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It seems that many people have felt the need to offer reflections on their experiences in Kansas City for the Mennonite Church USA bi-annual assembly. This is mostly due to the intense nature of the delegate sessions that were reportedly filled with many tears, tension, and a holy combination of despair and hope. I am grateful for the reports I am reading about and hearing in person. I encourage you to not be satisfied with reading about the week on social media or Mennonite media. Instead, seek out a delegate or other attender and listen intently to their experiences of the week. It is in these personal encounters that we hear more vivid and complicated accounts. Listening to someone share their experience, therefore, is necessary in these times of disagreement and ongoing discernment. So while my experience of the assembly was focused primarily on the youth events and not the delegate sessions, the theme of listening struck me quite hard and has become the primary substance of my thoughts the last couple of weeks.

On July 4, I spent the vast majority of the day in the convention center, praising God with thousands of youth, hearing about ministry joys and challenges from around the country, and generally being formed by the narratives of God's steadfast love and presence. What was especially meaningful for me was to recognize that I was being led in worship and learning primarily by people of color and women, those who have often been pushed to the margins of our society and even our churches. Then I went to the hotel room for a few minutes to change a diaper and get the family ready for supper and heard a very different story. The TV was tuned to FOX News, where a panel of rich white people offered a narrative of how amazing the United States is, told primarily from the perspective of privilege. I was humbled and grateful all over again that on that particular day of the year, I had the opportunity to listen to the voice of God through those who so regularly have had little or no voice.

Like I said previously, I was not present at the delegate sessions, but was very aware of what was happening in that part of the convention center. A striking image that was relayed to me by a delegate was that of a group of folks who were advocating for full inclusion of LGBTQ members in church life who stood outside the delegate session with duct tape over their mouths, representing the feeling that the church has spent lots of time talking about them, but little time actually listening to them. My heart broke to think that so many people had felt unheard, and therefore excluded and hurt by the church. I wondered what it would look like for our church to take on a posture of listening. Might there have been less pain and weeping at our national assembly if our churches had taken the time to truly listen, to be present to those who were hurting in our midst?

I realized that while the opportunity for listening to diverse voices in God's faith family was enriching and challenging to me, it wasn't something I practiced regularly. I admit that my regular intake of writings for personal and professional development has been dominated by white men. I heard a challenge offered by one presenter to read only women and people of color authors. So in light of the Mennonite Church USA practice of making resolutions, I am resolving to listen only to women and people of color in my professional reading. I welcome your assistance in directing me towards authors that have been meaningful in your experience.

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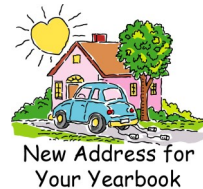
As a church, I wonder what it would look like for us to listen to each other and our local communities more intentionally. If we are a faith community that embodies the living Christ, if we are ambassadors of reconciliation, then we ought to be meeting people where they are, listening to them and offering to walk together the road of faithfulness. Our theme verses for convention were those from Luke 24, in which Jesus meets disciples on their way to Emmaus. In the midst of their despair, pain, and confusion, Jesus appears (even though they don't recognize him), walks with them, and even eats with them. May we as Christ's body commit to meeting people where they are, especially those on the margins of society and church; to listen, to walk, and to break bread together, trusting Jesus will be there to transform and guide us all.

llh A. G.



Moving from "our time" to following "God's time"

While looking into employment possibilities, we were approached by a previous mentee, Elizabeth Schrag, to look into Service Adventure Unit Leadership. In April 2015, we determined that this was not our time for service but that we would look into other service opportunities when we retired. However, by May there were two consecutive weekly bulletin announcements for Service Adventure Unit Leaders, one in Albany, Oregon, and the other in Albuquerque, New Mexico. Bob felt a spiritual leading, and we followed that leading by inquiring about this possibility. The first phone call to find out what would be involved as Service Adventure Unit Leaders was made the first week of June. From that day, one door after another opened for us. The application process, the interview with Mennonite Mission Network, and the interview with the Albuquerque Mennonite Church followed. We were accepted as Service Adventure Unit Leaders in Albuquerque, New Mexico, for a 24 month term. On July 22nd, we will be in Colorado Springs, Colorado, for orientation, and by August 6th, settled into our new "home" in Albuquerque. We will mentor five participants through learning components such as life skills and spiritual formation. Constant prayer and following God's will led us to serve on this journey. Please keep us in your prayers, as there are many items not yet discerned for this adventure. We had decided that April 2015 was not our time, but God showed us that it is His time in July 2015! Blessings to you!
Bob and Sondra Tolle



We choose not to print our members' addresses on line. If you would like an address of one of our members, please contact the church office at 620.345.8320.



