

# *Menno Bulletin Weekly*

## Bulletin Announcements for January 1, 2017

### Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

Jan. 4 – Community Night – Meal at 6:15 pm (bring food) – Children and adult activities at 7:00 pm.

Jan. 8 – Fellowship meal at noon. Bring the usual hot and cold dishes of food to share.

Jan. 13-15 – Annual MYF Retreat at Camp Hebron.

Jan. 18 – Elder Team meeting – 7:00 pm.

Feb. 1 – Community Night – 6:15 meal – Card making and Care Packages for college students.

	<u>Sunday, January 1</u>	<u>Sunday, January 8</u>
Message	Randy Keener	Mauricio and Alexandra Polo
Greeters	Becky Nolt and Becky Rutt	John H. Landis and Kathryn Landis

~**Thank you** Witmer Heights Church for the generous Christmas gift, and your prayers, love and support to us. We receive your gift with much appreciation. ~Randy and Emily

~**Community Night meets this Wednesday evening, January 4.** Bring the usual food contributions for the meal at 6:15. Also bring friends and neighbors to join in the fellowship. At 7:00 children will discuss the question, “Does God fight?” and continue work on their project while the adults “jam” with their instruments and sing. Please bring any musical instrument(s) you have and join in a time of singing together.

~**Mauricio and Alexandra Polo**, guest speakers for January 8, will share on “What is happening in the Colombian Mennonite churches.” They will then join us at noon for the meal and further fellowship.

**The article** “Small Congregations – You are Enough” was posted on the WH Facebook page this past week . If you did not see it, please take time to read it by going to this link. <http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/to-small-congregations-you-are-enough/> One would think that the author is speaking about WH exactly!

~**Starting this Sunday (Jan. 1)**, an intergenerational Sunday school class “Share, Prayer, and Fellowship” will begin. The sessions will include sharing about our personal lives, current events, and where we see God at work in our midst. The class will meet at the end of the fellowship hall where the couches are located. (Room 5) and meet at the same time (9:30) as the other adult class, which meets in Room 12 to continue their study of the Fall quarter uniform series Sunday school lessons.

~**NOTICE:** The goal is to have an updated hard copy of the Witmer Heights Church Directory in your mailbox by Sunday, January 1. It will also be sent via an all church email attachment in case you prefer an electronic copy. Thanks for your responses regarding updated information. Hopefully everything is accurate, but in order to be sure.... please check your information and let Esther Mast know if there are mistakes.

~**Save the Community Night date (February 1).** After our meal together we will work together to make cards and assemble care packages for the eight college students. (Micah Boyer, Cory Eavenson, Sarah Hoffer, Allison Kachel, Jansen Kachel, Madeline Mast, Maria Swartley, and Leslie Wang, **Look for a sign-up sheet on the table at the back of the sanctuary where you can sign up to give donations of money for gift cards or other suggested items.** Your support over the years has been a huge encouragement to our young adults in college.

~**Witmer Heights is scheduled to help staff the YWCA Winter Women's Shelter** the week of **Feb 8-14, 2017.** We will need three people per night to volunteer. (Two Females and one Male) More details to come and an opportunity to sign up. Please pray for the women's winter shelter which opens in December.

~**Remember to continue to bring to church, donations for the CVCCS Food Bank.** Boxes are provided in the East hallway. There continues to be a need. The following items (**with unexpired dates**) are suggestions: rice, pancake mix, syrup, oatmeal, jam/jelly, canned fruit, detergent (laundry or dish), toothpaste, bath soap. Your donations are appreciated.

~**Lancaster Mennonite School** will hold a school-wide open house Thursday, January 26, from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at its six campuses: Hershey (K-12), Kraybill (PreK-8) in Mount Joy, Lancaster (grades 6-12), Locust Grove (PreK-8) in E. Lampeter Township, New Danville (PreK-5), and its new PreK program at Saint James Episcopal Church in downtown Lancaster. The open house will include guided tours and an opportunity to meet teachers and administrators. For more information about these campuses and open house, see [www.lancastermennonite.org](http://www.lancastermennonite.org).