

## Kansas Mennonite Relief Sale

April 8 & 9, 2011

☞ Come Neighbor Share Our Table+

*"Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it... And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased."*  
-Hebrew 13:2,16

Jr. Ushers collected \$62.21 last Sunday. Total collected so far is \$232.47.

MCC Fellowship Meal at Tabor is Sun., March 13 after SS. Leann and Kris will be serving their Famous Chicken Enchilada Meal. The signup sheet is on the board. Please come.

What can YOU bring as your gift to the hungry and hurting at home and abroad? Quality woodwork and needlework items, cotton tea towels, hobby items, crafts, plants and baked goods are much in demand. Do you have anything for Quilters Corner. Last year these re-cycled items brought in nearly \$15,000.

The Sale Board is looking for individual(s) to coordinate the food booth in Sunflower North. If this sounds like fun let your contacts know for more info. This would be a great activity for a small group or a SS Class or a group of friends.

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 Schmidt, or Leann and Jerry Toewsq mailbox and make checks to: KS MCC Sale.

Quilts and comforters must be turned in by March 10. Quilts turned in late will be held for 2012 sale.

### OFFERINGS & ATTENDANCE February 6, 2010

Offering	= \$ 4,465.25	Attendance	= 172
Adult S.S.	= \$ 48.60	Attendance	= 86
Jr. S.S.	= \$ 14.00	Attendance	= 16

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# Sermon on the Mount



## Spirituality and Economics

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.

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## Spirituality and Economics

*"No one can serve two masters . . . You cannot serve God and Wealth." -Matthew 6:24*

### Gathering In Community

PRELUDE Michelle Unruh

WELCOME and CALL TO WORSHIP Worship Leader, Brittany Voth

Leader: We are invited to love God with all that we possess:  
time, talents and money.

**People: Today, we bring our lives to you, just as they are:**  
**Open and closed; clear and confused;**  
**Pure and sullied; brilliant and slow.**

Leader: Rekindle us and remind us how to love you with all our being.

**People: Awaken in us faithful prayers, that we may more fully  
trust in you.**

**All: For Yours is the Kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**  
*Amen.*

### Praising God

\*HYMN OF PRAISE No. 46  
*"I sing the mighty power of God"*

\*PRAYER OF BLESSING

\*SONG OF PRAISE No. 285  
*"All hail the power of Jesus' name"*

\*GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GIVING OUR OFFERINGS *Matthew 6:1-4*

*Coins collected for MCC Relief Sale Penny Challenge*

CHILDREN'S STORY Janna Duerksen

### Stewardship Opportunities!

Western District Conference, South Central Conference and Everence are hosting two stewardship workshops to help with stewardship practices.

>Personal Finances in Challenging Times, by Ashley Hagelin - Feb. 28, 7-9 p.m. - For persons who are stressed by their present financial patterns and prospects or persons who are working with those who are stressed. For pastors, deacons, and congregational mutual aid leaders.

>Stewardship Strategies for Developing Thriving Congregations, by Beryl Jantz -March 1, 7-9 p.m. - This seminar is for pastors and money managers of the congregation - treasurers, trustees, moderators, and stewardship committees. It will focus on **Six Best Practices for Congregational Stewardship.**

**IGNITE! Survivor Edition** is coming to South Hutchinson Mennonite Church March 6, 2011. **IGNITE!** is an annual event to resource, inspire and celebrate the work of youth ministers, workers and sponsors. **IGNITE!** Includes workshops, worship, networking and a banquet meal. This year's theme revolves around how to survive and thrive in youth ministry! You will be on a survivor team and face challenges throughout the event. Registration is \$20 per person. To register contact Nancy Funk at 316-283-6300 or [wdc@mennowdc.org](mailto:wdc@mennowdc.org) **IGNITE!** is planned and sponsored by the WD/SC Youth Committee.

**Blood Mobile:** This year the severe winter weather is causing many blood drive cancellations, and the supply of blood nationwide has dropped dramatically. Please take time to come donate at the Goessel Church on Wed. Feb. 25 from 2 - 6 p.m. To make an appointment call 1-800-733-2767.

