



# The Valley Echoes

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## Take, Eat & Drink, and Go

**July 11<sup>th</sup>** will be an extra special Sunday. During our worship celebration, we will recognize and send forth with prayer the 9 youth and 2 advisors headed to National Youth Conference (see the back page for more info on that trip). We will send them forth from the Lord's table. And there is a place set for you. Come and break bread with us. Come and drink from the cup of Christ. Come and be renewed for the journey you presently face (even if not NYC). Pray for our young people and send them with Godspeed. The youth will share their NYC experience during worship in August (date tba).

## Church Board to Reorganize for 2010-2011

All current and incoming Board members should mark **July 29<sup>th</sup>** onto their calendars. This is the date for our Board Reorganization meeting. We will have pizza & drinks at 6:40, with the meeting itself starting at 7:00. During the meeting, we will choose next year's Church Board Chair, Vice Chair, and organize into commissions. Then, time will be given for each commission to meet and share information before the new board begins on September 1st. Don't forget to bring your calendars & ideas to share!

## Church Family News

**Recent hospitalization:** Suffering an acute minor heart attack, **Bill Albright** underwent heart catheterization which revealed his arteries are open. He is still weak but was back to church... **Floyd Myers** is at home, recovering well after open heart surgery on May 24... After **Bill Pennell** spent a week in the hospital for tests trying to determine why his left eye is not functioning correctly, results were inconclusive. He's beginning to feel a slight improvement... **Dusty Smith** as he continues to recover from kidney surgery... **Frank Barringer** spent a week in the hospital with breathing difficulties...

**Other medical concerns:** Mitch Roberts' grandfather, **Alfred**, had brain surgery to remove a growth the size of a walnut... Kathleen's husband, **Bill Nuttall** had a tumor removed from his bladder. The news from the biopsy was - the tumor is low grade and non-invasive, i.e. very treatable... **Bonnie Snyder**, daughter of Richard & Betty Tracey, is returning to activity after recent struggles with severe seizures. . . Expectant mother **Leann Scholle** is on modified bed rest due to birth pains that are coming too early...

**Cancer issues:** Those who visit with **Lois Webb** see improvement every time. She is slowly gaining strength in her recovery process... **Monica Barlow** continues to do well and is able to keep up with her work with the Orioles, getting extra rest when possible... Priscilla Brown's friend, **George Depetria**, is improving as he is undergoing chemotherapy... **Pam Scholle** (Dennis' mom in Ohio) just had another mammogram as a 9-month breast cancer survivor and is doing quite well... **Leanne Scholle's grandmother** had a relapse of breast cancer after 7 years, and begins radiation... **Pam Bryant** is finishing up her last radiation for her breast cancer... Continue to uphold these folks in prayer.

**Thank you:** **Mike & Gail Hanna** were a part of the *Dick Gelfman ride* to raise money for breast cancer. This year the ride raised \$300,000 for the *Susan G. Komen fund*... **Caitlin Haynes** was a part of the planning committee for the Young Adult conference which was held at Camp Blue Diamond, Petersburg, PA May 28-30 (see elsewhere for more information).

**New Experiences:** **Tyler Haynes** is living and teaching in Thailand for 9 months and using a blog for updates (<http://tyler-thailand.blogspot.com>)... **Mitch Haynes** is on the staff at Shepherd's Spring this summer... **Courtney & Erin Stevens** flew to Idaho, joining their brother **Jason**, visiting their grandparents. They'll all return after Annual Conference.

**Don't forget:** **Callixtus Nwaehiri**

**Births:** Carl & Lillie Mae Palmer have a new great-grandson. **Brady Jeffrey Farrell**, born May 16. He is the son of Chris & Lisa and grandson of Susan Elligson... **Amelia Rose Baity** was born June 2. Her parents are Christina & Sean Baity and big brother, Ryan. The family now lives in Westminster, MD.

