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Walnut Creek News

Weekly News at Walnut Creek Mennonite

March 15, 2020

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THIS SUNDAY 03/15

9:30 a.m.

Sunday School for all ages

10:30 a.m.

Please join us for our worship

Service as we:

Lift our voices in song

Give of our tithes and offerings

Share prayer concerns & praises

The Nicaraguan Team will bring the service (Lonnie Chewning, Marv &

Ruth Hershberger, Jim & Joyce

Scherer)

Prelude: Elsa Miller

Greeters: Duane & Vivian Miller

Infant Nursery:

SS: Pauline Beachy

Worship: Jerry & Amy Miller

Toddler Nursery (worship only)

Rachelle Miller

Combined SS in Sanctuary—Next Sunday, March 22 we will be having combined adult SS in the sanctuary at 9:30. Matt Crosland who served in Papua New Guinea with Nick and Ashlie will be here speaking about his family and their ministry in PNG as well as the Pacific Institute of Language, Arts, and Translation (PILAT) where Matt serves in PNG.

Baptismal Classes Offered—Pastor Don will soon be offering classes for youth and adults leading up to baptism. There will be a class for youth and a separate class for adults. If you are interested in these classes, please see Pastor Don.

Fundraiser—Lerch's Donuts—WCMC will be joining with LEAF to sell Lerch's donuts as a fundraiser for our Relationships As Mission initiative with our Nicaraguan missionary families. The donuts will be available in your choice of pumpkin, sugar, cinnamon sugar or blueberry and are \$10/dozen. **Donuts will be available for pick up at the church on Saturday morning, March 28. To order, please sign up at the welcome center by Sunday, March 22 or contact Sarah Hochstetler at 330-231-6916.**

Card Purchases—this is the last Sunday for purchasing cards from the table outside the library/archives made by the Women's Ministry from Christ for the City International in Nicaragua. Suggested donation is \$3/card.

Sunshine Box for Vivian—WCMC church family is invited to bring items for a sunshine box for Vivian Miller. The box will be on the table in the foyer **March 15 through April 5**. Let's encourage Vivian with cards, notes and gifts.

NEXT SUNDAY 03/22

**Combined SS in sanctuary for all
Adult SS classes—9:30 a.m.**

Greeters: Jerry & Karen Miller

Infant Nursery:

SS: Rita Yoder

Worship: Stacy Mishler & Ryder
Rothel

Toddler Nursery (Worship only)

Sharon Erb & Nancy Miller

THIS WEEK

Tuesday all day
Mennonite Women

Wednesday 5:30-6:30 p.m.
Wed. Eve Meal

Wednesday 7:00-8:00 p.m.
Classes for all ages

Pioneer Club (ages 3-grade 6)

Jr. High (7th & 8th grade)

“Sincerely, God”

High School (grades 9-12) Meet
in the High School room for Bible
Study

Adults

- Study of Supernatural: what the Bible teaches about the unseen world and why it matters led by Nick Hershberger (rm. 24 back hallway)
- Spur class for women led by the deaconesses (meet in Jr. Auditorium)
- Adult Bible Study led by Pastor Don and Ray Miller (meet in conference room)
Nursery Provided

Thursday 10:00 a.m.
Women' Book Study
Session 6B

Saturday 8:00 a.m.
Mongolia Prayer Breakfast
@ New Grounds Cafe

Carry In Lunch—there will be a carry-in lunch on **Sunday, March 29** immediately after the worship service. Please bring a hot and cold dish to share.

Souper Thursday March Collection is noodles and broth. Please bring items and place on the table in the foyer. March Souper Thursday is **Thursday, March 26** from 9:30-10:15 a.m. at Barrs Mills Church of God.

Hope Tote Campaign for Haven of Rest—We are collecting items for Hope Totes for Haven of Rest through **Friday, April 3**. Items to include in a Hope Tote are: toothbrushes, toothpaste, body wash, shampoo, conditioner, disposable razors, brushes or combs, shaving cream, hand lotion and deodorant. **These Hope Totes are for men only**. Please pick up a bag from the big bin in the foyer and fill it with the items and return it to the bin.

Lifeline Food Packing event—We will be doing a Lifeline food packing event again this year on **Saturday, April 18** beginning at 1 p.m. This has been well attended for us the last few years and we hope to continue that this year. We need between 50-60 volunteers to run three food packing stations like we have in the past years. Old, young, it doesn't matter; there's something that you can help with. Bring your friends! If we have close to 80 volunteers we could run four stations. Our goal is to pack \$5,000 worth of meals. In addition to the volunteer sign up sheet in the back, there's also a sheet to pledge towards meals or you can place a check in the offering and mark it for **food packing**. Each meal costs \$0.24 and there are 6 meals in each bag that is packed; a bag costs \$1.44. Our goal of \$5,000 will cover 3,472 bags, but if we have more come in we can have Lifeline bring more meals to be packed. **Sign up sheets will be at the welcome center until Easter Sunday**. Contact Nick Hershberger with any questions.

Toddler SS Class Help Needed—Amanda Hershberger taught the toddler SS class for many years and is now asking to step down from those duties. The class is for 2/3 year olds and right now has 2 to 3 children every Sunday. **We Need 1 or 2 individuals to help teach this class on a rotating basis**. If you are interested, please see Peg Schrock or call/text her at 330-763-0036.

Church Choir will be providing special music for Easter. We will be practicing on **Wednesday nights at 6:15 p.m.** Please consider joining us as we praise our risen Savior. See Mark Stutzman with questions.

