

Missionaries of the Month: Steve & Laura Campbell, daughters Ruth and Esther serving in Podgorica, Montenegro. Pray for:

- the ladies Bible study that Laura will lead. Pray for freedom from the great deal of pride and unwillingness to forgive among the church ladies.
- for Marko who is taking heroin again after going through rehab several times. He comes to church and prays for forgiveness. Marko started using hard drugs at age 11 and now at age 29 appears to have brain damage from drugs and seems unable to make logical decisions.
- for Mileta who attends church and is slipping back into alcohol addiction. He has a wife and young daughter.
- for Steve and Laura to not be discouraged as they work with the many folks who are bound by addictions and attitudes that hinder their bond as a church family and their walk with Christ.

A Look at VMissions: Pray that Raleigh and Opal* will continue to find healthy rhythms with friends in their neighborhood, teammates, their childcare assistant, and with their three children in North Africa. (*pseudonyms)

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Weavers Mennonite Church

Worship Celebration
Sunday, October 23, 2016

*Called into God's Family, we join together
to be transformed through worship,
to nurture one another,
to be equipped to serve Jesus Christ, and
to carry out His mission in the world.*

Blessings to all on this Lord's Day. We praise God for every faithful worshiper today and pray for the Spirit to rest on each member and visitor alike as we worship together.

Prelude

c/o Jeremy Warner

Welcome & Announcements

Regina Brubaker

Worship in Song

c/o Jeremy Warner

Focusing

Children's Church (age three through second grade invited downstairs)

Worship in Hymns

Marvin Slabaugh

MH 330, "Soldiers of Christ, Arise"

MH 311, "Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah"

First Fruits Giving

Sermon: "Following Jesus, the Core of Discipleship" Phil Kanagy

Scripture: Luke 5:27-32

Song of Response

MH 337, "What a Friend We Have in Jesus"

Sharing & Prayer Time

Benediction

Closing Song MH 593, "I Love to Tell the Story"

(Elder Jim Mumaw will be in the Prayer Room following the service for anyone needing a ministry of prayer.)

TODAY AT WEAVERS

Sunday School Classes for Children, Youth and Adults begin at 9:30am.

Ushers are glad to assist with directions.

◆ Hearing assistance units are available from the ushers.

Nursery services are available.

Attendants: Worship – Laura Wheeler, Lauren Rhodes

Noon Fellowship Meal. All are welcome!

THIS WEEK AT WEAVERS

Monday, October 24

7pm Pastoral Council

Tuesday, October 25

6pm Safe Church Core Team meeting

Wednesday, October 26

6:30pm Kids Club

6:30 pm Jr. Youth

7pm Prayer Mtg. at Dorothy & Clayton Shenk's, 2221 Lake Terrace Dr.

8pm Sr. Youth

Sunday, October 30

Speaker, Phil Kanagy, "Interpreting Scripture with Jesus at the Center"

Scripture text: Luke 24:13-27

Nursery Attendants: Phyllis Early, Anna Layton

5:30-7:30pm Hallelujah Party. All are invited!

Statistics for Sunday Service October 16, 2016

Worship Attendance - 172

Offering: Budget - \$4,633.75; Missions - \$350

Announcements

You are invited to share with generosity over the next October Sundays with canned food items for Salvation Army. The little red wagon in the foyer is our collection point. You may pick up more information at the wagon on items of need.

A Personal Invitation to YOU! The Hallelujah Party will be held on Sunday, Oct. 30, 5:30-7:30pm. This is a church family and friends event! All ages are welcome! Soup will be provided (by volunteers) and hot dogs/buns and drink too. All other families should bring a finger food side dish or dessert. There will be activities for adults, for youth, and for the children. Flyers with more details are in the church foyer. Volunteers are also needed to assist with the activities. There is a signup sheet in the foyer. Thank you for considering assisting in this event! And...invite your friends!

The Rockingham Male Chorus will present a 50th anniversary program tonight, Oct. 23, 7pm at Bridgewater Church of the Brethren.

Happy Birthday blessings this week to Barbara Huffman, and Emily Wenger.

Schedule change: The "Come Let Us Reason Together" workshop with David Brubaker as announced in *The Weaver* has been changed from Nov. 6 to Nov. 13, 3:30-5:30pm.