**Take a friend out to lunch for Valentine's Day!** Our Feb. 14 AGAPE Sr. Center menu includes Valentine Pizza and Strawberry Pretzel salad. After dinner music will be "Valentine Surprise" featuring local talent. Hope to see you there! Please call 367-2275 by 9 AM to leave a message for meal reservations.

### On the Bulletin Boards:

- ★ **Agape Senior Center:** >Potluck supper, Feb. 18, 6pm. Program 7pm.  
>Letter from AGAPE detailing services offered and **Need for support.**
- ★ Donate your old bicycle to **Hvy. Co. Homeless Shelter.** Details posted.
- ★ **Offender/Victim Ministries** Annual meeting Feb. 21, East Height United Methodist, Wichita.
- ★ Seminar: **"Caregiving Journeys"**, First Menn. Newton, Feb 19.
- ★ **Mennonite Central Committee and Mennonite Disaster Service** updates.

### Peace begins with Hope

Hope begins in the dark, the stubborn hope that if you just show up and try to do the right thing, the dawn will come. You wait and watch and work: you don't give up.  
-Anne Lamott



## Announcements

**College Care Package Time!** Due to dwindling participation the last couple of years in this mission that our students so much enjoy, the College Task Force has decided to make a change in care package donations for this year. In the past we have asked you to bring a care package for a specific student. This year, just bring items for care packages and the task force will make up a care package for each student. There is be a table inside the front door of the church for easy donation placement. Please leave items . baked goods, purchased treats, etc. on the table this morning and the task force will be packaging them up later today. We also invite you to write notes to any of the students and place them on this table also and they will be included in the package. Students are: Travis Buller, Ron Dirksen, Brittany Dirksen, Alex Drake, Brett Goerzen, James Goerzen, Hayden Goerzen, Sheldon Goerzen, Claire Unruh, Grace Unruh, Kristin Unruh, Anna Unruh, Duane Unruh, Laura Unruh, Jason Unruh, Monica Voth, Janessa Wedel. (If you know of any students that we have missed, please call Gayle Funk).

**All Women:** February 21, 6:30 p.m. is the next Project Work evening for Women at Tabor! Willing Helpers will be sponsoring an evening to make projects; some of which will go for the MCC Sale. If you can tie knots, cut squares, embroider, quilt or use a sewing machine, or would like to learn how to do these things, please come on Monday evening, Feb. 21. If you have questions, call Denise. If you have a sewing machine that you can bring, let Darlene Schroeder know. Eunice Nickel will provide devotions. Which Christian value do you wish to pass onto the next generation?

**Directory Updates:** Please submit any changes or updates for Tabor's 2011 Directory. Email [kfunk@tabormennonite.org](mailto:kfunk@tabormennonite.org), call 367-2318 or place in the secretary's mail box.

**Peter and Katherine Goerzen**, pastors of Grace Hill Mennonite Church, will be showing pictures and sharing stories of their January trip to the Holy Land at 7:00pm this evening at Grace Hill Church, 7 miles east of Newton on First Street, one mile south on Grace Hill Road, and one-half mile east. They were asked to bring Christian greetings to churches here. Everyone is invited. Peter grew up attending Tabor Church.

**Invitation to conversation:** On Thursday, February 24, 9:45-11:30 a.m., First Mennonite Church of Newton will host three international guests from Mennonite World Conference (MWC). You are invited to join in a conversation with them concerning the global Mennonite fellowship. MWC participants are Albert C. (Bert) Lobe, Canada; Cynthia Peacock, India; and Mawangu Cisca Ibanda, Democratic Republic of Congo. Please contact the First Mennonite church office for more information or to RSVP: [office@firstmennonitewton.org](mailto:office@firstmennonitewton.org) or 316-283-0273.

