OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: MAY 9-14

Monday

- **9:00 a.m.** MOMS Meeting (Various Classrooms)
- 7:00 p.m. Christian Education Committee Meeting (Sanctuary Foyer)
- 7:00 p.m. Facilities Strategic Planning 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

- **6:30 p.m.** Family Fun Night (*Ebenezer Lawn*)
 - 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. Bring your own lawn chairs.

Thursday

- 7:00 p.m. GriefShare (Bluffton Town Hall, 3rd 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.

Friday

6:00 p.m. Parents' Night Out (Various Classrooms)

- Opportunity for parents of children from 3 months old to 12 years old to go out and have free childcare at the church. Any donations given will support the youth mission trip this summer.

Saturday

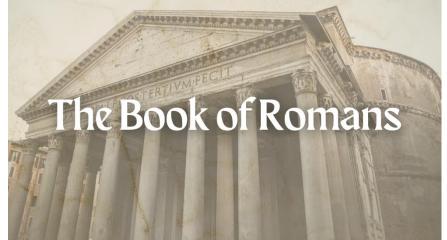
- 8:30 a.m. Trap Shoot (Ebenezer Lawn)
 - Open to everyone. A safety presentation will be given before shooting starts.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- May 26 Women's Mystery Dinner
- May 28 Men's Breakfast (Fellowship Hall)
- May 28 Trap Shoot (Ebenezer Lawn)
- Jun. 1 Youth Cedar Point Trip
- Jun. 2 College Ministries Kick-Off (Ron & Sue Epp's House)
- Jun. 5-10 "Monumental" Vacation Bible School (Various Classrooms)



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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: Set Free in Christ
	Scripture: Romans 5:12-6:23
11:30 a.m.	Youth Chicken BBO Pick-Up (Fellowship Hall)

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.

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.

Happy Mother's Day! Stop by the coffee station and pick up a special Mother's Day muffin and mini treat. Mothers are also invited to grab a flower from the Women's Ministry by the coffee.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING		
Attendance on May 1:		
Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	157	
Worship Service	295	
Giving for May 1:	\$12,903.46	
Benevolent Fund	30.00	
Building Fund	2,545.00	
Christian Education Fund	713.46	
General Fund	5,950.00	
Missions Fund	3,425.00	
Van Fund	100.00	
Youth Fund	140.00	
EasyTithe Giving for April:	\$17,001.00	
Benevolent Fund	40.00	
Building Fund	435.00	
Christian Education Fund	1,815.00	
General Fund	8,766.00	
Missions Fund	5,685.00	
Youth Fund	260.00	

"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 5th 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. Today is the last day to sign up to ensure the correct t-shirt size.

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. Bring your own lawn chairs.

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 next Sunday, May 15, please contact Hanné Streicher (hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org) or the church office (info@ebenezermennonite.org or 419-358-8588).

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.

New Church Phone App! Ebenezer now has an 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 next 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.

Fellowship Hall Dividers: The room dividers from the Fellowship Hall have been removed. If you are interested in taking one of the room dividers, contact the church office (info@ebenezermennontie.org, 419-358-8588).

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)

Jacob Schutz

Saturday, May 28 (11:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.) – Schutz Household (15932 Road 4, Pandora, 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)