



A Back to School Prayer

Lord, I pray for our school age kids and grandkids.

Grant them peace and a peaceful learning environment.

Protect them from the temptations of the evil one.

Help them with friends that build them up and not tear them down.

Open their minds to wisdom that they might discern truth.

Encourage them with the caring of teachers and friends.

Bring to their mind daily how much they are loved by you.

And in all this bless them to enjoy learning new things.

Amen

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Evergreen News

Pastor Mick's Musings...

A Facebook Faith

“Then we will no longer be immature like children. We won’t be tossed and blown about by every wind of new teaching. We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth. Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church. He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.”
Ephesians 4:14-16 (NLT)

People ask me, “Pastor Mick, do you have a Facebook page.” Yes, I do have a Facebook page. And I have a love/hate relationship with it! I look at it at least once a day to check up and see what my friends are up to. Also, I like to see what people are putting on their posts. While there are some good posts, the majority of the stuff that is posted drives me up the wall. Sometimes I think I’ll scream if I see another cute kitten video or another pig or a tiger taking care of ducklings. You know – those videos that people post that say, “Look what I found.” Don’t get me wrong, some I like and laugh at. But there is something about Facebook that is gnawing at my spirit.

Facebook reminds me of a babbling brook – rushing water frolicking across rocks and stones making noise but only skimming the surface. It never seems to have substance. There is no depth - no depth of thought. Facebook deals with the superficial.

That is not always a bad thing. However, if this is where you spend most of your time, your life may become superficial. We live in a world of sound bites; of quick news clips; of slogans and maxims. We are bombarded by the quick fix. A news story may last 3 minutes; a sitcom scene may last 2 minutes; a song for a TV talent show is reduced to 90 seconds; a commercial is less than 60 seconds; and a music video changes from image to image in less than 10 seconds. The secular worldview seems to be trying to reduce us to a life without substance.

The sad thing is that we may find our faith walk looking a lot like Facebook. A Facebook faith is superficial and without substance – never going deeper. The result could be that we are susceptible to wrong teachings. We are tossed and blown about by what culture dictates at the time and question the very foundational truths of our faith. Our biblical worldview is skewed for the lack of substance. What are we to do?

First, realize the babble is OK (maybe even necessary at times.) A babbling brook is fun and should be enjoyed. Sometimes a short video of a cute kitty is good for a laugh or a great picture of a friend puts a smile on your face. But we just can’t stay there. It is important that we recognize that babble IS babble. Second, we need balance. There are times when we will need to go deeper. Read a good book. Go out to dinner with your spouse or

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SEPTEMBER ACTIVITIES

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2 First Wednesday 6:30 pm	3	4	5
6 Promotion Sunday Early Service 8 am Sunday School 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am	7 Labor Day Office Closed	8 Board Mtg. 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm	9 Autumn Saints 10 am Jr. & Sr. High Clubs 7 pm	10 Tiny Timbers Orientation	11 Tiny Timbers Orientation	12 Nurture's Game Night 7 pm
13 Early Service 8 am Sunday School/ Discover WGT 9:15 am Worship 10:30 am COBYS Bike & Hike	14 Noon Prayer Tiny Timbers Board Mtg. WWW 7 pm	15 Men's Bible Study 7 pm	16 Autumn Saints 10 am Jr. & Sr. High Clubs 7 pm	17	18	19
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friends. Have some friends over for conversation. Catch a play or a musical. Take a long walk in a forest. Learn to play an instrument. Watch a sunset. Finally, we should strive to go deeper in our faith walk. Attend a Bible Study. There is a men's Bible study that meets on Tuesday nights here at church. Soon, there will be a women's Bible study meeting on Monday nights. Autumn Saints will begin a Bible study on Wednesdays in the fall at 10:00 am at the church. You could start reading the Bible more regularly. Take time to pray. (Every morning you have the opportunity to converse with the creator of the universe!) Go on a mission trip. Find your spiritual gifts, your talents and your passion and join others in building up the church. The goal is to become Christ-like in all we do – in and out of church.

So post those kitty videos and pictures of great times with family and friends, but remember to go deeper!

Much love in Jesus,
PM

Discover West Green Tree

Are you new to West Green Tree? Perhaps you've been attending for a while or maybe you've been here for years. Do you know why we participate in Love Feast...do you know what Love Feast is?? *Discover West Green Tree* is a study that will explore the ins & outs of the church, and take a look at some Church of the Brethren history and why we do what we do!

If you are brand new to WGT OR if you would like to learn more about the church of the Church of the Brethren, plan to join us!