**And let us not be weary
in well doing, for in due
season we shall reap,
if we faint not.
Galatians 6:9**

After finding a candidate for the lead pastor position at Eden and coming to a very positive consensus earlier this month, our candidate of choice declined further consideration of coming to Eden Mennonite Church. As a group we are very disappointed to have to report this news. We are now back to attempting to review additional profiles as well as existing candidates. This is coupled with our loss of Bob Tolle, present chair of our committee, in the immediate future. Needless to say, our work is ongoing, and has the potential to be a bit more frustrating.

With your prayers and support we will move forward to review candidates again, with hopes of finding the best choice for our congregation and for our pastoral leadership team.



**Congregational activity coming soon:
Equipped for Decision-making**

It is important for congregations to both learn about diverse patterns of communication and then practice multiple ways to discern issues and mission. This promotes healthy relationships and Christ-centered values. KIPCOR (Kansas Institute for Peace and Conflict Resolution) will be providing information and techniques that promote and empower the congregation for Christian witness. Kirsten Zerger, Director of Education and Training and Dorothy Nickel Friesen, Senior Associate for Congregation Ministries will be our facilitators.

Each session will feature a teaching and then interactive learning activities. We will meet around tables in the Fellowship Hall from 6:00 – 7:30 p.m. Child-care will be provided. Snacks and beverages will be available—but we will be active for the full 90 minutes! Each session has a specific focus and is self-contained; we urge everyone high school age and older to attend all four sessions but if you miss one, please feel welcomed to join the others.

Theme: Equipped for Decision-making

September 13 – “Who are you? Who am I? Who are we together?” Difference, Diversity and Biblical Guidance (perceptions and assumptions about difference and disagreement; why and how relationships matter; practicing and activity)

September 20 – “What did you say?” Healthy communication fundamentals (dialogue vs. debate; practicing and activity)

September 27 – “What are we doing here?” Community Discernment (foundations of engaging each other in effective meetings; practicing and activity)

October 4 – “How do we move forward together?” Building Consensus (models and practices; activity) Please let the church office know by September 4 if you will attend any or all of the sessions.



Associated Churches VBS takes a Thailand Trek

By Shayna Smith, Eden VBS Representative

During the week of Vacation Bible School sponsored by the Associate Churches of Moundridge we ministered to 163 kids. Everyone enjoyed worshiping and learning more about God on our Thailand Trek. Throughout the week we learned that “God is Real, God is Love, God is Forgiving, and God is Forever” which was followed by a fist pump and a “BELIEVE IT!” We heard the creation story, the birth of Jesus, the crucifixion and resurrection. Highlights of the week for all of the kids were getting to eat food like sticky rice and toast with a lot of fruit just like they eat in Thailand. The week was ended with a program at West Zion where the kids were able to show off what they learned during the week especially all of the songs they sang. We look forward to next year!

Invitation to Share



The “invitation to share” project for the months of August and September is School Kits:

- ◆ 4 spiral or perforated notebooks (70 sheets),
- ◆ 8 unsharpened #2 pencils,
- ◆ 1 ruler, (flat, flexible plastic; indicating 30 cm and 12”),
- ◆ 12 colored pencils (in packaging),
- ◆ 1 large pencil eraser.

Place contents in a 11” x 16” fabric double drawstring bag.

If you want to support this project financially you may write a check to Eden with “invitation to share” in the memo line. Please mail checks to the church office, P.O. Box 406, Moundridge, KS 67107.



Coming in fall for adult Sunday school are two electives related to mental and physical wellness.

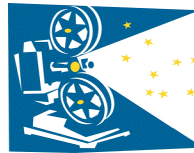
During September, Jason Byler of Prairie View will present a four-Sunday elective on “Enhancing Mental Wellness in Our Church Communities.” A licensed specialist clinical social worker at Prairie View in Newton, he has worked as a family therapist for more than 40 years. His sessions will include discussion on mental health/illness, attitudes about mental health, mindfulness, empathy, anger management, intentional living, and also discussion on raising parents, raising males and raising females. He will give examples from the Bible and offer ways to improve mental wellness in family and church. The elective is open to adults, but Jason requests that, for best discussion, the group number no more than 25. A sign-up sheet will be available during August in the fellowship hall, and the group will meet for the first time Sept. 6. Length of each session will be one hour.

