
OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK: SEPTEMBER 5-SEPTEMBER 10

Monday**Labor Day- Church Office Closed**

- 7:00 p.m.** Monday Night Women's Bible Study (*Ebenezer Conference Room*)
- All women are invited to join as the group studies the book *The Gospel on the Ground* by Kristi McLelland. The group is led by Nancy Wright

Wednesday

- 6:00 p.m.** Wednesday Night Ministries Fall Kickoff (*Ebenezer Lawn*)
- Family event to begin the Wednesday night children and youth programming at Ebenezer Mennonite for the Fall Season
- 7:00 p.m.** Middle School Small Groups (*Schoolhouse*)
- 8:30 p.m.** Youth Dodgeball (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)

Thursday

- 6:00 p.m.** College & Career Small Group (Ron & Sue Epp's House, 489 Cherry St.)
- College students and young adults are welcome to this small group. The pool opens at 4:00 p.m., food will be served at 6:15 p.m., and the Bible study on the Book of John will begin at 7:15 p.m.
- 7:00 p.m.** GriefShare (*Bluffton Town Hall, 154 N. Main St.*)
- GriefShare is a weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. For more information contact Pastor Dick (dick.potter@ebenezymennonite.org)

Friday

- 6:00 p.m.** Parents Night Out
- Open to parents of children age 3 months through 12 years old. Free childcare offered while parents have a night out. Sign up on the church website (ebenezymennonite.org) or the Church Center app

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Sept. 11** High School Small Groups Kickoff (*Schoolhouse*)
- Sept. 14** Men's Bible Study begins (*Sanctuary Overflow*)
- Sept. 14** Women's Bible Study begins (*103*)
- Sept. 18** Congregation Meeting (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)
- Sept. 25** Youth Suter's Corn Maze Trip
- Oct. 3 & 4** All Day Sew (*Crossroads Ministry Center*)
- Nov. 6-9, 13** Missions Conference – "Jesus: Hope of Nations"

September 4, 2022

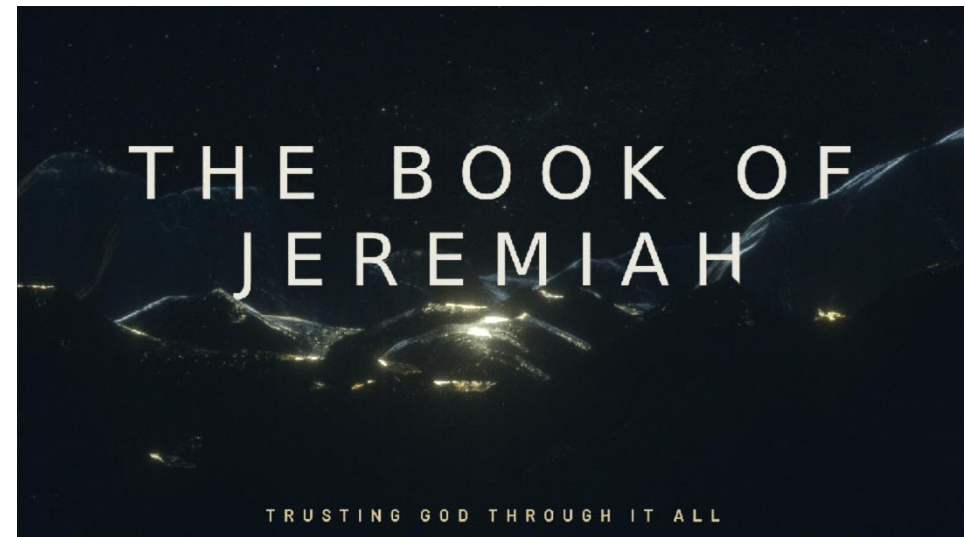
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- 9:00 a.m.** Sunday School/Adult Bible Studies (*Various Classrooms*)
- 10:00 a.m.** Children's Church (*Ages 2-6, B10 & B11*)
- 10:15 a.m.** Worship Service – Pastor Nick Ringger (*Crossroad Ministry Center*)
Message: The Book of Jeremiah Series- Part 2
Scripture: Jeremiah 2-6
- 11:15 a.m.** Congregation Information Meeting (*Crossroad Ministry Center*)

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, please complete a card so we may stay connected.

