Prayer Requests

Mennonite Mission Network: Alfonsina and José Luis Oyanguren, serving through Mennonite Mission Network, praise God for the first year of ministry through a radio station that transmits news, music, and educational and biblical programs to Toba/Qom communities in the Argentine Chaco. Pray that lives will be transformed through this ministry. Western District Conference: Pray for WDC pastor peer groups which meet regularly for sharing, support and prayer together. This congregation: Pray for our Senior High Youth Group members and their leaders as they prepare to travel to Rocky Mountain Mennonite Camp for Snow Camp Feb 17-19.

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.

Bethel College Mennonite Church, 2600 College Avenue, Box 364, North Newton, KS 67117 Phone: 316-283-3667 Fax: 316-283-2079 Email: office@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org Web site: bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org Church office hours: 9:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Mon-Fri; 1:30 –5:00 p.m. on Mon – Thur Church office is closed on Friday afternoons Building is locked on weekdays at 5 p.m. unless evening activities are scheduled Saturdays—building is locked at noon; Sundays—building is locked at 2 p.m. Notary public service is available in the church office

Pastor: Dawn Yoder Harms, dawn@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org; Phone: 316-283-3667; cell phone: 316-212-1847; Day off is Friday **Associate Pastor for Pastoral Care:** Susan Wheeler susan@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org; cell phone: 316-706-0887; Day off is Monday

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john@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org; Phone: 316-283-3667; Day off is Monday Administrative Assistant: Monica Lichti, office@bethelcollegemennonitechuch.org Custodian: Michael Crawford, 316-727-9840; day off is Tuesday

Feb. 5 at BCMC: Attendance 268. General Fund \$13,369; Living Stones \$1,020; Junior High \$1,167; Senior High \$329



Hospitality: A space where change can take place

Bethel College Mennonite Church February 12, 2017

Bethel College Mennonite Church February 12, 2017 9:30 a.m. Worship

HOSPITALITY: a place where change can take place

GATHERING

Prelude Jesus, stand among us [HWB 25] Praise the Lord who reigns above [HWB 54] *My Jesus, I love thee [HWB 522]* God is here among us [HWB 16] Hymns arranged by Karen Loucks, piano Lighting the Christ Candle Christian Rodriguez Introit *Gather us in* Helman Chancel Bell Choir; Vada Snider, director Call to worship, prayer Susan Wheeler *Hymn of praise You've got a place STJ 4 (green songbook at end of bench) (children come forward during hymn) LISTENING FOR GOD'S WORD Children's conversation My coins count John Tyson and Tom Jackson Scripture reading Acts 11:1-18 Janet Voth Worship music The king of love my shepherd is Moklebust Chancel Bell Choir Sermon God's Ecstasy John Tyson **RESPONDING IN FAITH** Let there be light, Lord God **STJ 67** *Hymn (green songbook at end of bench) Prayer of God's people

Offering

Offertory Fairest Lord Jesus [HWB 117] arr. Loucks Karen Loucks, piano; Vada Snider, flute *Dedication hymn Lord, thou dost love **HWB 387** *Dedication prayer **SENDING** *Sending hymn Move in our midst **HWB 418** *Benediction *Benediction response *Postlude *All who are able are invited to stand **HWB** = *Hymnal: A Worship Book* **STS**= *Sing the Story* **STJ**= *Sing the Journey* (at the end of the bench)

We light the Christ candle to welcome God's presence among us. Sent out from worship, we carry the light of Christ with us into the world.

Welcome visitors and friends! May you sense God's presence at BCMC. <u>Personal hearing devices</u> are at the north sanctuary entrance. <u>The nursery at</u> rear of sanctuary is available during worship for families with infants and toddlers. Following Children's conversation, children receive activity bags to use during worship (return to baskets at the entrance as you leave).

Witness Commission invites you to sign an open letter to Gov. Brownback regarding the repeal of the Death Penalty. Signatures will appear in the local newspaper. There will be a table in the back of the sanctuary (under the balcony) with the letter for you to sign.

We offer sympathy to Dwight Platt and family and Zona and Omer Galle on the death of Dwight's wife, LaVonne Platt, Feb. 8. A date for the memorial service will be announced later.

Save the date! The church retreat at Camp Mennoscah will be May 6 - 7.

An article about Mercy Ship Africa, on which BCMC member, Janet Stucky serves, appeared in the Kansas City Star, Feb. 6, 2017. Janet is quoted in this article. Follow this link to read the article: http://www.kansascity.com/news/local/article131006024.html. The article is also posted on the BCMC bulletin board.