Another adult SS elective for fall quarter will be led by Jill Zerger during October and November. It is on “Health and Healing: In the Bible and Today.”



Adult classes: A new Sunday school year is starting. Plan to meet as a class to discuss: 1) who will give leadership to your class during the year/quarter, 2) whom you will ask to teach, 3) what you plan to study during the year, 4) excitement you can bring to SS, such as a service project and get-togethers.

“The day the power of love overrules the love of power, the world will know peace.”
~Mahatma Gandhi



* During the summer adults have been watching films during the Sunday school hour in the sanctuary. Films will continue August 9-23.

Aug. 2: Hebrews, James, 1-2 Peter, Jude:

We will hear reports from our delegates to the 2015 Mennonite Church USA Convention in Kansas City.

Aug. 9: John Film: Cotton Patch Gospel, Act II.

An entertaining musical by Tom Key and Russell Treyz with music and lyrics written by Harry Chapin. Based on the book The Cotton Patch Version of Matthew and John by Clarence Jordan, the stories of Jesus are told in present-day Southern vernacular. Director: Tom Chapin (46 min.)

Aug. 16: 1-2-3 John Film: Weaving Life:

The Life and Death of Peacemaker Dan Terry. The film, made by Eastern Mennonite University students and produced by MennoMedia in 2012, tells about the life and legacy of United Methodist missionary Dan Terry in Afghanistan. Terry was among 10 humanitarian aid workers assassinated in Afghanistan in 2010. Prior to viewing, you may want to read Jonathan Larson’s book Making Friends among the Taliban: A Peacemaker’s Journey in Afghanistan (Herald Press, 2012). (58 min.)

Aug. 23: Revelation FILM 1:

“Don’t Be Afraid” from Good God Theater by Ted & Company TheaterWorks. A homeless man today (Ted Swartz) discovers the message of Revelation. (8 min.) AND FILM 2: Painting Revelation. Michigan artist and teacher Debby Topliff tells the story of the entire book of Revelation through colorful, painted scenes. (2006) (44 min.)

Aug. 30: No film:

Year of the Bible Celebration

**Mennonite Disaster Service
at World Conference**

At the Mennonite World Conference (MWC) in Harrisburg, PA, songs and prayers ring through the buildings inside, and outside you can hear the ringing of hammers. Conference attendees had the opportunity volunteer to help build two homes through MDS’ Partnership Home Program (PHP). The house panels constructed at MWC will be transported to Pilger, NE, and Crisfield, MD, then reassembled into homes for two families who lost their homes to disasters. MWC attendees also toured the work site, learned more about MDS and wrote notes of encouragement that will be delivered to the new homeowners.





Joy! It's more than a detergent!

The annual Western District Conference Women and Girls Retreat will be held at Camp Mennoscah on September 11-13. *Joy! It's more than a detergent!* will be the focus this year with Nadine Friesen as the featured speaker. All women and girls 3rd grade and above are invited. Come for one night or both.

Saturday morning options (9:30-11:30 a.m.) will include *Camp Service Projects*, led by Olivia Bartel, *Comforter Tying*, led by Debra Selzer, *You can Be a Painter! Experience It!* led by Beth Burns and *Telling Tales!* led by Laurie Oswald Robinson.

Saturday After Seminars (Grade 9-12 and up) include:

- ♦ *Driven for Livin'*, led by Angela Nye
- ♦ *Christian Book Reviews and Exchange*, led by Bethany Martin
- ♦ *Doodling and You*, led by Cathy Coon Bitikofer
- ♦ *Water Aerobics*, led by Merna Cherry
- ♦ *Sister Care*, led by Berni Kaufman
- ♦ *Working with a Spiritual Director*, led by Barb Krehbiel Gehring
- ♦ Lawn Games, led by Jennie Wintermote
- ♦ *How churches can support families with Special Need Children, Divorce, Adoption*, led by Lori Anderson and Jill Friesen Litwiller
- ♦ *Welcome to the Club (No One Wanted to Join)*, led by Lori Anderson & Jill Friesen Litwiller

There will also be FREE time and a time for Spiritual Direction with Barb Krehbiel Gehring, Amy Warner, or Jill Weaver.