Birthdays This Week

New Praise & Prayer

Sympathy to Seth, Michelle, Charlotte and Brantly Kolb and the Kolb family—sudden unexpected death of Seth's father, Leroy, in PA

Sympathy to—Pam and Matt Yoder and family Mike & Melissa Hershberger and family—passing of Pam & Melissa's grandfather, Clarence Weaver

Amanda Hershberger—Returned home—cont. healing

Vivian Miller—Cont. recovery from surgery

Steve & Lydia Miller—unspoken prayer request for their family

David Kanagy, *son of Allen & Bernelle Kanagy*—diagnosed with cancer—taking treatments

Praise for answered prayer

Comfort for those who are grieving

Unspoken prayer concerns

Continued Praise & Prayer

WCMC – putting mission to our vision

Youth & Children of WCMC

Retirement Home residents, Nursing Home residents, shut-ins

Andi Starner—serving in Guatemala

Rod & Valerie Hochstetler – serving in Congo

Emily Hochstetler – serving in Kinshasa through ReachGlobal Ministries

Agora Christian Fellowship in Columbus - work with at risk kids—showing them Jesus' love

Sue Gerber—health—at Altercare in Navarre

Blake Stutzman (*son of Rod and Jill*) - dealing with side effects of encephalitis

Jim & June Boltz—health

Galen Amstutz - health

Ada Weaver - health

Mario Amador & Xochil Lacayo Casco, Carlos Reyes and Aracelis Lacayo Casco and their three children, Fernando, Ruben and Ximena - ministering in Nicaragua

Arlin Mullet (*son of Mose & Elsie Mullet*) fell off ladder and is paralyzed from chest down some movement of right hand and arm

Kurt Stutzman – *brother of Jane Mast* – cancer

Save-the-Date—ladies—widows and singles—on **Saturday, April 25**, at 9:30 a.m., the deaconesses of Walnut Creek Mennonite invite you to attend a morning of food and fellowship here at the church. More details to follow.

Save & Serve Volunteers Needed—WCMC is responsible to provide 4 volunteers to save & Serve the first Saturday of every month. Our next Saturday to serve is **April 4 from 1-5 p.m.** Volunteers serve as cashiers and baggers. Please contact Sarah Hochstetler at 330-231-6916 if you can volunteer.

Love INC New Fresh Start Classes

- **What on Earth Am I Here For?** - a 6 week DVDE series written by Rick Warren. Have you ever wondered what is your purpose in life? Maybe you've felt unworthy or unimportant? Join us in discovering our significance as a child of God with great purpose. Being offered **March 30-May 4** at Martins Creek Mennonite. No cost. Child care provided.
- **Redemptive Compassion Classes**—Love INC volunteers or those interested in volunteering: If you have not yet taken this class, join us for our next 3 week class being offered **March 30-April 6**. This is an opportunity to learn transformation..in the name of Christ. Hosted at Martins Creek.

Call Love INC at 330-471-6017 to register or register online at <https://www.loveincfghc.org/fresh-start.html>

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Ben Miller	Laura Coblentz
Mose Yoder	Miriam Mast
Jason Yoder	

Statistics for March 8, 2020

SS: 128
Church: 185

First Fruits Offering

\$ 7181.42

Designated

\$ 50.00

Total Offering

\$ 7231.42

Empowered To Connect is a two-day simulcast conference held at Grace Church, Berlin, OH on **April 3rd and 4th**. Empowered to Connect is a beneficial engagement for all parents and any persons who may work with children. This conference is presented by Steven Curtis Chapman’s Ministry, *Show Hope*. Please see flyer on Bulletin board in hallway for more information or go online to empowered to connect.org. Registration forms are available at the literature table in the sanctuary foyer.

Love INC is looking for the following:

- Various Love INC Gap Ministries are looking for supplies that are used for Love INC families: pillows, full/queen mattress pads, laundry detergent, dryer sheets, fabric softener, razors, body wash, diapers size 4, 5, 6, shampoo, laundry baskets, diaper cream, baby wipes, feminine products (no panty liners). If you, your family, your SS class or group is interested in donating any of these items, Call Love INC for more details 330-473-6017.

Pure Gift of God hosting two-day simulcast conference, April 3

-4 at Grace Church, entitled “empowered to Connect”. You are invited to join us. “Empowered to Connect” is a beneficial engagement for all parents and any persons who may work with children. This conference is presented by Steven Curtis Chapman’s Ministry “Show Hope” and will focus on tools that every teacher, youth-mentor, principle, school-aide, etc. should have available to them. It is offered to you as a rebroadcast of the 2019 Empowered to Connect Conference along with a viewing guide and new practical application content. For more info visit: <http://empoweredtoconnect.org>.

Save The Date—MCC Centennial Celebration Picnic in Kidron on **Saturday, May 2 at 11:30 a.m.** at the Gerber building and lawn behind Central School. Bring a dish to share for a potluck lunch at noon. Table service and drinks will be provided. Music by Honeytown, kids’ activities and ice cream.. There will be an open mic time for sharing your MCC memories and a table to display mementos from MCC service.

VBS week has been set—The VBS committee has set the week of **June 21-25, 2020** for VBS. VBS will be held in the evening as it has been for the last couple of years. If you are planning your vacations, plan around this week so your kids (and their friends) can experience an awesome week of VBS at WCMC. Lots of volunteers will be needed!

REVELATION: ROME & THE SEVEN CHURCHES

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