

	Today	Next Week
Greeters:	Ed Griffin & Joe Souder (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Darryl & Eleanor Wallace (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	Bob & Judy Ingram (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Jim & Diane Dougherty (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Nursery:	Norma Linck & Maria Dibble (1 <sup>st</sup> ) Rose Longacre & Jr. High Girls (S.S.) Eleanor Wallace & Amy Haman (2 <sup>nd</sup> )	Sue Rice & Dianne Wise (1 <sup>st</sup> ser) Bev Ehst & Betty Drescher (S.S.) Lynn & Hannah Swartley (2 <sup>nd</sup> )
Ushers	Larry Good (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Marvin & Rachel Reinford (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)	Larry Good (1 <sup>st</sup> service) Marvin & Rachel Reinford (2 <sup>nd</sup> service)
Closing up	May – Jim & Lynn Swartley	

Sunday School Class Locations and Topics

Upstairs hallway: First classroom – Jr. High Girls  
 Second classroom – Kindergarten through 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade  
 Third classroom – 3<sup>rd</sup> through 5<sup>th</sup> Grade  
 Fourth classroom – Jr. High Boys  
 Fifth classroom – High School

Main floor hallway: Last room on left – Preschool  
 Second last room on left – Nursery facilities

Gym: Second room – Men’s Class, “God’s Creative Word”  
 Third classroom – Post High – Basic Series DVD by Francis Chan

Fourth classroom – Prayer Room for anyone with prayer needs  
 Front Corner – “Living by the Book” led by Kris Wint  
 Far Corner – “Seven Things Children Need” led by Rich Longacre  
 Sanctuary – “Apologetics” led by Jeff Janton

**Prayer Requests**

**Mennonite Mission Network** – Today the DOOR program in Denver is hosting a Cinco de Mayo fundraiser. Pray that the transforming love of Jesus may be shared with the people who will come together to fellowship, eat, make new connections, and support the work of DOOR, a MMN service program.

**Rose Longacre’s term as Witness Director** will be up at the end of December. She has served 2 terms, so she is not eligible for re-election. This position is a 3-year term commitment. If you are interested, please talk to a Gift Discernment Committee member: *Pastor John, Les Guntz, Larry Good, Karen Kratz or Joy Cassel*. It would be helpful to work with Rose for a few months to learn the responsibilities.

**Kids’ Kinection** for children 2 yrs. through 8<sup>th</sup> grade is held each Sunday morning from 9:30-9:45 am. Some weeks there are more than 30 children and we need additional staff. If you would like to be part of this rewarding, exciting, creative, and fun time, please talk with Lisa Landis or Shannon Derstine. Please note that there will be **no Kids’ Kinection** on May 27 (Memorial Day weekend).

# Finland Mennonite Church

**Looking up, Moving forward, Reaching out**

[www.finlandmennonitechurch.org](http://www.finlandmennonitechurch.org)

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***The family that prays together stays together***

**Pre-service Prayer Meeting 8:10–8:20 am in the Prayer Room**

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 care is provided during all morning services for children 3 years and under.***

**FIRST SERVICE**

**Worship in Song** - (Please feel free to sit down during singing if you need to.)

**Offering** - (Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle.)

**Scripture Reading** (brown pew Bible p.764, blue pew Bible p.1676) *John 15:1-8*

**Message** - “*Made for a ‘With God’ Life*” *Pastor John*

**Children dismissed for Kids’ Kinection**

**Sharing Time** *Darryl Wallace – Elder in Charge*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Closing Blessing**

**SECOND SERVICE**

**Worship in Song** - (Please feel free to sit down during singing if you need to.)

**Offering** - (Please pass the attendance pads located under the seat by the center aisle)

**Sharing Time** *Darryl Wallace – Elder in Charge*

**Pastoral Prayer**

**Scripture Reading** (brown pew Bible p.764, blue pew Bible p.1676) *John 15:1-8*

**Message** – “*Made for a ‘With God’ Life*” *Pastor John*

**Closing Blessing**

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**Anyone considering going to Guatemala** with the Quintanas for a one-week “Missions” trip to the church of Roger’s parents, please meet in the sanctuary immediately after S.S. at 10:30 am this morning. Dates are not final, but it will be early next spring - Feb. or March 2013.