**Con-Grad-ulations!:** During worship on June 13<sup>th</sup>, we celebrated the graduations of several of our young people: **Allison Huber** (Loch Raven H.S.), **Meghan Knight** (Patapsco H.S. and Center for the Arts) **Sara Shenk** (Western School of Technology & Environmental Science), **Rebekah Wheatley** (Baltimore Polytechnic Institute), **Wes Smith** (Harford Community College), **Nicci Smyth** (State University of New York at Oswego) and **Tyler Haynes** (Loyola University)... Tony & Lorrie Miller's daughter, **Cara**, graduated from McDaniel College.

**From our District and Beyond:** Continue to remember our District Administrative Assistant, **Terri Meushaw**, in treatment for cancer... Also, pray for **Glenn Kinsel** (volunteer for disaster response & retired pastor) & his wife **Helen** who had an automobile accident last month. Glenn is now in a nursing/rehab facility... **John-Michael Pickens** a BVS'er working with *On Earth Peace*, led a "Peace Retreat" with our youth on June 26-27. We had been praying for his mother, **Debbie**, who recently died after suffering from cancer.

**Transitions:** **Roxanne Stevens** lost her job, as of June 1. Pray for her job search...**Eric Lewis** as he makes a career move, and begins a new job as a carpenter's apprentice... **Karen Haynes** did not get into a summer program with Baltimore Co. that would have guaranteed her a special education teaching position. Pray for other doors to open... The **Knight family** has moved back in their newly renovated home, following a Dec. 13 fire.

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## **Nurture Commission Plans for Summer**

This summer the Nurture Commission decided not to offer a Sunday School program or Bible School program for the children. However, there will be a craft and activity box located in the Nursery for those a little too old for the nursery toys but too young to sit through a whole service. There will be a nursery sign up sheet posted, however, please feel free to volunteer any Sunday that you notice children are present. Parents will appreciate this.

The Nurture Commission is always looking for Worship Leaders. Please contact John Ness if interested and he'd be happy to schedule you. If you are new to leading worship, please let him know. A training session can be provided for you.

(Shared by Georgia Smith, Nurture Chr.)

## July Birthdays

1 Mary Kary Larson  
2 Marian Bollinger  
5 Jim Showalter  
7 Eric Shenk  
8 Vicki Raistrick  
10 Joyce Maranto  
11 Carleigh Duncan  
14 Dusty Smith  
16 Stacey Campbell  
17 Norman Bollinger  
17 Karl Huber  
17 Rebecca Sack Mosley  
19 Glenda Bowman  
21 Peter Grubb  
22 Bill Albright  
23 Gary Miller  
23 Terri Smyth  
26 Mary Kreider  
27 Diane Pennell  
27 Stephen Schaefer  
27 Earl Braun  
28 Tessa Haynes  
29 Mary Kagarise  
29 Todd Stephen  
30 Stanley Groves  
30 Glenn Raistrick  
31 Michael Kagarise  
31 Jonathan Larson

## July Anniversaries

### August Anniversaries

5 Brad & Renee Kay  
13 Dwayne & Paula Miller  
15 Jonathan & Jan Bollinger  
19 Marty & Jill Keeney  
20 Norman & Marian Bollinger  
20 Charles & Edna Mueller

## August Birthdays

2 Jennifer Breidenbaugh  
2 Kristen Scala  
2 Quinn Scala  
3 Richard Wheatley  
3 Dennis Rosas  
4 Maurice Brown  
4 Jacob Weagly  
4 Eric Hurst  
5 Abigail Lewis  
5 Katie Breidenbaugh  
6 Cinda Showalter  
7 Ian Raistrick  
7 Lois Knight  
9 Ken Bowman  
9 Maggie Wolf  
9 Savannah Sagandoy  
10 Mark Smith  
13 Sean Baity  
13 Peter Haynes  
14 Ashley Champ  
19 Zermain Breidenbaugh  
21 Jean Sack  
22 Rachael Bachelor  
22 Katelyn Hildebrand  
23 Donna Groves  
23 Shawn White  
23 Morgan Scala  
26 Sara Shenk



