



**FRIENDSHIP MENNONITE CHURCH**  
*Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ*

May 20, 2007

**Welcome!**

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



**"All the believers devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching, and to fellowship, and to sharing in meals, and to prayer."**

**Acts 2:42 --NLT**

- Worship in song
- Welcome
- Opening prayer
- Announcements
- HWB #6 *Here In This Place*
- Worship with our tithes and offerings
- Song *God of the Bible*
- Scripture Reading Acts 2:42-47
- Sermon The Fellowship of the Early Church
- Commissioning of Gizella
- Congregational Prayer
- HWB #545 *Be Thou My Vision*
- Benediction
- Moment of Silent Reflection

**Guest Speaker: Vern**

*Worship Leader:* Dean

*Song Leader:* Rachel

*Greeters:* Melvin & Parsilla

*Worship Nursery:* Sue

*Sunday School Nursery:* Alice

*Pianist:* Rhonda

*Usher:* Rudy

**Upcoming Events & Meetings**

- Wed. May 23 Women's Time Out at Marjorie's 6:00pm
- Sun. May 27 Friendship Retreat Opening 4:00pm
- Sat. June 2 Baby Shower for Elizabeth at Rebecca's 2:00pm

**Giving for May 13, 2007**

Church Offering:  
\$1708.50

Sunday School:  
\$12.00

Eastern European Mission:  
\$1949.35

**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 **Vern** for bringing us the message this morning. Next week we will have Brian from Youth for Christ.
- 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.
- Please keep the **Pastoral Search Committee** in your prayers as they begin to process a new slate of candidates.

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For emergencies, please contact,  
our elders: Dean  
or Tim.

- Women of the Church come celebrate a new baby on the way! There will be a **Baby Shower for Elizabeth** on Saturday June 2, to be held at 2:00 at Rebecca's house. See Rebecca for directions. If you are interested in going in on a group gift, please give the money to Rachel.
- If you have an **item for the monthly calendar**, please contact Julie by May 24 via phone or e-mail (calendar@friendmc.org).
- If you have an **announcement for the bulletin**, please contact Julie by Thursday via phone or e-mail (bulletin@friendmc.org).

### **Community Service**

20. Pray for DEO (Discipleship, Encounter, Outreach) participant Mary Goering who serves needy people at Metro CareRing and shares her gifts of music with Peace Mennonite Church in Aurora, Colo.
21. Pray that God will provide Menno Village with additional personnel to assist in the work of this community-supported agricultural program in rural Hokkaido, Japan, where new mission associates Ray and Akiko Epp serve as directors.
22. Please pray for the Mennonite Voluntary Service participants in Tucson, serving through Community Home Repair Program of Arizona: Margaret Penner, Kyle Reber and Daniel Regier.
23. Mission workers in Central Asia request prayer for a project that produces "super flour," locally-produced three-grain flour made into a porridge which provides balanced nutrition for malnourished children.
24. Pray for guidance for the future for Service Adventure unit leaders Crystal and Tory Doerksen and Mary Lou and Rusty Bonham as they complete their assignments in Oregon this summer. Praise God for their willing service.
25. Pray for mission intern Andrea Wiens in Paraguay as she works with a community development team to locate funding and a lot for a new building for the school Manantial de Vida.
26. Thank God that a Mission Network couple is able to train international church planters in various countries to start small businesses so that they can be self-sustaining.

### ***Prayer Request for week of May 20***

Mennonite Mission Network's U.S. Ministries staff requests prayer for urban congregations planning summer ministry activities for children and youth. Pray for wisdom to develop programs effective in teaching peacemaking in their cities.