



This week please remember the following people in prayer:

Doran & Cindy Conrad,
Pam & Lowell Unruh

Pray for those dealing with cancer:

Bob Hartzler (Orpha Yoder's brother),
Michael Stauffer (Dareld Stauffer's son),
Nicky Goehring (Mary Jo Freyenberger's sister).

Pray for those dealing with medical

issues: Kole Hudson, Lela Miller, Mercedes Ellard, Denise Nebel, Gerald Nebel, Kathryn Nebel, Gary Garton (April Eichelberger's father).

Pray for the leaders and children and youth involved in

Promiseland, Xplore, JYF, and MYF. Pray for God to bless the leaders with wisdom, understanding, and love for the children and youth they lead. Pray for God to bless the children and youth with willing hearts and the chance to be examples to others.

Central Plains: Pray for the last Bible study webinar with Meghan Good, to be held tomorrow evening. Give thanks for this opportunity to learn more about reading and interpreting God's word.

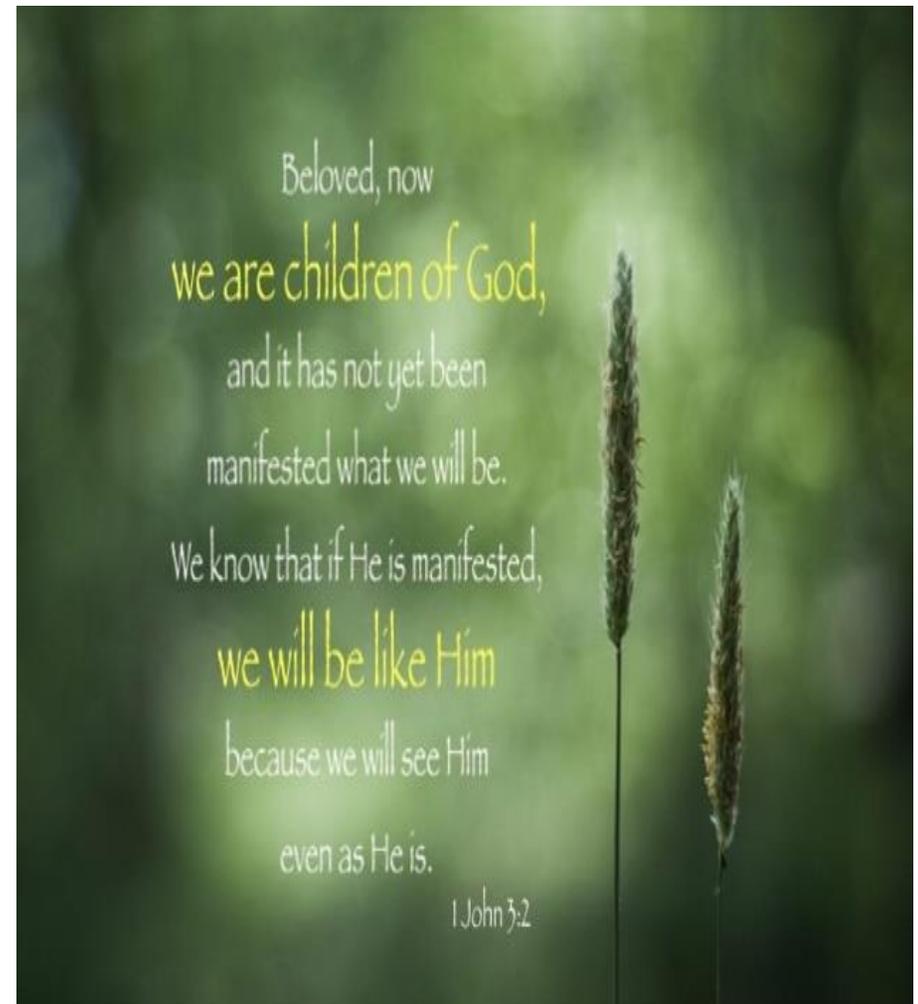
Mennonite Church USA Convention 2017 is coming up July 4-8 in Orlando, with the theme "Love Is a Verb." A new flier provides more details on speakers and other events. Also consider donating to the Convention Scholarship Fund or partnering with a congregation that can't afford to send people on its own, and think about ways you can show love to your family, friends and community. Learn more at <http://convention.mennoniteusa.org>

Mennonite Mission Network: Mennonite Mission Network partners Annette and Paco Castillo have created a home in Ivory Coast for child soldiers and other children who don't have a supportive family structure. Praise God for transformed lives. Pray for mentors to train life skills through mechanical trades and other apprenticeships.

