

## OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE

January 16, 2010

Offering	= \$ 5,837.58	Attendance	= 177
Adult S.S.	= \$ 221.20	Attendance	= 89
Jr. S.S.	= \$ 11.82	Attendance	= 19

### A Prayer for Peace:

#### Becoming Maladjusted

Creator and changer of all being, we pray that you will move in us as you did in our brother Martin to become your beloved, Maladjusted daughters and sons.

May we become maladjusted to the terrible ways we separate ourselves from you and each other through disempowering structures of war, class, or race.

May we become maladjusted to our disrespect for and destruction of the environment for economic gain. May we stop killing this source of all life.

May we become maladjusted to fear of the other+judged by sexuality, homelessness, poverty, immigration status and all inhumane policies.

Help us, O God of change, in order that we may become fully maladjusted. May we change that which we have never changed before and try what we have never tried before.

May we be more than maladjusted in our remembering, but also in walking the way that might carry us to the place Martin was hoping for and working for and trying to encourage us toward. May we remember the magnificent, maladjusted example Martin Luther King offers . reminding us not to build monuments to his name but to carry out the work of building a better world.

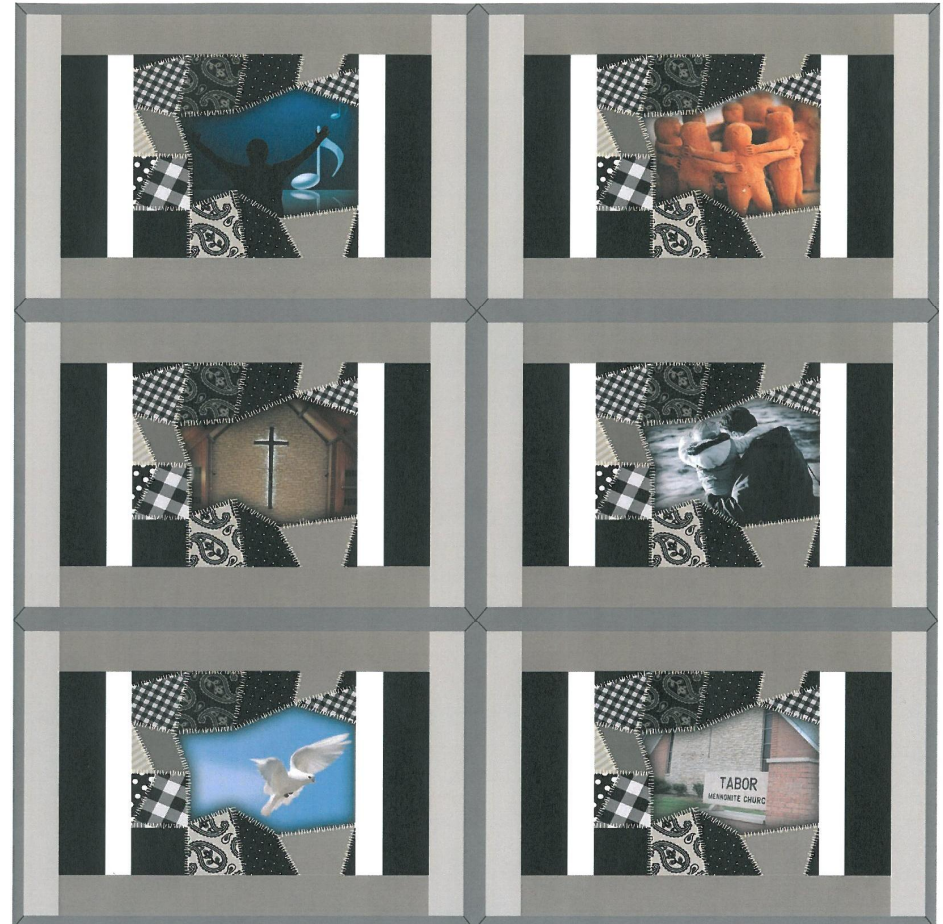
We pray in the name of Jesus the ultimate maladjuster. Amen.

*In the spring of 1960, the Reverend Doctor Martin Luther King crossed the United States lecturing on becoming "Maladjusted." In that speech, King challenged his listeners to resist the temptation to go along with the status quo and instead become "maladjusted." This lecture took him to Bethel College in Kansas where 50 years later the Reverend Vincent Harding spoke on Martin Luther King Day 2010.*

*This prayer is primarily a paraphrase of the original MLK lecture and Reverend Harding's remarks from 2010 used in a January 21, 2010 Bethel College press release.*



## Celebrating the Threads of God's Work



“ . . . I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh,  
and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy,  
and your young men shall see visions,  
and your old men shall dream dreams.”

