



FRIENDSHIP MENNONITE CHURCH

Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

November 18, 2007

Welcome!

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



“Come, follow me,” Jesus said, “and I will make you fishers of men.” -- Matthew 4:19

Connecting with Others

- Welcome
- Worship in song
- Opening Prayer

Living by Faith

- Announcements – Our Church at Work
- Sharing
- Prayer for Our Church
- HWB #5 *There Is a Place of Quiet Rest*
- Worship with our tithes and offerings
- Special Music**

Hearing the Word

- Scripture Reading: Luke 18:18-30
- Sermon: “Come Follow Me”
- HWB #20 *Come and See*

Sending to Serve

- Benediction:
- HWB #433 *Go, My Children*

Guest Speaker: Vern

Worship Leader: Joe
Song Leader: Rachel
Greeters: Isaac & Jean

Pianist: Rhonda
Usher: Chris

Worship Nursery: Julie

Children's Church: Starla

Upcoming Events & Meetings

Sun.	Nov.	18	Children's Church ages 4-7
Mon.	Nov.	19	Come decorate the Church! 5:00pm
Tue.	Nov.	20	Church Council 6:30pm

Giving for November 11, 2007

Church Offering:	Sunday School:
\$2709.29	\$14.00

Meals on Wheels:	Scholarships:
\$5.00	\$1275.00

Mission Month:

\$525.00	Goal: \$2000
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November is Mission Month at Friendship. The Church Council has set a goal of \$2000 in November for church-wide support and missions. The money is to be allocated evenly between Ohio Conference, Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) and Mennonite Mission Network (MMN).

In Proverbs 11:25 it reads, 'The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed.' The paradox has always been that as we give generously of ourselves and our resources so many times we receive back a hundredfold. You could call it God's creative accounting!

Mennonite Mission Network is the mission agency for the Mennonite Church. More than 1000 workers around the world invite others to faith in Jesus Christ and build local communities of faith. Often we think of missions work as work that happens “out there”, involving people living far from us. That is partly true. However, Mennonite Mission Network also supports more local short term service opportunities. Service organizations under MMN are SOOP (service opportunities for older people) and the Service, Group and Youth Venture groups that serve right here in North America.

**Special Music: Rachel and Ted
Dedicated to Ruth for her 89th Birthday tomorrow.

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Bill, or Maria.

Announcements:

- We thank **Vern** for bringing us the message this morning. Dean will be speaking next Sunday.
- **Wheelers** are needed for this month at Sunny Acres on November 25th. Please see Joe if you can help out with this ministry.
- **Sanctuary Christmas décor** will be done Monday evening between 5 and 8 PM. Contact Shirley if you can help. Contributions of poinsettias would also be appreciated.
- Please keep the **Pastoral Search Committee** in your prayers as they continue the search process.
- What would it be like to have an angel crash into your house and say that you'd soon be bearing God's child? And what would it be like to tell that news to your fiancée? The Christmas play **DoveTale**, takes on such questions for a fresh and funny look at the nativity. This drama was originally written by Ted Schwartz and the late Lee Eshelman along with Ingrid DeSanctis. The production of **DoveTale** will be held at the Performing Arts Center at Central Christian Schools in Kidron on Sunday, December 9th at 6:00pm. **DoveTale** is appropriate for all ages. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for students, \$32 for a family, and \$8 for groups of 10 or more and can be purchased in advance by calling the school at 330.857.7311 or at the door.
- If you have an **item for the monthly calendar**, please leave a message on the church phone or contact Julie via phone or e-mail (calendar@friendmc.org) by Wednesday, November 28.
- If you have an **announcement for the bulletin**, please leave a message on the church voicemail or contact Julie via phone or e-mail (bulletin@friendmc.org) by Tuesday morning.

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Prayer Vine for November 18-24

Children and Youth

18. Praise God that the Samuelito day care center near Santa Cruz, Bolivia, celebrated its first anniversary. Pray for the 40 children who are assisted there.

19. Mike and Teresa Sherrill request prayer for the ministry to children and youth at Shiroishi Mennonite Church in Hokkaido, Japan. Pray for neighborhood children who attend church and for youth to commit to baptism and grow in leadership skills.

20. Chris Burns and Allison Lee-Villanueva, DOOR's (Discovering Opportunities for Outreach and Reflection) Dwell program volunteers, work with youth ministries in the Miami area. Pray for wisdom in dividing into two locations for the Thursday Teen Night to accommodate all the youth who attend.

21. Marlow and Vicky Ramsay request prayer for the children and youth programs led by Joint Christian Services co-workers in Erdenet, Mongolia – Rainbow kindergarten, Hope Education Center for disabled children and Eternal Springs youth center.

22. Join mission associates Angela and Tomoki Yamanaka, Hokkaido, Japan, in thanking God for the community children enthusiastically learning about Jesus at the church. Pray they will come to know Jesus personally.

Community Service

23. This month Gerald Neufeld witnesses through music by singing with a community choir performing Handel's "Messiah" in Japan. The gospel is communicated through the music and the printed programs.

24. Pray for Aaron and Laura Kauffman as they give guidance for eight months to the five young women of the RAD (Reaching and Discipling) team in La Mesa, Colombia.

Prayer Request for week of November 18

Please pray for the Nov. 23-25 retreat for Argentine Chaco Mennonite Team of seven families, including Mennonite Mission Network workers Byrdalene and Willis Horst, Gretchen and Keith Kingsley, and Richard and Ruth Anne Friesen. A pastoral counselor will give family and marriage counseling during the weekend.