The study will begin Sunday, September 13th during the Sunday School hour.



Autumn Saints

Autumn Saints will begin their Brunch & Bible on Wednesday, September 9th, at 10 am in the Fellowship Hall. You are invited to come check this out! The morning will feature a time of fellowship, worship, sharing from God's Word through the study, *Stand Strong: Building Your Life on*

God's Promises.

While this is a ministry set up for folks 55+, all are welcome to join!

Brunch & Bible will run for 11 consecutive weeks with the exception of Wednesday, October 21st. This day has been set aside for the ANE Senior Adult Fellowship Banquet. The cost for the banquet will be \$10 per person. Please sign up by September 28th.

Anniversaries

- 9/4 - Steve & Nel Bender
- Dennis & Ann Saylor
- 9/5 - Ken & Margaret Stoppard
- 9/13 - Ned & Margaret Stumpf
- Ron & Wanda Winters
- 9/15 - Daryl & Angie Harnish
- 9/16 - Steve & Mindy Smith
- 9/19 - Phil & Donna Hollinger
- 9/20 - Jere & Adrienne Fellenbaum
- Jim & Ruthanne Gruber
- 9/21 - Matt & Heather Haverkamp
- 9/24 - Shawn & Mandy O'Brien
- 9/27 - Scott & Pam Carlson

Birthdays

- 9/1 - Dave Hawthorne
- 9/3 - Steve Bender
- 9/5 - Ryan Arndt
- 9/6 - Steve Hiller
- 9/7 - Enya Smith
- 9/9 - Lloyd Swarr
- 9/10 - Phil Hollinger
- 9/11 - John Burkhart, Dennis Saylor
- 9/13 - Ned Stumpf
- 9/15 - Steve Dupler, Michele Gruber
- 9/17 - Jan Hawthorne
- 9/19 - Richard Fazenbaker
- 9/21 - Sue Brooks
- 9/23 - Cindy Drawbaugh
- 9/24 - Gretchen Garber
- 9/25 - Gene Walmer
- 9/26 - Marilyn Keener
- 9/28 - Anthony Dupler
- 9/30 - Shawn Cannon, Ken Stoppard

Family Game Night

Join us on Saturday, September 12th, at 7 pm for Family Game Night. Outdoor games, indoor games, homemade games...all are welcome! Games for all ages! Some games will be provided along with drinks & snacks. Bring along your favorite games to share and a snack if you'd like. All ages are invited to a good time! Call Julie Ramsey at 413-7399 with questions.



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Collect the following for
Tiny Timbers! A collection box is
available under the mailboxes to
place your labels. Thanks!!

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Giant A+ School Rewards

Beginning October 9, 2015 through March 17, 2016, **Tiny Timbers Christian Preschool (ID # 23033)** will have the opportunity to earn cash through the Giant A+ School Rewards Program.

Customer registration will begin on September 15th. Starting on September 15th all you need to do is:

- Log on to www.giantfoodstores.com/aplus to designate our school online using your Giant BONUSCARD,
- Call the A+ Hotline at 888-448-4642 for assistance

If you registered your card last year, you **DO NOT** need to re-register this year. You can visit the website to verify correct school assignment. After you register your card, each shopping trip at Giant using your BONUSCARD earns CASH for our school. Each month, the amount of CASH awarded will be updated on the Giant A+ website. You can track the amount of points you earn for our school by checking your grocery receipt and online when you create an account at www.giantfoodstores.com. Tiny Timbers will receive a check at the end of the program and the money can be used for any of our school's educational needs. In June 2015 Tiny Timbers received a check for \$733.89 through this program for the 2014/2015 school year. That was with 50 of you registered!! Awesome!!

Thank you for your support through this program for Tiny Timbers. We are Blessed!!



