

Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
April 6, 2016

(E-mail from Pastor John in India)

Our Dearest Beloved David Sir,

We thank you so your kind love and your wonderful compassion upon the child (Laxmi) and Raju life. I and my wife Hephzibah are specially we thankful for your support to them. We have been praying for you all gracious our family there. I got the western union and I will call them to my home I will tell them what I am going to do. My loving David sir, I write to you more about them as soon as possible. My beloved David Sir, please also send the orphanage Rice support. Please pray for my health I have not been feeling better I have some head problem. We love you and we love you too much my loving David sir and Madam. We would love to hear from you soon.

Yours in his love,

Pastor John Prasad

The “**Back to the Cross**” Easter play this past Sunday evening was a HUGE success! The cast of characters did a wonderful job glorifying God. Thank you for a job well done! Also, thank you to the many volunteers that made this play a reality. There were about 165 present for the play. If you or a family member took pictures during the performance, please post them on our SCMC Facebook page.

The upstairs nursery is in need of a **changing table**. If you have one you would like to donate please contact Tara Willard.

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

There will be an **Evangelism Meeting** this Sunday at 8:30 a.m.

A **Fellowship Meal** is scheduled for **this Sunday**. If you are able, please bring a main dish and a salad or dessert to share. Our fellowship meals are a great opportunity to learn to know others!

There is still time to explore **Baptism and Church Membership**. Session One will be repeated this Saturday at 9:00 am. Session Two will be held on Tuesday, April 12 at 7:00 p.m. and repeated on Saturday, April 16 at 9:00 a.m.

This Sunday, **Dave Kempf will be having the Children’s Message** and will be giving the children and adults the opportunity to **Present their Coins for Penny Power** through Mennonite Central Committee!! Remind your children to bring their coins! This is the last Sunday for this opportunity.

This **Sunday Evening** at 6:30 pm, Pastor David will begin a 6 session study produced by Voice of the Martyrs called “I am N”. This engaging video curriculum presents true stories of Christians facing Islamic extremists around the world. Each 15-minute video includes interviews with persecuted Christians as well as commentary and teaching by leaders from The Voice of the Martyrs and other leading missions organizations. As you explore the six themes of sacrifice, courage, joy, perseverance, forgiveness and faithfulness, you will be inspired to grow deeper in your relationship with Christ and witness with boldness and joy to your friends, family and co-workers.

There will be an **Elder’s Meeting** on Monday, April 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Ladies! Our next event is on Tuesday, April 19. We will be going to Rice’s Market followed by a stop at Peddler’s Village for some additional shopping and lunch. We will meet at the Giant parking lot in Hellertown at 9:15 a.m. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Guess Who’s Coming to Dinner! on Saturday evening, April 23, at 6 p.m. The theme question for this event is, “If you could ask God one question and get an answer, what would it be and why?” Everyone is encouraged to participate in this event and sign up to be either a Guest or Host for the evening. Hosts will provide the main meal for the Guests coming to their house, and Guests will be asked to bring either a side dish or dessert to the home where they will be assigned. But shhh... it’s a surprise! Don’t tell others where you are going! Each Host will be told ahead

of time how many Guests to expect but not who will be coming. Sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer to indicate that you are wishing to participate and whether you would like to be a Host or Guest.

Our **Congregational Business Meeting** will be held during Sunday School, **April 24**. The agenda includes affirmation of Randy Willard to serve SCMC as an additional Elder. For over a year the Board of Elders has been prayerfully considering adding another Elder to the Board of Elders. This need was realized in response to our growing congregation. The Board of Elders, along with Pastor David, brought this before Church Council asking that Randy Willard be presented for affirmation of the congregation. The Council unanimously agreed and have placed this on the Business Meeting agenda. Please prayerfully consider this affirmation.

April 30 is the **Men's Fishing Trip** off the New Jersey coast. The cost is \$80 per person. Indicate your interest on the sign-up sheet in the foyer.

Our annual **Women's Banquet** is on Wednesday, May 4. This will be a catered event here at the church. The cost is \$10. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet in the foyer. Invite family and friends!

Anyone interested in playing for the **Church Softball Team**, whether regular or periodically as needed, or to keep stats at or for games, or to umpire, notify Guy (skifit@ptd.net 484-239-0846) & include your email & cell #. Also anyone who has a Navy Blue SCMC Team Shirt & will not be part of the Team please forward shirt to Guy.

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: April 10, Catch up day; April 11, Mark 4:1-20, 1 Corinthians 7:17-40, Psalms 80, Joshua 22-23; April 12, Mark 4:21-41, 1 Corinthians 8, Psalms 81, Joshua 24; April 13, Mark 5:1-20, 1 Corinthians 9:1-12, Psalms 82, Judges 1-3; April 14, Mark 5:21-43, 1 Corinthians 9:13-27, Psalms 83, Judges 4-5; April 15, Mark 6:1-13, 1 Corinthians 10:1-13, Psalms 84, Judges 6-7; April 16, Mark 6:14-29, 1 Corinthians 10:14-33, Psalms 85, Judges 8.

This Week: **Nursery Staff**, Becky Bergey, Lisa Walters(Alt.), Elizabeth McSloy; **Greeter**, Neal Kempf; **Worship Team Leader**, Robert Bergey; **Ushers**, Randy Willard, Neal Kempf, Harold Lehman; **Children's Message**, Dave Kempf.

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 New York; **Marc & Val Newcomer**, **Gail Nolf** and **Kevin & Deanna Olsen**.