

# buzz

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## Year of the Bible

READ IT STUDY IT PRAY IT LIVE IT

### YOTB Sunday Evening Events: Storytelling and Singing

The group that gathered last Sunday evening had an inspiring time as we experienced biblical storytelling with Jane Ross Richer. Following Jane's input Jerrell Ross Richer also shared how they have used this type of biblical storytelling in cross cultural settings, as well as sharing ways they might be using it again as they spend half of the year serving in Ecuador.

Our next special Year of the Bible Sunday evening event, "Singing our Praises," is Sunday, November 9 from 5-6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Come to join your voice with other brothers and sisters of all ages in exploring the many ways the Holy Spirit

has blessed us with the rich harmonies of biblically-inspired music. For our refreshments please bring finger foods inspired by your harvest, preserving/canning, or items that remind you of fall. Apple cider will be provided.

—Cindy Voth, pastor of community life

### YOTB Reading Party Tonight

The outdoor party for YOTB readers has been rescheduled for this afternoon from 4-6 p.m. Join others taking part in the challenge to read the Bible (or Shine On for families) for a time of recreation at Cynthia and Gordon Bontrager's home. Enjoy activities such as trail hikes, fishing, a hayride ride, a bonfire with s'mores, and more. Bring your corn hole, croquet, bocce, and other lawn games to add to the mix. Please bring lawn chairs and roasting sticks for marshmallows as well. The Bontrager home is at 70984 County Road 25, New Paris, which is a bit north of U.S. Highway 6. Come join others who have been exploring God's word this fall.



**Jerrell and Jane Ross Richer shared about biblical storytelling with members of the congregation, including Don Miller, who came dressed as a priest.**





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## Receiving a New Member

Pastoral Team and Ministry Leadership Council are pleased to recommend Lena Pettiford for membership at Waterford. Lena's membership will transfer from Stoner Heights Mennonite Church in Ohio, via the Beech Mennonite Church, since the Stoner Heights congregation closed in 2013. Lena was a member there for almost exactly fifty years. To be closer to her daughter Lorene Miller, Lena has connected with Waterford since August 2013. Because health issues prevent her from regular attendance now, we will receive Lena as a member on Nov. 16, hearing from her by means of video within our regular worship services.

## AV Booth Service Needed

Do you like knobs, dials and practical ways to help the church's ministries? We need a few more people to run our lights and sound for Sunday worship services. Please consider serving in the AV booth for only one Sunday a month. All those with ears to hear and eyes to see appreciate this essential behind-the-scenes ministry. Training provided. Please contact Len Emery at emerylk2000@yahoo.com.

## Thank You

Waterford brothers and sisters, we have sensed God's comfort and care through your generous expressions of sympathy after the death of Becky's mother. We are thankful for kind words, food and gifts to show your support and love. We thank God for you.

—Byron and Becky Yoder

## Fellowship Hall Door

We are asking that the west outside Fellowship Hall door be kept closed and locked on Sunday mornings. This will help regulate the temperature and make it a more comfortable environment for all classes meeting. Please feel free to use the other doors. Thank you for your cooperation.

## Church Directory Updates

We are in the process of updating our annual church directory. Please review the information on the sheets in your mailbox, correct any errors and fill in any missing information, and return to the church mailbox by Nov. 8. Thanks for your assistance.

## Lost and Found

Please check the Lost and Found table and pick up anything that belongs to you before Dec. 1, 2014. Whatever is left will be donated.

## Senior Hymn Sing

On October 15, many seniors from the congregation gathered in the fellowship hall to join in singing favorite hymns together, sharing meaningful life stories that connected to the songs.