September Servants

	September 6	September 13	September 20	September 27
Scripture & Sermon	The Be Attitudes - The Heart of Jesus, Part 1 Matthew 5:1-12 Pastor Mick	The Be Attitudes - The Heart of Jesus, Part 2 Matthew 5:1-12 Pastor Mick	Salt & Light Matthew 5:13-16 Pastor Mick	Law & Grace Matthew 5:17-32 Pastor Mick
Pianist/Organist	Ryan Arndt	Brenda Geib	Sylvia Weaver	Leslie Allen
Special Music	Audrey Garber	Kari Slater	Choir	Children Sing!
Offertory				
Chorister	June Kolp	June Kolp	Ryan Arndt	Regena Tripp
Greeters 8 am	Phil & Donna Hollinger	Jim & Polly Shumate	Todd & Tammy Seibert	Cindy Collins
Greeters 10:30 am	Bill & Regena Tripp	Doug & Darlene Breneman	Yvonne Johnson & Cindy Collins	Jim & Ruthanne Gruber
Worship Leader	Ralph Daniels	Allison Huber	Julie Ramsey	Jason Leonard
Ushers	Youth	New Horizons SS Class	Faith Seekers SS Class	Sojourners SS Class
Deacons/Anointing	Shawn & Lisa Cannon	Jeff & Dori Schwanger	Matt & Heather Haverkamp	Dennis & Ann Saylor
Sound Room 8 am	Duane Martin & Zane Seitz	Jerry Huber & Justin Arndt	Jerry & JJ Huber	Jeff Schwanger & Duane Martin
Sound Room 10:30 am	Jeff & Shane Schwanger	Nicole Drescher & Jason Leonard	Duane Martin & Andi Collman	Zane Seitz & Shane Schwanger
8 am Nursery/Toddler	Kari Slater	Glenn & Sylvia Weaver	Shawn & Lisa Cannon	Donna Hollinger & Abby Ramsey
10:30 am Nursery/Toddler		Doug & Darlene Breneman	Brenda Axe	

July & August Stats

	July 26	August 2	August 9	August 16
Total Worship	146	142	123	64
Sunday School	75	79	736	24
General	\$4,785.75	\$4,675.00	\$3,121.00	\$2,765.00
Building	\$20.00	\$50.00		
Deacon		\$50.00	\$60.00	
Seminary			\$75.00	

Adventures in Uganda: A Movie, Medicine, and Missions

Hello church family! I hope this update finds you all doing very well and enjoying the last weeks of summer. I don't know about you, but summer went by really fast, as it seems it always does, apparently no matter where I live. It was a busy summer and I have enjoyed seeing many other volunteers come and go during these past few months. It's such a beautiful thing to see how God brings people together to serve and I am able to form friendships and bonds with people from all over the U.S. and around the world. There were other young people here from Washington, Texas, Iowa, Maryland, and many other states. It was also wonderful serving alongside 2 people from Australia and learning what it's like in the land down under. Currently, there are 2 girls from England, and another girl from Scotland. It's been great getting to learn other cultures, learn new words or phrases, and hear so many different accents as we talk, in addition to being around the Ugandans and getting used to their accents, phrases, different terms, or trying to figure out what they're talking about when they speak in Luganda. So, with lots of people around when the team came to the village or when I came to Kampala on the weekends, it made the summer fly by.

As I discuss learning about different cultures, I thought it would be fun to share with you some of the terms that the Ugandans use that differ from the words we use in America. I have found that when I am speaking to the Ugandans, I use most of their terms so they understand what I am talking about and it's easier to communicate with them. Also, when I am teaching I have to teach the children their terms because these are the words that the children are familiar with. And, when I'm referring to certain things in my classroom, I have to be careful and make sure I use their terms so they know what I am talking about. So, I'll compare the term that is used in the U.S. with the term that is used in Uganda, and you can see the differences!

Trashcan --- dustbin	Eraser for the chalkboard --- duster	Trash --- rubbish
Band-Aid --- plaster	Battery --- cell	Candy --- sweeties
Sneakers --- trainers	Underwear --- knickers	Stapler --- stapling machine
Staples --- staple wires	Soccer --- football	Flip-flops --- slippers
Eraser --- rubber	Trunk (of a car) --- boot	

Also, in Uganda they use the spelling of words that is influenced from England, so some of the words differ in spelling from the way we spell them in the U.S. Here are some examples:

Tire (car) --- tyre Color --- colour Organize --- organize Program --- programme

This past month, things have been going really well in the classroom and I am impressed with how well the children are picking up new words in English. I taught them position words and opposites and they learned some of the words very easily because they are words that the children are already somewhat familiar with. The children are also slowly learning to talk to me using broken English. When they are asking for something in class or telling me something while we are on break for porridge and outdoor play, more of the children are trying to communicate with me using some words in Luganda and English. It fills me with so much joy to hear them use more and more English to try and communicate with me. They are able to comprehend my English much better than before, but speaking English is much harder than just comprehending it, so I am very happy to hear them initiate speaking to me in English. Also, many of them are improving academically and that always makes a teacher feel so good! Two weeks ago the children took their final exams and most of them did really well, and I am very proud of how hard they are working and how much they are learning! For example, one girl in my class was 27th in my class in the middle of the 1st term, and after these final exams she is now 6th in my class!