LAST SUNDAY

Attendance: 165

Offering: Home Missions: \$2,335, Missions: \$50,
Conference: \$100, Education \$3,449.90



November 20, 2016

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*We welcome all to this place
for worship of God and for Christian fellowship.
Let us worship God in spirit and truth,
reaching out to one another in Christ's love.*

8:45 a.m.: Prayer in the Prayer Room
9:15 a.m.: Sunday School
10:10 a.m.: Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m.: Worship

Worship Leader: Rachelle Luitjens
Song Leader: Kathy Roth
Piano: Deb Roth

Gathering

Majesty
Welcome & Announcements
Call to Worship
Opening Prayer

Praising

STJ 108 Give thanks for life
WB 575 Precious Lord, take my hand

Offering: Home Missions (11/27 Conference & Loose Change)
Sharing and Prayers

Hear the Word

Come & See Children's Story: Cleo Koop, Hesston College
Director of Disaster Management Studies
Scripture Reading: 1 John 3:1-10 (pg. 188 NT)
Message: Nathan, "Making of a Saint"
All Saint's Slideshow

We Are Sent

Benediction
Alleluia

TODAY

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 20

•**5 pm**, Choir practice for the December 18 Christmas program will begin in the sanctuary. Many voices are needed to make a choir!
•**6 pm, ING, SharING ThanksgivING with Others.** Come pack food baskets for 15 families in our community for the week of Thanksgiving. An offering basket is in the back of the sanctuary if you would like to support this project.

THIS WEEK

MONDAY, November 21

•**7:30 pm**, Join us in the MYF room for the third and final Central Plains Bible Study webinar with Meghan Good! Meghan will address matters of biblical authority and inspiration in *Living and Active: Where the Bible Came From and Why It Matters*.

WEDNESDAY, November 23

•**9:30 am**, Women's "Interrupted" Bible Study in the MYF room.

THURSDAY, November 24

GIVE THANKS!

A community Thanksgiving meal will be held at WACO high school. The meal will be served from 11:30-1:30.

NEXT SUNDAY – 1st Sunday of Advent

Scripture Reading: Isaiah 2:1-5 & Matthew 24:36-44

Message: Rachelle, "Jesus is Coming: Bringing Peace"

MYF NEWS

Sunday, 11/ 20, 6 pm, ING Night!
Tuesday, 11/ 22, Poinsettias Arrive
Sunday, 11/27 – No MYF

SUGAR CREEK NEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Please have all bulletin announcements into the church office by 10 am, Wednesday, November 23. THANK YOU!

Congratulations to Tad & Brittany Morrow on the birth of their daughter Raylee Marie Morrow on November 13. We wish their family God's blessing as they raise Rayee.

A community Thanksgiving meal will be held at WACO high school. We are looking for volunteers to assist with food donations, set up, clean up, delivery, serving, and decorating. Sugar Creek still needs 1 pan of sweet potatoes or sweet potato casserole. The remaining pan is available in the back of the foyer for the sweet potatoes. If you have volunteered, please deliver your hot dishes on Thanksgiving morning between 9-10:30 am. If you or a group you are involved in would be interested in helping please contact Alicia Lemon at [319-530-1900](tel:319-530-1900).

Garry & Betty Miles and Bret & Laurie Miles have been accepted into membership in the Bethel congregation. We wish them God's blessings!

Mennonite Women will host their annual blood drive Monday, December 5 from 2-7 pm. To schedule an appointment to donate, contact Orpha Yoder 319-750-0776 or Kathy Yoder 319-750-0696

SE Iowa MCC Meat Canning will be December 15 & 16 in Wellman. The sign-up sheet is here! Please see the North bulletin board for sign up. Contact Larry Graber with any questions you may have.

AREA NEWS AND EVENTS

Looking for a way to serve your community? Every week, the WACO Schools send backpacks with weekend meals home to 15 families in our community. In order to meet these needs, we must have an organized food pantry. If you are willing to take a few hours to sort and stock grocery donations, please contact Tamara Gill at [319-217-2456](tel:319-217-2456). Also, if you are willing to pull menu items from the shelves every week to pack the bags, please let Tamara know. Together, we can make a difference!

Crooked Creek Christian Camp - Save the date for Cocoa & Carols Sunday, December 4 starting at 5:00pm!

IMS - The one act **Christmas opera**, Amahl and the Night Visitors will be on the Celebration Hall stage for one night only on December 17 at 7:30PM. They are still a few tickets left and are \$15/adults and \$10/students. Call the IMS office to reserve your tickets today 656-2073.

Ervin Stutzman, Executive Director of Mennonite Church USA, will offer a public reading of his latest historical novel, *Christian's Hope*, at East Union Mennonite Church on TODAY, November 20 at 7:30 pm. The third novel in the Northkill trilogy is based on documented evidence about the Hochstetler family, adding details and dialogue to the known historical facts. In careful consultation with the available documents, the novels describe the historic French and Indian War massacre and aftermath in which an Amish father and two sons were kidnapped and their family killed. Stutzman will also share insights on Native American culture gleaned from his research.

Plan on supporting the international relief, development and peacebuilding work of MCC and mark your calendars to attend the 2017 Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale, June 2 and 3 at the Johnson County Fairgrounds.

The Iowa Mennonite Relief Sale board is looking for volunteers to assist with the publicity and auction committees. Contact Susan Gingerich at [319-855-8382](tel:319-855-8382) or Jim Yoder at [319-430-3761](tel:319-430-3761) for more information or to volunteer.