



**Pleasant Hill  
Church of the Brethren**

# Brethren Visitor

April 2010

## Some Things I Do Not Understand

I truly do trust in God and I know that God has saved me and given me eternal life. But there are some things I guess I will never fully understand about God.

Here are some of the things I do not understand: I don't know why people suffer, I don't know why terrible things happen in this world, and I don't even know why there is evil. I don't know when the world will end. I don't know what it is like to die. I don't understand many things about my own choices or how God arranges for things to come to pass in my life.

I sometimes feel as Job must have felt when he experienced great sorrows. He tried to ask God why things in his life were as they were but God never seemed to answer his questions. Instead, God, asked Job questions and Job discovered that he did not know any of the answers to the questions God asked.

I do not expect to understand everything and some of the things I do not understand bring me great joy. I don't understand the amazing grace of God towards me, I do not understand God's great love, and I do not understand how God can forgive all my sins. I love God and I rejoice in what I do understand. I understand that Jesus rose from the dead and is alive for ever more.

Happy Easter, *Pastor Phil*

## You Visited Me

When you visited me in the hospital it told me that you cared. Visitation does that and visitation is one of the ministries that Jesus encourages Christians to do: "*I was sick and you visited me.*" *Matthew 25*. Days in the hospital get long and lonely just lying there and looking at the four walls. Discouragement and fear are part of being so sick and your visits ministered God's love. Some of you sat and talked with me and it was good to see the faces of friends. Some of you brought flowers or small gifts and they cheered me up. Some of you kept me up-to-date on happenings in the church and community. Some of you noticed when I was getting tired and decided that your visit had gone long enough. All of you were doing the work of the Lord and all of you were helping me get better. Ministry to the sick is part of being involved in the work of the Lord. Thank you.

*Judy King*

### Sundays in April

#### **April 4 Easter Sunday**

7:00 AM Sunrise Service  
8:00 AM Breakfast  
9:15 AM Sunday School  
10:30 AM Easter Cantata

#### **April 11**

"My Lord and My God"  
John 20:24-31

#### **April 18**

Pastor Russ speaking

#### **April 25**

Noah Martin speaking

### OUR SHUT-INS

**AT HOME:** June Berg, Pauline Caton, Marian "Toots" Covalt, Bob & Anna Craft, Judy King, Gladys Kovach, Elsie Matula, Janet Roberts, Mabel Rose, Jean Snyder

**AUTUMNS VIEW:** Mildred Rager

**CAMBRIA CARE CENTER:** Lee Moore

**HARMONY HOUSE:** Agnes Mae Harrison

**LAUREL VIEW VILLAGE:** Margie Cameron, Virginia Rummel

**PRESBYTERIAN HOME:** Belva Rager

### HOSPITALIZED SINCE LAST NEWSLETTER:

Sara Oaks, Jerry Rhodes, Ronald Mackell Sr., Belva Rager, Lee Carney, Deloris Kehl, Robert Lonsinger Sr, Paulette Stevens, Michael Lonsinger, Lois Rager

### NEXT COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING(S):

Monday, April 12, 2010

**NEXT BUSINESS MEETING:** Monday, April 26

**NEXT DEACON MEETING:** Tuesday, June 1

### DEACON(S) FOR THE WEEK

April 04 – Terry and Bonnie Bouch

April 11 – Jim and Shirley Cameron

April 18 – Jeff and Cindy Day

April 25 – Jim and Cindy Gossard

### 8:00 AM NURSERY CARE

April 04 – EASTER – NO 8:00 SERVICE

April 11 – Doris Bassett

April 18 – Diane Metzgar

April 25 – Katelynn Horner, Carol Harrison, Denise Shaulis

### 10:30 AM NURSERY CARE

April 04 –

April 11 – Taylor Davis

April 18 –

April 25 – Norma Reighard

### 8:00 AM FRONT DOOR GREETERS

April 04 – EASTER – NO 8:00 SERVICE

April 11 – Bob and Vicky Lonsinger

April 18 – Len and Kathy Ferenchik

April 25 – Dan and Denise Shaulis

### 10:30 AM FRONT DOOR GREETERS

April 04 – Bob and Vicky Lonsinger and Family

April 11 – Roberta Lonsinger

April 18 – Deloris Lewis and Carol Moschgat

April 25 – John, Melissa, and Kristin MacEwan

### EAT-N-PARK COUPONS

The Auxiliary of the Brethren Home is selling \$10 Eat-n-Park coupons. The Home will make \$1 profit on each one sold. We appreciate your support. See April Mackell (536-1589) or Jean Rager (322-1158).