**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.**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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 you?***

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## ***This Week at Finland***

**Today after S.S. to 3pm** – Boys & Girls Club movie & pizza party at lower campus

**Today, 6:30 pm** – O.U.R. small group

**Monday, 7:00 pm** – Sermon Response Bible Study in the gym open to everyone

**Tuesday, 7:15 pm** – Lisa's worship team practice

**Wednesday, 7:00 pm** – John Drescher's small group

**Wednesday, 7:15 pm** – Youth hang-out

**Wednesday, 7:15 pm** – Post High Bible Study

**Thursday, 7-8:30 pm** – Men's Bible Study on I Samuel chapters 5 & 6

**Thursday, 7:00 pm** – Elders' Meeting

**Saturday, 1:00 pm** – Ladies Tea (see note below)

**Saturday, 6:30 pm** – Marvin Reinford's small group – chapter 8 in "Soul Talk"

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**Last Week  
Attendance**

First service – 147

Second service – 84  
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**Please note that all bulletin information** for next week's bulletin must be received by Wednesday morning, May 9. Martha will be out of the office Thursday and Friday.

**Ladies, today is your last chance** to sign up for the Ladies Tea **this Saturday at 1:00 pm**. All ladies and girls 5 years old and up are welcome. Invite a friend. Extra invitations are available on the shelf under the mailboxes. The theme is "A Generous Spirit" featuring Sarah Bergin, Executive Director of Care & Share Shoppes. Come enjoy a light lunch, games, prizes and lots of fun. **Please bring your tea cup**. If you have questions about the event, please see one of the ladies on the Fellowship Committee - Mary Carlson, Norma Linck, Brenda Madrill, Lisa Efrigg or Michele Quintana.

**May 16, 7:30 pm** – Book Club will discuss "A Stolen Life" by Jaycee Dugard.

**May 19, 9-11:00 am** – Perennial plant exchange. Bring plants that you have in abundance and exchange them from the wide variety available. Invite friends. If you do not have plants to bring, donations can be made to our building fund.

**June 3** – The entire offering in both services will go to our Building Fund unless it is designated otherwise. Please pray about what God would have you give as we look forward to the 2<sup>nd</sup> phase of our building program.

**June 9, 2012** – Men's fishing/boating trip and picnic at Beltzville Reservoir. Come on out and join in the fun. All of the details are listed on the sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board by the gym.

**Anyone interested** in being an usher, please contact Alan or Tara Gilmore.

## May 6, 2012 insert - Finland Mennonite Church

**James & Paula Hanes** and family are working with Mennonite Mission Network in Senegal, West Africa, and have become our new "Missionary Family". We as a church had been helping to sponsor Stephen and Margot Longley in the country of Finland for a number of years, but they have returned home due to health reasons. Because of the "Secret Church" seminar we recently had and our prayers for the Christians in Senegal, MMN has partnered us with the Hanes family. James and Paula have written a letter to our congregation along with a family picture. Take a moment to stop by the bulletin board to read it and "become acquainted" with them. They will be in the states for 2 months this summer and will be speaking at Grace Mennonite, another supporting church in Lansdale, on August 5.

**Ladies** – Tomorrow is the deadline to call Darlene Whitbeck (267-772-0332) from East Swamp Church for tickets to the Beth Moore Conf. at the Sovereign Center in Reading on Sept. 15, 8am to 4 pm. \$65 per person. Transportation is not provided.

**Quakertown Christian School** annual auction and fair with activities for children, May 11 & 12. Chicken barbecue from 4-8pm on Friday. Breakfast Saturday morning from 8-10am. Auction begins at 9:30am with the quilts being sold at 12 noon.

**Penn View** country fair and auction May 18 & 19 with food and fun for the entire family. The auction is Friday evening at 6:00pm. Chicken barbecue is available both Friday and Saturday as well as an All-You-Can-Eat Country Breakfast from 7-10:30am on Saturday morning. Don't miss comedian ventriloquist **Ryan & Friends** at 11am Saturday and helicopter candy drop at 12:30pm.

**Spruce Lake Retreat** invites you to their annual Open House on Sunday, May 20, 2-7pm for a day of fun, relaxation and fellowship. There will be groundbreaking for the new Hospitality Center at 4pm, chicken barbecue at 5pm, & Ministry Updates from 6-7pm. Call 800-822-7505 to reserve space for you and your family for the meal. See the flyer posted on the bulletin board.

**MCC's Material Resource Project for May is Relief Kits** (new contents only)

- 4 large bars bath soap in wrapping
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo 13-24oz (place in re-sealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars of laundry soap (Fels Naptha, Sunlight or Zote)
- 1 squeeze tube toothpaste (minimum 6 oz; leave in box)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes in packaging
- 4 bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)
- 2 wide-tooth combs (6-8 inches)
- 1 fingernail clipper
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40, assorted)
- 1 box sanitary pads (18-24 thin maxi)

Place contents in box or bag and drop off at Harleysville Material Resource Center. Call 267-203-8074 for more information.