



# *New Enterprise Church of the Brethren*

## *June 2021*



### Pastor's Pen

#### One Moving Moment

There are many moving moments in each of our personal histories. Moments that stand out in our memories. Moments that inspire us forever. I was reminded of one such moment during a Tuesday morning Bible study.

It occurred on a summer day before my senior year in a Maryland high school. Young Life met weekly at my house during that summer. One of our leaders brought her quadriplegic friend, Joni (pronounced *Johnny*) Eareckson, to our gathering. About five years earlier, at the age of 17, Joni had become paralyzed from the neck down as a result of a diving accident in Maryland waters. During the early years of rehabilitation, she had weathered deep depression through the faithfulness of Christian friends and had learned how to paint with a brush between her teeth. She was now being recognized as a promising young artist. She came to my home to speak to our Young Life group about God's mercy and grace in her life. Her vibrant message of love for God and confidence in His will had an enormous impact on my life that day. It was her inspiration that led me to memorize Romans 8:28: **We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.**

Joni went on to write her autobiography, *Joni*, and later recreated her own life in a full-length feature film by Billy Graham's World Wide Pictures company. I have followed her activities through the years as she has written more books, become an accomplished artist, recorded songs, and married Ken Tada in 1982. I liked to catch her daily five-minute radio program, *Joni and Friends*. She has worked on national committees to build help for the disabled, traveled the world, and continues to be a highly sought-after conference speaker. I really enjoyed her wonderful, sensitive witness on the Larry King Show in 2003. How it reminded me of that high school summer! You can watch this wonderful interview on YouTube: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P\\_ItOxB-JpM](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P_ItOxB-JpM). Please do. It is 16 minutes long and includes photos and movie

clips. You will hear the prayer she prayed in despair during her hospitalization: "God, if I can't die, show me how to live." She is a joy-filled, well-loved woman and God

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# Happenings...

## ***Bible Studies***

Both the Tuesday Morning Women's Bible Study, and the Wednesday Evening Bible Study have wrapped up for the summer. They plan to start meeting again in September.

## **NECOB Afternoon at Camp Blue Diamond**

On July 17th at 2pm, we will be gathering as a congregational family at the Camp Blue Diamond Lakeside Pavilion. Please bring your kids, grandkids, neighbors and friends for a fun afternoon at the lake. There will be a lifeguard on duty for 2 hours to allow for swimming, canoeing, paddleboarding, etc. We'll be having a carry-in meal along with hotdogs and S'mores on the fire. There will be an evening service following the meal. A sign up sheet for those interested has been placed in the narthex. Hope to see you there!

~Emerging Ministries Team



## **Operation Christmas Child**

Our highlighted items for June will be Toys (jump ropes, hacky sacks, toy cars, yo yo's, etc.)

**Woodbury Food Pantry**  
**Food for June:**  
**Peanut butter and Jelly**



We are in need of a Sunday School teacher for Kindergarten and 1st Grade. It is currently a 3 month on, 3 month off position. Want to try it? If so, please talk to our Children's Department Director, Jeffie Singo.

Don't feel like cooking? On Sunday, June 6 there will be a Hoss's day fundraiser for Love Inc. Love Inc suffered a loss due to fire in May. On June 6, Hoss's will donate 20-25% of your check to Love Inc. If you'd like to go eat and help a local ministry, please put this on your calendar.

Copies of the coupon with group # on are available in the narthex. Pick yours up today!



Sunday School: Sunday, 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship: Sunday, 10:30 a.m.  
Office Hours: Monday thru Friday,  
**8:30am-1:30pm**

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The Little Bit Late Class would like to begin reaching out to those we haven't seen in awhile and those who may be without a home church. If God puts someone on your heart that they could be in touch with, please talk to Mandi Cottle.



## Vacation Bible School will soon be here!

Get excited! VBS will be held June 8-11 from 6-7:45pm. Children from age 4 thru grade 6 are invited and welcome. The link to register online can

be found on our church Facebook page or our website: [www.newenterprisecob.com](http://www.newenterprisecob.com).

