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## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- AUGUST 7-13

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### Wednesday

- 6:30 p.m.** Women's Bible Study (*Conference Room*)
- Women of all ages are invited to this Bible study that is taking place this summer. Contact Lynda Rodabaugh or Nancy Wright with any questions.
- 7:00 p.m.** Teacher Training (*Sanctuary*)
- This is the second of the two options for this mandatory training for all children's workers.
- 7:00 p.m.** Ebenezer Trapshoot (*Ebenezer Lawn*)
- Come out for a trapshoot and fellowship with others from the Church. A safety demonstration and training will be presented before the trapshoot.

### Thursday

- 6:15 p.m.** College & Career Small Group (*489 Cherry St., Bluffton*)
- College students and young adults are welcome to this small group. Food is served at 6:15 p.m., and the Bible study begins at 7:15 p.m.
- 7:00 p.m.** High School Leadership Meeting (*165 N. Jackson, Bluffton*)
- Students going into 10<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to the discipleship group at Pastor David and Mary's house. Contact Pastor David with any questions.
- 8:30 p.m.** Men's Bible Study (*Library*)
- Men of all ages are invited to a Bible study that will focus on the Kingdom of God. Put the kids to bed and come out for a night of Bible study and fellowship facilitated by Cory Meyer.

### Saturday

- 5:00 p.m.** Youth Baseball Outing (*Departs from Church*)
- Join the group from the church to attend a Mud Hens game in Toledo. Registration includes meal, ticket price, and transportation.

### Sunday

- 6:00 p.m.** VBS Reunion Outreach (*Bluffton Pool*)
- All are invited to join this special outreach event for families whose children attended VBS in June. Join for a night of swimming. Bring a snack to share, and come out to connect with new families.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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- Aug. 16** Youth Volunteer Meeting (*Fellowship Hall*)
- Sept. 6** Wednesday Night Ministries Kick-off (*Ebenezer Lawn*)
- Oct. 29** Communion Celebrated
- Nov. 5-8, 12** 60<sup>th</sup> Annual Missions Conference

August 6, 2023



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## OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY

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- 9:00 a.m.** Sunday School/Adult Bible Studies (*Various Classrooms*)
- 10:00 a.m.** Children's Church (*Ages 2-6, B10 & B11*)
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship Service- Pastor Nick Ringger (*CMC*)  
*Message-* Friends, Enemies and Neighbors  
*Scripture-* Proverbs and the Gospels
- 4:00 p.m.** Ebenezer Softball Game (*Village Park, Bluffton*)
- 7:00 p.m.** Teacher Training (*Sanctuary*)
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**Welcome!** We are so happy you are here to worship with us this morning. If today is your first time joining us, please pick up a gift at the Welcome Center in the Lobby.

**Contact Cards** are available at the Welcome Center or by scanning the QR code to the right. Please update any new information or share any praises and prayer requests. If you are new, please complete a card so we may stay connected.



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## ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

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### Attendance on July 30:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	223
Worship Gathering	320

### Opportunities

**VBS Reunion Outreach:** Everyone at the church is invited to attend a Pool Party at Bluffton Pool next Sunday, August 13, at 6:00 p.m. All children and families who attended VBS have been invited to attend this event. Come out and enjoy an evening of swimming, fun, and getting to know new families. Please bring a snack to share to help support this outreach event. Contact Hanné Streicher ([hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org)) or the church office ([info@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:info@ebenezermennonite.org)) with any questions.

**Youth Mud Hens Game:** All Middle School and High School students are invited to join us for a Toledo Mud Hens baseball game this Saturday, August 12. The day costs \$50, which covers transportation to and from the park, your ticket into the game, and an all-you-can-eat picnic at the game. Please contact Pastor David ([david.glick@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:david.glick@ebenezermennonite.org)) or the church office with any questions.

**Attention Moms:** Join us every second and fourth Monday of the month, beginning on September 25 from 9-11:00 a.m. for an opportunity to connect and grow. Breakfast is provided for the moms, and childcare is provided for the kids. Childcare is limited, so we encourage you to sign up early to ensure a spot for your kiddos. If you have any questions, please contact Hanné Streicher ([hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org)). To register please visit the church website ([www.ebenezermennonite.org](http://www.ebenezermennonite.org))

**Congregational Meal:** Women's Ministries is hosting Sunday lunch on August 20 as we observe back-to-school by celebrating our college students and young adults. Plan on staying for lunch where everything will be provided. We will be asking for financial donations to cover the cost of the meal and to provide a love gift for these young men and women.

**GriefShare** is a weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. The group is led by caring individuals who want to help those who have lost loved ones through the difficult days of loss and mourning. The meeting will be conducted on the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor of the Bluffton Town Hall (154 N. Main Street, Bluffton). This session of GriefShare will meet every Thursday evening, 7-8:30 p.m. from September 7 to December 9. Email Pastor Dick ([dick.potter@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:dick.potter@ebenezermennonite.org)) or call the church office (419-358-8588) for more information. GriefShare brochures can be picked up at the Welcome Center and in the Missions Center.

### Information:

**Congregational Meeting:** A meeting has been scheduled for this Sunday, August 6, following the worship service. Members will be voting on a recommendation from the Trustees to approve an increase of the allowable maximum spending amount for the shelter house project. Please direct all questions to Kerris Wright or the office staff.

**White Christmas:** Thank you to all who donated to the White Christmas offering in the month of July. These funds will go out to our Ebenezer-member missionaries. Thank you for being a blessing to those of our church family who are serving in the mission field. –The Missions Committee

**Teacher/Volunteer Training:** A required training will be held this August for all individuals planning to volunteer with any children's ministry. The training will be offered on Sunday, August 6, and Wednesday, August 9, both nights at 7:00 p.m. This training will go over new additions, policies, and any other changes, as well as review current policies. Please contact Hanné Streicher with any questions.

**Youth Volunteer Meeting:** There will be a meeting for all individuals who plan to serve as Youth volunteers during the coming year. The meeting will be at 7:00 p.m. on August 16 in the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested in serving and would like more information, plan on attending the meeting, or contact Pastor David ([david.glick@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:david.glick@ebenezermennonite.org)).

**MOM2MOM Sale:** The MOMS Group at Ebenezer will be hosting a Mom2Mom sale on October 14th. If you or someone you know would like to sell items for children at this event, please contact Hanné Streicher ([hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org](mailto:hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org)). The cost is \$5 to reserve a booth, and these spots fill up quickly, so please don't wait to register.

**College Students:** Calling all college students! Please make sure the church office has your updated contact information. Church family, be on the lookout for a list of college students needing your support and encouragement. Let's show our young people that we love and support them.