### SPIRITUAL RENEWAL

At Easter we celebrate the most glorious event in all of history – the Resurrection of Jesus. The Spiritual Renewal Team recommends this verse for meditation as we celebrate this blessed season.

"Don't be alarmed," he said. "You are looking for Jesus the Nazarene, who was crucified. He has risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid him." Mark 16:6

### STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

Date	8:00 AM	Sunday School	10:30 AM	Evening	Offering
1-31	80	110	119		\$4,732
2-7	119	101	130		\$7,415
2-14	130	117	152		\$5,054
2-21	112	107	132		\$4,521
2-28	89	105	110		\$3,748
3-7	111	111	118		\$5,936
3-14	102	107	134		\$6,532
3-21	113	110	123	85 (Lenten Service)	\$3,925

### ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

April 04 – Hannah Cameron and Paige Hunter

April 11 – Chad Cameron and Jordan Schroll

April 18 – Levi and Shiloh Peruso

April 25 – Chase Davis and Austin Pudliner

The Acolytes begin serving their church when they are willing and able. This is a very special way to represent Jesus, The Light of the World! If you are unable to make your scheduled day, please call April Mackell at 536-1589, so the change can be made in the bulletin.

### GOD'S BLESSING

Christopher James Beltz was born Friday, February 5, 2010. The proud parents are Justin and Danielle. Grandfather is J. Craig Beltz.

Jordan Brienne Rager was born February 16, 2010. The proud parents are Michael and Jessie Rager. Grandparents are Brian and Gloria Rager and Thair and Jean Bush. Great-grandparents are Jack and Shirley Rager.

Dakota Lynn Snoeberger was born Tuesday, March 2, 2010. The proud parents are Hope Rice and Aaron Snoeberger. Great-grandparents are Nick and Betty Fabina.

Brynn Alaina Hyland was born on Thursday, March 4, 2010. The proud parents are Josh and Marisa Hyland. Grandparents are Jeff and Cindy Day; great-grandparents are Larry and Viona Blue.

### **SYMPATHY**

Pleasant Hill Church offers its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of LARRY FERENCHIK, who went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, January 29, 2010. Larry was the brother of Len Ferenchik.

Pleasant Hill Church offers its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of JANET KING, who went to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, February 2, 2010.

Pleasant Hill Church offers its deepest sympathy to the family and friends of MARDELL RAGER, who went to be with her Lord and Savior on Monday, February 22, 2010. Marcell was the mother of Richard Rager

### **THANK YOU**

I want to thank the Youth for the Calendar, and everyone for the Christmas Cards. I would also like to thank the Witness Commission for the Christmas Cactus, and Ginny Babal for her visit. Lois Rager

I would Like to Thank the church family for the delicious fruit basket. God Bless you all. Mabel Rose

I would like to thank the church for all of the prayers and cards. I am healing slowly. Ed Saintz

The Youth would like to Thanks everyone who made the Sweet Heart Dinner a Great Success. Thanks to all who baked the delicious desserts, the staff and advisors who helped put it all together and those who attended the dinner.

The Youth would like to thank everyone who donated to SouperBowl Sunday. Pleasant Hill collected \$260.00 and 30 non-perishables.

Thank you so much for the Valentine's package. It is so nice to receive things from home. School is going good. Lots of Studying and the package brightened up the snowy day. I really appreciate the thought. Thanks Again. Annie Cekada

Thank you for remembering me over the Christmas Holidays with the nice gift. It's easy to see God's Love was at the heart of your kindness and was appreciated more than words can say. It brings me joy everyday. Your thoughtfulness will never be forgotten. Again, many thanks for remembering me in such a special way. May the good Lord Bless and keep all of you in His great care.  
Love to all of you, Jeanne Snyder

Thanks to everyone who donated items and money to assemble kits for Haiti. The students of the Rotation Model appreciate your generosity. We assembled 64 kits.

Thank you for your recent gift to the Community Foundation for the Alleghenies. This gift will benefit the Saturday's Kitchen. The purpose of this fund shall be directed to the Family Kitchen to have meals provided on weekends and to provide for operation on weekends. As a contingent, the fund may also provide support to area food pantries and the Food Bank.

Carol Stern, Director Donor Relations

To all my friends at Pleasant Hill,  
I want you to know how much I appreciate the cards, tapes, and the visits. I especially want to thank Jim and Cindy Gossard for the beautiful cards that they send. I also would like to thank Pastor Phil and Judy for their visits.