The girls in grades 3-5 will be led by Anna Unruh and Laura Unrau. Girls in grades 6-8 will be led by Janna Duerksen, with High School girls led by Asia Frye. High School girls will participate in Saturday p.m. seminars, so remember to indicate on the registration form which seminars they want to take part in.

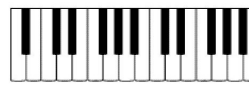
Be sure to bring your Bible, notebook, pencil or pen, lawn chair (if desired for general sessions), money (for pop, bookstore, and/or offering), sunscreen, swim wear (must have different items for pool and river play), insect repellent, water bottle, pad or cushion to sit on at campfire, flashlight, table

games, bedding (pillow, sheets, and/or sleeping bag), towels, toiletries, alarm clock (if desired), lunch if not eating pizza for \$5, personal medications, comfortable shoes and clothes, smiles and laughter.

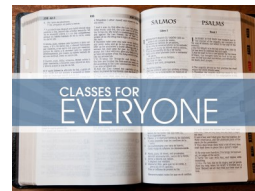
Registration forms may be picked up on the literature table at church or at the church office.



The Eden Choirs are gearing up for another year of music making and fellowship. If you like to sing and have fun, please join us! All ages and all levels of experience are what we are looking for. Practice begins Wednesday, September 2: Ladies Chorus at 7:30 pm; Chancel Choir at 8:00 pm; Men's Chorus at 8:45 pm. All meet in the choir room. If you have questions, please call Becky Setser Clark @ 386-4145.



If you enjoy playing piano or organ please consider becoming a part of Eden's worship music this Fall. Effective worship through music includes all ages, all skill levels, and all styles of music. For more information contact Jerry Schrag 501-388-0177 or Becky Clark 386-4145.



Wednesday night activities for all ages are coming this fall September 2 - November 18! Kids will take in *Power Up! Living in the Spirit* activities. Adult women will study *Spark: Igniting Your God-Given Creativity* to thoughtfully take us deep into the Bible and unpack stories of God's creative Spirit at work. A men's focused study will be led by Pastor Lee. Wednesday night programming is a great opportunity for fellowship and learning, so be sure make plans to attend.

Below is a policy the Trustees are considering for use of the church facility. They are open to hearing your thought about the policy until September 1. Please contact Keith Albrecht, Myron B. Goering, Lynn Kaufman, Gary Regier, or Bill Zerger with questions or comments about the proposed policy.

EDEN MENNONITE CHURCH USAGE AGREEMENT

Name or Group _____
Address _____
Email Address _____
Phone # _____
Date Requested _____
Time Period Requested-Start _____ End _____

Eden Mennonite Church Members will not be charged for using the Church, however fees may apply on items 5, 6, 7, 8, & 12. Non-Church members will be charged Church rental fees along with the fees for other services as needed. (e.g.: Sound, Pastor, Social Committee, Organist or Pianist). Phone #'s will be provided by Trustees or Church Secretary.

PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY:

- _____ \$150.00 for use of the Sanctuary only
- _____ \$150.00 for use of the Fellowship Hall and Playground
- _____ \$300.00 for use of the Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall, and Playground
- _____ \$75 for use of the Kitchen (See attachment for additional details)
- _____ \$40 for our Sound System Operator
- _____ \$30 if our Custodian has to do additional cleaning after your event is held. (A separate invoice will be sent to the user of EMC)
- _____ \$50 for funerals using Organist or Pianist
- _____ \$100 for weddings using Organist or Pianist
- _____ \$_____ If Social Committee is asked to serve a meal, reception, set up or take down tables and chairs, charges for any food or supplies purchased by the Church will be billed to your group or function. (This is to be decided between the renter and the Social Committee and will be invoiced by the Social Committee.)
- _____ \$40 for use of sound system
- _____ \$65 for video person
- _____ \$5.00 for each DVD or CD made by Sound person for non-members using Eden Mennonite Church. Church members receive the 1st copy free, \$5.00 for each additional copy.
- _____ Pastor Honorarium (Suggested--\$100.00-\$200.00)
- _____ Total Charges

