Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection November 8, 2017

<u>Last Call for Hoagies!!</u> If you would still like to order hoagies from the youth fundraiser, please e-mail Tara at twillard1214@hotmail.com or text/call Tara at 610-866-3078 by 8:00 p.m. tonight!

The **Evangelism Commission** will be meeting this coming Sunday at 8:00 a.m.

The next **Fellowship Meal** will be this coming Sunday. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please bring a main dish and a side dish or dessert to share.

An **Intergenerational Missions Trip to the Dominican Republic** is being planned for June 30 – July 7, 2018. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer if you are interested in participating. This is open to everyone in the congregation and there are 18 spots available. Please sign-up and pay a \$50 deposit by November 26.

From the World Servants Dominican Republic mission trip description:

What will you do during your World Servants mission experience? Construction will be a significant piece of our daily agenda in the community. Teams have assisted in the construction of large facilities such as schools, churches, water purification systems, and orphanages.

The team may also host outreach events. Kids Club is a World Servants' tradition and we usually have anywhere from 100-300 children in attendance. We also visit people in their homes where groups are able to have a cultural experience and engage in spiritual conversations and pray for families. In the past, we have also hosted sports tournaments for teens, different types of women's ministry, and medical clinics; we are always looking for new creative ways to reach out to the people in a meaningful way.

Tara Willard is looking for **Sunday School teachers and helpers** for the winter quarter which runs December 10 - March 18, with no Sunday School on December 24 or 31. Please let Tara know if you are able to help out in this way.

If you ordered **hoagies from the youth fundraiser**, they will be available for pick up at the church on Wednesday, November 15 from 11:00-2:30 p.m. or 6:00-8:30 p.m.

Our **November Lunch Bunch** will be Wednesday, November 29, at 12 noon. We will be going to Copperhead Grill in Bethlehem. The restaurant is located at 5737 Route 378 in Bethlehem. If you would like to attend, please sign up on the sheet provided in the foyer or on the SCMC App.

Saturday, December 9, from 5:00-8:30 p.m. is our **Holiday Babysitting Night.** Go on a date with your spouse or do some holiday shopping. Drop your children (ages 1 yr. to 5th grade) off at the church while the youth group does a variety of Christmas activities with them. Feed your child dinner before they come and a snack will be provided. Please sign up by Wednesday, December 6.

For those who use the "Let's Read the Bible Together Plan," the readings for Ezra should have actually been Ezekiel. Sorry for the mix-up!

This coming Sunday morning, November 12, we will be receiving our Harvest Offering 2017. The goal is \$24,600 plus 100 Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes. This is an offering above the normal tithe. The offering will be distributed as follows:

- 1. **Operation Christmas Child** Besides blessing the shoebox recipient, giving shoeboxes allows our children a hands-on experience of giving to bless another person. [100 boxes]
- 2. **Jo Dunbar** She served with Jessica Bergey in YWAM. Jo has CTEPH which is a form of pulmonary hypertension which means she has blood clotting issues (specifically on her lungs which makes it hard to breathe and she will sometimes pass out just from walking around). She's constantly in and out of the hospital and as a result has significant medical bills. Jo has used avenues of crowd funding to help offset her medical expenses. (\$7,000)
- 3. **Zelaya family** Rolando and Andrea with their two sons are preparing to leave the US and become mission workers in Spain. Their probable move date is January 2018. While SCMC will assist them in our 2018 budget, we want to help cover transportation and relocation expenses. (\$5,000)
- 4. **Pastor John Prasad (India)** During the New Year's Eve prayer meeting, Pastor John's Royal Engfield motorcycle was stolen. A motorcycle in India is an efficient and affordable means of transportation. His "gospel motorcycle" would enable Pastor John to get into remote villages to share the gospel. (\$4,600)
- 5. **Bruce Rosenberg** As the result of an accident on Wassergass Road, Bruce was left severely injured. The Rosenberg family has significant expenses not covered by insurance. (\$2,000)
- 6. **Stephanie Modavis** This Lower Saucon resident, needs a second kidney transplant due to complications of her battle with lupus. (\$2,000)

7. **Filippini Family** - On December 9, 2016, Hayley passed away at the age 18 after battling a rare malignant brain tumor called pineoblastoma. This disease was aggressive and Hayley faced many operations, including a stint placed in her head after a brain surgery. Near the end of her life, her body just began shutting down. Her parents are still trying to resolve her medical expenses. Recently, Hayley's parents moved from NJ to Florida. Their home was damaged in Hurricane Irma. (\$4,000)

Vision Statement:

Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) will invite **everyone**, **everyday**, **everywhere** to journey together in developing a life-changing relationship with our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Mission Statement:

Steel City Mennonite Church (SCMC) is a Bible-believing community connected by a common need for a Savior with the passion of cultivating Christ-followers in the Lehigh Valley and to the ends of the earth.

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 Let's Read the Bible Together Plan: November 12, Ezekiel 25-27, Psalms 88; November 13, Ezekiel 28-30; November 14, Ezekiel 31-33; November 15, Ezekiel 34-36; November 16, Ezekiel 37-39, Psalms 90; November 17, Ezekiel 40-42; November 18, Ezekiel 43-45.

This Week: Nursery Staff, Lois Halsel, Jaylen Lesser; **Greeter**, Rose Szabo; **Worship Team Leader**, Dan Reed; **Ushers**, Greg Feenstra, Bobby Kempf, Scott Richards; **Children's Message**, Kelly Schoch.

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; Those in authority over us (government leaders); Tiffany Faust, Tim Faust, and Trevor Faust.