



FRIENDSHIP MENNONITE CHURCH

Changing Lives Through Jesus Christ

January 13, 2008



*“You must display a new nature because you are a new person, created in God’s likeness—righteous, holy and true.”
Ephesians 4:24*

Connecting with Others

- Welcome
- Opening Prayer
- Offering
- Response to Offering HWB #119 *Praise God from whom all blessings flow*

Living by Faith

- Worship in Song
- Announcements
- Sharing
- Prayer for our Church

Hearing the Word

- Scripture Reading: Ephesians 4:17-24
- Sermon: “It’s more than a mental nod”
- HWB #64 *Asithi: Amen (Sing Amen)*

Sending to Serve

- Benediction
- HWB #430 *God be with you*

Guest Speaker: Rick

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

Pianist: Rhonda
Usher: Chris
Worship Nursery: Maria

Moments with Children: Parsilla

Upcoming Events & Meetings

- Sun. Jan 13 Moments with Children 10:45am
- Tue. Jan. 15 Church Council 6:30pm
- Sun. Jan. 27 Moments with Children 10:45am
Church Life Meeting 12:00pm

Giving for January 6, 2007

Church Offering:	Sunday School:
\$1013.01	\$17.00
Scholarship Fund:	
\$50.00	

Announcements:

- We thank **Rick** for bringing us the message this morning. Vern will be speaking next week. Sheri will also be sharing with us about her recent trip to Peru.
- Please be praying about the **pastoral candidates**, Kevin and Nan. They will be visiting with us and sharing during the service on February 3. If you have any questions about the candidates or the voting process, please contact Jonathan.
- We are in the process of revising the **church directory**. If you have any address or phone number updates, please contact Julie via phone or email (secretary@friendmc.org).
- 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, January 23.
- 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 Thursday morning.

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Bill, or Maria.

Ministry with Ethnic Minorities

13. Join César Moya and Patricia Urueña, Ecuador, in thanks to God that 12 theology teaching booklets for the indigenous training program have been completed and the courses have been useful for the churches.
14. Cornelio and Zulema, an indigenous Pilagá couple in Argentina, are preparing the Pilagá New Testament text for recording this year. Pray that they will know how best to communicate Jesus' message to bring change in the daily lives of their people.
15. Sharon and Steve Norton request prayer that mission workers from Africa and Asia speaking at Soli Deo church's cultural nights in Halle, Germany, will help listeners be open to the city's diverse people while learning of the experiences of worldwide Christians.
16. Nora Iwarat and Mey Idawaty, workers on Cheung Chau Island, Hong Kong, ask for prayers for the domestic workers, mostly Indonesians with a Muslim background, who come for worship at their center.
17. Several Middle Eastern economies draw domestic workers from Asian countries. A mission worker in that area requests prayer for Christian ministries that reach out to these people who often suffer under degrading terms of employment.
18. Pilagá church leaders in Formosa, Argentina, are forming their own church organization which Wichí churches also plan to join. Pray that this indigenous initiative will bring new life to the communities and pride in their ethnic identity.

Education and Theological Education

19. Mission worker Petrus H. requests prayer for students at the Bible school in Ulaanbaatar who are doing a practicum at schools in the provinces of Mongolia during this coldest winter month.

Prayer Request for week of January 13

Mennonite Voluntary Service participants, John Neiswander, Laura Rheinheimer and Carrie VanderHoek, work in Harlingen, Texas, with people who have fled the dangers and struggles in their home countries to seek refuge in the U.S. Pray that God will give them compassion as they listen to these people's stories.

“Moments with children”



What is it?

- A new program for children ages 4-7 that will be replacing Children's church.

What does it involve?

As little or as much time as someone wants to invest in it. A person can pick **one** of the following to do from a Character Curriculum:

- **Read a Character Story:** Stories take about 5 minutes to read. There are questions printed at the end of the story that can be asked.
- **Play a Character DVD:** DVD's are 20-30 minutes in length.

OR

- **Plan something yourself**

When would “Moments with Children” start & How often would it take place?

- The program would start in January. Hopefully it would happen once or twice a month. If no one signs up, then the program won't take place.

Where do I sign up?

- On the sign up sheet posted on the bulletin board in the lobby or by contacting Rebecca.