Love in Christ, Mildred Rager

A big THANK YOU to everybody who helped serve the meal at the Family Kitchen on Sat., March 20th. You are all truly a blessing! For anybody who missed out, watch for information for "our day" next spring. PS... the youth group will be serving a meal at the Kitchen in October.

### **CONGRATULATIONS**

Congratulations to Shailen Sehgal and Alison Rager who were married at Pleasant Hill on Saturday, March 20, 2010. God's blessing to you both as you begin your lives together.

### **NEW LIBRARY BOOKS**

We recently got several new books in the church library.

The titles and authors are:

199 Promises of God

Prayers & Promises for Mothers

The Red Gloves Collection - Karen Kingsbury

Gardenias for Breakfast - Robin Jones Gunn

Amish Country Crossroads - Beverly Lewis

### **TWO CENTS A MEAL**

The 2 Cents Meal program is designed to help with the ongoing problem of world hunger. Families are encouraged to take a sticker and put it on a soup can, and then keep it in a handy place. As you sit down to eat each meal, please have each member of your family put 2 cents into the can, and also pray for people who don't have enough to eat around the world. The big can is put in the back of the church on the first Sunday of each month for you to bring the contents of your can in to deposit. The money collected is sent in by the church treasurer to help provide food for families world wide.

### **BROTHER HORACE CALLED AS INTERIM**

Butch Derr has been called to Conemaugh CoB as Interim Pastor. Amelia will help Butch as needed along with her duties here at Pleasant Hill. Please keep them in your prayers as they minister to the congregation.

### **COMMUNITY GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE**

Pastors from the West End churches, choirs, and special music will present a worship service at Albright United Methodist Church April 2 from Noon to 3:00 PM based on Christ's seven words from the cross.

### **HOLY WEEK EVENTS**

#### **Palm Sunday, March 28:**

Palms distributed during worship

Baptism at 7:00 PM

#### **Maundy Thursday, April 1:**

Bread and Cup Communion at 1:00 PM

Love Feast at 7:00 PM

#### **Good Friday, April 2:**

Community Good Friday Service at Albright United Methodist from Noon – 3:00 PM

Easter Egg Hunt in Fellowship Hall from 2 – 4 PM

Tenebrae (Service of Shadows) at 8:00 PM

24 Hour Prayer Vigil begins at 9:00 PM

#### **Easter Sunday, April 4:**

Sunrise Service at 7:00 AM

Breakfast in the Fellowship Hall at 8:15 AM

Sunday School at 9:15 AM

Cantata during 10:30 Worship

### **PASTOR'S VACATION**

Pastor Phil will be on vacation from April 13 to May 3. If you need pastoral care during this time, please see Pastor Russ, Amelia Derr, or any of our Deacons.

### **JOY CLUB**

We will meet at the church at 10:30 AM on Tuesday, April 13, for a presentation by Pete Smith.

### **CURIOUS GEORGE**

The Pre-school Sunday School is organizing an outing to see Curious George at the War Memorial. They need a group of 10 or more to get the group rate. The show is Wednesday, April 14, 2010 at 10:30 AM. Tickets are \$12.00. Contact Amy Swick for more information at 262-7040. Parents must accompany their children.

### **CAMP HARMONY SWEETHEART SPRING FLING**

Due to the weather, Camp Harmony had to postpone the Sweetheart Dinner. If you missed reserving for the first date, a second chance is provided. The Sweetheart Spring Fling is scheduled for Thurs., April 15 at 6PM. A full course dinner will be provided; our entertainment for the evening is folk singer, Linda Biery. Call Camp to reserve a place for you and your sweetheart at \$10 a dinner. Proceeds will be used for the Camp Scholarship Fund.

### **FLEA MARKET**

Morrellville CoB is holding a Flea Market from 8 – 2 on Saturday, April 17, 2010. Anyone wishing to rent a table for \$5.00 please call Jo Etta Rager at 322-4934 or Kay Clark at 288-5211. Food and a bake sale will also be held.

### **COB CROSS-CULTURAL CELEBRATION**

The Church of the Brethren Cross-Cultural Celebration will be at Camp Harmony April 22 to 26. This is an opportunity for lots of cultures to come together and worship the Lord. Join brothers and sisters from all over the country (and world) in an energetic and uplifting time of fellowship, music, and food. Call Camp for information.

### **SIGHT AND SOUND TRIP**

A bus trip is being planned to Sight and Sound Theatre to see "Joseph" on June 24. The cost is \$110 per person and includes transportation, the show, and family-style dinner at Hershey Farms. A deposit is required with your reservation. Please call Nancy Cernic at 539-1432.