*Happy Birthday!*

28 Jeannie Schwartz  
30 Nancy Seim  
30 Emily Tipton  
31 Ashley Groves  
31 Tim Shenk

31 Shelby Martin



3 Carl & Lillie Mae Palmer  
6 David & Jean Sack  
8 Glenn & Vicki Raistrick  
11 Mark & Ann Breidenbaugh  
11 Mike & Gail Hanna  
11 Melvin & Lois Horst  
11 Todd & Patti Stephen  
12 Bob & Lynn Duncan  
14 David & Barbara Pool  
16 Jonathan & Mary Kay Larson  
21 David & Marilyn Ebaugh  
23 Israel & Nancy Rosas

## Games, Swimming & Picnic at The Miller's

The July Adult Fellowship activity is an all-church event. Grace and Gary Miller are inviting everyone to come to their home for swimming, games, and a picnic supper on **Saturday, July 10th** beginning at 3:00 pm. The Millers will be providing hamburgers and hot dogs on the grill. Attending families are asked to bring a side dish or dessert and their beverage. There will be swimming, and games such as croquet, horseshoes, and others. Picnic supper will be around 5:30. Come prepared to have a fun time!

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### School Kits for Disaster

Please start looking for items we need for our school kits. There should be BIG sales starting in July. Items needed:

- 70 page spiral notebooks (College ruled if possible)
- Rulers (Must include centimeters as well as inches)
- Box of **Crayola** Crayons (24 in a Box)
- Large Pink Erasers (on sale should be less than 5/\$1.99)
- Pencils #2
- Small Pencil

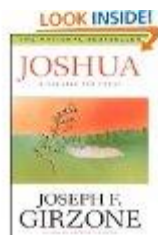
If you are interested in helping and would like to know when sales are taking place, contact Kathleen Nuttall. Email address: [BILLNUTTALL262@comcast.net](mailto:BILLNUTTALL262@comcast.net)

**Thanks to Jean Sack** for supplying the school bags. They are ready to be filled with the supplies.  
(shared by Kathleen Nuttall coordinator for our Disaster Response Kits.)

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### LGV Book Club

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The next meeting will be **Thursday, July 15<sup>th</sup> 7pm** at Teresa Albright's home. book chosen for this month is *Joshua* by Joseph G. Girzone (1983). Come and join the group for an interesting discussion and evening of fellowship.

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### Carpenter's Kitchen

The next date for Carpenter's Kitchen will be **Saturday, August 21**. Are you able to help serve or prepare food? If so, please sign up on the bulletin board or contact Mike Hanna.

**Father's Day Contributions to be used in  
various outreach ministries beyond what is in the budget**

***In Memory of:***

Joe Rieger and Frank Miller – Love, Lorri & Tony Miller  
Richard D. Tracey – May Bel Krak  
Clarence Hartman and Wilbur Webb – Ron & Lois Webb  
Roy Miller and Papa Lewie Breidenbaugh – Love, Gary & Grace Miller  
My father, Clyde R. Ecker – Love, Dot Hansen  
Glen Hedrick – Love, Bonnie & Bruce  
LeRoy Heath – Love, Terri, Patty, Kim & Ria  
William H. Meyers – Love, Eva Simmons  
James T. Price – Love, Priscilla Brown  
Lawrence W. Haynes – your son & grandchildren  
J. Elvin Groff – Love, Edna  
James Philip Greenplate – Love, Jane Phyllis & Maurice Brown  
My father – Love, Mary Stephen  
Cline Bowman and Harry Miller – Love, Jerry Bowman & Glenda Bowman  
Delph Groves and Jonas Sines – Love, Stanley & Lucille Groves  
Our grandfathers and Marlin Seim – Love, Edward & Lori Erdman  
Wade Palmer – Love, Carl Palmer  
Adolph Erdman – Love, Mary Kagarise  
Karl Huber – Love, Karl Huber  
Henry Eckhart – Lillie Mae Palmer  
Leon Kagarise – Love, Mike Kagarise  
Glenn E. Hanna and Cecil T. Johnson – Love, Mike & Gail Hanna  
Milton Lewis – Love, Eddie  
Elmer Eichelberger – Love, Nancy Seim  
Leon Kagarise – Love, The Kagarise and Ricci families  
Charles Mueller – Love, Charlie  
Joe Currens and Alberto Rosas – Love, Nancy & Israel  
Maurice O. Brown Sr – Love, Maurice & Jane Phyllis Brown  
J. Cline Bowman – Love, Janet  
John Smith – Love, Steve Smith