This year's VBS will be held outdoors and feature the NECOB Skit Crew, The Puppet and Story Works, and "A Magical Experience Gospel Performance" by David

Wayne. We'll also be having snacks, crafts and activities. Please note you will NOT be able to pull in the back of the church that week—there will be tents set up.



Please pray for all volunteers and children at VBS, for health and safety and that God would move in this ministry.



Virtual Annual Conference will be held June 30– July 4. Since the 2020 Conference was cancelled, there are two ballots coming before the delegate body this year. Unfinished business consists of 1. Compelling Vision and 2. Update to Polity Regarding Annual Conference Agencies. Our delegates this year are Betty Baker and Pastor Marlys. Please keep them both in prayer.

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has used her to touch many lives with hope and a better understanding of His presence and purpose.

In my previous pastorate the leaders of the summer's Vacation Bible School chose curriculum offered by Joni and Friends program called *On a Roll for Jesus*. Each day provided children opportunities to experience different kinds of disabilities, learn about a country to which her Wheels for the World organization supplies wheelchairs and Bibles, and learn more about God's love for all His people.

May we never miss out on opportunities to hear and meet the people God sends our way—like Joni Eareckson Tada. Let God surprise you. May we never miss out on opportunities to share our own story of God at work in our lives. Yes, let God surprise you!



In Christ's service,

*Pastor Marlys*



# Children's Sunday School

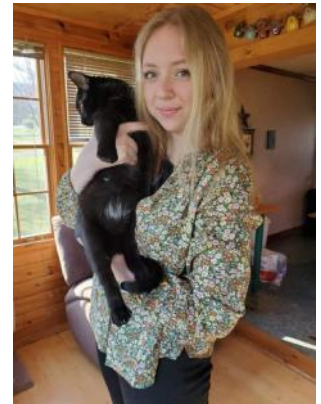
For Mother's Day, students in all 3 classes made a special "booklet" illustrating how they felt about their Mothers.



## **Congratulations to our 2021 Graduate!**

Lainee Satara Sensenig will graduate from Northern Bedford High School on June 8th. Her future plans are to major in music therapy at Slippery Rock University. We wish her all the best and send her forth with love.

Congratulations Lainee!



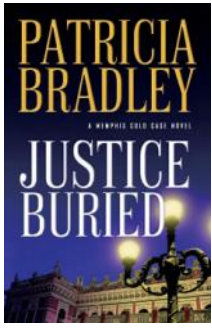
Kelly and Marlys take one last picture with their old friend.

## **Happy Retirement!**

On Monday, May 24, Pastor Marlys and Kelly bid a sad farewell and happy retirement to their long-time third co-worker : The Copier Machine. It has been in faithful service to the NECOB office since 2017, happily assisting on many projects, meetings, forums and day to day business.

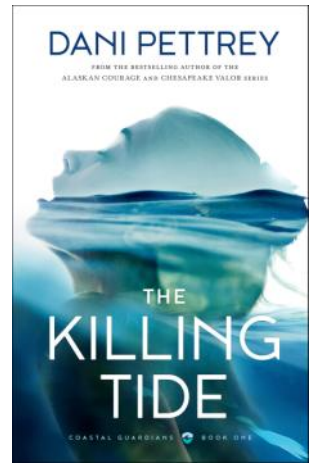
In 2020, Canon decided to stop making replacement parts for this particular model. Being so fond of it, the office staff decided to keep it as long as possible. This year it began to have some physical ailments and difficulties, resulting in the need for replacement.

Our old copier plans to spend time with family and friends and finally take that Carnival cruise it always dreamed of.



## Letters from the Library

### Justice Buried by Patricia Bradley and The Killing Tide by Dani Pettrey



Do you love a good “murder mystery” story? A bit of romance thrown in? Do you need a summer reading adventure or a book for the beach? You will find all that in the two books listed here.

Thanks to Rosie Drenning you will find these books and others like them in the Church library. Please borrow and then return them so others may also enjoy the light reading these books provide.