### **ANNUAL CONFERENCE AGENDA**

The Church of the Brethren Annual Conference will address five major items of business in Pittsburgh, Pa., on July 3-7:

- Query: The Mission of Annual Conference
- Query: Guidelines for Implementation of the Congregational Ethics Paper
- Resolution Against Torture
- Revised bylaws for the Church of the Brethren Inc.
- Change in polity for appeals of decisions of the Annual Conference Program and Arrangements Committee.

Interim report from Standing Committee on the special response process will be brought as an information only item.

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED AT CAMP HARMONY**

Weekend hosts	Cutting and splitting wood
Servers for dinners	Maintenance
Kitchen help	Auxiliary help
Church groups to do big projects	

### **PARENTING INSIGHTS**

Talk to children about the real meaning of Easter – and what Jesus did for us – by asking these questions:

1. What happened on the first Easter, and why is that so exciting?
2. Why do you think Jesus had to die on the cross? Why were his friends so surprised to see him again afterward?
3. What does Easter mean to you? How does it change your life?
4. Why does God want us to tell other people what happened on Easter? What are some ways you can do that?

~ The Parent Link, April 2010 (find the entire issue at [www.pleasanthillchurchofthebrethren.org](http://www.pleasanthillchurchofthebrethren.org))

## Pleasant Hill Church of the Brethren – Congregational Business Meeting – Monday, January 25, 2010

The Congregational Business Meeting took place in the chapel with 31 people in attendance. Linda Reininger, Church Moderator, called the meeting to order and began the meeting with devotions and prayer.

**Minutes:** Linda Reininger asked for a motion to approve the minutes of October's Congregational Business Meeting as printed in the church newsletter. Barry Natta made a motion to accept the minutes as printed, seconded by Ed Jones, **Motion carried.**

**Approval of Agenda:** Linda Reininger asked to have the agenda approved. Mike Rager made a motion that the agenda be approved, seconded by Patty Toth, **Motion Carried.**

**Old Business:** None

**Executive Committee:** Ed Jones thanked the committees and the commissions for all their work for 2009. Ed reported that the committee held one meeting to discuss the 2010 proposed budget. They are also looking into hiring a Child Care Coordinator. The Executive Committee will be appointing two members for the Gift Discernment /Nominating Committee.

**Nurture Commission:** Heather Smith gave the report. The Christmas card project raised \$1,028 that was split between Camp Harmony and New Day. The Mitten tree collected 3 bags of scarves, gloves and coat that were give to the Cambria City Mission. The commission's annual appointments are the same. Terry Gindlesperger will serve as the Vice Chairman.

Len and Kathy Ferenchik will serve as assistant teachers for the youth Sunday School class. The annual Easter egg hunt is scheduled for Friday, April 2, 2010

**Youth:** Zach Toth gave the report. The youth held the Hanging of the Greens Service, attended the Michael W. Smith concert, Youth Praise and Worship event "The Door" and have baked a lot of cookies for the Christmas Cookie Tray fundraiser. Our youth put 75 cooked trays together and sold them earning about \$1,0000. The youth went Christmas caroling to about 45 houses on the hill. Also, 6 Jr. High youth attended Winter Blizzard on Jan 15- 16. The youth are selling tickets until Feb 10, 2010 for the Sweetheart meal. The meal will be on Feb 14<sup>th</sup> after the 10:30 a.m. service. Sr. High Blast will be on Jan. 29-30. The youth have a lot of big youth events in the planning for this year. The events include: Jr. High group to Acquire the Fire in May, all youth to Creation Fest 2010 in June, and the Senior High Mission trip to Washington, D.C in August.

**Witness Commission:** Kris Goldberg gave the Witness Commission report. The church collected 114 Gifts for the Heart Kits. In December, gifts were purchased for shut-ins. The commission purchased 2 CD players were given to shut-ins that did not have a CD player so that they could listen to CD's of our church service. Laura Wade and Ginny Babal will be going off the Witness Commission. Patty Toth and Jessie Rager have been appointed to the Witness Commission. Pleasant Hill Church of the Brethren will be participating in Saturday's Kitchen on March 20, 2010. We will need 6 to 10 volunteers from 10:45 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. The Witness Commission gave \$1,000 towards the Disaster Haiti Project. Additional money received from the church has resulted in a total of \$2,309 towards the Disaster Haiti Project. The Witness Commission has allocated \$100 towards the Sunday School hygiene kits for Haiti.

