

Steel City Mennonite Church
Mid-Week Connection
October 22, 2014

We are in need of **Staff for our Nursery** on Sunday mornings during our Morning Worship Service. A lot of our younger staff volunteers have grown up and are away in college or in service. We have one person who has been a faithful volunteer in our Nursery for over 20 years! Maybe God wants to continue to use this person in the nursery, OR maybe He would like her to serve Him elsewhere!! It is time for others to step up and help in this area of service! Is He calling you to serve Him in this way? There will be a sign-up sheet in the foyer this Sunday. It will list those who are currently serving in the Nursery and there will be space for you to sign up; if you are currently serving in the nursery and wish the current term of service through the end of November to be your last, please cross off your name. We are so thankful for those who have helped in this way. It is such a blessing to the parents and grandparents of these children who are in the nursery! We staff the nursery each Sunday with one adult and one youth 12 and older. So, young people, we need you, too! The total number of volunteer we have will determine how often you are scheduled in the nursery. It usually ends of being one Sunday every two to three months.

Good News Club and Youth Group meet tonight at 6:30 p.m. There is something for children age 4 through grade 12. These are both excellent programs; you are encouraged to have your children involved!

Tonight's "Back to Basics" session will conclude our look at the miracles of Jesus. It is in the miracles that we see clearly the divinity of Jesus. Meet in the Chapel after dropping your children off at Good News Club and/or Youth Group. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

Once again, you have the opportunity to participate in **Operation Christmas Child!** The mission of Operation Christmas Child is to demonstrate God's love in a tangible way to needy children around the world, and together with the local church worldwide, to share the Good News of Jesus Christ. There are shoeboxes available for you to take home and fill with small toys and other gifts that can open hurting hearts to God's love. The filled shoeboxes are due back at the Church no later than Sunday, November 16. Take as many boxes as you wish to fill and be a blessing to a child this Christmas!! If you have any questions, please talk to Lisa Walters.

The Church is Selling Poinsettias for Christmas! There are two sizes, 6 and 7-inch pots with 4-6 blossoms and 7-10 blossoms, respectively. The cost is \$8 and \$12.50. Poinsettias sold to individuals outside of the church family may be picked up on December 12. The other poinsettias that you purchase will be used to decorate the church for our Christmas Service. Following the December 21 service, you are welcome to take your poinsettias home with you. If you have any questions, please speak to Chip Shimko. The order form is in foyer. Thank you!

The **Cleansing Stream Seminar** concludes on Sunday evening at 6 p.m. with "Session 6: Pressing Toward the Goal".

The **Beth Moore Study Group** meets next Monday evening at 6:45 p.m.

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!

We have our **Quarterly Business Meeting** on Sunday, November 2, during the Sunday School hour.

Attentions Ladies! On Thursday evening, November 13, we are having a **Holiday Craft Night** at the Church, and we will be making a Pinecone Centerpiece/Wreath. Alma Geosits will be helping us make this craft; she will show us how to change our centerpiece/wreath theme from one of Thanksgiving to that of Christmas. The cost is \$4 to cover materials. Please sign up on the sheet in the foyer if you would like to participate so that we know how many supplies to purchase (and how many pinecones to collect!!). These will be a relaxed and fun time of fellowship together!

Next Week's Four Streams Bible Reading Plan: October 26, Mark 4-6, Jeremiah 42-43, Psalm 97, Proverbs 15; October 27, Mark 7-9, Jeremiah 44-46, Psalm 98; October 28, Mark 10-12, Jeremiah 47-48; October 29, Mark 13-14, Jeremiah 49-50; October 30, Mark 15-16, Jeremiah 51-52, Psalm 99; October 31, Hebrews 1-3, Lamentations 1-2, Psalm 100; November 1, Hebrews 4-6, Lamentations 3-5, Psalm 101.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Lisa Walters and Jasmyne Cox; **Greeters,** Tim & Lisa Walters; **Worship Team Leader,** Sandy Fasut; **Ushers,** Scott Richards, Lee Walters, John Cressman, Randy Willard and Neal Kempf.

AM Offering, Year-to Date: \$215,958.99 **Budgeted AM Offering, Y-T-D:** 246,006.18 **Under Budget:** \$30,047.19

Please Pray For . . . Jessica Vaughn, and her work in China; **Deane & Krystal Weaver,** serving in Chile; **Nicolas & Jennifer Haddad,** serving in Lebanon; **New Bethany Ministries,** in Bethlehem; **Josh Kochsmeier;** **Larry & Denise Korpics;** and **Dave & Pat Kutzura.**