Missionaries of the Month: Pray for Grace and Yugo and their children in

Indonesia. More on the fire that ravaged the <code>lapak</code> (group of about 10 garbage scavenging families that live together) excerpted from their newsletter: "We are good friends with the family who owned the lapak; Mama Sri's family lived across the street from the fire. Their personal home was spared, but they suffered the largest financial loss: it was their <code>lapak</code> that was destroyed and effectively their livelihood. In addition to that, the 15 homes behind the <code>lapak</code> that burned were rental units. The owner of rental units is demanding payment for the damages; he says the fire started at the <code>lapak</code> and therefore it is Mama Sri's responsibility. If Mama Sri's family cannot pay to rebuild all the 15 rental units, then the owner is threatening to seize Mama Sri's lapak land." Please continue to remember these families that had so little before the fire even. And then there is now the concern of Coronaviris.

If anyone would like to be included on the email list to receive newsletters, email Grace at gracie@servantsasia.org

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Sunday, April 26, 2020 - Services cancelled at the physical location
10:30am FB Livestream via Congregational Group Page

Called into God's Family, we join together to be transformed through worship, to nurture one another, to be equipped to serve Jesus Christ, and to carry out His mission in the world.

Prelude (and Offertory) c/o Sandy Byler

Welcome & Scripture/Prayer Regina Brubaker

Announcements Regina Brubaker

Worship in Song c/o Sandy Byler & Noah Yoder

Children's Story Regina Brubaker

First Fruits Giving

Worship in Song

Sermon: "A Walk to Savor" Phil Kanagy

Scripture: Luke 24:13-35

Sharing and Prayer Phil Kanagy

Benediction

Postlude

We can't "go" to church right now, but that doesn't mean we're going to stop "being" church. We will continue to trust God, for nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.

Announcements

Happy Birthday wishes this week to Roger Nelson, and Michele Mumaw.

Thank you for your contributions via mail, paypal, bank transfer or dropping by the office. These have been the designations in the last week:

Operating Expenses - \$4,988.51; Relief Kits for MCC - \$100

It is a great time for each of us to "love our neighbors as ourselves" by reaching out to our neighbors and friends to check in on them - how are they doing? Have they lost their job(s)? Do they have food to eat? etc. The Outreach Committee is making available gift cards for food for \$75 on each card from 3 different stores - Food Lion, Walmart and Sharp Shopper. If you would like one for your neighbor or friend in need, please contact Sandi at the church office to pick up a gift card. Be the "hands and feet" of Jesus!

If there are persons in the congregation who have lost jobs or work because of the Covid-19 and are in need, please contact one of the pastors or elders, or our Chair of Weavers Care & Share Committee, Barb Martin. We have funds designated for such a time as this. We want to be supportive of each other during this difficult time.

Our "Special Offering," one of four-five for missions & church agencies during our calendar year, would typically have been received today, Sunday, April 26. If you would like to donate your tithes to the Special Offering, please make that notation in your check, or by email (if donating by paypal or a bank transfer). The default percentages below have been approved by Administrative Council. Should you desire to give differently, please attach the following information with your giving. If no memo is received, your contribution goes toward Budget.

| Rather than use the default % shown, pl | ease ap | oply my first fruit gift as follows: |
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| \$ Weavers Missions (10%) | \$ | Central District (15%) |
| \$ Virginia Mennonite Missions (25% | \$ | Mennonite Missions Network (10%) |
| \$ VA Conference Ministries (6%) | \$ | MCUSA Exec. Leadership Board (2%) |
| \$ Eastern Menn. High School (5%) | \$ | MCC - Canning (3%) |
| \$ Family Life Resource Center (3%) | \$ | Mennonite Education Agency (2%) |
| \$ Highland Retreat (3%) | \$ | Mennonite Publishing Network (1% |
| \$ Pleasant View Home (2%) | \$ | Minority Groups (1%) |
| \$ VA Menn. Disaster Service (2%) | \$ | Eastern Mennonite Seminary (2%) |
| \$ VA Menn. Retirement Comm (4%) | \$ | Eastern Mennonite University (4%) |

New address for Ruth & Russell Mumaw: 1491 Virginia Ave. Harrisonburg 22802

Have you taken advantage of our Weavers Library lately? The library is open by appointment to one household at a time or requested materials may also be delivered to your home. Use the following link to read Weavers Library Guidelines During the Covid19 Pandemic, 2020 for more information. Contact Rebecca Shank using the church directory listing to arrange an appointment, request delivery, or ask questions. The library also has some free items available (from donations).

You are invited to 'shower' Nevin Lehman and Alesha Melendez with love and care by bringing in non-perishable food for them. They are getting married on May 23. This 'wedding shower' is a new tradition we are implementing here at Weavers and invite all who wish to participate. We are asking you to buy a couple items of non-perishables and write a blessing, a wish, something light or serious, on the item. Do not remove the label, but add a note to it (securely) or write directly on the item. Add your name too! When they use your food item, they can remember that we all love them and wish them God's best as they begin their life together.

A box will be outside Shady Oak for you to drop your item/items into Tues - Friday. If you have any questions, call Sandi at the office. We will collect items up to May 20.

If you would rather not buy an item, but give a couple dollars instead, feel free to do that. Those would need to be given to someone at the office. Check with Sandi about that.

Cloth Face Mask Goal Exceeded: Learning of the urgent need for area poultry workers, Virginia Mennonite Missions launched a drive for cloth face masks for four area plants, with a goal of 1,500. Due to an incredible outpouring of support, we have exceeded this goal by delivering 2,075 masks! Thank you to everyone who gave of their time, talent, and resources to help those in need.

As VMMissions concludes this particular mask drive, we are aware that the economic impacts of COVID-19 are being borne disproportionately in the U.S. by immigrant families, many of whom are greatly affected by reduced hours and layoffs. In response, VMMissions created the Coronavirus Immigrant Care Fund to provide tangible help in the form of cash gifts, working with immigrant pastors to identify needs in their midst.

Please note the new <u>Spring 2020 issue of *Pathways*</u>, the quarterly publication of Virginia Mennonite Conference. This is usually in print in our church mailboxes.

Save the Dates for Virginia Mennonite Conference Assembly, July 16-18. A *Healthy Boundaries* training will take place on Thursday, July 16, from 8 to 4 with Lonnie Yoder & Teresa Boshart Yoder (Location TBD). Assembly begins with evening worship on Thursday, July 16 (time and place TBD). A Mennonite Women of Virginia breakfast is at 6:45 a.m. on Saturday. Delegate sessions will be at Eastern Mennonite School; worship location TBD. Registrations will be due by July 2, 2020 at 5 p.m. More information to come.