



# *FMC Weekly*

*January 22-28*

## ***Worship this Sunday, January 24***

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Worship at 9:30 am. "Ministry Network: One Spirit." Last of a three-part series on Ministry Network. The text is 1 Corinthians 12:12-31. Pastor Annie Lengacher Browning preaching.

## ***Education this Sunday, January 24***

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### **For Children**

The title for the lesson is "Jesus and the Samaritan woman." The Scripture/Bible story is John 4:1-42. Jesus asks a Samaritan woman for a drink and teller her about living water. She calls him a prophet. Because of her, many Samaritans come to Jesus and believe. The faith focus is "we yearn for living water." Broadway Assistance Center food drive.

### **For Adults**

Vern Rempel will lead the second of three classes on "Introduction to the Bible" (What is where in the Bible, how it is structured, how did it develop, what is the basic "flow" or narrative arc of the Bible). Meets in B-21.

## ***Events January 22-28***

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### **January 24**

MYF Potluck/Fundraiser at noon in the Community Center

### **January 28**

10:15 am Round Table

## Prayer Requests

We welcome your requests for prayer. Please e-mail your prayer request to the church office with "Prayer Requests" in the subject line. Also, if you would like prayer for any reason and do not want it to be published, feel free to contact Pastors Vern or Annie.

## Happy Anniversary

None

## Happy Birthday

25 - Lois Dewhurst  
25 - Roberta Stutzman  
26 - Ali Fretz  
26 - Betty Sonnenberg  
27 - Dayvid Graybill  
27 - Evan Miller  
28 - Kristine Dyrsten  
28 - Anita Miller

## Attendance January 17

Adults - 200  
Children - 25  
Total - 225

## Sermon January 17

Sermon by Vern Rempel on January 17 is posted on the FMC website.

Prior sermons are also available. Look at the left side of the web page under "Recent Sermons."

Hard copies of recent sermons are available in the literature rack in the Community Center.

## Menno Focus

January *Menno Focus* is available here or on the Welcome Table in the foyer.

## Conference Connections

January *Conference Connections* is available here or on the Welcome Table in the Foyer.

## Links

For Mountain States Mennonite Conference  
[www.MountainStatesMC.org](http://www.MountainStatesMC.org)

For Mennonite Church USA:  
[www.MennoniteUSA.org](http://www.MennoniteUSA.org)

## Our FMC Community

**MYF Snow Camp:** The MYF will be attending high-school snow camp I at Rocky Mountain Camp from February 12-14 for some fun in the snow with friends old and new! We will leave the church at 5:30 pm on Friday evening and return home at 1:00 Sunday afternoon. \*Parents and MYFers, please contact Ben Gerig ([bengerig27@hotmail.com](mailto:bengerig27@hotmail.com)) in order to reserve your spot with us for the retreat by Friday January 29th! We look forward to a spectacular getaway...

**Haiti Response Update:** Here is the update on our FMC collection for Haiti. So far, you've reported a total of \$11,433. Thanks for all that we are doing so far, together. Don't forget to add text-message donations to the Red Cross, or any other place you've donated, in addition to Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) gifts. All donation notes are confidential and no name will be attached to any public report. For more information, about the Mennonite work in Haiti, go to the MCC website: [MCC.org](http://MCC.org). - Vern Rempel

**College Care Packages:** Remember FMC college students through our care packages and cards. We will begin collecting goodies and fun items for our college student care packages on February 7 and continue collection on February 14 and February 21. We have 16 students this year. There will be a table set up in the foyer after the service where you can leave your contributions and sign the cards.

**Look for balloons in the Community Center this Sunday to sign up for a Progressive Dinner.** Progressive Dinners will be held on Saturday, February 27, beginning at 6 pm. The annual progressive dinners are organized by regions in the Denver metro area and surrounding suburbs and will include three courses: an appetizer, a main dish, and a dessert. Each general region will have a few small groups of about 10-12 people that move from course to course throughout the evening. We are looking for willing cooks to host a course in their homes and many more people to sign up to eat! If you are interested in attending or hosting and wish to RSVP via email or have further questions, please contact Anne Gerber ([agerber78@gmail.com](mailto:agerber78@gmail.com)),

**The children will be collecting food items to be taken to the Broadway Assistance Center food bank.** Traditionally food banks run low this time of year. The entire congregation is invited to participate in this project. Please bring non perishable food items to share. There will be a collection box in the foyer. Thanks!

