



FRIENDSHIP MENNONITE CHURCH

Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

April 29, 2007

Welcome!

May we feel God's presence as we worship together!



“No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.” Matthew 5:15,16 --NLT

- Worship in song
- Welcome
- Opening prayer
- Announcements
- Sharing
- HWB #76 *Praise, I Will Praise You, Lord*
- Worship with our tithes and offerings
- Scripture Reading Matthew 5:14-16; 28:18-20
- Drama *Bubble Boy*
- Sermon The Grand Agenda vs. Bubble World
- HWB#226 *You Are The Salt for the Earth*
- Benediction
- Moment of Silent Reflection

Guest Speaker: Rhonda

Worship Leader: Keven

Song Leader: Joe

Greeters: Chris & Sue

Pianist: Rhonda

Usher: Tim

Worship Nursery: Shirley

Sunday School Nursery: Alice

Upcoming Events & Meetings

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| Sun. May 6 | Agape group at Jonathan & Maria's 4:30pm |
| Thr. May 10 | Southgate Group at Isaac & Jean's 11:00am |
| Sun. May 13 | Food for Thought group at Church 5:00pm |

Giving for April 22, 2007

Church Offering:

\$807.10

Meals on Wheels:

\$5.00

Sunday School:

\$10.00

The Mennonite Magazine:

\$35.00

Eastern European Mission:

\$327.55

Prayer Needs:

- Please remember **Ben & Rachel**. Ben's grandmother passed away last Sunday and two uncles died unexpectedly later in the week.
- **Gerry** was admitted to the hospital this week in critical condition.
- **Rachel's mother** is undergoing many tests and possible surgery this week.

Gizella will be continuing her Eastern Europe Mission from May 24th to August 16th. Please keep her in your prayers as she prepares for this trip and while she is traveling to bring the good news of the Lord to the people of Hungary, Romania, Ukraine, and beyond. Contributions to this important ministry can be placed in the offering and marked "Eastern European Mission."

Announcements:

- We thank **Rhonda** for bringing us the message this morning. Next week we will have Vern.

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- Each **Wednesday evening** anytime between 8:00 and 9:00 p.m. we would like to have people pray from their house or wherever they are for 1) **Discernment**, as we are in the process of finding a pastor for our Church 2) **Each other**, as many are struggling with health issues, grief, and the day to day issues of life 3) **Our Church** as a whole. Even though we are apart, through our prayers we can come together.
- We will be collecting **mission banks for the Eastern European Missions** the next two Sundays. The banks can be put on the front pew in the sanctuary. Thank you so much for your generosity and concern.
- During the months of July and August, **Sunday school for preschool children** will be held during the worship service instead of the regular time. It will return to the normal Sunday school time in September.
- **Ben and Rachel** will have the dedication of their daughter Mary Elizabeth next Sunday, May 6th, during the worship service. We will also welcome them as members of Friendship Mennonite Church.
- Please keep the **Pastoral Search Committee** in your prayers as they begin to process a new slate of candidates.
- Are you over 50? 60? 70? **Mennonite Association of Retired Persons** welcomes new members from all Anabaptist-related churches. Consider joining for extra encouragement and creative ideas as you head toward or beyond retirement. MARP urges older adults to serve "in Jesus' name" while at home or during periods of travel. For more information please see the bulletin board.
- If you have an **announcement for the bulletin**, please contact Julie by Thursday morning via phone or e-mail (bulletin@friendmc.org).

Centers and Community Outreach

29. Pray for Mennonite Voluntary Service participants in La Jara, Colo., who serve in these assignments: Jason Rutt, Habitat for Humanity; Aaron Koop, elementary school and Boys and Girls Club; Kristen Abrahams, Immigration Resource Center.
30. As visitors come to the Nazareth Village in Israel, a recreated first-century village in Jesus' hometown, pray that the Messiah will bring peace and hope in the midst of political and economic uncertainties. Please remember director Shirley Roth.

Church Ministry

1. James and Michelle Stabler-Havener request prayer for the China Advisory Team, a group of Chinese pastors, professors and lay leaders, as they meet today through Friday to pray, discuss the role of Chinese Anabaptists and share vision with Mennonite Partners in China.
2. Please pray for Carol and Jonathan Bornman, Senegal, as they transition from their present city to move to Dakar, turning over responsibilities to others and planning for ministry in their new setting.
3. Due to situations in several Middle Eastern countries, leaders and members of Protestant churches are emigrating at an increasing rate. A Mission Network worker requests prayer that God would remember the church in this part of the world.
4. Today and tomorrow, Linda Oyer, mission worker in France, speaks at a retreat for women in leadership in Belgium on the "Silences of God." Pray that these key women will be encouraged and renewed in their ministries.
5. Pray for Jeff Delp, Mission Network urban ministry director, as he works with congregations to develop church planting and community development strategies for the Atlanta area.

Prayer Request for week of April 29

Mennonite Mission Network workers David and Starla Moyer, Argentina, are coordinating a Saturday afternoon program called Hora Feliz (Happy Hour) for children ages four to eleven at Centro Cristiano, the church's community center. Pray that through Bible stories and other activities, God's love will touch the hearts of these children.