voted on at the January 24, 2016 congregational meeting.

On July 26 at noon, all are invited to a congregational potluck meal and farewell program for pastor Heidi Regier Kreider. Dessert will be provided at the meal so please bring a generous main or side dish as we expect guests. The worship service that morning will include a ritual of release, prior to the conclusion of Heidi's pastoral work at BCMC at the end of July. **Please bring the cards and notes of appreciation** that you wish to share with pastor Heidi to the potluck. If you are unable to attend the potluck, bring these items to the church office before July 26.

BCMC youthful men, their sons and friends are invited to the 13th annual campout at Walnut Grove Campground, Harvey County Park West, Fri. eve. to Sat. mid-morning, Aug. 21-22. Arrive Fri. 6:30 p.m. or after. Stay only for the evening, if you wish, or overnight, too. Bring your own meat plus a side dish and drink to share for supper around 7:30 p.m. Fri., items for recreation, camping gear, breakfast food to share Sat. Questions? Contact Dave Linscheid, 316-727-6967, dave.linscheid@gmail.com.

Thirty-seven individuals or family giving units contribute to BCMC each month through electronic fund transfers (EFT) from their bank account to the church checking account. While not for everyone, EFT's provide a convenient method for regular giving to the general fund or Living Stones, provides a regular cash flow to the church, and makes it easier for the assistant treasurers to record contributions. EFT's can be scheduled on a weekly basis (Monday) or the 1st or 15th of the month. If you would like to learn more, talk with BCMC treasurer Richard Friesen or send an email to richard.friesen@cox.net.

Save the Date: Volunteer Sunday school teachers and helpers are invited to attend an orientation for the new year on **Wednesday, August 12 @ 7:00 p.m.** in Fellowship Hall.

You are invited to contribute non-perishable food for the local Salvation Army food pantry. On the first Sunday of the month, bring items to BCMC and place them on the pew in the south entrance. Thanks to Kathy Stucky for taking the food to the Salvation Army!

Conversational Spanish: BCMC Witness Commission has received a Western District Conference "Loaves and Fishes" grant for learning conversational Spanish. Seventh graders through adults of supportive congregations to Iglesia Menonita Casa Betania, a Western District Conference church, are invited to sign up for Spanish learning sessions. Sessions are tentatively scheduled for 2nd and 4th Saturdays of September, October, November, January, February, and March, 2:00 – 3:30 p.m. in Pastor Jaime Cazares' office at 510 SE 2nd Street next to First Mennonite Church in Newton. Register by August 23 with Margaret Goering at 316-283-5034 or mrgoering@outlook.com. Fees are \$25.00 for materials and supplies not covered by the grant. Bring payment to first session, with checks written to BCMC with 'Spanish' in the memo line.

Sunday-Afternoon-at-the-Museum program, today at 3 p.m., Kauffman Museum. Aaron Barnhart from Kansas Humanities Council Speakers Bureau will present *From Resisters to Reformers: How Kansas Mennonites Changed Mental Health Care*. Learn how Civilian Public Service workers during and after World War II exposed intolerable conditions at mental hospitals around the U.S. leading to postwar reforms in psychiatric care.

Mennonite Mission Network seeks a Church Relations Associate to serve in the Newton office. Read the full position descriptions on the website at www.MennoniteMission.net. Applicants must be committed to denominational and agency goals of anti-racist action. Interested persons should send a letter of interest and résumé to Linda Krueger, Human Resource Coordinator, Mennonite Mission Network, Box 370, Elkhart, IN 46515 or staffrecruitment@Mennonitemission.net.

This summer the Library Committee added 30 new books. Included are the nine Caldecott Medal winners from 2007 - 2015. Pick up the latest book list in the library. Also new is the DVD *Being Mortal*, a documentary based on the book by Atul Gawande. ~ *Library Committee*