**Stewards Commission:** Barry Natta reported. The Stewards will be getting prices for the dumpster. The refrigerator in the kitchen has been fixed. The light in the stained glass is to be repaired. Blinds for the Chapel and Classrooms have been order and should arrive in 3 to 5 weeks. The wheelchair lift has been repaired. In addition, the Stewards are exploring replacing the copier in the office.

**Music & Worship Commission:** Mike Rager gave the report. Mike Rager will be the Chairperson and Jerry Rhodes will be the Vice Chairperson for 2010. Music and Worship has purchased a new microphone. On Feb. 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m., there will be an Ash Wednesday service. Jerry Rhodes will coordinate Daffodil Sunday on March 21, 2010. Order forms for daffodils will be in the bulletin and newsletter. Other important information: we will be ordering Easter flowers, Palms will be distributed 3/29/10, and Lenten Service 3/21/10. Music and Worship will be looking into purchasing an octave of bells for the Bell Choir. The sound board will be cleaned and the bells will be tuned. In addition to ordering Easter flowers, members may give a donation that will be given to an organization

**Approval of Reports:** John Plunkard made a motion to approve reports; Missy Plunkard seconded, **Motion Carried.**

**Deacon Report:** Cindy Gossard gave the report. In their recent meeting, the deacons reviewed the Shepherd list and everyone in the congregation has been assigned to a Deacon. In March, the deacons will begin preparation for communion.

**Treasurer Report:** Pete Smith gave everyone a copy of the report. He added that our congregation should be commended that Pleasant Hill was able to provide an additional \$18,000 to various projects not on the budget. Pete would like to remind everyone that monies allocated for a special project should be sent directly to the project. He stated that all the donations that are received for Haiti have been sent directly to the Brotherhood.

**Living/Memorial Trust Fund:** Everyone received a copy of the report.

**Disaster Relief, Camp Harmony, Brethren Home, Brethren Benefit Trust:** Marsha Smith reported that the Brethren Home just completed its annual survey and it went well.

**Vision Task Team:** No report.

**Pastor Phillip King – Report for 10/26/09 to 1/25/10:**

Pastoral Calls:

Hospital/Nursing Home	34		
Homes	23		
Funeral Homes	3		
Jail	1		
Work/School	2		
Office	13	Total	76
Staff meetings	7		
Committee meetings	7		
Board Meetings	2		
Commission meetings	8		
Business Meeting	1		
8 AM Worship	11		
Sunday School	11		
10:30 Am Worship	11		
Evening Worship/Bible	8		
Promise Keepers	6		
Choir practice	3		
Anointing	5		
Parent/Child Consecration	1	Zoey Rae Conley	1/3/10
Funerals	2	Stephanie Shaulis	10/31/09
		Mildred Blue	11/18/09
Communion	1		
Home Communion	1		

Roger Conley was received in by letter of transfer 1/3/10

Vacation Days November 17 – November 30, 2009

Shut-ins Visited this Quarter:

Bob and Anna Craft, Mildred Blue, Jeanie Snyder, Sara Oaks, Belva Rager, June Berg

Activities for this Quarter:

Pastor's breakfast at Laurel View Village 10/27, CoB Minister's meeting 10/27, Camp Harmony Theater 10/39, West End Hymn Sing 11/11/10, Pastor Pear lunch 11/4, Planning for Candle Light 11/5, 6, District Auction 11/7, Deacon Workshop at Beachdale CoB, 11/8, Core Leadership Team 11/9, Renewal Team 11/11, We Care Team 11/12, Prepare Spiritual

Disciplines Folder 11/13, Pre-marriage class 11/14, Fire Co. Spaghetti Supper 11/14, Prepare for Mission Moment 11/15, District Leadership Team 11/20, attend Hanging of Greens 11/29, Deacon Meeting 12/1, Tribune Democrat news 12/3, meet with Ron Beachley 12/3, Family Activity at church 12/4, West End Hymn Sing 12/6, West End Clergy 12/8, attend Miglioaccio wedding at Barron's Court 12/8, auctioneer for Women's Fellowship 12/8, New Day gift wrapping 12/12, Church sign 12/15, Auxiliary at our house 12/17, Community Newsletter 12/17, Church sign 12/22, set up for Candle light 12/23, Candle light services 6 PM & 8 PM 12/24, attended CBYF event 12/27, Bible Reading Sunday 12/29, Greater ministry 12/29, CoB Pastors meeting 12/29, planning meeting for Lenten Sunday evenings 12/29, Camp Appreciation Dinner 12/30, New Year's Eve Communion 12/31, update Shepherding List 1/5, speak at Atrium Manor 1/7, Deacon meeting (Shepherding) 1/10, West End Clergy 1/12, pray at Food Pantry 1/14, visit with Ron Beachley 1/15, finalize Lenten Sunday Evening service 1/19, Pastor Peer lunch 1/20, help with youth Bible study 1/20,