***In Honor of:***

Callixtus – Love, Kinger  
Callixtus & Lawrence Nwaehiri – Love, Eugenia  
Raymond Smyth – Love, Nicci & Shawn  
Ron Eckman – your son-in-law & grandchildren (continued on page after calendars)  
Carl Palmer – Love, Mary Hall & Barbara Raines  
Israel Rosas – Love, Dennis Rosas  
Ed Erdman Sr and Rus Gardiner – Love, Ed & Lori Erdman  
Earl Braun – Love, Charles Braun  
Mike Hanna – Love, Sharon & Karen  
Mike Kagarise – Love, Mike & Beth  
George Coyle – Love, Georgia Smith

## **Church of the Brethren Young Adults**

Camp Blue Diamond in Petersburg, Pa., was rockin' this Memorial Day weekend. Four-square, footwashing, and four-part harmonies filled the weekend as almost 70 Church of the Brethren young adults from across the country gathered for the denomination's annual Young Adult Conference.

Participants not only studied and discussed the theme of community, focused on a passage from Romans 12, but also lived it out.

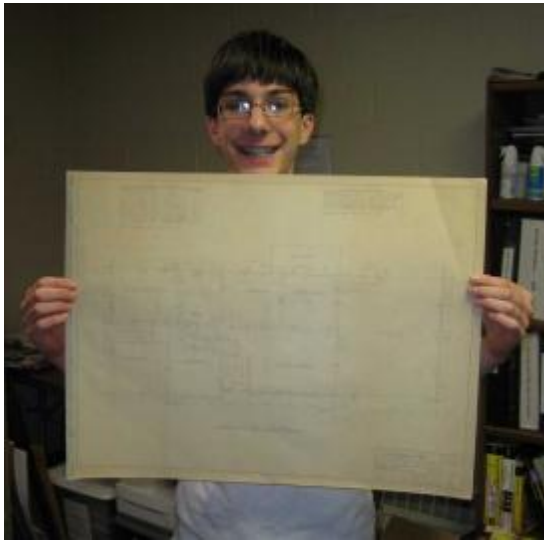
The church's Young Adult Steering Committee planned the conference, and many others shared their gifts to make the weekend happen. Sermons were offered by Matt McKimmy, pastor of Richmond (Ind.) Church of the Brethren; Marie Benner-Rhoades of On Earth Peace; and Carrie Fry-Miller, a student at Bethany Theological Seminary. Other participants led over a dozen workshops on topics from faithful ecology to crafting.

Saturday evening's open microphone coffee house provided another opportunity for young adults to share their passions, and the offerings ranged from the beautiful (Broadway ballads and classical violin) to the bizarre (beat-boxing flute and recorder played by nostril).

Hiking, canoeing, card playing, cooking out, and roasting s'mores around the campfire took up generous portions of the weekend, but the group also dove into some serious conversation. Young adults are invited to join in the fun, fellowship, and community building at next year's Young Adult Conference, held over Memorial Day weekend May 28-31, 2011, in a location to be determined.

A photo album from the Young Adult Conference is online at [www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org)

(Excerpt from "Young adults 'rock' Camp Blue Diamond . . ." *Newsline* June 18, 2010.)



## Parsonage Blueprints Discovered

Jack Swab (left), a student in the International Baccalaureate Program located at Edgewood High School was helping to clean out the drafting classroom on June 16<sup>th</sup>, when he found the blueprints to our church parsonage. Unsure of how they got there, he dropped them by the church on the 21<sup>st</sup>. The plans were drawn up by “R.J. Myers” on May 9, 1967. Anyone interested in filling in the details to this mystery? ... Jack is a sophomore from Fallston in this magnet program. Thanks, Jack!