EDEN MENNONITE CHURCH USAGE POLICIES

Any items lost or damaged by the User will be charged to the person or group using or renting Eden Mennonite Church. Eden Mennonite Church will not be responsible for any accidents incurred in the Church or on Church property. No smoking, alcohol or drugs will be allowed inside the Church or on Church property. Outside Pastors may perform services in our Church with permission from the Pastor of Eden Mennonite Church. Please contact the Pastor for more information. Final approval of the Church usage and policy remains at the discretion of the Trustees. When non-members are using our kitchen, we ask that a member from the Kitchen Service Committee be present to insure the proper use of the kitchen and its equipment. You will supply enough help to properly serve and clean-up your service. Please do not depend on our representative to be a part of your workers. If our workers are to work they must be notified ahead of time and there will be an extra charge. The large tablecloths may be used for a fee of \$5.00 per table cloth and we will take care of cleaning them. (Round tablecloths may be used for no charge, but you are responsible for cleaning them and returning them to the Church. You will be responsible for replacing tablecloths or reimbursement of the cost of tablecloths if damaged beyond repair.) You will furnish all your own supplies such as: creamer, sugar, tea, coffee, etc. The Kitchen Representative will be responsible to wash tea towels.

Signature of contact person _____ Date _____
Trustee _____ Date _____

This reservation is not confirmed and held for your function until this form and payment (if applicable) is returned to Eden Mennonite Church.

Contact Info:
Church Office:
Pastors:
Church:

THANK YOU!!
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Thank you for the Eden history book. Thank you to Pastor Derek for leading catechism.
Chelsey Knight

I would like to thank everyone for their continued prayers and support during my cancer treatment. At this time I am happy to say I have finished chemo and am in remission. I'll be heading back to Manhattan to return to work and receive radiation. Again thank you.
Maggie Rath

I would like to express great appreciation for the many times I felt uplifted by words and deeds of caring from my church people. There was tasty food, visits by Pastor Lee, many-many beautiful cards, and words of encouragement. I'm sure that the many prayers that were said in my behalf became my greatest source of healing. As I went through the cards again today, I was struck by the many times prayer was referred to.

I believe there are things I learned because of a fall with resulting hip surgery, and Parkinson's tagging along, that I could have learned no other way—one being how much people really care when there is a need. Thank you so very much!
Dorothy Goering

Thanks to all who supported our family through Tyler's recent hospitalization. Your prayers, care and concern reminds us of the many blessings we receive as members of a loving church family.
Carol and Bill Zerger

Thank you so much for all the paper goods and stamps that you gave us. The church has always been such an important part of Mom and Dad's life. It is so wonderful to know that they are in a much better place.
The Neva Schrag Family

Dear Friends at Eden Mennonite Church,

Thanks once again for your wonderful gift to MCC! We really cannot say thank you enough for all the ways you support our mission around the world.

It is because of your consistent generosity to us that MCC can work with our partners in places like Honduras, training volunteers to better equip children on how to peacefully deal with the violence in their communities.

Thank you for making a difference!
All the best,
Anna Yoder
Donor Relations Coordinator
MCC Central States

Thank you for your gift to AMBS! As a recent Biblical studies graduate and as someone pursuing further PhD work, I wanted to study the Scriptures in a place that took seriously the all of the Bible to follow Jesus as a part of God's set-apart, holy people. I came to AMBS expecting that, and I have certainly found it.

As my time at AMBS winds down, I look back fondly on the years my wife and I have spent here as a time of immense growth for both of us. (My wife has served as the Admissions Counselor in our time here.) I have been prepared well for further graduate studies, but I have also been formed as a pastor. Your gift to AMBS contributes to the work of God in my life and many other students like me!

Ryan Harker
Master of Divinity 2015

Thank you for your contribution to Mennonite Disaster Service. Recently MDS, along with partner agencies, dedicated four homes in Crisfield, Maryland, a town that was heavily damaged by Hurricane Sandy more than two years ago. Wind-driven water and mud from the Chesapeake Bay surged into Crisfield homes causing extensive damage. In each house that was dedicated, MDS volunteers neighbors, friends and families clustered to celebrate the finished home with prayers of thanksgiving to God.

When the large group gathered in Mr. David's living Room, he was pleased to see that the floor could handle a crowd of people—"There's strong, then there's MDS Strong!" he said.

