

**Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
January 20, 2016**

Good News Club and Ignite meet tonight (Wednesday) at 6:30 pm. **Connect** meets at 7:00 pm.

The Gospel of Luke Bible Study meets tonight (Wednesday) at 7:00 pm.

The **Education Commission** will be meeting tomorrow night, **Thursday, January 21**, at 6:30 pm.

Weather-related cancelations or delays of SCMC programming will be posted on our website (scmc4.me) and on WFMZ Channel 69. Decisions to cancel or delay will be made not later than 90 minutes prior to event time. For example, a decision regarding our Sunday morning (9:30) worship would be announced not later than 8:00 AM. You can also call Pastor David if you have questions about event happenings.

In the event all Sunday services are cancelled this Sunday due to the projected winter storm, the Congregational Business meeting and the showing of War Room will be held January 31.

The **Congregational Business Meeting** will be held during Sunday School this Sunday, **January 24**. We will review the 2015 financials, adopt the 2016 operating budget and affirm persons to serve on the various commissions.

This is a list of Individuals Being Presented by the Nominating Commission for Congregational Affirmation on Sunday, January 24 during the Business Meeting. Please prayerfully consider affirming these people for the leadership roles within SCMC. Unless otherwise stated, these are three-year terms. **The 2016 Nominations for Commissions** are as follows: Mark Walters, Board of Elders; Rob Ibach and Danette Walters, Church Council; Bob Kemmerer for a two-year term, Mary Lou Shimko for a one-year term, Scott Richards and Tim Frace, Evangelism Commission; Doris Meehan, Fellowship Commission; Robert Bergey, Finance Commission; Aaron Kochsmeier, Trustee Committee; Marc Newcomer, Technology Commission; Becky Thatcher, Worship Commission.

In keeping with our January theme of prayer, SCMC will be showing the movie, **"War Room"** at **6:00pm on Sunday, January 24**. Please note the earlier time! "War Room" is a compelling drama with humor and heart that explores the power that prayer can have on marriages, parenting, careers, friendships, and every other area of our lives.

Tony (T.C. Stallings) and Elizabeth (Priscilla Shirer) Jordan appear to have it all together, but appearances can be deceiving. Their world is actually crumbling under the strain of a failing marriage. While Tony basks in his professional success and flirts with temptation, Elizabeth resigns herself to increasing bitterness. But their lives take an unexpected turn when Elizabeth meets her newest client, Miss Clara (Karen Abercrombie), and is challenged to establish a "war room" and a battle plan of prayer for her family. As Elizabeth tries to fight for her family, Tony's hidden struggles come to light. Tony must decide if he will make amends to his family and prove Miss Clara's wisdom that victories don't come by accident.

Our **January Lunch Bunch** will be Wednesday, January 27, at 12 noon. We will be going to the Newburg Inn in Nazareth. The restaurant is located at 4357 Newburg Road in Nazareth. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer.

Our **Next Women's Event** is on Thursday evening, February 11, at 7 p.m. We are once again going to have a **Chocolate Fountain!** February equals chocolate in Bev and Alma's book!! Come for an evening of fellowship as we put together **Valentine Bags to be given to our Sunday School children** the following Sunday, February 14. We would also like to once again collect for **MCC's Hygiene Kits**. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in this portion of the event, even if they cannot come out Thursday evening. Each kit includes: 1 adult-size toothbrush, 1 bar bath soap, 1 good-quality fingernail clippers and 1 dark-colored hand towel (NEW items in original packaging). If you prefer to have someone else do the shopping, you may put a check in the offering designated for MCC Hygiene Kits. As a side note, if you are interested in sewing some bags for this project, please contact Alma Geosits and she will set you up with some material to use for the bags. Please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer if you plan to join us on Thursday evening.

Ladies, we wanted to give you an opportunity to plan for and anticipate our **March Women's Event** on Thursday, March 17, at 9:30 a.m. We will be going to the Country Grapevine, a country store in Bath that a lot of us enjoyed going to last year, and we will once again have lunch at Hampton Winds Restaurant. The Hampton Winds Restaurant is the training ground for Northampton Community College's highly-regarded Culinary Arts program. Mark your calendar!!

Meet for **Weekly Koffee and Konversation** at the Hellertown Diner on Tuesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Come and enjoy a great time of fellowship together!

Next Week's Discipleship Journal Bible Reading Plan: January 24, Catch up day, January 25, Matthew 8:23-34, Acts 12, Psalms 20, Genesis 44-45; January 26, Matthew 9:1-13, Acts 13:1-25, Psalms 21, Genesis 46-47; January 27, Matthew 9:14-26, Acts 13:26-52, Psalms 22:1-11, Genesis 48; January 28, Matthew 9:27-38, Acts 14, Psalms 22:12-31, Genesis 49; January 29, Matthew 10:1-20, Acts 15:1-21, Psalms 23, Genesis 50; January 30, Catch up day.

This Week: **Nursery Staff**, Meghan Cela, Lois Halsel, Alyssa Richards; **Greeter**, Greg & Rachel Feenstra; **Worship Team Leader**, Kelly Schoch; **Ushers**, Rob Ibach, Neal Kempf, Bobby Kempf; **Children's Message**, Tara Willard.

Please Pray For . . . **Phillip & Betsy Rhodes Fisher**, as they serve in Morocco; **Bart & Jessica Tossenou**, and their work in China; **Nicolas & Jennifer Haddad**, serving in Lebanon; **Jess Bergey**, as she serves with Youth With a Mission (YWAM) in Nepal; **Chuck Hittinger, Rob & Denise Ibach and Bob & Betty Kemmerer**.