



- ◆ We are grumblers, God is gracious! Praise God for His unending love and for things that you often take for granted.

Ballots for the vote on our affiliation with Allegheny Mennonite Conference are **due in the office by noon today**, Sun., March 19.

Jeri Schwartz's **new phone number** is 935-0057. Please call this number for kitchen related issues.

Nelson Kraybill will be here for spring meetings Sunday, April 9 through Tuesday, April 11. A **meal sign-up sheet** has been posted for the noon and evening meals. Please note his dietary restrictions.

**Financial statements** for the last quarter have been placed in the mailboxes of the Ministerial Team, Council and the Finance Committee. Additional copies are under the mailboxes for those interested.

Don't forget our **Soup & Scoop and Group Scoop** this coming Saturday, March 25, at 5:00 in the fellowship hall. The evening will begin with a variety of soups and finger foods. We will then hear from a number of people regarding hobbies/collections they have. Those sharing are: Lynn Peachey, Sandy Tussey, John Rheam, Betty Yoder and Wanda Yoder. After the sharing we will enjoy some ice cream together. Just come. Everything is being provided by SS classes. If you have any questions, contact Alan Kauffman.

**Save The Date:** Maple Grove Church Bazaar on Black Friday and Saturday, November 24 & 25, 2017. There will be a bake sale and lunch stand with proceeds from the baked goods going to the kitchen fund. Any volunteers would be a great help. Mark your calendars and come enjoy two fun-filled days of crafts, hand-made Amish quilts, Amish jams & jellies, photo Christmas booth, food & friends. If you would like to reserve a booth, they are \$20 and proceeds go

toward mailing the Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes. Booth fees to be paid at the church office before October 31, 2017.

The 61<sup>st</sup> annual Western PA and West MD **MDS fellowship meal and meeting** will be held on April 6<sup>th</sup> at the Pleasant Valley Community Center, in Oakland, MD. Dinner will be served at 6:30 PM followed by the meeting. If you are planning to attend, please contact John S. Yoder at 483-6550 by March 30. Directions and additional details are on the bulletin board.

**Save The Date:** On Thursday, August 24 we are planning to take the van to a Phillies game. There are currently seven tickets available, but more can be purchased if necessary. The cost would be no more than \$30 for the ticket. We would likely leave around 7:30 AM and return around 9:00 PM with a meal each way. Contact Alan Kauffman if you are interested.

If you would be interested in attending the **MCC relief sale in Harrisburg** on Saturday, April 1 let Herb or Marlene Zook know within the next week. If there is enough interest we will take the van.

It is time to renew your subscription to **The Mennonite**. If you would like to order under the church group plan, the cost is \$37/yr. as opposed to the cost of an individual subscription which is \$46/yr. Your current subscription will expire next month. Your check, *payable to Maple Grove Church*, is due in the church office **by next Sunday, March 26**.

This Tuesday, March 21 is our day to contribute canned soup and boxed macaroni/cheese to **Backyard Club**. Have your donations on the bench in the foyer by 10:30 AM on Tuesday.

We are collecting **30 gallon garbage bags** through next Sunday, March 26 for the Shelter Services in Lewistown.

J. Loren Yoder will be spending several weeks with **MDS in Lewisburg, WV**. There are openings for four men to work there rebuilding houses and/or building new ones from April 23-28. Contact J. Loren for more information.

Jane Neff, director of the Homeless Shelter, is hoping to start a **prayer base** that lifts up the Shelter, its staff and its residents on a regular basis. She would email the intercessors group as particular needs come up. Contact her at 717-248-0102 if you would like to be part of this ministry.

Do you enjoy mentoring young adults and living in community? **Service Adventure** is looking for unit leaders for our Colorado Springs, Colorado, and Jackson, Mississippi, units. The two-year term begins late July. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Susan Nisly at [SusanN@MennoniteMission.net](mailto:SusanN@MennoniteMission.net) or visit us at [www.MennoniteMission.net](http://www.MennoniteMission.net).

	<b>This Week</b>	<b>Next Week</b>
Nursery - SS	Krissy Bonson & Sarah Yoder	Sheila & Amber Penepacker
Nursery - Worship	Jason & Sarah Yoder	Jason & Sarah Yoder
Sound Technician	Jared Byler	Kurt Rheam
Ministerial Team Greeters	Foyer: Nate Kauffman South Door: Kurt Rheam	Foyer: Sandy Tussey South Door: Ray Yoder



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Above cartoon: From “The Far Side”  
 One version of Exodus 17?

*“Gathered to know Jesus, sent to make Jesus known”*