Register now for Hesston College's 2017 Anabaptist Vision and Discipleship Series conference, <u>Feb. 17 to 19</u>, with a bonus STAR-Lite training event on <u>Feb. 20</u>. The conference theme, *When the Unthinkable Happens*, will address a congregational and community response of dealing with trauma. Register and see a schedule online at hesston.edu/avds. Registration discounts are available for members of sponsor congregations and groups of two or more from the same church or organization.

What's So Funny about Money?, a Ted and Company show, will be at the McPherson Opera House, 219 S. Main, McPherson, <u>Feb. 19, 7 p.m.</u> Show is open to the public by donation to benefit the WDC Matching Fund, assisting pastors with financial challenges. For more information, contact Kathy at 316-283-6300 or kathynd@mennowdc.org or find a show clip at: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=uEw5FLfO4Pw

Bethel College is offering many of its classes for community audit, for \$50 per credit hour (compared to the normal audit rate of \$85 per hour) OR, if you're age 62 and older, a flat rate of \$30. For information, go to www.bethelks.edu/audit, for a link for the spring 2017 course schedule (enrollment deadline Feb 13).

Women in Western District and South Central Conferences are invited to the annual Mennonite Women Spring Supper, <u>Mar. 23, 6 p.m.</u> at Bethel College. Supper provided by Bethel College Women's Association (BCWA). Stories shared by Leah Mueller, Christine Schweitzer, Barbara Krehbiel Gehring and Mary Herr about "Living Faithfully in our Communities". Cost for meal: \$12 payable at the door for BCWA. Make your reservation by <u>Mar.16</u> to: westerndistrictwomen@gmail.com or 283-3342 (Marlene V. Faul). Offering will be received for a Mennonite Central Committee women's project (make checks payable to MCC).

Early registration for the Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 ends on Feb. 28 and includes a T-shirt, I-Ride trolley pass, servant project and a meal card. Come to Orlando July 4-8 to celebrate "Love is a Verb" Learn more at http://convention.mennoniteusa.org/registration/

The 2017 Western District Conference Annual Assembly with the theme, *Rooted and Built Up in Christ* (Colossians 2:6-7), held <u>Aug. 4-6</u> at the Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Arlington DFW South, in Arlington, TX. Information about Annual Assembly is posted as it becomes available at: http://mennowdc.org/annual-assembly/#2017annualAssembly. As per the WDC Resolutions Policy, resolutions must be submitted a minimum of 120 days prior to Annual Assembly (by April 7). Send to: WDC Executive Board, PO Box 306, North Newton KS 67117

This Week at BCMC: February 12-February 19, 2017

February 12, 2017

10:30 a.m. Fellowship Time in the Gathering Place; coffee, tea, water available **10:50 a.m.** Faith Formation—Visitors welcome!

- Infants & Toddlers—Nursery at back of the sanctuary
- Age 2 through K in B4; 1–3rd grade in B3; 4–5th grade in B8
- Junior High students (6–8th grade) Room 26
- Senior High students—Room 22—The Story
- Agape—Fellowship Hall
- Bible Study—Rm 14—*From everlasting to everlasting, from dust to dust,* Eric Massanari
- Catacombs—Rm B5—*The C. Henry Smith story,* Harvey Hiebert & Keith Sprunger
- Fellowship—Rm B7
- Fine Arts-Rm 24-Book study, Biblical Literalism: A Gentile Heresy, J. Spong
- Issues & Christianity-Rm 23- Great Figures of the New Testament, dvd
- Mosaic—Rm 20—Sermon reflection and other current topics
- Open Circle—Rm 28—Worship reflection and response
- Seekers—Rm 21— Report from the Creation Care Committee, Duane Friesen
- Sojourners—Chapel—*Does Being a Mennonite Matter? Part 2,* Dale Schrag Monday, February 13
- **2:30 p.m.** BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Health Care
- 6:30 p.m. Community Playschool Board meeting—Rm 14
- 7:00 p.m. Newton Community Chorale—Sanctuary
- 7:00 p.m. Facilities Committee—Fellowship Hall
- Tuesday, February 14

1:00 p.m. BCMC worship DVD—Kidron Bethel Assisted Living

- 7:00 p.m. Finance Committee—Rm 14
- Wednesday, February 15

8:00 a.m. Staff Worship Planning—Mojo's Coffee Shop, Bethel College campus **10:00 a.m.** Bulletin announcement deadline

- 4:30 p.m. Gifts Discernment Committee—Rm 23
- 6:30 p.m. Cherub Choir (Rm 24) and Junior Choir (Rm 28)

7:00 p.m. Senior High Youth **7:15 p.m.** Menno Ringers—Rm B7

7:30 p.m. Chancel Choir—Sanctuary 8:30 p.m. Chancel Bells—Rm B7

<u>Thursday, February 16</u>

- 3:15 p.m. Education and Service Scholarship—Rm B7
- 4:00 p.m. Visitation Team—Rm 14
- 7:00 p.m. Deacon Commission—Rm 14