Justice Buried is part of a series written by Patricia Bradley. We don't at this point have other books by this author, but maybe you can keep that in mind as you shop at the Woodbury “Read for Food” library or elsewhere.

The Killing Tide author also has a long list of other titles but at this time we do not have them on the shelves. Again, keep an eye out if you enjoy this book....

Of the two books, my personal favorite was The Killing Tide. It had more references to the help of God in this twisting plot and surprise ending that I think you will appreciate.

If you have a favorite, please let me know. It would be fun to compare each other's thoughts.

~ Jeffie Singo, Church Librarian

## MISSIONS

Our mission offering for May was for Love Inc. As of May 23rd we had collected \$395 for Love Inc (who experienced a loss due to fire on May 19th) and \$805 for the Sensenig Mission Trip.

Most of us have had a friend or family member who has struggled with alcohol or drug addiction. During the month of June, our mission offering will be directed to Freedom House in Bedford. Freedom House is a residential program for men struggling with addiction. They also offer an on-site living program for those who have completed the program and need temporary lodging as they enter life after rehabilitation. Alan Brown, president of Freedom House, will speak during the Sunday morning service on June 6.

~ Ed Cooke, Missions Team Chair

## Camp Blue Diamond News

The Annual Camp Dinner will be held at Camp Blue Diamond on August 6 & 7th. This year it will be a Dinner Picnic with chicken BBQ with all the fixings and entertainment from Brethren Brass, Tim & Duane Show, and Gabe Imler. Tickets are \$50 ea and can be obtained by speaking to our camp representative, Ken Ott.



### Heritage Fair 2021

Heritage Fair is coming back this fall! Our annual festival will be held at Camp Blue Diamond on Saturday, September 18. There will be food, children's activities, an auction with the District Quilt being sold. Dunk tank, crafts and demonstrations. It's been a long year and we are celebrating being able to join together with church friends and family.

Will your church participate this year? Begin making plans and we will be calling soon to see what you are doing. Food and craft booths, games, be creative and think outside the box!

Heritage Fair will begin with breakfast at 6:30 am and booths will open at 8:30 am. Auction from 11 am-1 pm.

We can't wait to see you!

### Education Opportunities

**Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center-Contact:** 717-361-1450 or [www.ETOWN.EDU/svmc](http://www.ETOWN.EDU/svmc) or [svmc@etown.edu](mailto:svmc@etown.edu)

#### ACTS Classes:

- \* **Intro to New Testament:** MPA District Office; Instructor Craig Gandy, Beginning Tues: Sept. 14, 2021
- \* **Intro to Theology:** MPA District Office; Instructor Craig Gandy, Beginning Tues. Jan. 11, 2022
- \* **Interpreting the Bible:** MPA District Office: Instructor Connie Maclay, Beginning Tues. March 29, 2022

### Continuing Education Events

#### SVMC

- **Pastoral Care and Crisis Intervention, Part IV** Saturday, October 9, 2021, Huntsdale COB Leader: Dale Leverknight
- **Kingdom Building in Worship** Saturday, October 30, 2021, Stone COB Leaders: Cindy Laprade Lattimer, Marty Keeney and Loren Rhodes
- **Brethren and Race** Thursday, November 4, 2021 -- Zoom Leader: Denise Kettering-Lane

**Brethren Academy- Contact:** 765-983-1824 or [academy@bethanyseminary.edu](mailto:academy@bethanyseminary.edu)

- **Ancient and Medieval Church History** online with Ken Rogers August 25-Oct. 19, 2021.
- **Interim/Transitional Ministry: More than Mere Maintenance** online with Tara Hornbacker Sept. 15-Nov. 9, 2021.





