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<u>Looking Ahead</u>				
July	19	7:00 p.m.	Prayer Shawl Ministry	
	25		Sabbath Rest Bike Hike	
	28		Play group at Lawton Park	
August	1	6:45 p.m.	Scrip Orders Due	
	2		Nurture Commission	
			Sabbath Rest Vespers	
	3		7 p.m.	Witness Commission
	4		6 p.m.	Staff Relations at Wysongs
	5			Play group at Rockhill Park
	6	6:30 p.m.	Stephen Ministry Supervision	
			Sabbath Rest Night Hike	

Building the Bridge Hour Sunday 7/18

**"Women in the Bible" reprise
focusing on Miriam the Prophet
with Deb Romary
in the Parlor at 9 a.m.
All are welcome!**

Ladies Birthday Luncheon

Wednesday, July 14 at 12:30 p.m.

Do you recall the fun we had a few months ago at Liberty Diner II, East Side, 1040 N. Coliseum Blvd., (next to old Value City)? Arrangements have been made to meet there again on July 14. Please contact me by Monday, July 12, if you plan to join us. All women are welcome!

Mary Alice Dick

Stephen Ministry at Beacon Heights

A ministry of care-giving, person to person. When your life is filled with sorrow, stress, transition or struggle, there is someone who cares. Contact a Stephen Leader (Steve Eikenberry, Connie McGowin, Deb Romary, John Wagoner) with your interest or questions.



SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE Adult and Children's Sunday School at 9:00 a.m.

Next Week—July 18, 2010

10:00 a.m. Worship

"The "J" Word"

In the story of Mary and Martha, Mary liberates herself from the traditional role of women and claims her role as a disciple of Jesus. For Mary, being a follower of Jesus is an act of freeing herself to live with integrity in the company of Jesus.

While liberating to some, many view the text in John ("I am the way, the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me") as having been used as an excuse for exclusion, oppression, and violence. In this light, it is difficult to proclaim the "J" word (Jesus) and to claim our role as disciple of Jesus as Mary did. For many, proclaiming the "J" word can be embarrassing and difficult instead of liberating. For some of us, this embarrassment is even experienced when associating with the Church of the Brethren.

How can we reclaim the "J word" so it means what Mary experienced it to mean? How can we experience it as liberating, instead of oppressive, as Mary did? Is it possible to claim our role as disciple of Jesus, and our part in the Church of the Brethren, with integrity instead of with a sense of embarrassment or disdain?

In preparation for this service, you are invited to read and reflect upon Luke 10: 38-42 and John 14: 6.

Carrie Fry-Miller

**THIS WEEK AT
BEACON HEIGHTS**

Tuesday

8:00 a.m. Retirees' Breakfast
6:30 p.m. Education Commission

Play Group at Swinney Park

Wednesday

12:30 p.m. Ladies B'day Luncheon
Liberty Diner 2

Saturday-Thurs

National Youth Conference
Fort Collins, CO

FOOD BANK

Mary Whitehead
Sandy Kiracofe
Connie McGowin

<i>STATISTICS</i>		
Sunday July 4, 2010		
9:00 Building the Bridge		44
10:00 Worship		111
Adult Offerings 6/27/10	\$4,501.71	
Children's Offering 6/27/10	\$0 .00	
Weekly Budget	\$7,113.26	

Beacon Heights Church believes everyone is a child of God. We welcome all people, of any age, gender identity, race, ethnicity, sexual orientation, family status, socio-economic status, physical ability, mental ability, or place along their faith journey.

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If you have questions regarding Beacon information, please contact the church office between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m.

Young Adult Corner

Chris Wright graduated this spring from Grand Valley State University with a bachelor's degree in history with a minor in political science. Right after graduation, he spent three weeks in Europe traveling with dad, Phil, and an additional two weeks on his own. His focus was to visit many prominent WWII battle sites and other historically significant places. Countries he visited included: Germany, France, Austria, Poland, Italy, Greece, Portugal and Spain. Normandy and Auschwitz were especially memorable. He starts law school this fall at the University of Pittsburgh and plans to focus on Environmental and International Law.

Dan's Fish Fry
(also serving Chicken)
July 17, 2010
4:00 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.
Creekside Church of the Brethren
60455 County Road 113
Elkhart, IN 46517
We are handicap accessible.
You don't want to miss the Creekside Sugar Cookies!!
For Information and Ticket, Call 574-875-7800
Advance Sale Ticket Prices
Adult – \$8.00 Children \$5.00
At door prices – Adult \$8.50 Children \$5.50

Beacon Heights Preschool
ENROLLING NOW
FOR THE 2010-11 SCHOOL YEAR.
483-7244 OR preschool@beaconheights.net

Sabbath Rest and Bicycling Event July 25

The next Beacon's Intergenerational Cycling (Yes Cycling!) League of Enthusiasts (**BICYCLE**) ride is scheduled for

Sunday, July 25th. We will leave after the service from Johnny Appleseed Park and ride the River Greenway toward Foster Park, eating lunch at a restaurant along the way. The meal will be paid for by the church as part of the Sabbath Rest observation.



The total distance will be about 15 miles. The pace will be slow and relaxed and the fellowship is guaranteed to be enjoyable so plan to join us! If you have any questions, please call Brian Zehr .

Sabbath Rest Digital Scrapbook Needs Your Input



Have you experienced a place, a song, a scripture, a poem or an activity that gave you a sense of peace and rest? If so, please send a picture or a description to **Marcia Wright by August 1** to be included in the **SABBATH REST DIGITAL**

SCRAPBOOK being created for Pastors Jan and John Long. This scrapbook will show the many ways that Beacon Heights folks are finding their own personal Sabbath rest while the Longs are gone. We will present this book to them at the Welcome Back Event August 22 at Shoaff Park. You can e-mail submissions or put them in her mailbox at church.

YOUTH

High School

NEWS

Middle School

6 DAYS AND COUNTING!

WE'RE HEADED TO
NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE!

Departure: Saturday, July 17
4:15 a.m. SHARP

Meet at Light World across from
Olive Garden at Glenbrook Mall
418 W. Coliseum Blvd.

If the front parking lot looks dark, keep going back beside and behind the building.

Some things to remember in packing:

- Limit your luggage to one suitcase, a carry-on bag, and if needed a personal bag. Please be able to close each bag.
 - Photo I.D., if you have one...bring a school I.D. if you don't have a photo I.D.
 - Sunscreen & water bottle
 - Money for lunch Saturday, lunch & supper Thursday, a \$40 key deposit, and any souvenirs/snacks.
 - NYC Pillow, Tie-dyed Beacon Heights T-shirt
 - Offering (www.brethren.org/nycofferings)

When middle school youth
become high school youth,

we mark the official end to their mentor
match. We give thanks for the commitment of
these adults and the relationship they have had
with a middle school youth.

Please pray for them as they officially close
their matched relationship.

Ruth Ann Bever - Vivienne Faulkner
Joyce Fry - Lydia Monirian
Craig Smith - Andrew Wysong
Marcia Wright - Liz Lung

PRAISE GOD FOR THE SUPPORT
AND NURTURE THESE RELATIONSHIPS
HAVE PROVIDED
WITHIN OUR CONGREGATION!