Sunday, February 19

9:30 a.m. Worship with sermon by Dawn Yoder Harms; music by Karen Unruh and Braden Unruh

10:30 a.m. Fellowship in the Gathering Place **10:50 a.m.** Faith Formation

Invitation to church membership. If you have interest in deepening your commitment to Bethel College Mennonite Church through church membership, please be in touch with Pastor Dawn Yoder Harms (316-283-3667; dawn@bethelcollegemennonitechurch.org). An orientation to the congregation and reception of members is being planned for this spring.

Looking for something to read? Interested in discussing it with oth-

ers? Consider joining a book study during this season of Lent facilitated by John Tyson. The study will focus on *Way of Love: Recovering the Heart of Christianity* by Norman Wirzba, Professor of Theology and Ecology at Duke Divinity School. Weaving together testimonials, historical references, and scripture, *Way of Love* asks, "Why does Christianity matter if it isn't about love?" The book study will meet for conversation on Saturday mornings at 9 a.m. beginning on March 4 and ending on April 1 - you do not have to be at each gathering to participate. **Copies of the book will be available in the office!** For more information, contact John Tyson.

Thank you for your patience as we have been integrating new equipment into our sound system. In the meantime, please be aware that hearing aids can emit high pitched tones that are distracting to those around you.

"Getting to Know You"! Feb. 12 has been designated as "Guess Who's Coming to Dinner" Sunday! Today is "reveal day" and you will find out where you are going for Sunday noon dinner! ~ *Hospitality Commission*

Offender Victim Ministries invites you to reach out to inmates at

Hutchinson Correctional Facility through our Valentine's Day letterwriting campaign and prisoner care kit initiative. Bring items for prisoner care kits to the collection box (list of items needed is in the box, under the balcony at BCMC) and come join us for letter writing and refreshments Feb. 14, 9-11 a.m., Mennonite Central Committee Central States offices in North Newton. If you aren't able to attend an event, but want to write a letter, suggested talking points and instructions for sending letters are posted on the Offender Victim Ministries Facebook page.

The Everence Sharing Funds provided \$3,000 in matching funds to support special needs at BCMC last year. Marlene Faul serves as the Everence advocate for our congregation. Contact Marlene for more information.



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* Fellowship Meals will be <u>Mar. 5 & Mar. 12</u>. Information and sign up forms are located on the bulletin board by the church office. Deadline for registration is <u>Feb. 13</u>.

* My Coins Count campaign kicks off today with a special congregational offering. In addition, children's Sunday school classes will be receiving juice bottles to be used as banks for their contributions. Bottles will be returned during Sunday worship Apr. 2. Adult classes will also have collection jars for weekly coin contributions. You may also visit the quarter bank in the "Gathering Place" during our morning fellowship time.

* Quilter's Corner information is available on the bulletin board. A drop box for items is in the Gathering Place.

* Quilts for the auction are due at the MCC Center on <u>March 13</u>. Quilts made by BCMC members will be displayed at the church on <u>March 12</u>.

*** Comforter Blitz** dates are Mar. 6, 7, 8. Check the bulletin board for additional information.

*** BCMC liaisons** are Tom and Gayle Jackson 284-2379; John and Judy Kliewer 284-9985; Dave and Cynthia Linscheid 316-727-6966.

Bethel College and Kauffman Museum announcements:

- Staley Lecture with Drew G.I. Hart, author of *Trouble I've Seen: Changing the Way the Church Views Racism*, <u>Feb. 12, 7 p.m.</u> and <u>Feb. 13, 11 a.m.</u>, Krehbiel Auditorium
- Organ recital with Chelsea Vaught, <u>Feb. 12, 4 p.m.</u>, featuring work by J.S. Bach, Böhm, Sweelinck, Callahan, Biery and Farrington, Chapel at Bethel College
- KIPCOR Film Series presents *Do Not Resist*, a documentary by Craig Atkinson about police militarization in the U.S. since 9/11, <u>Feb.</u> <u>19, 3 p.m.</u>, Krehbiel Auditorium with talk-back following with DJuan Wash and AJ Bohannon, community organizers from Wichita.
- **Call for singers** May 7, at Bethel College, the Masterworks Chorus and Orchestra will perform Haydn's *Missa in Angustiis*, also known as the *Lord Nelson Mass*. If interested in joining the choir, contact Dr. William Eash, weash@bethelks.edu or 316-284-5316, for rehearsal and performance information.

SCMC Youth Events for your calendar

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