The Spiritual Renewal effort, "Springs of Living Water," is underway and a Renewal Team has been formed (Carol Harrison, Marsha Smith, Sandy Natta, and Tracy Rhodes). A Congregational discussion time will take place in connection with the next Soup and Sandwich dinner. This event is part of the Spiritual Renewal and includes a time to identify the strengths of this church.

I encourage everyone to attend and enjoy the "Sweetheart Dinner" that will happen on February 14. I will be preaching on the topic of "Sin" (I am against it) during the Sundays in Lent. I have requested, and the Executive Committee approved, an additional week of vacation in my contract agreement for the year 2010. I was planning to take three weeks during the middle of February and the first of March but that will depend a bit on how Judy is doing and if it will be possible for us to visit our daughter in Atmore, Alabama. I will be taking a total of 5 weeks vacation this year. Thank you so much for all your prayers and support during this challenging time for Judy and me. Her health is improving but there are many challenges ahead. Sincerely in Christ, Phillip A. King, Pastor

**Pastor Russell Peruso, Associate Pastor – Report for 10/26/09 to 1/25/10:**

**Hospital / Anointing – 7**

**Pastoral Biblical Advising Sessions – 18**

**In Office Visits – 16**

**Home Visits - 6**

**8:00 services – 10**

**10:30 services -- 10**

**Youth Bible Studies Small Group (Teaching) – 11**

**Youth Sunday Schools (Teaching) - 10**

**Youth CBYF Meetings – 12**

**Youth Organizational / Planning Meetings – 2**

**Special Youth Events – 6 = Hanging of the Greens, Michael W. Smith Concert, Youth Praise and Worship Door @ Emanuel Baptist, Cookie Tray Fund Raiser, Christmas Caroling, Jr. High Blizzard @ Camp**

**Pastor's Meetings – 6**

**Preached/ Taught At – Pike Run COB, 3 times at "The Break" Moxham COB on Worship, Hanging of the Greens Service**

Since October 26, 2009, I have prepared for and taught at our normal Sunday School Classes, CBYF Meetings, Wednesday Night Bible Studies unless we had a youth event to prepare for. I held organizational meetings for the 2010 Youth Events, meetings, fund raisers, teachings, and special events.

I am teaching on Hearing the Voice of God and Boundary Setting on Wednesday night's small group meetings. We will also be studying the book of Romans. At CBYF Sunday night meetings we are doing the DVD of the life of Joseph, we will be doing book studies on Every Young Mans and Young Women Battles. For Sunday School we are watching DVD's by Rob Bell on various Relational/ Biblical truths and going through Great Talks Outlines lessons.

I preached at or taught at Pike Run COB, 3 times at The Break @ Moxham COB, Pleasant Hill COB, Hanging of the Greens service. I have been helped in the baking of the cookies. Directed Bell Choir and took the youth to do the events. I got approved for and took vacation 12-29-09 to 1-5-10. I met with some of our youth and college students during this time to catch up with them while they were off during Christmas. I am working on this years youth events calendar for 2010. I will be preaching Jan. 29<sup>th</sup> at Thomas Mennonite Church. Feb. 7 Souper Bowl collection and Super Bowl party.

Pastor Russ will begin exploring the possibility of purchasing a van to be used for youth activities. John McKown will assist Russ with researching and developing a feasibility plan to present to the board. Terry Gindlesperger reported that the Nurture Commission is not adverse to a van if the focus is on the youth.

### **Amelia Derr, Christian Education Director – Report for 1/24/10:**

Worship Services-13

Office- 13

Meetings-3

#### **Sunday School**

We will be completing “Journey to Bethlehem” at the end of this month. We will have a special event on Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>; we will begin packaging hygiene kits for Haiti (Church world Service). Our new unit will be Peter’s Story to prepare for Easter. Our service projects that we completed since the last C.B.M. was Women’s Help Center I delivered the items to the center that was collected. The most recent is the Emmanuel Orphanage in Honduras. We collected approximately \$53.00 for the baby bottle fund drive.

A new project was decided on the 17<sup>th</sup>. We will be making hygiene kits for Haiti.

We added a new teacher for the story rotation; Cindy Cummings will work with Cassie Jones.

