

Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
January 22, 2020

There will be a dinner for **Good News Club and Youth Group** families tonight (Wednesday) at 5:45 p.m. Good News Club and Youth Group will begin at 6:30 p.m.

The **Finance Commission** will be meeting tomorrow evening (Thursday), at 7:30 p.m.

The **Youth Group** will be having a **Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser** this coming **Saturday, January 25**, for their Missions Trip to the Philadelphia Project this summer. If you haven't purchased tickets yet but plan on coming, please contact Sheryl by tomorrow morning. This will help in planning for the meal. There are three time slots available for your meal, 4:30 p.m., 5:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. The cost is \$10 for adults; \$5 for children 6-12; and children ages 5 and under are free.

India 2020 - Pastor David and Bill Litke are planning to travel to **India** on February 1 and return on February 12. Please pray for their ability to encourage the already believers there, the orphans and widows and the over 200 pastors from the region who will gather for the Pastors Conference. Also, pray against the powers of evil that would like to hinder/halt the message of Jesus. Pastor David is going this time with a tremendous burden for the pastors in Pastor John's network of churches. A spoken need they have is for PA systems to loudly broadcast their services into the community. There are 17 churches that need these systems at a cost of \$250 each. Pray for this need. As some of you have asked about donating things to take to the orphans, we plan on taking sports balls, little toys and chocolates. You can also give financially to provide rice/food for the orphans and widows. You can give online or by earmarking your contribution in the offering.

Saturday Night Alive gathers every Saturday evening at 7:00 p.m. for one hour of worship and teaching from scripture.

The **Affirmation of Nominees** will be held this Sunday morning in our morning worship time. Please prayerfully consider the following individuals for the specific positions.

2020 Leadership Nominees: Board of Elders – Scott Richards; **Church Council** – Richard Freed, Marc Newcomer, Katrina Schmidt; **Education Commission** – Jazmyn Cunningham, Danette Walters; **Fellowship Commission** – Val Newcomer, Nancy Walters; **Finance Commission** – Britney Kempf, Kevin Olsen; **Outreach Commission** – Toni Cressman, Juan Forero, Anita McSloy; **Technology Commission** – Ryan Walters; **Worship Commission** – Dan Reed. We are grateful to each one who has consented to serve the congregation in these ways.

The **Congregational Business Meeting** will be held this Sunday during the Sunday School hour. In this business meeting you will be asked to affirm the 2020 operating budget for SCMC. All persons are invited to be present for this important meeting in the life of SCMC.

The **Memorial Service for Frank Fodero, Jr.** (Toni Cressman's brother) will be held Sunday, January 26, 4:00 pm at the James Funeral Home (527 Center Street, Bethlehem). A time of visitation will be held from 3:00 - 4:00 pm. Please pray for Toni and John and the whole Fodero family during this very difficult time.

Discovery Bible Study meets Sunday evening at 6:30 p.m. in the Banquet room of the Hellertown Diner.

Our **January Lunch Bunch** will be Wednesday, January 29, at 12 noon. We will be going to Cactus Blue Mexican Restaurant in Bethlehem. The restaurant is located at 2915 Schoenersville Road in Bethlehem. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer or on the SCMC App.

Instant Church Directory is almost here! If you haven't done so already, please send your picture to be included in the directory. If you do not have a current picture and would like one taken at church, please contact Sheryl. Once the directory is ready, instructions will be sent out with how to access the app or online version.

Valentine's Day Special - The Church Has Left the Building on another endeavor into the community. This time we are going to bless those who may not feel the love on Valentine's Day. We will visit Saucon Manor in Hellertown on Northampton St., Country Meadows in Bethlehem, and St. Luke's Hospice in Bethlehem. We will be distributing a red carnation and a small bag with a few Hershey Kisses and with a card enclosed. We will converse with those we meet and maybe even offer up prayers. Please sign up using Sign Up Genius at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040d4da5ab2aa6fb6-youve> to join in the blessing.

We are still in need of volunteers to serve at **Bethlehem Emergency Shelter next Wednesday evening, January 29**. The slots that need to be filled include: Dinner cleanup – at least 1 male & 1 female; Shower monitor – 1 female; Overnight chaperone – 1 female.

Please click on the link below to sign up.

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F094AAEAC22AAF49-bethlehem>

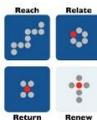
Meet for **Weekly Koffee and Konversation** at the Hellertown Diner on Tuesday mornings at 8:00 a.m. Come and enjoy a great time of fellowship together!

Next Week's Bible Reading Plan: Week 5: - Genesis 39-40; Genesis 41; Genesis 42-43; Genesis 44-45; Genesis 46-47. **Memory Verses:** Romans 8:28-30; Ephesians 3:20-21.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Lydia Mohler, Lindsey Richards; **Worship Team Leader,** Robert Bergey.

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; **Rolando & Andrea Zelaya** serving in Spain; Those in **authority over us** (government leaders); **Samantha Feenstra, Bob Fernsler,** and **Tom & Shirley Ferreri.**

REACH those far from God
RELATE to those near to God



RETURN blessing as blessed
RENEW a right spirit within