**Sunday is the last day to sign up for the Ministry Networks.** Ministry Networks will provide support, encouragement and resources in the FMC community around specific needs identified within our congregation. Similar in structure to the existing Caregivers and the Health Ministries Team, the intent of the networks is to develop teams of individuals who have life experience, passion or skill in the areas listed below and would be open to responding, in conjunction with the pastors, to the many needs or areas of concern that arise within the congregation. Agreeing to be part of a ministry network would involve a general time commitment of 1-2 contacts per month or 2-3 hours of time giving support through personal contacts such as phone calls, meeting for coffee or lunch, prayer, cards or emails. There will be two informational/orientation sessions during the adult education hour the next two Sundays, January 31 and February 7 about the formation and logistics of these networks. If you wish to express interest in being part of a network or have questions, please contact Linda Bontrager or Annie Lengacher Browning. In addition to Caregivers and the Health Ministries Team, ministry networks that are being developed currently include the following\*:

- Food Ministry (preparing food for families with new babies or for

## Contact Us

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[fmcdenver@aol.com](mailto:fmcdenver@aol.com)

## Emergency Closure

When weather or any other emergency event necessitates last minute cancellation of worship or other events here at FMC, the following procedure will be followed: 1) The cancellation will be posted on the FMC website. 2) A message will be left on the FMC Worship and Activities Line. Call 303-892-1038 and press 1 at the prompt. 3) Email will be sent to all known FMC email addresses. If you receive the email and know someone who does not have email, please call them to let them know. 4) If possible, we'll post the info on Channels 4, 7 & 9.

## Market Square

*If you want to sel, buy, trade, get a ride, find a roommate, find an employee, find a job, find sponsors or advertize an event requiring purchase of tickets, this section is for you! Please e-mail your request to the church with "Market Square" in the subject line. It will run one time. Deadline is midnight Wednesday.*

**Housesitting:** We are looking for a responsible person or couple who likes dogs and would like to live in our Platt Park bungalow rent free from April 22 to June 24, 2010. In exchange, we would ask that this person or couple, walk our friendly golden/husky dog and do some very light yard work. We are open to negotiating a longer stay if it is convenient for you. We will be in Bhutan during this period of time. Our home is close to Pearl Street, the Decker library, and light rail. Respond to 303-722-6147 or [mpritchard50@yahoo.com](mailto:mpritchard50@yahoo.com).

**Need a free work table?** The church is getting rid of several very used 8' work tables. While some are a little beat up, they might be perfect for a messy project in the garage or something like that. If you would be interested in having one of the tables, contact Karen Martin.

others who are facing illness, losses or other challenges)

- Visitation (visiting those who are ill, shut in or facing other challenges)
- Relationships (support for newly weds, addressing marriage challenges, singleness, family conflicts or estrangements, conflict resolution)
- Grief and Loss (death of family or friends, bereavement, general losses in life)
- Stewardship and Financial Management
- Emotional and Spiritual Health (stress management, work/life balance, physical well-being, mental health, spiritual guidance, questions of life identity and purpose, sexuality)
- Life Transitions (young adult mentoring, empty nesting, retirement, job loss or job changes)
- Family Life (parenting, adoption, blended families, caring for aging parents, caring for grandchildren, infertility) (debt counseling, managing finances, time management, use of resources)

\*Please note that the descriptors are not intended to be exhaustive but rather to give an overview of each network.

## Around Mountain States Mennonite Conference

### **Prayers for Mountain States Conference:**

- Thanksgiving for Boulder Mennonite's 25 yrs. of fellowship and outreach in their community, and for those who worked to start the church and it's ministry.
- Please pray for the Emmanuel and Rocky Ford congregations to be open to God's leading as they evaluate the possibility of a collaborative future.
- Thanksgiving for and fond remembrance of the life of Dr. Howard Stutzman upon his passing on Dec. 18. He was a strong moving force in bringing Casa del Sol into the Arkansas Valley community.
- May Arvada Mennonite be open to God's wisdom and insight as they seriously seek God's dream and vision for "Kingdom work." May they be moved with the courage to do as they are called.
- Please pray for youth attending snow camp at RMMC; for safe travels, great spiritual experiences and good times of fellowship.
- May God bless the construction crew at Glennon Heights with wisdom and safety as they begin renovation on the church.
- Please pray for the Annual Assembly Planning Committee to be infused and motivated by potent doses of creativity and organizational skills as they plan for the MSMC Annual Assembly in August.
- Please pray for Spirit-led discernment for all churches in pastoral transition.

## Mennonite Church USA

**From Mennonite Mission Network:** Connie Byler, in Spain, has a goal of visiting and sharing the good news of Jesus with at least one person every day. Pray that God may guide her to people with open hearts and give her words that connect with the need of each person.

**Mennonite Central Committee (MCC)** is undertaking a multimillion-dollar, multiyear response to the earthquake that struck Haiti Jan. 12. You can help through prayer for the people of Haiti and by donating to MCC's Haiti Earthquake appeal. In addition, MCC is asking for donations of 20,000 relief kits, 10,000 heavy comforters and 10,000 sheets for shipment now through Feb. 28. Monetary gifts, designated Haiti Earthquake, may be sent to MCC Central States PO Box 235 North Newton, KS 67117 or online at [mcc.org](http://mcc.org). Find instructions for donating relief kits, comforters and sheets at [mcc.org/kits](http://mcc.org/kits) or call our office at 316-283-2720 for more information.