I ordered 24 bells for the children’s bells choir along with music to begin their music library.

I continue to copy curriculum, distribute, set schedules, and maintain classrooms and cupboards.

I also continue to monitor the bear ministry and follow the blog that is on our web page.

The Preschool class is going well; they are sometimes in need of more classroom space.

I held a teacher’s meeting in December

I am recycling children’s bulletins and Children’s Church curriculum, it has been given to Cambria City Mission.

#### **Children’s Church**

Our children’s church is going well. We are still looking for teacher/teachers for the 8:00 and the 10:30 service; we have added a new teacher for the 10:30 service, Cindy Cummings.

I continue to copy material, distribute and set schedules.

#### **Personal Activities**

I continue my own personal devotions for my spiritual growth.

I keep in contact with the licensed minister that I mentor.

I am teaching a Women’s Bible study.

I continue working on plans for Annual conference.

**Board Chairman:** No report.

**Approval of Reports:** Mike Rager made a motion to approve reports, seconded by Ginny Babal, **Motion Carried.**

#### **New Business:**

- **Call of a Deacon:** Linda Reiningger lead prayer for the calling of a deacon. The members voted and Mike and Jessie Rager have been called to be deacons.
- **Affirm two members to the Gifts Discernment/Nominating Committee:** The current members are: Bonnie Bouch, Dick Oaks and Shawna Kosakowski. The presented slate is: Bonnie Plunkard and one remaining vacancy. No motion or second is needed only affirmation. None were opposed.
- **Delegates to Annual Conference:** Annual Conference will be held on July 3 -7 in Pittsburgh. The delegates are Terry Bouch, Bonnie Bouch, and Donna Smith. No motion or second is needed only affirmation. None were opposed.
- **Delegates to District Conference:** The District Conference will be on October 23, 2010 at Camp Harmony. The slates of names for a 3 year term are Cassie Jones and Tammy Horner. No motion or second is needed only affirmation. None were opposed.

Pastor Russ closed the meeting with prayer. Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted, Kathy Ferenchik



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*"Inviting all people to experience the wonder of  
creation, and find harmony with God, with nature, and  
with one another"*

### CAMP HARMONY SUMMER 2010 SCHEDULE

- June 1 – 18** – Staff Training  
    **13 – 18** – Volunteer Work Week - Free Housing and Food for Labor  
    **19** – Reunion Saturday – Official Start of Camp Harmony Summer Camp  
        Service of Dedication for Staff  
    **20 – 25** – 3/4/5 Mystery Camp  
            3/4/5 Sports Camp  
            6/7/8 Sports Camp  
            Senior High Canoe Camp  
**June 27 – July 3** – 3/4/5 Performing Arts Camp  
            6/7/8 Performing Arts Camp  
            Senior High Performing Arts Camp  
    **July 2** – PAC evening performance  
    **July 3** – PAC matinee performance  
**June 27 – July 2** – 6/7/8 Canoe Camp  
**July 6 – 9** – Sportsman Camp  
    **6 – 8** – 3/4/5 – Beginning Adventure Camp  
        3/4/5 – Short Experience  
    **9 – 10** – Parent/Child Camp  
    **11 – 16** – 3/4/5 Intermediate Adventure Camp  
    **18 – 23** – 6/7/8 Beginning Adventure Camp  
        6/7/8 Trailblazers 1 Camp (Beginning Horse Camp)  
        6/7/8 Trailblazers 2 Camp (Advanced Horse Camp)  
    **25 – 30** – 3/4/5 Young Explorers Camp (GPS)  
        6/7/8 Intermediate Adventure Camp  
    **25 – 28** – Junior High and Senior High Amplify Camp  
**August 1 – 6** – 3/4/5 Mega Camp  
        6/7/8 Advanced Adventure  
**August 13- 15** – Family Camp

#### Kinderkритters Day Camps

Every Week - June 21 through August 5

Monday and Tuesday – Kindergarten through 3<sup>rd</sup> grade – Whole Day  
Wednesday and Thursday – Preschool - Half Day

