## Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection October 28, 2014

"We would like to thank our church family for their prayers on our behalf as I (Mim) was taken to the hospital a few weeks ago due to chest pain and then the heart catheterization that followed. The ways in which you expressed your love for me was appreciated!" --Sincerely, Char and Mim.

In Pastor David's absence, Bob and Mary Jane Bergey will be leading the **Prayer Meeting** tomorrow (Wednesday) evening. Meet in the Chapel at 7:00 p.m.

The Evangelism Commission will meet this Sunday morning at 8:30 a.m. in the Youth Room.

We have our **Quarterly Business Meeting** this Sunday during the Sunday School hour. Everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

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 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. Is He calling you to serve Him in this way? There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer. It lists those who are currently serving in the Nursery and there is 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.

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 <u>December 12.</u> 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!

**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:** November 2, Hebrews 7-9, Ezekiel 1-3, Psalm 102, Proverbs 16; November 3, Hebrews 10-11, Ezekiel 4-5, Psalm 103; November 4, Hebrews 12-13, Ezekiel 6-7, Psalm 104; November 5, James 1-3, Ezekiel 8-9; November 6, James 4-5, Ezekiel 10-11, Psalm 105; November 7, Luke 1-3, Ezekiel 12-13, Psalm 106, Proverbs 17; November 8, Luke 4-6, Ezekiel 14-15, Psalm 107.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Becky Mace and Nick Mace; Greeters, Robert & Beth Bergey; Worship Team Leader, Robert Bergey; Ushers, Harold Lehman, Tim Walters, Chip Shimko, Bob Kemmerer and Rob Ibach; Children's Message, Danette Walters.

AM Offering, Year-to Date: \$220,565.39 Budgeted AM Offering, Y-T-D: \$251,863.47 Under Budget: \$31,298.08

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; Ryan Walters, as he prepares to bring the message this Sunday; Phil & Lena Lakjer; Harold & Bertha Lehman; and Guy & Becky Lesser.