## Hearing God's Word

GOSPEL TEXT	<i>Matthew 6:5-9a</i>	
SPECIAL MUSIC	<i>"The Lord's Prayer"</i>	Marcene Entz and Karen Andres
GOSPEL STORY	<i>Matthew 6:19-21</i>	
SERMON	<i>"Prayer, Piety and Possessions"</i>	Corey Miller
<b>Response</b>		
PRAYER	<i>"O Lord, hear my prayer"</i>	No. 348
SHARING AND CONGREGATIONAL PRAYER		
*HYMN	<i>"Beyond a dying sun"</i>	No. 323
*POSTLUDE		

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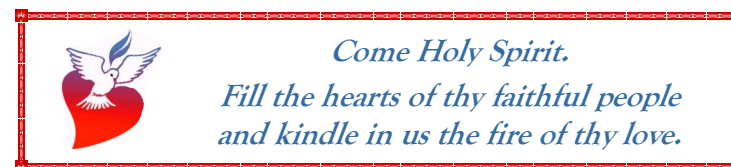
## Today

As we continue to hear Jesus' teachings in the Sermon on the Mount, we are invited today to think of how our piety affects our pocketbooks. Jesus invites his followers to practice spiritual disciplines in a way that honors God and helps others. May our prayers and worship be a fragrant offering to God today.

We are so glad that you are here with us today. This morning you were greeted by Carrie, Shannon, and Reed Friesen and Kenton and Eunice Nickel.

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

Childcare provided by Nancy Miller in the nursery during the worship service.



## Today Continued

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

All college-age people are invited to Les and Cynthia Goerzen's home right after the service for devotions and visiting, followed by lunch.

The 8 week *Naked Anabaptist* book study continues today in the Fellowship Hall during the Sunday school hour.

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.

**Commitment Forms for the Commission on Outreach:** Please take time to look over the forms and prayerfully consider how you can become a part of Tabor's outreach ministries. Forms are due in the box in the foyer TODAY.

## This Week

**February is "Sermon on the Mount" month (at Tabor):** Over the next 2 weeks, we will be continuing to reflect on the Sermon on the Mount, found in Matthew 5-7. We invite EVERYONE to spend the month of February reading through Matthew 5-7 and praying about its message for us. We look forward to how God's Spirit will move!

### Tuesday, February 15

**7:00 p.m.**—Deacon's meeting at Myron Voth's.

**Wednesday, February 16** *Full Wednesday night programming*

### **Wednesday Evenings at Tabor**

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

**6:30-7:15** - Children of Light, Faith Friends, Worship Team,  
Adult Bible Study: Praying the Lord's Prayer

**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, February 20

**9:30 a.m.—Worship:** We will continue our series on the Sermon on the Mount. The focus of the morning will be ~~W~~orry, Anxiety and Trust; the texts are Matthew 6:26-34 and pastor Corey will be preaching.

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

**WaShunGa Fundraiser:** Please come support our Goessel Area Wide Junior High youth on Feb. 20. They will be serving a sloppy joe lunch here at Tabor at 12pm. This is a fundraiser for the Camp WaShunGa trip in May. 7th & 8th graders bring a dessert of your choice to serve at the meal. We will go bowling afterwards so bring money and your signed consent form.

**"Stories and Songs of Peace and Hope"**, a concert featuring internationally-acclaimed baritone Tony Brown will be held here at Tabor Church at 7 p.m. on Sunday, Feb. 20th. Brown will share stories from his world travels as a peacemaker through music. The concert is open to the public, though a free-will offering will be received for the Peacing It Together Foundation. A reception will follow. Brown is sociology instructor and artist-in-residence at Hesston College and will be accompanied by music faculty member Ken Rodgers.  
**Tabor: Please bring cookies for the reception following the concert.**

## Prayer Requests

Happenings:

★ *Caring Quilt Locations:* The Caring Quilt and Children's Caring Quilt are home.

Remember to pray for:

- ★ the workers at Tabor who have helped at the Homeless Shelter this past week.
- ★ patience as the long winter continues on; spring is one day closer!
- ★ Western District Conference: Pray for God's guidance in the appointment of a church planter for the new Hispanic church in Wichita, KS. Pray for our Missouri church plant now called Peace Mennonite Church with a new focus on Columbia. Pray for the new church plant getting underway in Oklahoma City called Metro Mennonite Church.
- ★ Mennonite Mission Network: Thank God for SOOP participants serving at the Hopi Mission School in Kykotsmovi, Ariz., through MMN. Pray that the SOOPers may be blessed as they support the ministry of the school through tutoring, maintenance and office assistance.
- ★ Mennonite Education Agency: Praise God for the dedication of Bethel College nursing faculty and for the junior students who symbolize their commitment to the profession in the annual nurses' lamp lighting ceremony this afternoon, and give thanks for their families who support them.