-Acts 2:16

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Tabor Mennonite Church

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**A**s God's children and the body of Christ,  
we are called by God to offer hospitality,  
healing and hope in the name of Christ.

Kansas MCC Relief Sale  
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## Celebrating the Threads of God's Work

### *Annual Celebration*

*"Above all else, clothe yourselves with love." -Colossians 3:14*

### Gathering Our Praise

PRELUDE		Diana Schmidt
INTROIT	<i>"Alleluia! All Glory be to God"</i>	Adult Choir
WELCOME		Carol Duerksen
SONGS OF PRAISE		Adult Worship Team
	<i>"Shout to the Lord"</i>	No. 84CS
	<i>"We will dance"</i>	No. 27CS
GREETING AND ANNOUNCEMENTS		
REMEMBERING THE MINISTRIES FROM 2010		
	Commission on Administration	
	Commission on Worship/Fellowship	
	Commission on Education	
	Commission on Outreach	
OFFERING OUR GIFTS IN WORSHIP	Michelle Unruh and Josh Booth	
CHILDREN'S STORY		Gayle Funk
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>"Arise and Bless the Lord"</i>	Adult Choir

### Hearing God's Word

#### HEARING THE SCRIPTURES

*Luke 5:33-28, Isaiah 61:10, Colossians 3:12-14*

#### THREADING STORIES

Video Presentation

The Kansas MCC Sale Board gave a check to MCC for \$575,000 in 2010. We are putting the gears in motion for our 2011 MCC Sale which will be April 8 and 9. Please mark your calendars and get YOUR gears in motion dreaming how you can be involved. This can take ANY form from baking, building something, SS teachers having their class do crafts for the sale, bringing plants, offering services to be sold at the sale, making quilts, signing up to help, helping transport items, getting donations for the 5K, donating items to be sold, attending and buying things at the sale, and whatever you can dream up. Kris and Archie Schmidt and Leann and Jerry Toews are excited about the opportunity to serve again and want YOU to be excited also. Help us get the job done.

Our junior ushers will be passing the cans for your loose change starting Next Sunday, Jan. 30. If you don't have any loose change, paper money also works well.

If you want to participate as a host or guest for the MCC Fellowship Meals, please turn in your forms before Feb. 3.

PLEASE everyone help with pre-sale expenses. The expenses to put the sale on are \$90,000. It sounds overwhelming. However, when all the Mennonites in Kansas each give a little; we always seem to cover this before the sale. Please put checks in Kris and Archie, or Leann and Jerry's mailbox and make checks to: KS MCC Sale.

Quilts and comforters must be turned in by March 10. Ask your contacts for forms to fill out.

5K walkers/runners will get a FREE hooded sweat shirt if you raise \$250 or more this year.

The MCC Sale Board is looking for a SS Class, small group, or individual that would be willing to make 30 gallons of cherry moos before the sale. We have people to sell it at the sale. This is something that could be done in your home or church kitchen. Let your contact persons know if this sounds like fun.

### Fund Raising Meal:

The junior highers want to know Jesus more, and they are willing to prepare a meal to help them do just that! 10 junior highers (and two sponsors) are planning on attending a faith forming event at Hesston College called "Know Jesus+where they will hear inspirational speakers, worship God with 200 junior highers, and play the infamous "Anabaptist Adventure+game where they will remember how the early Anabaptists radically followed Jesus.



In order to pay for the registration fees for this event, the Junior Highers are willing to cook and host the meal THIS WEDNESDAY NIGHT, January 19, from 5:45pm . 6:30pm. We hope you plan on coming and supporting us in this fundraising event because its just too cold to have a car wash now!

### Announcements

#### Thank You's

Thank you so much for the lovely grocery shower. We are so excited to try out all of the new recipes that we received! We appreciate your generosity; we won't be going hungry anytime soon!

· Jake and Stephanie Unruh

Thank you to the Tabor Church family for your support and prayers these past weeks during the illness and loss of our mother. A special thank you to pastors Corey and Karen for their many visits to our mother these past years, and for the comfort given our family in our time of need.

· The Dorothy Schmidt family

**Preschoolers - It's Story Time!** Come and enjoy books, music and rhymes at the Western District Conference Resource Library on Wed. mornings from 10-10:40am, starting on Feb. 9. Call Marlene at 316-283-6300 to sign up for the spring semester and for more information.

#### On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ **Mennonite Central Committee** and **Mennonite Disaster Service** updates.
- ★ **MCC:** >Volunteers needed at MCC Warehouse in Newton.  
>Program tonight-Hesston Mennonite Church 7pm-MCC Response to Earthquake in Haiti.
- ★ **Offender/Victim Ministries:** >M-2 orientation Feb. 7  
>Men's Singing Opportunity: Prison Art Program choir. Begin Feb. 17.
- ★ **Camp Mennoscah:** Information and job opportunity.
- ★ Bethel College **Life Enrichment** program begins Feb. 9. See brochure.