## **JUNE**

### **Anniversaries**

- 1: George & Marilyn Browell,  
Mike & Carol Price, Jamie & Janell Reasy  
13: Dean & Elmira Grimes  
15: Sean & Rhiannon Imler  
19: Jeff & Sara Browell  
20: Aaron & Donna Detterline,  
Steve & Beth Eshelman  
22: Derry & Tammy Furry  
23: Chris & Elisabeth Sheppard,  
26: Gary & Leanna Hall  
27: Bob & Kim Shope



## **JUNE**

### **Birthdays**

1. Nickie Baker, Hadley Baker, Brian McConnell  
2. Ray Grubb  
3. Bob Shope  
4. Bailey Koontz, Tristan Pepple  
5. Denise Sollenberger  
6. Annette Boyd  
7. Mandi Cottle, Sean Imler  
8. Brian Walter  
9. Ed Cooke, Jeanne Defibaugh, Sandy Reffner  
10. Trudy Bollman  
11. Sadie McConnell, Carol Snyder  
14. Kari Baker, Jayme Boyd  
15. Chris Hull  
16. Weston Baker, Harber Boyd, Aiden Wadel  
17. Lucas Baker, Megan Browell  
18. Steve Eshelman  
19. Bryson Free  
21. Donna Carbaugh  
22. Jane Muntain  
23. Cameron Hall  
24. Marissa Ebersole, Derry Furry, Kendra Free  
25. Alice Leach  
26. Allen Bingenheimer, Braden Cottle  
29. Cathy Jo Hart  
30. Isabella Baker, Lana Gochnour

## Helping Hands for June

### PREACHING SCHEDULE

- June 6- Alan Brown w/ Freedom Hse.  
June 13- Pastor Marlys  
June 20- Dan Hammel  
June 27- Pastor Marlys

### WORSHIP LEADERS

- June 6- Ken Ott  
June 13- Jeanne Defibaugh  
June 20- Steve Cottle  
June 27- Annette Boyd

### ACOLYTES

- June 6- Braden Cottle  
June 13- Logan Cottle  
June 20-  
June 27- Sophia Kensinger

### GREETERS

- June 6- Rich & Patsy Clemens, Steve & Mandi Cottle  
June 13- Jeff & Annett Boyd, Betty Baker and Dolly Bowser  
June 20- Patty Clapper, Velma Steele, Ken & Peggy Ott  
June 27- Dennis & Linda Brumbaugh, Randy & Jeffie Singo



### NURSERY

Unstaffed for now— parents  
are welcome to use it at their  
discretion.

### SOUND TECHS

- June 6- Rick Defibaugh  
June 13- Matthew Hall  
June 20- Ryan Hall  
June 27- Chris Hull

### RECORDING TECHS

- June 6- Cottle Family  
June 13- Rich Clemens  
June 20- Mariah Hall  
June 27- Cottle Family


### CHILDREN'S STORY

- June 6- Stephanie States  
June 13- Mandi Cottle  
June 20- Darlene Reighard  
June 27- Ken Ott



# June 2021



| Sun                                     | Mon                 | Tue | Wed         | Thu  | Fri | Sat |
|---|---------------------|-----|-------------|--|-----|-----|
|   |                     | 1   | 2           | 3  | 4   | 5   |
| 6<br>9:30 am SS<br>10:30 am<br>Worship  | 7                   | 8   | 9 Quilting  | 10   | 11  | 12  |
| ← VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL →               |                     |     |             |  |     |     |
| 13<br>9:30 am SS<br>10:30 am<br>Worship | 14                  | 15  | 16 Quilting | 17<br>6:30 pm Lead-<br>ership Team<br>Meeting  | 18  | 19  |
| 20<br>9:30 am SS<br>10:30 am<br>Worship | 21                  | 22  | 23 Quilting | 24<br>6:30 pm Dea-<br>con's Meeting<br><br>1:30-6pm Red<br>Cross Blood<br>Drive<br><br>                                  | 25  | 26  |
| 27<br>9:30 am SS<br>10:30 am<br>Worship | 28<br>Office Closed | 29  | 30          | <div> <p>We covenant with God to witness in word and deed to the life and ministry of Jesus Christ as proclaimed in the New Testament, drawing people into a more personal relationship with God.</p> </div> |     |     |