#### **OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: MAY 2-7**

## Monday

**6:30 p.m.** Engage Committee Meeting (Fellowship Hall)

**7:00 p.m.** Ladies' Bible Study (103)

- This group is led by Nancy Wright and will go through the book *Finding I AM* by Lysa TerKeurst.

## Wednesday

**5:30 p.m.** Vacation Bible School Committee Meeting (103)

# **Thursday**

**7:00 p.m.** GriefShare (Bluffton Town Hall, 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor)

- Weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one.

**8:30 p.m.** Men's Basketball (Crossroads Ministry Center)

- Open to all men.

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

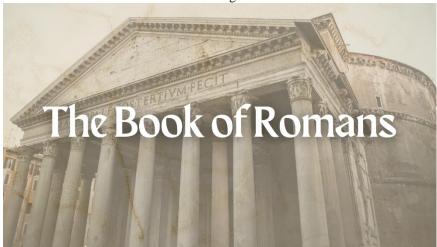
May 8	Youth Chicken BBQ Fundraiser
May 11	Family Night Nature Walk (Ebenezer Lawn)
May 13	Parents' Night Out (CMC)
May 14	Trap Shoot (Ebenezer Lawn)
<b>May 26</b>	Women's Mystery Dinner
May 28	Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
Jun. 1	Youth Cedar Point Trip
Jun. 2	College Ministries Kick-Off
Jun. 5-10	"Monumental" Vacation Bible School (Various Classrooms)

# May 1, 2022



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#### **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: Old Life in Adam, New Life in Christ

Scripture: Romans 5:1-11

**11:30 a.m.** Congregational Meal & Communion (CMC)

**6:45p.m.** High School Small Groups (Schoolhouse)

**Welcome to Ebenezer!** We are so happy you are here. If today is your first time joining us, please pick up a gift at the Welcome Center in the Lobby.

**You are invited to lunch** following today's Worship Service. Communion will also be served during the meal.

**Contact Cards** are available to be completed at the Welcome Center. We would love to update any information we already have. If you are new here, we would love to stay in contact with you.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING			
Attendance on April 24:			
Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	205		
Worship Service	322		
Giving for April 24:	\$7,496.20		
Building Fund	3,126.00		
Christian Education Fund	510.00		
General Fund	3,126.00		
Missions Fund	180.00		
Van Fund	100.00		
Youth Fund	300.00		

**Mother's Day Chicken BBQ (May 8):** Order forms are available for the annual youth chicken BBQ. All proceeds will go toward the 2022 high school mission trip. Each meal is a suggested donation of \$10. Order forms can be picked up and dropped off at the Information Center in the Missions Center or at the Welcome Center and are **due today**.

"Monumental" Vacation Bible School (VBS) will be June 5-10. Registration is open for children and volunteers. VBS is each night from 6:00-8:30 for children age 4 through 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Each night, there will be an opening with music and a skit, then the children will go to a Bible class, crafts, rec time, and have tons of fun. Go to the church website to sign up. Sign up by next Sunday, May 8, to ensure the correct t-shirt size.

**Maple Crest** will be making mats for the homeless from plastic bags. If you have some to donate, please bring them to the church. A box is in the kitchen window to donate bags through May 6.

**Youth Cedar Point Trip:** All high school & middle school students are invited to Cedar Point on Wednesday, June 1. Sign up today on the church website (ebenezermennonite.org).

**Volunteers for Vacation Bible School** are still needed. Please sign up on the church website. Volunteers are asked to attend a training on May 18 or May 22, both at 7:00 p.m.

**Nature Walk:** You and your family are invited to take part in a nature walk on Wednesday, May 11. Meet on the Ebenezer lawn, and enjoy a walk through the woods, a campfire, s'mores, music, and games from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

**Parents' Night Out** is scheduled for Friday, May 13. Drop your kids at the church for crafts, games, a movie, and a snack while you go out for a date night, shopping, or even just a night at home! There is no cost for the childcare, and any donations will support the youth mission trip.

**Child Dedication:** At our child dedication service, parents commit to raise their child to know Jesus Christ for the glory of God. The church family pledges to support the family with love and encouragement and to provide opportunities for spiritual development of the family. Parents, if you would like to register your child for the dedication service on Sunday, May 15, please contact Hanné Streicher (hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org) or the church office (info@ebenezermennonite.org or 419-358-8588).

**New Church Phone App!** Ebenezer Mennonite Church now has a app for your phone! Go to the app store and download "Church Center App" and select Ebenezer Mennonite Church. Follow the app's instructions from there. If you have any questions on the features of the app, contact Dylan Whitlow (dylan.whitlow@ebenezermennonite.org or 419-358-8588).

**Free children's books** are on a table in the Missions Center. Please look through them and take what you would like.

**Service Opportunity:** Community Relief Service in Lima will be helping clean landscaping, trim trees, and perform some outside repairs for those in need on Saturday, May 14. A group will leave from the church at 8:15 a.m. and everyone is welcome. If you are interested in joining, contact Josh or Crystal Hanna.

**Graduate Gifts:** Our graduating high school seniors will be receiving a Bible from the church during the worship service on Sunday, May 22. If you would be interested in sharing a favorite Bible verse or note with any or all of our grads, please write them down on index cards which can be found on the table in the foyer of the Crossroads Ministry Center.

# YOU ARE INVITED TO A GRADUATE OPEN HOUSE FOR...

#### Reese Halker

**Saturday, May 14** (11:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) – Halker Barn (21565 Rd 15-U, Columbus Grove, OH)

#### Luke Shadle

**Saturday, May 28** (12:00-3:00 p.m.) – Ebenezer Mennonite Church (Crossroads Ministry Center)

# Bryan Zimmerman

**Sunday, May 29** (3:00-6:00 p.m.) – Zimmerman Household (222 Locust Court, Bluffton, OH)

# Wes Brauen

**Sunday, May 29** (4:00-7:00 p.m.) – Ebenezer Mennonite Church (Crossroads Ministry Center)