### Responding to God's Word

SONG "They'll know we are Christians by our love" No. 105CS

SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER

\*HYMN "The work is thine, O Christ" No. 396

\*BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE

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### Today

Today, we gather as the Tabor church body to remember how God blessed us in the past year. And so we will celebrate several things we accomplished by God's grace and we will look forward to hearing dreams and goals from some Tabor folks for our future.

Special thanks to Carol for the creative reports that she wrote for the ministries of the commissions. Thanks to Nick Unruh for creating the documentary.

We are so glad you that you are here with us to worship. This morning you were greeted by Gary, Angie, Olivia and Zach Duerksen and Russ, Sharleen and Tristan Francis.

*Please note the friendship cards in the songbook holders. A special welcome is extended to all visitors. You are invited to fill out the back of the friendship card and place it in the offering bag.*

Childcare is provided by Leah Unruh and Jasmine Brandt in the nursery during the worship service.

**10:45 a.m.**—Sunday school for everyone.

The 8 week *Naked Anabaptist* book study continues today in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday school hour. We have extra books on hand so feel free to come!



*Come Holy Spirit.  
Fill the hearts of thy faithful people  
and kindle in us the fire of thy love.*

**Today continued:**

On the table in the foyer are **Prayer Request Cards**. You are invited to fill one out if you have a request and return it to a pastor's box.

**Noon:** Please plan to join the Tabor Mennonite Youth Fellowship for the fundraiser meal today. Donations raised from this meal will help fund the youth mission trip this summer.

The blanket display in the basement is to show you blankets made by Willing Helpers last year. These blankets are going to be taken to the MCC headquarters to be sent where ever needed. Pray for whoever will receive them that they will learn to know about Jesus' love, as well as be warm.

## This Week

**Monday, January 24**

**Newsletter items are due.**

**Tuesday, January 25**

**12:00 p.m.**—Goessel, Peabody, Walton Lunch Bunch at the AGAPE Center in Goessel. Please sign up.

**Wednesday, January 26**

*Full Wednesday night programming*

### ***Wednesday Evenings at Tabor***

**5:45-6:30** - Supper for all. **Sign up for meal.** *Bring your own table service.*

**Junior High Fundraiser Meal: See Announcement for details.**

**6:30-7:15** - Children of Light, Faith Friends, Adult Bible Study, Worship Team

**7:00-8:00** - TMYF

**7:15-8:00** - Cross Road, Faithful Fitness

**7:15-8:15** - Faith Adventure, Youth Explorers

**8:00-9:00** - Adult Choir



## Next Sunday, January 30

**9:30 a.m.—Worship:** We will begin a five week series on the Sermon on the Mount. We invite all to read over this amazing sermon (Matthew 5-7) in the next several weeks and come prepared for our worship time. The focus of the morning will be ~~9~~ Blessings+, the texts are Micah 6:1-8, Psalm 15, I Corinthians 1:18-31 and Matthew 5:1-12 and pastor Karen will be preaching.

**10:45 a.m.**—Sunday school for everyone.

## Prayer Requests

*The following items were shared last Sunday, January 16.*

- ★ Elaine Schroeder offered thanks to God for a church that both challenges and encourages her faith journey.
- ★ Evelyn Schmidt offered appreciation for the %Come and See+invitation that she heard from Jesus in a new way.
- ★ Jerry Toews shared that he has been teaching band for a few weeks at the Goessel Jr./Sr. High school and expressed gratitude for the vibrancy and talent of the young people in our communities.
- ★ Erlene Unruh offered thanks to God for the ministry of MCC.
- ★ Bob Unruh expressed gratitude for the common sense voices that have spoken following the tragic shootings in Tucson, Arizona.

Happenings:

- ★ Due to the ice and snow, Tabor cancelled its regularly scheduled Wednesday night activities. Although it was nice to be at home with the family, there was a feeling that we were missing our church family. I trust that you felt the same!
- ★ The entire worship/fellowship committee was able to attend a worship planning event lead by Marlene Kropf on Friday evening.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ Creativity, Wisdom and Fresh Ideas to carry out the vision of the Tabor Threads woven together into a beautiful tapestry of witness!
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for guidance for Gilberto Flores in the exploration of church planting opportunities coming to WDC in Houston, Dallas, and San Antonio.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Pray for Akiko Aratani and Raymond Epp and their family, working with MMN at Menno Village in Japan. They model Jesusqmessage of hope and peace through worship, hospitality, counseling, and healing an ailing agricultural system.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Pastors Week at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary focuses on preaching with imagination and creativity with Dr. Cleophus LaRue as the main presenter. Pray that all presenters and participants will be renewed by the study and fellowship.