So, two weeks ago were final exams from Tuesday to Thursday. Then on Friday, the children had to come to school but it was a free day in the classroom. So, with permission from the Head Master, or principal, I had the idea to have a movie day in my classroom. I moved all the tables in my room, set up a blanket on the floor, put chairs behind the blanket, and set up my laptop on one of the tables for the movie day. The other 2 classrooms in the Nursery section came to my room and joined the children in my class, sat around my laptop, and we watched the Disney movie, The Lion King. Altogether, it was 110 children in my classroom, watching the movie on my small laptop!!!! And they LOVED it!! It was such a special day and it felt so good to bless them for all of their hard work in class.

This past Friday the 14th was the last day of the term and parents and children came to get their exams and report cards. Then on Sunday, the 16th, I came back to Kampala with the team and I plan to spend the 3 week break at the guesthouse. I am excited that I get



another 3 week break from teaching and I get to relax, rest, and enjoy the amenities and life at the house with the other volunteers. I can't believe the 2nd term of school is finished and I only have one more term for this school year! The 2nd term went much better than the 1st term and I praise and thank God that teaching is getting easier and that He continues to give me the strength and energy to teach each day! God is truly so faithful and such a good God!

Also, on the last week of July, we had a team of 13 people come from Kentucky and we had a Medical Camp from Monday to

Wednesday in the village. Empower A Child has constructed a new guesthouse and medical clinic in the village and it's not completely finished but it's mostly done, so we were able to help the medical camp in the clinic building. The team led the



medical camp along with Ugandan doctors and dentists from Kampala, EAC staff, co-teachers from the school, and also all of the volunteers. My job during the 3 days was to lead patients from the doctors' rooms, hand in their form with their prescriptions to the pharmacy team, and then walk the patients to a room where they waited to receive their prescribed medications. I would work in the classroom until 12, take my usual break from 1 –2, and then help with the medical camp from 2 to about 7 p.m. each day. So, it was a very busy 3 days but it was such a great experience to be a part of. People came to the clinic from all over Zirobwe and the surrounding villages. One of the EAC staff members said that some of the people who came to the clinic had walked for about 4 hours just to seek medical care. The people were treated for anything from the flu to

malaria. The dentists were there to extract teeth and treat any other dental needs that the people had. The team that came had brought medicine from the U.S. and also bought medicine in Kampala so that each patient could be given medicine to help treat their condition. It was wonderful to see just how many patients were able to be checked by a doctor or dentist, treated by them, and then given medication. Overall, the total number of people that came was 1,703!!! It was such a blessing to be a part of the medical camp and it was amazing to see so many people receive medical care. In addition, the EAC pastor informed us that 23 people who came to receive medical care also committed their lives to Christ. So, not only did this camp care for the medical needs of the people of Zirobwe and the surrounding communities, but it also impacted their lives spiritually. All glory goes to God!

Thank you so much for your continued prayers and support. Also, I would like to say a BIG, BIG thank you to the Vacation Bible School staff and to all of the children along with their families who gave financially and raised money to purchase school supplies for Empowered Leaders Academy, the school where I am teaching. I appreciate your love and generosity SO much!!! I can't fully express just how grateful I am that you chose to give to help support this school. Thank you again so much!

As for prayer requests, please pray that I would be able to have a restful and relaxing 3 week break from

teaching and that I can return after the holiday with renewed strength and energy to teach the final term of the year! Also, please pray for the health of all of the people in the village and that they would continue to receive medical care and God would heal those that are sick. Please also pray that people would financially support EAC so that the medical clinic would be able to be completed so people can receive treatment there on a daily basis, and also that the guesthouse would be able to be completed in the village so that the entire team can live there on a full-time basis and impact the community more for Christ.

I am so thankful for how much God is doing in the village of Zirobwe and that He is using the staff, and the other volunteers and I to bring the name of Jesus to the people and especially the children there. We serve a powerful God who is doing great things in Lancaster, Pennsylvania and Zirobwe, Uganda and all over the world. We are all a part of His great plan and I pray that you would allow Him to use you right where you are. We are all His missionaries wherever He has placed us. In Elizabethtown. In Manheim. In Mount Joy. In Uganda. May you be blessed and may you also bless others!



Blessings to you,
Kelsey Hollinger

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Our Purpose Statement
*"We intentionally develop friends of
Jesus Christ by sharing God's love
through words and deeds."*

Sunday Service Times:

Contemporary Worship 8:00 am

Sunday School 9:15 am

Traditional Worship 10:30 am

Wednesday Service Times:

Jr. High Clubs @ 7:00 pm

Sr. High Clubs @ 7:00 pm