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Attendance		Offering	
First service – cancelled		General Offering	\$ 4,669.00
Second service - 125		Building Fund	<u>\$    575.00</u>
		Total	\$ 5,244.00
**************	****************************** V	olunteer Schedule ************************************	******
Greeters:	Today	Les & Martha Guntz (1 <sup>st</sup> service)	
		Arlin Benner & Joe Souder (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	
	Next Week	Sarah Burdge (1 <sup>st</sup> service)	
		Colin Ingram & Jared Landis (2 <sup>nd</sup> s	ervice)
Nursery:	Today	Yvonne Drescher (1 <sup>st</sup> service)	
		Mary Moyer (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	
Ushers:	December	Charlie Dibble (1st service)	
		Grace Ingalls (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	
	January	Russ & Barb Hess (1 <sup>st</sup> service)	
		Rachel Reinford (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	
Closing church building in Dec.		Wilson Swartley	
	January	Greg & Cheryl Ingram	

\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* Youth and Adult Sunday School Class locations and topics \*\*\*\*\*\*\* Youth Class meets in basement of the house next door to discuss various topics Young Adult Class - first room on left in basement. Study of Wisdom – Prov. 23 Parenting Class – first room on right in basement. "Shepherding a Child's Heart" Men's Class - middle room on right in the basement. "Christ the Fulfillment" Women's Class – secretary's office behind stage. "Christ the Fulfillment" Parenting Teens – taught by John & Bev Ehst meets in the sanctuary Study of Matthew – led by Alan Kratz meets in the garage next door Prayer Room – upstairs at rear of sanctuary for sharing prayer needs, etc. Baptism class will meet in Pastor John's office.

**Menn. Church USA prayer request:** The end of the year is a time of spiritual combat between the forces of life and death in many parts of the world. Pray that Mission Network personnel and our partners in more than 50 countries may work in life-giving ways.

Pray for Pastor John, the Elder Team, Ministry Directors, and our building project. Remember those struggling with physical, spiritual, emotional & financial issues.

# Finland Mennonite Church

Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out www.finlandmennonitechurch.org Pastor John Ehst

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Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:10–8:20 am First Service 8:30 am – Second Service 11:00 am Sunday School 9:45-10:30 am Fellowship and refreshments 10:30-11:00 am **Nursery facilities are available during both worship services.** 

### FIRST SERVICE

 Worship in Song - If you need to sit down during the singing, please feel free to do so.

 Scripture Reading
 Matthew 2:1-12 & 16-18

 Message - "Why Some Folks Fear Christmas"
 Pastor John

 Offering - Mark, Anita Livezey, Jason, Jana Scheetz, Ginger Wint, Dwayne Moyer - Offertory (Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle.)
 Children dismissed for Kids Kinection

 Sharing Time
 Alan Kratz – Elder in Charge

 Pastoral Prayer
 Closing Blessing

#### SECOND SERVICE

#### To Our Guests:

We welcome you to our fellowship. We would like to get to know you better. Please tell us about yourself by filling out the form below and placing it in the offering basket.

Address:	
Phone:	
E-mail:	
[] I am attending for the first time.	
[] I would like information about your church.	
[] I would like a call from the Pastor.	
How can we minister to yo	u?

"Fear God, and you'll have nothing else to fear."

#### This Week at Finland

Tuesday, 7:15 pm – Jeff's Worship Team practice
Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Youth Bible study
Wednesday, 7:15 pm – Post High Bible study at Arlin and Donna's
Friday – New Year's Day. Be blessed in 2010 by walking with Jesus every day.

#### Announcements

The committees that have been discerning the candidates to fill the leadership positions in our church would like to present the following for your consideration and affirmation:

Director of Witness – Rose Longacre – December 2012 Director of Christian Education – Dee Dee Good – December 2012 Elders – Alan Kratz - December 2012 Greg Ingram - December 2011 Les Guntz - December 2010

A vote of affirmation will be taken during the service next Sunday, Jan. 3, 2010. Thank you for your prayerful consideration on behalf of our church.

**Line Lexington Menn. Church** is sponsoring a New Year's Eve Gospel Dinner Concert at Franconia Heritage, Thursday at 6:30 pm, featuring Donna Godshall, Harmenaires, and Renaissance Gospel. Tickets for dinner and concert are \$35 and are available at the Franconia Heritage gift shop through Dec. 29.

**Sunday School Meditations** invites you to a benefit dinner meeting on Jan. 23, 6:00 pm at Yoder's Restaurant in New Holland, PA. The speaker will be Merv Keller with special music by the Breckbill Sisters. See poster on bulletin board for details on making your reservations.

A few small desk & wallet-size calendars from "Life With God" are available under the mailboxes as well as MAMA newsletters. Please help yourself.

#### **Upcoming Events for Finland**

January 23, 6:00 pm - Baby Boomers pizza and movie night

January 24, 6:30 pm - Congregational budget meeting.

January 30 – Pick up date for soup orders to benefit our Building Fund.

January 30, 7:00 pm – "Coming Out Party" for everyone who had a "Secret

Family" this year to reveal who they are. Please keep your secret until then.

February 5-7 – Adult Retreat at Camp Hebron.

February 20 – Pancake and sausage breakfast fundraiser for Building Fund.

March 6 – Mark your calendar awhile for the Youth Auction. More details later.

June 5 – Chicken Bar-B-Q fundraiser for Building Fund.

July 11-17 – Youth service project with Christian Endeavor.