# **Groffdale Mennonite Church**

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# <u>SUPPLEMENT</u>

THANK YOU for last Sunday's (March 11) and this week's Electronic Funds Transfer offerings:

- Leadership Support \$4,072.00
- Missions \$150.00

# <u>Happy Birthday</u>

Brent Nolt—Tuesday, March 20 Ben Meiskey—Thursday, March 22 Trevor Lambert—Friday, March 23 Leonard Martin—Friday, March 23 Dean Myers—Sunday, March 25



Number 11

Dear Church Family,

We are alive and well in Costa Rica, reveling in the beauty of God's creation up on the Mountain top. We have come through a year of more change in our lives than we ever imagined. Casa VidaNet, our base of operations, has come through about the same amount of change since it's purchase last April. We are fully engaged in ministry, discipleship and raising our mighty men. We could not be ministering where we are without your faithful prayers, financial support, and work of your hands as some of you have joined us in physical labor at Casa VidaNet. Even through the trials of change, letting go of the safe and familiar and stepping out of our comfort zone, we continue to find peace being in the center of His will for our family.

Our prayer is that you may know the intimacy of God's still small voice, the fierceness of His passionate love we have for each of you, and the display of His splendor through your obedience.

Eternally grateful, The Hoovers Daryl, Jen, Micah, Joseph, Jedidiah and Adam

We hope you are encouraged by following our weekly blog: **dnjhoover.blogspot.com** Please let us know how we can pray for you: **dnjhoover@gmail.com** 

# Eggs for Children's Egg Hunt

There's a basket of empty plastic eggs in the lobby. Please help us to fill them with goodies for the children's egg hunt on Easter.



# DATES FOR YOUR CALENDAR

<u>March 25</u> - Pastor Austin Horning Palm Sunday

March 29 (Maundy Thursday evening)

Seder Meal and Communion - 6:00 p.m.

### April 1 (Easter) - Pastor Tom Eshleman

9:00 a.m. Brunch followed by egg hunt for the children (Sunday School classes will not be meeting)10:00 a.m. Worship Service and flowering of the cross



# THE WAY OF THE CROSS

An Interactive Prayer Experience Monday, March 19—Friday, March 23 9:00 am-4:30 pm Monday, March 26—Thursday, March 29 9:00 am-4:30 pm At Parish Resource Center FREE to all attending.

Follow the way of the cross during the last hours of Jesus' life. Through this interactive and contemplative experience imagine yourself witnessing the events of Jesus' final hours.

Celebration of Church Life Friday, March 23, 7 p.m. and Saturday, March 24, 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. Weaverland, 210 Weaverland Valley Rd., East Earl, Pa. 17519

If you're planning to attend this event, please call <u>717-293-5246 ext. 100</u> to register for the meal, childcare and your seminars.

Lancaster Mennonite Conference

## 2018 Bible Quiz Team

Tanner Eshleman, Derrick Lambert, and Alex Murillo are on the quizzing team with Carpenter's Church. Please pray for these youth as they travel to Archbold, Ohio for the end of season tournament.

> <u>March 16-18</u> Invitational Northwest, OH Tournament





### Lancaster Area Unit MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE Annual Meeting Monday, March 19 at 7:00 pm MDS Office at 583 Airport Rd, Lititz

Hear how Lancaster volunteers have been and continue to be involved in Florida, Mississippi and Puerto Rico. An offering will be taken for tools to stock a new trailer. Please see the poster on the bulletin board for more details.

#### 2018 Woodcrest Retreat Annual Spring Banquet "Pressing On" Thursday, March 22 6:15 pm Yoder's Banquet Facility

- Delicious Dinner
- Summer Camp Highlights
- Indian Rock Center Expansion Update

Offering to support the summer camp ministry & retreat ministry.

Call 717-738-2233 for reservation.

### Chicken BBQ to benefit Darrel & Miriam Weaver Saturday, March 24 11:00 am until sell out

A meal including leg and thigh portion, chips, coleslaw, apple sauce, cookie, roll, and drink will be served at Yoder's, Glenwood Foods and Sharp Shopper, Ephrata. Please stop by for delicious BBQ made by Warren Weaver and support the continued work with refugees in Germany.



Celebrate the Resurrection With the African Children's Choir at Black Rock Retreat's Annual Sunrise Service Sunday, April 1



Program begins at 6:15 am on the ballfield directly below the crosses. Feel free to bring a blanket or lawn chairs to sit on. Benches will be provided, but they are limited.

There is no need to register, just show up.

#### Silver Springs Ministries Spring Banquet (Introducing urban youth to Jesus) Camp Andrews/Meadows of Hope April 3 at 6:15 pm Shady Maple Smorgasbord

- Delicious food
- Music by Meadows of Hope girls
- Testimonies of God transforming lives

The offering will be doubled to build a new lodge that doubles the impact of the current Millhouse.

For free tickets, contact us by March 30 at 717-284-2624 or reservations@campandrews.org.

## Pennsylvania Relief Sale Farm Show Complex, Harrisburg April 6 and 7

The Pennsylvania Relief Sale supports Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) in its work to share God's love and compassion by responding to basic human needs and working for peace and justice.

See Schedule of Events posted on bulletin board outside coat room or visit their website at pareliefsale.org.

Global Outreach for Addiction Leadership and Learning "Signs & Symptoms" Workshop Friday, April 6 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Breakout Ministries 2400 Anita Court, Leola

Learn about the addiction warning signs and the symptoms of addiction. See the poster on bulletin board for more details.



## SEEKING THE HEART WORKSHOP Tuesday, April 10, 2018 6:30-9:00 PM Conestoga Church of the Brethren

Based on David Hain's book "Heart of the Addict" Finding compassion and hope for those caught in the snare of addiction.

See poster on bulletin board for more information and how to register for this workshop.