# Menno Bulletín Weekly **Bulletin Announcements for February 4, 2018**

### Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

Feb. 4 - April 1 - Bring your coins (and dollars) for "My Coins Count" offering. Feb. 11 – Covenant signing during worship service. Feb. 14 – Community Night – 6:15. Lenten meal and Ash Wednesday service. Feb. 20 – First Deaf Inc. Board meeting at church – 6:30 pm. April 23 – WH Volunteer day at MCC Resource Center. (9:00 am - 3:00 pm) - Mark your calendar.

	Sunday, February 4	Sunday, February 11
Message	Randy Keener	Randy Keener
Greeters	John H. and Kathryn Landis	Wes Newswanger and Mary Zehr

~Dear church family, Thank you for your prayers, cards, and flowers during this time of sadness as we grieve the death of my brother Carl. Once again you have surrounded us with your compassionate care and we are so grateful. You truly have been the hands and feet of God for us this past year plus. We pray God will richly bless you for your kindness.

## ~Steve and Lorrie Stoltzfus

~Our yearly "My Coins Count" for MCC began Sun., January 14, and will continue through April 1. Money will be taken to the MCC Relief Sale on April 6. (Last year's total was \$2,041.10). Bring your coins each Sunday. Your coin change is like a mustard seed. It may seem small, but when planted it grows to be the greatest of all plants. Also we are asking for persons to choose a Sunday to match the coins collected that Sunday. Contact Becca and Cory Eavenson if you are willing to match on any given Sunday. Total for Jan. 28 was \$56.12, (matched by John & Gladys Landis for a total of \$112.24).

# **Encouragement Link - Week of February 4-10)**

Joshua Boyer – Janet B/Wes Newswanger Johanna Hoffer – Ruth Ann/Merle Reinford \* Madeline Mast – Tricis/Jon Stoltzfus Mia Swartley – Judy/Don Stoltzfus Allison Kachel – Eileen Ranck \*Micah Boyer –Becky Nolt Cory Eavenson - Phyllis/Jim Oswald Jansen Kachel – Becky/John Rutt Leslie Wang – Lois/Marvin Weaver

\*Your contact with Micah and Madeline will need to be by email since they are on their EMU Cross Culture experience. To follow them on the Cross Culture blog, copy/paste into your browser. https://emu.edu/now/crosscultural/2018/01/23/twosides-of-our-wall/ or https://emu.edu/now/crosscultural/category/guatemala-cuba-2018/

# **Thank You Notes from College Students**

~Dear Church Family: Thank you so much for the thoughtful care package! It was such a joy to read the sweet cards and enjoy some of the snacks you sent along. Every year I am continually reminded of how blessed I am to have grown up with such a caring church family. Thank you again! ~Allison Kachel

#### ~Good afternoon!

I would like to extend a big thank you to the congregation for the care package that I received! It was good to see many of you while I was home over winter break, but the new semester has begun and I'm back to early morning practice and late nights studying. I was happy to read the cards that were prepared along with enjoying the snacks. My roommates really appreciated the food as well because I woke up one day to an empty bag of Chex mix, 4 missing granola bars and an abundance of candy wrappers. It is always special to be able to look back on my years at Family Night making these packages for the students that were in college, and now I'm in the position to actually receive them! I hope all is well! Thank you again, ~Jansen Kachel

~Our next Community Night is February 14. (Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent.) There will be a meal at 6:15. Soup will be provided for everyone. All who attend should bring salad or pie to share. After the meal, an activity will be provided for the children, K-Grade 8. Randy will have a lenten-theme meditation for the adults.

~PLEASE NOTE... Just a reminder that the children's Sunday school offering during this school year is going toward the food budget for the leprosy community at Shirati, Tanzania. Anyone can contribute. Just put "S.S. project" on the memo line of your check. The bulletin board at the back of the sanctuary has pictures and information. If you have any questions, please talk to Don or Judy Stoltzfus. Thanks!

~Connections for women (and men) meets at Mellinger Mennonite Church fellowship hall, Tues. mornings from 9:00-11:00. The topic on Feb. 6 will be "Lost and Found" by Jenny Gehman. She says, "As Christians we frequently talk about seeking after and searching for Jesus. And we talk about finding Him, too. But I'm wondering, what about BEING found?!