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You Are Needed

The Berean Class, the wisest and most seasoned in the congregation, need someone to lead their Sunday School Class. They are a very friendly group and love to have teachers of various ages to lead them. They will engage with your comments and questions. To make it even better, they are a very well-behaved group! You will love them.

Here is the summary of the Winter Quarter: Adult Bible Study Winter 2017–18: Faith in Action explores the twofold nature of faith as belief and action. Stories from the book of Acts show varied examples of proclaiming faith in Christ. In Daniel, faith in action is sincere, obedient, bold, and strong. Studies from several New Testament letters show how our actions, both as individuals and as faith communities, demonstrate our faith in Christ. Student guide writer: Kathleen Kern.

Sign up at the participation table for the month, or for the next quarter (Dec., Jan. and Feb.), if you would like the joy of leading this group.

— Pastor Velma Swartz

Thank You

The family of Carol Bauman would like to thank Waterford Mennonite church for the ways you surrounded us during the loss of our wife, mother, grandma and great grandma. Thank you for opening the church for a place to celebrate her life, for the wonderful meal after the service and for the lovely plant. Waterford Mennonite was an important place for Carol and Lester. They loved the opportunity to visit other senior members and valued the friendships made during these times. As they transitioned to Millers' Merry Manor, they were blessed by being visited. Thank you for caring for Carol so well.

Looking Forward to Benin

I blame my semester of SST in Costa Rica for my love of travel. It opened my eyes to other cultures, languages, scenery, food and so much more. Since then I travel whenever I can, so when I was presented with the opportunity to go to Benin, I was excited to go.

Like with all big trips I have a little trepidation about my luggage making it, flights being delayed, and lots of jet lag, but one of my biggest fears is not knowing any French. I'm sure, though, the wonderful people at BBI will help me through that. I'm looking forward to seeing Benin and continuing our relationship with BBI. I anticipate many lively conversations and Sunday worships that I hope will reinvigorate my own faith. After Neil's sermon this Sunday, though, I also realized being on the receiving end of hospitality is another thing I'm a little (a lot) nervous about. I'm used to being independent and not relying on others but traveling in a foreign land always puts me in a vulnerable position of depending on strangers and God much more than usual.

Finally, I'm curious about all they do for their community. As a physician, I always like seeing how medicine is practiced in other places. I'm looking forward to seeing their clinics and hospital. I'm always amazed at how so much can be done with so much less than we have here.

—Mandy Schmidt

Thank You

Waterford Mennonite,

Thank you for all you do for the Elkhart County Jail Ministry. You have been a blessing to many!

—Cory Martin,
Elkhart County Jail Chaplain

Communion and Hand Washing Service, October 1



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