

Missionaries of the Month focus: Grace and Yugo Prasetyo (sons Jeremi and Simeon) in Indonesia, where they serve in a slum area: Pray for each child who comes to House of Hope— that this would be a place of love, joy, and laughter for them. Please pray for opportunities to share with Indonesian churches. Yugo has been contacting some Mennonite churches in Jakarta. Pray that doors would open to be able to share with others about slum ministry.

A Look at VMissions: Remember the VMissions Board of Directors as they gather virtually this Friday and Saturday for their quarterly meeting. Ask the Lord for meaningful, Spirit-led sharing and discernment despite the virtual format.



Weavers Mennonite Church

**Sunday, April 11, 2021 - 10:30am
In Person and via Facebook stream**

*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.*



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Prelude

c/o Sandy Byler

Welcome & Scripture/Prayer

Debbie Rhodes

Announcements

Debbie Rhodes

Worship in Song

c/o Sandy Byler

First Fruits Giving

Sermon: "The Firm Foundation"

Curt Stutzman

Scripture: Hebrews 13:9-17

Moment in Mission: MDS/Weavers Bridge in Elkton

Janet Blosser

Sharing and Prayer

Debbie Rhodes

Benediction

Sending Song

*We can continue to "be" the church! A time of struggle still
waits us, but together in community,
with hands joined in prayer for guidance, we will survive,
begin to thrive again, and rise into the future.*

Announcements

We are meeting in person each Sunday but also continue with livestream worship services for those worshipping from home. For those coming to in person worship, we will continue wearing masks, distancing every other pew for seating, and continue with safety precautions that we are all well familiar with by now.

Thank you for your continued contributions via mail, paypal, bank transfer or dropping by the office. These have been the designations in the last week: Budget - \$6,318.95; Building Fund - \$100

Upcoming Weavers calendar:

- Prayer Group meets via zoom Wednesdays at 7pm
- Youth Group meets Wed evenings

Happy Birthday wishes this week to Sarah Schoenhals, Mark Lehman, Darren Good, Marvin Slabaugh, Phyllis Kauffman, and Bob Brenneman.

We are again helping to put together relief kits in support of Mennonite Central Committee. We will not assemble the kits on location but will collect funds only. Your donations may be earmarked "Relief Kits" and will be received until the end of April. -- -Weavers Outreach Committee

MDS Bridge in Elkton. The Weavers Outreach invites donations and volunteers to help MDS build a bridge for a family in need in the Elkton area. Needed are 8-10 "unskilled" volunteers per day for 10 days starting June 21. We have committed to raising \$12,000 which will be matched by an anonymous donor, and donations can be given to Weavers Church with "MDS Bridge" in the memo line.

Join the 5K for Missions, a fundraising event during the month of April that allows runners and walkers of all ages and skill levels to get outside and show their support for Virginia Mennonite Missions. Registration for the event includes a T-Shirt, and the opportunity to compete, or just participate for fun. Registration is \$30 per person. All participants are encouraged to increase the value of your 5K by inviting others to sponsor your miles. We suggest that the donor sponsor at least \$5/mile, or a flat donation of any amount desired. There will be prizes for the individuals who raise the most money. [Learn more and register here.](#)

EMS is planning to hold their annual Community Service Day on Friday, May 21, 2021, rain or shine. Due to the pandemic, we are looking at alternatives to many of our usual work sites. We are hoping to be able to offer a number of outdoor alternatives for two or three students rather than the large groups we've managed before. If you have questions or would like to be added to our list to receive more information about participating, please email Christine Fairfield, fairfieldc@emhs.net or call 540-236-6000.

Save the Date for Weavers VBS: Saturday, June 19 (or rain back up, June 19). Vacation Bible School may look a little different this year but we will still need many hands to help!

