#### **OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK- FEBRUARY 12-18**

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Monday				
9:00 a.m.	MOM's Group (Fellowship Hall)			
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9:00 a.m.	Mom's Gym Playtime (Gym)			
5:30 p.m.	Worship Team Practice (Crossroads Ministry Center)			
6:00 p.m. Family Meal (Crossroads Ministry Center)				
<ul><li>Menu: Walking Taco and Fruit</li><li>Gluten-free options available</li></ul>				
6:30 p.m.	Kids JAM Choir (Sanctuary)			
7:00 p.m.	Wednesday Night Kids JAM (Various classrooms)			
7:00 p.m.	Middle School Small Groups (Schoolhouse)			
7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Gospel: Plain and Simple (Sewing Room)			
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7:00 p.m.	Men's Bible Study ( <i>Library</i> )			
7:00 p.m.	Women's Bible Study (103)			
8:30 p.m.	Youth Dodgeball (Gym and Fellowship Hall)			
7:15 a.m.	Thursday			
	Youth Breakfast (Shaner's House- 515 Greding St., Bluffton)			
9:30 a.m.	Prayer Group (Conference Room)			
6:00 p.m.	Deacon's Meeting (Conference Room)			
6:15 p.m.	College & Career Small Group (489 Cherry St, Bluffton)			
8:30 p.m.	Men's Basketball (Gym)			
Friday				
6:00 a.m.	Men's Bible Study (Fellowship Hall)			
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11:30 a.m.	Soup and Salad Social (Crossroads Ministry Center)			
12:00 p.m.	Youth Tubing Event (Crossroads Ministry Center)			
4:00 p.m.	Trustee Meeting (Conference Room)			
7:00 p.m.	Sunday Night Women's Small Group (Conference Room)			
UPCOMING EVENTS				
Feb. 24	Men's Breakfast			
Mar. 2	Membership Class			
Mar. 9	Mom2Mom Sale			
Mar. 18-19	Women's All-Day Sew			
Man 21	Easter Sunday with Dreakfast & Communion			

- Mar. 31Easter Sunday with Breakfast & Communion
- May 12 Youth Chicken BBQ
- June 2-7 Vacation Bible School



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EPHESIANS SERMON SERIES

# antidote to discouragement ephesians 3:11-13

#### **OPPORTUNITIES OF THE DAY**

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- Antidote to Discouragement			
Scripture- Ephesians 3:11-13			
11:30 a.m.	Congregational Meeting (Fellowship Hall)		
6:45 p.m.	Youth Super Bowl Party (Shaner's House- 515 Greding St., Bluffton)		

**Welcome!** We are so happy you are here to worship with us. If today is your first time joining us, please pick up a gift at the Welcome Center. For more information about the church and its ministries, text "new" to 419-792-3625 and a member of the church staff will contact you.

**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.



#### ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Attendance on February 4:				
Sunday School/Adult Bible Fellowship	(9:00 a.m.)	210		
Worship Gathering	(10:15 a.m.)	305		

### **Opportunities**

**Congregational Meeting:** A meeting will take place today, February 11, following the worship service. Members will be voting to approve the mission budget, the annual report, and affirm Pastor David in his new role as Associate Pastor. Annual Reports containing the budgets and individual reports are available at the Welcome Center.

**Youth Super Bowl Party:** Middle and High School students are invited to a Super Bowl Party hosted by Rick and Pat Shaner (515 Greding St.) tonight February 11, at 6:00 p.m. Please see Pastor David with questions.

**Soup and Salad Social:** Women's Ministries is sponsoring a Soup and Salad lunch next Sunday, February 18, after the worship service. Women's Ministries is providing the desserts and are asking the congregation to bring either soup or salad and the recipe to share for a new church cookbook.

**New Women's Small Group:** Adult women are invited to join a small group that meets at 7:00 p.m. in the conference room on Sunday evenings. The study will include a time of prayer and a study of Galatians. Contact Hanné Streicher (hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org) for more information. The group will resume next Sunday, February 18.

**Prayer Group:** Would you like to be a prayer warrior for the church? A group meets Thursdays at 9:30 a.m. in the conference room to join in prayer and lifting praises to God. Please consider dedicating an hour or so Thursday mornings to bring our praises and supplications to the Lord for Ebenezer. Any questions, please call or text Kathy Steiner.

**Youth Tubing and Skiing Event:** The Youth are invited to join a tubing and skiing/snowboarding event at Mad River Mountain next Sunday, February 18. Information on costs and times are available on the registration page online. In the event there is no snow at Mad River Mountain, an alternate activity will be scheduled. Contact Pastor David with any questions.

# **Opportunities**

**Women's Mystery Dinner** is scheduled for Thursday, February 22. Please meet in the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. and enjoy a night out at a secret location with other ladies from the church. Feel free to invite a friend, ladies of all ages are welcome! Please make your reservation by contacting Kathy Brauen or calling the church office.

**Women's Retreat:** Miracle Camp is not just for kids! Enjoy a weekend of fun, food and fellowship at Miracle Camp by registering for the 2024 Women's Retreat that will take place from April 19-21. Please contact Hanné Streicher if you have any questions about the registration.

**A Membership Class** will be held on Saturday, March 2, in the conference room from 1:00-4:00 p.m. If you would like to join this class, please sign up on the church app, website or by contacting the church office. If you are not yet a member of the church, please prayerfully consider committing to the church and using your giftings and abilities to further the Kingdom of God in our church and the local community.

*Miracle Camp Registrations:* Registrations are now open for Summer Miracle Camp 2024 for students 1<sup>st</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade. There is a two-step process to this registration, (1) registering at www.miraclecamp.com and then (2) finalizing the registration on the Church Center App or on the church website. If you have questions, please see a member of the staff.

## **Information**

**SIM Mission Trip Cookies:** The SIM mission team will depart on February 18, and the team is asking for donations of bags of frozen cookie dough balls (monster, snickerdoodle, and oatmeal). Please mark the bags for SIM, including the baking instructions, e.g., time and temperature, and place the frozen cookie dough in the upright freezer in the kitchen by February 16.

**Happy Birthday** to Marian Busick who celebrated her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 6.

**Mennonite Brotherhood Aid (MBA):** After many years of helping people with their financial needs, the MBA is working towards disbanding. There will be an information held this afternoon, February 11, at 3:00 p.m. at the Grace Mennonite Church in Pandora. Anyone that has had any past affiliation with this organization is welcome to attend.

**Ice Camp Registrations:** Ice Camp registrations for High School (February 23-25) are available on the Church Center App and on the church website. The deadline for registrations is February 18. Registrations for the Middle School students whose camp was canceled due to the inclement weather have been transferred to the above dates. Contact Pastor David with any questions.