From the Pastor
If you think you might have interest in ministering to those in prison, come and see me. Now is time to sign up for the April Kairos weekend. Preparation involves four Saturdays of training, cookies, prayers, government paperwork, new friendships and many blessings. The Spring weekend will be April 23rd thru 26th.

You may be interested in knowing that our congregation has been reaching out and helping others. Most recently, we helped a family whose home had been destroyed by the Memorial Day weekend tornados. This young mother and three young children had run out of options. We at Pitsburg joined with Potsdam Church of the Brethren with a donation which will help them finish rebuilding and return to their home. Also, as they were evicted from a temporary apartment, Pastor Ken helped another BDM (Brethren Disaster Ministries) volunteer relocate their belongings in storage as they wait for the coming completion. BDM expects to get set up in the spring to help other families rebuild (there could be as many as three hundred families with similar needs).

If you are interested in helping, see pastor Ken.

Hebrews 13:1–3 (NRSV)
1 Let mutual love continue. 2 Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it. 3 Remember those who are in prison, as though you were in prison with them; those who are being tortured, as though you yourselves were being tortured.

Note:
If we have not listed your birthday or anniversary, please contact the Pastor so we can correct the list.

- - - CALENDAR OF EVENTS - - -

Jan 27  Monday 7:00 pm
  Shiloh Hymn Sing

Jan 29  Wednesday 7:00 pm
  Bible Study

Jan 30  Thursday 7:00 pm
  Pitsburg Board

Feb 5  Wednesday 7:00 pm
  Bible Study

Feb 7  District Men’s Retreat at
  Woodland Altars

Feb 9  Eat out after church - Rob’s restaurant
  Sponsored by Women’s Fellowship

Feb 14  Valentine’s day

Feb 16  Communion at end of worship

Mar 8  2:00 am Daylight Savings time
  Spring forward - move clocks up one hour

Mar 29  Eat out after church - Jerrlyn pick

Apr 9  Thursday 6:30 pm
  Maunday Thursday joint service with
  Painter Creek

FEBRUARY
BIRTHDAYS &
ANNIVERSARIES
1  Stacy Zimmer Hatch
7  Dan Cunningham
10  Jim & Sharon Fetter
10  Rebecca Oren Hamilton
12  June Somers
12  Ann Stroh
13  Blain Coby
13  Ray Rayburg
23  Jennifer Scantland
28  Anna Bevins

Welcome Rebecca and Ellie!
PRAYER doesn’t work because you are good

PRAYER works because God is good

A grateful heart is a magnet for miracles.

Submitted by Kim Kessler

Abram and friends prepare to save Lot
Over the holidays, God continued to connect us to several local ministries that are eager to use audio Bibles. We met this pastor "randomly" while visiting a town a few hours away. When we learned we were both working with minority people groups, he decided to drive to our neighborhood to get some Bibles for his ministry. Please pray for open hearts for the children and families who received these Bibles. Praise God for the many ways HE is networking His global church together. This is never something we intended to do. Nor would we have the ability to do it on our own.

The Cheeseman Family preparing for a road trip. They will try to visit Pitsburg CoB while in Ohio.

We will be in Longwood, FL, to be near the Wycliffe Bible Translators' headquarters. In Florida we will focus on debrief, training, and connecting with our supporting churches. Please pray for humility and clarity as we prepare presentations and sermons. We want our words to glorify God, not our own weak efforts. Our travel itinerary during our time in the USA will include:

- February/March-Florida
- April/May/June-New Hampshire/Maine
- July/August-Ohio/Indiana/Michigan
- September-Thailand again!
If you would like to receive this newsletter by email, please contact the Pastor at pitsurgcob@yahoo.com

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