## Family Crisis Center Celebrates its 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

Our friends at the Center celebrated with a gala held at the American Visionary Art Museum on June 18. Long Green Valley had 6 folk there representing our church. One highlight of the evening was the presentation of three plaques honoring long time supporters of the Center. The awards went to *Monroe Good*, the founder of the Center when he was pastor of Dundalk Church, the *Hunt Manor Women’s Group* for their long time support, and finally, the *Long Green Valley* congregation for our ongoing support both financially as well as by service on the board of directors of several of our members. Pastor Pete accepted the award. Another fun part of the evening was a silent auction where our attendees picked up some bargains while adding needed funds to the Center. A good time was had by all.



# Cast Set for the Fall Production of “*Steel Magnolias*”

The Phoenix Players, in cooperation with our church, have had auditions and have filled the cast for our November production of this classic humorous yet poignant play. The cast are all excited and are looking forward to beginning rehearsals at the end of August. Please save one of the following dates to attend our dinner theatre— Evening performances on November 6, 12, or 13, Matinee performance on November 7. More information will be coming later.



## “WELLNESS MATTERS”

What is your favorite season of the year for being outdoors? Do you like to play in the snow or anticipate a trip to “the slopes” to enjoy the crisp cold air of a winter day? Do you look forward to the warmer weather when you can be cultivating your garden, taking a dip in the pool, hiking, camping, or strolling along the beach? These and many other activities give us opportunities to enjoy God’s Creation!

Our theme between Memorial Day and Labor Day is “Enjoying God’s Creation”. Let us not limit ourselves to just the enjoyment of summer: Share one of your favorite ‘at home’ or ‘away’ outdoor experiences by placing a photo, brochure, brief prose or poem, etc. on the celebration wall provided in the refreshment area at the church. If you have something to share, but you cannot be with us right now, send it to us and we will include it in the celebration.

In all seasons, care for the body God has given you: Protect it from temperature extremes, drink enough water, get appropriate rest, and choose a healthy diet. To find out more, visit our web pages on the church website: [www.lgvcob.org](http://www.lgvcob.org)

*If you would like to be a part of the planning team for the Wellness Ministry, please call me.  
Our next meeting is September 14, 2010. ---Teresa M. Albright, “Wellness Matters” Coordinator*

## **At Camp This Summer**

**Kinger Nwachiri** will be attending *Middler Madness camp* at Shepherds Spring July 18-23. Also, at Shepherds Spring: **Mitch Haynes**, Summer Staff; **Joel Wheatley**, counselor for one week. If you would like to send a card to a camper at Shepherd’s Spring, the address is Shepherd’s Spring, P.O. Box 369, Sharpsburg, MD 21782. Mail early.

## Record of our Faithfulness

	Worship Attendance	Sunday School Attendance	Regular Offering	Special Offering	Total Offering
<b>May 23</b>	65	28	\$ 1,887.24	\$ 338.26	\$ 2,225.50
<b>30</b>	86	14	1,057.00	573.12	1,473.12
<b>June 6</b>	58	No classes	2,693.00	385.00	3,078.00
<b>13</b>	63	during the	2,149.70	413.75	2,563.45
<b>20</b>	55	summer	3,088.82	1,068.48	4,157.32
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>327</u></b>	<b><u>42</u></b>	<b>\$10,875.76</b>	<b>\$2,778.61</b>	<b>\$1,3497.07</b>
<b>Average</b>	<b><u>65</u></b>	<b><u>11</u></b>	<b>\$ 2,175.15</b>	<b>\$ 555.72</b>	<b>\$2,699.40</b>

Regular offerings needed weekly to meet our **2010** budget: **\$2,758**. Remember to keep up your promise to God when you cannot make it here on Sunday. Our average worship attendance for the same **5** weeks last year was 79. Sunday School average was 33.