ATTENDANCE AND GIVING

Attendance on August 28:

Sunday School/Adult Bible Study	200
Worship Service	379

Giving for August 28:

	<u>\$14,115.44</u>
Benevolent Fund	30.00
Building Fund	8,200.00
Christian Education Fund	65.50
General Fund	4,709.93
Missions Fund	980.00
Van Fund	100.00
Youth Fund	300.00

GriefShare is a weekly support group designed to help people rebuild their lives after losing a loved one. The group is led by members of Ebenezer who want to help those who are mourning. The current session started August 18 and will end November 17. This group will meet at the Bluffton Town Hall (154 N. Main St.) on Thursday evenings from 7-8:30 p.m. For more information, contact Pastor Dick (dick.potter@ebenezermennonite.org).

Wednesday Night Ministries are returning soon and volunteers are needed. If you are interested in helping with children's ministry or the meal ministry on Wednesdays, contact Marti Meza (real.meza4@gmail.com) or Hanné Streicher (hanne.streicher@ebenezermennonite.org).

Help us welcome Tim Gallant as the Communications and Connections Administrator. Tim began his ministry position on September 1. Tim, his wife Tiffany and children Katie and Jonny recently returned from overseas missionary service in Cambodia. Tim will serve in the office, provide support for different ministries and direct the Kids Hope USA program.

Donations for Youth & College Ministries: School starting again means it is time to start weekly ministries! Our Youth and College ministries could use a few donations for their groups this fall. The following are items that are used regularly: chips, cookies, pop (2 liters or cans), salsa, nacho cheese, gluten free snacks. If you would prefer, gift cards to Gordon Food Service, Wal-Mart, or Sam's Club will also be accepted. Drop off donations on the table in the Crossroads Ministry Center Foyer. See Pastor David with any questions.

Wednesday Night Kickoff: You and your whole family are invited to our Wednesday Night Ministries Kickoff event on Wednesday, September 7. Come out for hot dogs, s'mores, yard games, and fellowship. It all starts at 6:00 p.m. in the Ebenezer Lawn. Normal Wednesday night activities start on September 14.

Echo Ranch Service Team: Please pray for the team of men who will be serving at Echo Ranch in Haines, Alaska on September 3-10.

Local Service Opportunity: On September 15-17 in Troy, Ohio, there will be a construction-based service project. Housing and food are provided, the only cost is travel to Troy. You are welcome to serve the whole time, or for partial time. If you are interested, contact Josh or Crystal Hanna.

Monday Night Women's Bible Study: Starting on Monday, September 5, all ladies are invited to a Bible study led by Nancy Wright from the book *The Gospel on the Ground* by Kristi McLelland. The study will be every Monday night starting at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining, email Nancy at npwright3@gmail.com. The workbook can be ordered on Amazon or Lifeway.com.

Operation Christmas Child: There is an opportunity with Samaritain's Purse Operation Christmas Child program in Charlotte, NC on December 4-10. The project will be to assist in the processing of the 9 million shoeboxes that will be received and then distributed to children all over the world. Each shoebox brings hope through the Good News of Jesus Christ in the form of a simple gift. Please contact Josh or Crystal Hanna for more information.

Church Center App: Ebenezer 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).

Service Opportunity Text Alert: Ebenezer has several text alert message groups (youth, children, etc.) including a new group for service opportunities that are occurring in the life of the church and the community. Simply scan the QR code on the right and scroll down to #4 under message groups and select any of the groups related to Ebenezer Mennonite Church. For more information, please stop by the welcome center or contact the church office.



Congregation Meeting: Ebenezer Mennonite will hold a Congregation Meeting following the morning worship service on September 18. Two informational meetings will take place on the two preceding Sundays (4th and 11th) to allow for discussion and questions.

Sunday School and Adult Bible Study Changes: Starting next Sunday, September 4, check in for Children's Sunday School will be moving right outside of the Sanctuary. At 9:00, the new Ebenezer Kids JAM (Jesus and Me) will start with a combined opening with music. Children will then split by age. Because the Sanctuary will not be available, some adult classes will be changing location. Please speak to the class facilitator or a member of the church staff about these location changes.