# April 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				<b>1</b> Volunteers to West End Food Pantry 1:00 PM Bread and Cup 7:00 PM Love Feast	<b>2 Good Friday</b> 2-4 PM Easter Egg Hunt 8:00 PM Tenebrae Service  9 PM Friday—9 PM Saturday 24 Hour Prayer Vigil	<b>3</b>
<b>4 Easter</b> 7:00 AM Sunrise Service 8:15 Breakfast 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Service 10:45 Children's Church	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b> 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>7</b> Volunteers to CoB Home 9 AM Quilters 6 PM Promise Keepers 6-8 PM Youth Small Grp 7 PM Choir Practice	<b>8</b> Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>11</b> 8:00 AM Service 8:15 Children's Church 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Service with Easter Cantata 10:45 Children's Church 6:00 PM C.B.Y.F.	<b>12</b> 6:30 PM Commission Meetings 7:00 PM Board Meeting	<b>13</b> 10:30 AM JOY Club 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>14</b> 9 AM Quilters 6 PM Promise Keepers 6-8 PM Youth Small Grp 7 PM Choir Practice	<b>15</b> Volunteers to West End Food Pantry 6:00 PM Sweetheart Spring Fling at Camp Harmony	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>18</b> 8:00 AM Service 8:15 Children's Church 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Service 10:45 Children's Church 6:00 PM C.B.Y.F.	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b> 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>21</b> Volunteers to CoB Home 9 AM Quilters 6 PM Promise Keepers 6-8 PM Youth Small Grp 7 PM Choir Practice	<b>22</b> Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
<b>25</b> 8:00 AM Service 8:15 Children's Church 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Service 10:45 Children's Church 6:00 PM C.B.Y.F.	<b>26</b> 7:00 PM Congregational Business Meeting	<b>27</b> 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>28</b> 9 AM Quilters 6 PM Promise Keepers 6-8 PM Youth Small Grp 7 PM Choir Practice	<b>29</b> Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	<b>30</b>	

## April Birthdays

1 Brandi Solomon	12 Agnes Mae Harrison	21 Laura Carver
1 Kimberly Browning	13 Delilah Beltz	21 Korey Roberts
1 Gloria Harrison	13 Pamela (Rager) Solich	21 Mary Lou Thomas
1 Lauren Natta	13 Colleen Shaulis	22 Jonathan Berg
3 Wayne Edwards	13 Denise Patrick	22 Jill Peruso
3 Cale Rager	13 Ben Rager	22 Brenda "Jean" Bush
3 Brittany Gramling	14 Jim Amos	22 Debbie Paul
4 Natalie Harrison	14 Tom Covalt	22 Taylor Plunkard
4 Becky Hobor	17 Wendy Bintrim	23 Sylvia Bintrim
5 Nancy Hoke	17 Kit McIntire	23 Wayne Blue
5 Nick Fabina Sr.	17 Alexis McKendree	23 Mindi Metzgar
6 JoAnn Covalt	17 Austin Pudliner	23 Tom Leventry
6 Nicolle Kovach	17 Lacey Rager	23 Melissa Plows
7 Carl Allison, Sr.	17 Tom Vanfossen	23 Katie Kozielec
7 Kendall Swick	18 Sharon Allison	24 Molly Thomas
8 Joel Harmon	18 Grant Horner	24 Donna Fulcomer
8 Bryon Berg	18 Joshua Swick	26 Evan Heider
8 Alexandra Jones	18 Scott Rager	26 Eric Bernardis
9 Emily Shaulis	19 Alayna Metzgar	27 William Hockensmith
10 Melissa Demchak	19 Greg Gossard	27 Janet Leventry
10 Kayla Myers	19 Valerie Gustkey	27 Peggy Parks
11 Meredith Demchak	19 Barry Miller	28 Alexis Metzgar
11 Brenda Miller	20 Patrick Barron	28 Gloria Rager
11 Travis Antolik	20 Vincent Gramling	29 Roger Conley
11 Danny Rager	20 Mollie Moschgat	29 Ahlia Harchik
11 Wayne Potvin	20 Baylie Moschgat	29 Elijah Metzgar
12 Cassandra Jones	21 Tim Davis	29 Lorna Schroeder
12 Julie Brehm		30 Ryan Berg

## Happy Anniversary!

2 Blake and Colleen Cameron	14 Bob and Bonnie Plunkard
4 Trent and Vicki Roberts	18 Bob and JoAnn Covalt
4 Brian and Sara Swick	19 Braden and Sue Heider
7 Russ and Jill Peruso	22 Bob and Anna Craft
7 Keith and Tammy Rager	22 DeVon and Lorraine Saintz
8 Carl and Sally Allison	23 John and Becky Hobor
8 Galen and Ethel Carney	23 Scott and Nikki Williams
8 John and Melissa MacEwan	25 Jim and Annice Allison
11 Marty and Wendy Rager	28 Thair and Brenda Bush
14 William and Jean Hockensmith	29 Roger and Kimberly Browning
14 Ernie and Lois Johns	