The Shalom Lamp reminds us that Biblical peace includes salvation, prosperity, health, justice and freedom. Covid-19 is the denier of health, prosperity and inner peace to many. Let the peace lamp remind us to pray for those harmed by the virus. We have been issued a "Stimulus Check". Pray about using some of this to alleviate the effects of Covid-19. Local helpers of those affected by the virus include: Our Community Place Housing project, Salvation Army, Blue Ridge Food Pantry, People Helping People (through Weavers), MCC (Hinton, VA -relief buckets), Mercy House. --David Alleman, Weavers peace and justice advocate. Contact me if you need addresses of any of these places: juliadavid1245@gmail.com (540) 705-1437.

Save the date for Mennonite Women of Virginia's Annual Missions Day, November 12-14, 2021, at Richmond Marriott at Short Pump, Glen Allen, Va. More information and registration to come.

Mennonite Mission Network - Learn about the Potawatomi Trail of Death with Youth Venture. On this nine-day trip, participants will camp along the trail and acknowledge markers while discussing the history and present-day realities for Indigenous peoples in the U.S. Visit MennoniteMission.net/YouthVenture to learn more. Deadline is May 1!

Want to be an integral part of a young adult's life? Become a unit leader for Service Adventure, a gap-year program for ages 17-20 from Mennonite Mission Network. Unit leaders, who are at least 24 years of age, serve as mentors to the young adults in the Service Adventure household. Leaders are needed in Colorado Springs, CO and Johnstown, PA. Learn more by contacting SusanN@MennoniteMission.net.

Mennonite Church USA - The 2021 Delegate Assembly will be a shortened virtual event with a limited agenda. Whether you travel to Cincinnati or connect from the comfort of your own home, we hope to see you participate in the delegate process. The Delegate Assembly is your opportunity to not only speak to the establishment of general policies and the development of programs to carry out those policies, but it is also an opportunity for you to connect with and listen to the various members in our great and diverse denomination. Check out the [FAQ page](#) to see how many delegates you are allowed as well as the registration process. Stay tuned for more details posted on the delegate tab of the convention website: <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/>

Eastern Mennonite University: New Music and Peacebuilding Major EMU is pleased to offer a new interdisciplinary major, called [Music and Peacebuilding](#). This program draws in the best of the music department as well as peacebuilding and development for those interested in transforming conflict through building common ground with music. Please share with students who may be interested in this program. For more information, contact the adviser of this program, Benjamin Bergey: benjamin.bergey@emu.edu

Outreach Report 2020

Expenditures for this year:

Missionary Support - \$4,000

Schoenhals, Greens, Tartari, Shahini

MCC School kits - \$1,506.05

Donations received - \$370

Total spent from budget - \$1,236.05

COVID Relief - \$3,370

VMMissions Coronavirus Immigrant Care Fund - \$1,000

28 Gift cards (\$75) given to neighbors, friends - \$2,100

Books and funds to Mountain View School - \$270

Miscellaneous

MDS Fundraiser - \$96.55 (January 2020)

Cookies/candy distributed at the Drive Through

Nativity - \$224.44

Funds received from mission offerings in 2020 - \$1,677.79

Funds received through Operating Budget - \$500

Much of our funding went to help with COVID needs this year. Outreach Committee provided \$75 gift cards that persons could request to be able to give to neighbors and friends in need. \$1000 went to VMMissions for the Coronavirus Immigrant Care, and 28 gift cards were given to persons through Weavers members.

2021 SUMMER PROJECT: MDS has invited our congregation to help them build a bridge for a couple with need in Elkton. Outreach Committee is asking the congregation for funds (\$12,000) and volunteers to help build the bridge, beginning June 21 (a 10-day process). Administrative Council has approved the project. Checks can be written to Weavers and designated for MDS bridge. We will receive donations now through June, 2021. An anonymous donor will match all donations. The total cost of the bridge is about \$30,000. For more info, contact Rod Burkholder, Roy Early or Floyd Blosser who will organize the project. More info will be coming later for volunteers who can help during those 10 days in June.

Janet Blosser, Chair of Outreach Committee

Todd and Leslie Early

Kristi Driver, Stephanie Brubaker