Steel City Mennonite Church Mid-Week Connection December 29, 2021

This Sunday, there will be a time for sharing God's goodness as you have experienced it this past year. Please think about what you will share. Plan on keeping it brief so many can share.

Will you answer the call to participate in the upcoming **21-days of Fasting and Prayer?** Our corporate fasting and prayer will begin Wednesday, January 5. This year's focus is **"The One Thing".** A preparation guide will be available this weekend.

Praising God for His abundant provision! As God's people, you have responded generously to the plea to be completely debt free in 2021. Through you, not only has the remaining balance of \$25,669.19 been paid in full, but we are forwarding an additional \$1,000 (as of 12/29) to Eastern Mennonite Missions. May God be praised!

Saturday Evening Worship Service will not be meeting on January 1.

Sunday School will resume this Sunday, January 2. The Adult Class will be doing a study on Ephesians led by Bobby Kempf.

The **Youth Group Christmas Party will be held on** Wednesday, January 5, from 6:30-8:00 p.m. Please bring a wrapped gift valued at \$5-\$10 for our gift exchange. **Awana** will resume on January 5 as well and continue biweekly.

For participating in various **Awana** activities, the children and youth will be earning **"Awana Bucks"** which they can spend in our AWANA store. As you are shopping, please pick something up for our Awana store. Anything that would be appropriate for a 5 - 10-year-old or 11 - 18-year-old would be fine. Also, small amount gift cards are good too - \$5, \$10, \$15 to various stores, iTunes, Amazon, or restaurants are good too. Please give any donations to Tara Willard or put on the stage in chapel labeled Awana store. We will be collecting donations throughout the year and will have our store open in the end of January and the end of May.

For 2022, we will be reading through the Bible chronologically. Reading chronologically means you will encounter events according to the historical context in which they actually occurred. The YouVersion Bible App has the Chronological reading plan available that mirrors the chapters shared each week in the Midweek and Weekly.

Bible Reading Plan: December 30 –Day of Reflection; **December 31** – Day of Reflection; **January 1** – Genesis 1-3; **January 2** – Genesis 4-7; **January 3** – Genesis 8-11; **January 4** – Job 1-5; **January 5** – Job 6-9.

Church Elders: Bill Litke, Joel Mohler, Scott Richards, Bob Walters, Randy Willard.

Please Pray For ... Those in authority over us (government leaders); Larry & Melissa Pound, Dan & Sue Reed, and Geoff Reed.

Offering YTD: \$286,516.94 Budget YTD: \$287,500.00 Debt Done in '21: \$7,275.27 Debt Done in '21 YTD: \$26,669.19

Happy Birthday Wishes To: Ron Faust - December 29; Naphtali Walters - December 31.

Happy Anniversary Wishes To: Lee & Danette Walters – January 3.

REACH those far from God RELATE to those near to God



RETURN blessing as blessed **RENEW** a right spirit within