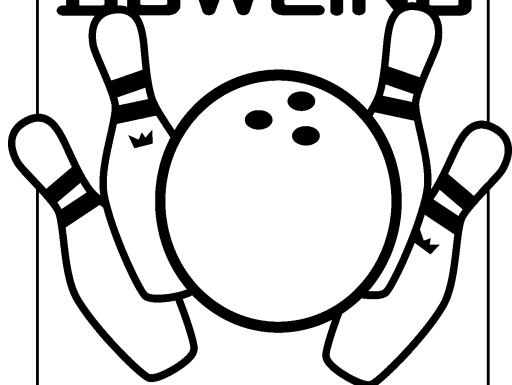
Your contributions help keep MDS strong, and help keep volunteers working to build sturdy, solid houses. Right now MDS is responding to flooding in High River, AB, rebuilding houses after tornados in Pilger, NE, and rebuilding homes in Brewster, WA, that were damaged by wildfires.

With gratitude,
Kevin King
Executive Director

Your continuing support to Circles of McPherson County is truly amazing and very much appreciated. Our work continues with our 6th class starting in September. We are also having a Moundridge "Share Night" August 5th at 7:00 at the Senior Center. Please join us!
Brenda Sales

Thank you for your generous contribution to PET Kansas. Each gift helps us give the *Gift of Mobility* to the millions in the world in need of our special wheelchair. Every dollar raised gives the Gift of Hope for those who cannot walk. With help from Health and Mobility charities, PET wheelchairs have been sent to more than 100 countries around the world. Thank you so much for your support to this ministry of caring.
Christine Goering

GLOW- IN-THE- DARK BOWLING



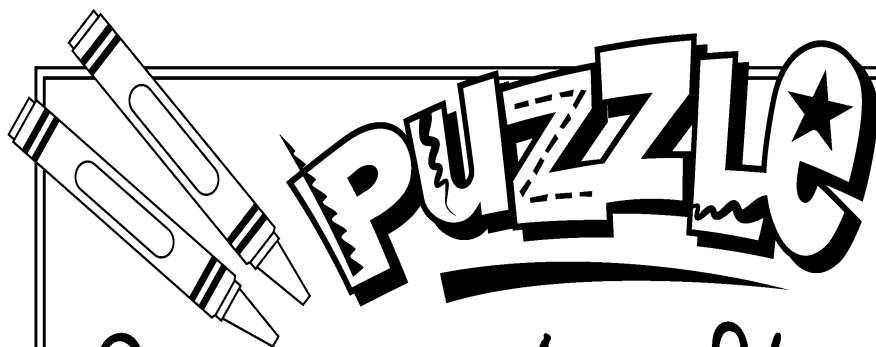
Make this fun summer game to play at the beach, a park or in your yard.

What you need:

- 10 empty plastic bottles (same size)
- 10 or more glow sticks
- Water (optional)
- Star stickers (optional)
- Hamster ball (or regular ball)
- Tape

What you do:


1. Place one or two activated glow sticks in each bottle. Fill bottles with water and decorate with star stickers, if desired. Screw on lids.
2. Put some glow sticks inside the hamster ball. Screw the halves together, and secure sides and lid with tape.
3. Challenge someone to a game of bowling. For the best glowing effect, play after dark.



Summer's gifts

Summer brings longer days, warmer nights and – for many people – time spent near water. Complete this puzzle to find out who's behind all those summertime joys.



Directions: Read Jeremiah 31:35 (NIV) below. Draw a ☐ around words describing God's actions. Draw an ☐ around words that describe day. Underline words that describe evening. Draw  under words that describe the ocean.

He who appoints the sun to shine by day,
who decrees the moon and stars to shine by night,
who stirs up the sea so that its waves roar ...



Directions: Circle the capital letters. Then write them from left to right on the lines below to reveal God's name in this Bible verse.

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e D q r s t c e a t o n a h f z z v u A w y L
a v n M q z l s k y z G u w H h m o T k j k Y





Answer: The LORD Almighty



August Birthdays



- 1- Jim Dalke
Ryan Goering
Ryan Stucky
- 2- Susan Goering
Berneil Juhnke
Betty Krehbiel
Esther Schrag
Gayle Stucky
Marcia Pat Stucky
- 3- Lenora Gehring
Angie Stucky
- 4- Tindy Graber
Renetta Stucky
Orville Waltner
- 5- Denise Krehbiel
Rhonda Masonhall
Donnie D. Schrag
Lonnie L. Schrag
Michael Zerger
- 7- Marna Goering
Brian Krehbiel
Audrey Tipton (Andy & Angela)
- 8- Kayla Garcia
Sarah King (Derek & Becky)
Britney Stos
Marcy Thiesen
- 9- Brenda Wedel
Karen Nice
Kristy Hoffmann
- 10- Christian McGinness (Paul & Claudia)
Greg Zerger
- 11- Marilyn Kaufman
Alyssa Schrag
Maxine Schrag
- 12- Larry Goering
Richard Goering
Shayna Smith
Chuck Knight
Blaine Stucky
- 13- DeAnna Goering
DaWayne Stos
Marvetta Sperling
Angela Zerger