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) welcomes donations of money for its disaster response in Haiti, where people are suffering the effects of Hurricane Matthew, which crossed the country Oct. 4. Matthew's high winds and extensive flooding caused significant damage and increased already heightened cholera concerns in the Artibonite Valley, where MCC's long-term reforestation program operates. To donate, visit mcc.org/Hurricane-Matthew, call [1-888-563-4676](tel:1-888-563-4676) or send a check to MCC, 21 S. 12th St., PO Box 500, Akron, PA 17501.

The Children's Department is again packing boxes for Operation Christmas Child, an organization with Samaritan's Purse. Our goal is 50 boxes! Boxes, and info on how to pack your box, are available in the basement. "These boxes are so much more than delighting a child in need with a simple gift...these boxes are a powerful tool for evangelism and discipleship in countries around the world." Money can also be given for this project. \$7 is needed to ship these boxes. Money is being collected in a jar in the basement, or checks can be written out to Weavers, earmarked with Operation Christmas Child in the memo line. Then we will give our donation for each box online. Questions? Contact Regina

David and Grace Shenk, Andres Prins and Sheryl Martin, members of the **EMM Christian/Muslim Relations Team**, will present at a public forum at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, October 27, in Martin Chapel (Eastern Mennonite Seminary). The goal of the forum is learning how to be better equipped to know, love, and share Jesus with Muslim members of our community. The presenters all bring many years of experiences and knowledge of the Muslim world. The EMM Christian/Muslim Relations Team desires to equip Christians around the world for life-giving relationships with Muslims through dialogue, witness, peacemaking and hospitality. In a world where complex conflicts sometimes divide Muslims and Christians, and where mutual suspicion can build walls, this team speaks boldly and trains persistently to build bridges of loving and respectful connection between Christians and Muslims, while faithfully confessing Christ.

Perspectives on the World Christian Movement is a class for believers from all walks of life to get threaded into God's story and experience God's heart for all peoples. *Perspectives* will open the eyes of your heart with fresh knowledge and understanding of God's unchanging purposes and why they are relevant to your life. The Spring 2017 class will meet at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry Center, 711 S. High St, Harrisonburg, Va. The first two sessions are free. For registration details, find the class at perspectives.org or contact Carol Tobin at 540-435-9887.

Weavers next "Special Offering" (missions/para church agencies) is slated for Oct. 30. However, our Budget offerings continue to be at a deficit. Please give as the Lord nudges you.

September 2016		
Offering Deficit Based on Number of Sundays		
34 of 44 budget offerings as of Sept. 30		77.27%
Annual budgeted offerings	\$	342,458.00
Actual offering amount to date	\$	233,921.50
Offering amount according to budget schedule	\$	264,626.64
Excess (Deficit)	\$	(30,705.14)

Come to Highland Retreat for a Fall Clean-Up Day on Saturday, November 5th! Families, church groups, and individuals are invited to take part in helping prepare Highland's grounds for winter. Lunch is provided for all volunteers, and free or discounted lodging is available for those wanting to make a weekend of it. For more information or to register for the event, visit www.highlandretreat.org, call 540-705-0554, or e-mail info@highlandretreat.org. Registration is also open for this year's annual **Highland Banquet** on Tuesday, December 6th.

The **Festival of Praise** is an annual praise-filled concert of men's *a cappella* singing groups and combined chorus directed by Jared Stutzman. This year, the Festival celebrates 15 years of song and raising money for Virginia Mennonite Missions. Join us on Sunday, November 6 at 4:00 pm at Eastern Mennonite School, 801 Parkwood Drive, Harrisonburg, Va. There will be an offering to benefit VM Missions.

The **Bridge of Hope Annual Locavore Luncheon & Fashion Show** will be Saturday, November 12, at Park View Mennonite Church. Come enjoy a delicious meal prepared by Bowl of Good and created by local food blogger, Jennifer Murch. Browse and bid on the silent auction items, and be entertained by the fashion show featuring clothing from Gift & Thrift and accessories from Ten Thousand Villages. All proceeds to benefit Bridge of Hope, a ministry serving homeless and at-risk single mothers and their children in our community. Tickets can be purchased at the door for \$25, or contact a board member or call our office, 478-2356, to reserve a ticket. Doors will open for the silent auction at 11:15 with the meal beginning at 12.