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### Head Ushers – July

Mike Hanna and Tony Miller

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### **Additional Mother’s Day Contributions to the Dundalk Family Crisis Center since June Newsletter**

***In Memory of:***

Carolyn Roberts - Mitch & Mandy Roberts  
Ida Mae Tombaugh – Bonnie & Bruce Hedrick

***In Honor of:***

Marilyn Georgieff – Mitch & Mandy Roberts

**Correction from June Newsletter**

***In Memory of:*** Mary Anna Greenplate – Jane Phyllis & Maurice Brown

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### Annual Conference 2010

This year’s Annual Conference will take place at the David L. Lawrence Convention Center in Pittsburgh, PA. The theme is “*Taking Jesus Seriously*” based on John 14:15. The conference will be held **July 3-7<sup>th</sup>**. If you have not registered, and wish to attend, you will need to register in-person the day before the conference (July 2<sup>nd</sup>). Visit [www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org) for detailed information. Our delegate is Daniel Wheatley.

# An Adventure

Our journey to National Youth Conference this month will be a road trip for most of us, unlike previous years. Sarah Smith is the one exception, flying out and back with her parents, who will do some sightseeing while she is at NYC. The Shenk family is beginning a camping trip with a 3-day ride to Colorado, then heading off to other parks after NYC. Go, Sara & Lynn!

The rest: Lydia Eze, Tessa Haynes, Emily Henderson, Mike Kagarise, Meghan Knight, and Tylar Slaski, along with Jeremy Smith from the Dundalk church, will board a 12-passenger van to head west and back, accompanied by Jeannie Schwartz and myself. I thought I'd fill you in on the details, so you might follow along (and pray for the sanity of us adults along the way).

It'll all begin (for the "LGV Van 9") with a sleepover at church. We'll leave at 5am on Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, hoping to arrive in North Manchester, Indiana by 3pm (our longest day). A tour of Manchester College is arranged for 4pm, and we'll be overnight guests there, staying in a dorm. On the 15<sup>th</sup>, we'll travel to the Kansas City area, stopping along the way in Hannibal, Missouri to visit some Mark Twain sites there. One of my sisters will host us in their home that night.

The long drive across Kansas and Colorado faces us on July 15<sup>th</sup>. We will spend 2 nights with folks in the Prince of Peace COB in suburban Denver. Another youth group will be doing the same thing – a mini NYC experience before the fact. Friday the 16<sup>th</sup> will include seeing sights in the area, perhaps Garden of the Gods in Colorado Springs, Pike's Peak, etc. We may also arrange a small work project with the church. On the Saturday, July 17<sup>th</sup> NYC begins with a picnic supper, so we'll want to make the hour and ½ trip to Ft. Collins in time to arrive by 2pm and settle into our dorm.

National Youth Conference is filled with lots of inspiration and fun. I don't have space here to fill you in on all those details, but most of it is online at [www.brethren.org](http://www.brethren.org) if you're interested. Supposedly there will be a live stream of the worship services online (the same as with Annual Conference this year), a first. All 11 of us from LGV will be reunited for this part.

NYC ends after morning worship on Thursday, July 22<sup>nd</sup>. After checking out, we'll head to Scottsbluff, Nebraska, a 2-3 hour journey, depending on if we make some side trips. A national monument there documents the Oregon Trail which passed through here. Ruts from wagon wheels are still visible. We'll stay overnight in motel, then travel to Kansas City area on the 23<sup>rd</sup>, staying overnight in the home of my other sister.

On Saturday, July 24<sup>th</sup>, the van will take us to St. Louis, Missouri where we'll go up the famous Arch. We'll spend the night at the Springfield, Illinois First COB and attend worship the next morning. Afterward, we'll make it as far as Richmond, Indiana, where we'll get a tour of Bethany Seminary. The nearby Cedar Grove COB will host us for the night. Then, on Monday, July 26<sup>th</sup>, we will come home – with 2 weeks worth of memories!

I'm excited!

Pastor Pete