- 15- Caden Webb (Shannon & Pamela)
- 16- Anne Groves
- 18- Berni Kaufman
Margaret Waltner
- 19- Marlo Gehring
- 20- Kyler Dalke (Jerrod Dalke)
Ruby Graber
Candace Unrau
- 21- Kyle Neufeld
Amanda Stucky
Laurie Thiesen
- 22- Mark Albrecht
Whitney Fiedler (Cathy)
Tyler Gehring
Breanna Graber (Darren)
Anna Stucky
- 23- Donovan Graber
Warren Kaufman
Gary Regier
- 24- Brian Alfaro
Neva Austin
Robert John Schrag
- 25- Roy Kaufman
- 26- Piper Doane (Heath and Samantha)
Steve Graber
- 27- Hayden Gehring (Chris & Jessica)
Doug Graber
Krista Graber
Frieda Neufeld
Richard Regier
- 28- Mark H. Goering
Katharine Perkins (Greg & Kathy)
- 29- Laurie Schrag
Megan Waltner
- 30- Rollin Flickner
Debi Lichti
Duane Stucky
Pat Rupp
- 31- Clarene Stucky
Renae Stucky

August Anniversaries

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|---------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1- Kevin and Gayle Stucky | 13- Melvin & Janice Graber | 23- Jeffery & Brenda Childs |
| 3- Doug & Barbara Ewy | Ken & Cheri Krehbiel | 26- Howard & Wanda Knight |
| Stewart Gehring & Nancy Friesen | 14- Leonard & Juanita Graber | Steve & Robyn Roberson |
| Eldon & Tillie Zerger | Harlan & Joyce Stucky | 27- Larry & Cheri Kaufman |
| 4- Justin & Krystle Dalke | 15- Jim & Brenda Dalke | 28- Wes & Ashley Stucky |
| Russ & Jamie Kaufmann | 16- Chris & Jessica Gehring | 29- Myron & Carolyn Goering |
| Alan & Kathy Neufeld | 18- James & Diane Schrag | Sheldon & Marvetta Sperling |
| 6- Nathan & Shelby Graber | 19- H. Keith & Judy Goering | 30- Glen & Lisa Goering |
| Frank & Darla Schrag | 20- Greg & Elaine Krehbiel | Clinton & Shelly Krehbiel |
| 8- Mark H. & Mary Goering | Maynard & Marlene Krehbiel | Danny & Carol Zerger |
| 9- Joe and Debi Lichti | 21- Bret & Marla Gillmore | 31- Gordon & Annie Schrag |
| 10- Jacob & Tonya Westfall | 22- Dennis & Teresa Graber | |
| 12- Paul & Ginny Crabb | | |
| Robert & Marcy Schrag | | |

If there has been an omission or mistaken date please contact the church office.

Up-Coming Events

- Aug2:** Delegates and youth share experiences from MC USA KC2015
Aug 3: 7:00 Education/Discipleship Commission meets at Eden Church Office
Aug 9: 6:00 p.m. Camp Mennoscah Sing at Grace Hill Mennonite Church
Aug 13: 7:00 p.m. Eden Leadership Team (ELT) meet at Eden Church Office
Aug 30: Back Pack Blessing during the worship service
 Year of the Bible Celebration during Sunday school hour
Sep 1: Mary Martha all day meeting at Eden
Sep 2: First Wednesday night session
 6:00 p.m. meal
 6:45 p.m. Bible study for all ages
 7:30 p.m. Ladies Choir
 8:00 p.m. Chancel Choir
 8:45 p.m. Men's Chorus
Sep 4: Sunday elective on "Enhancing Mental Wellness in Our Church Communities." begins
Sep 11 & 12: WDC Women and Girls Retreat at Camp Mennoscah
Sep 13, 20, 27: KIPCOR Workshop at Eden

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