

Echoes

Mexico Church of the Brethren

Mailing Address: P.O. Box 296 Mexico In 46958

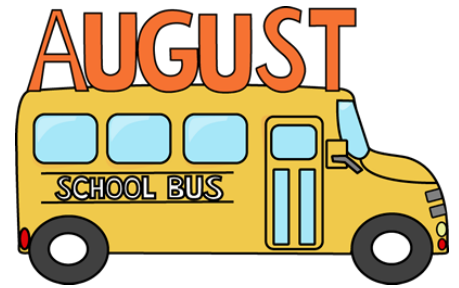
Physical Address: 4460 N Mexico Rd Mexico In 46958

Church Phone & Fax: 765-985-2484

Church Email: ministry@mexicocob.org

Church Website: www.mexicocob.org

Pastor Matty's email: pastor@mexicocob.org



2018

9:30 am—Worship Service

10:45 am—Sunday School



RELIEVE EDITORIAL STRESS:
TURN IN YOUR ARTICLES EARLY!
 REMINDER:
DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES IS
15th of every Month

PASTOR'S SCHEDULE

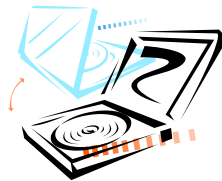
Mon: 9:00 am– 12:00 pm

Tues: 12– 3:00 pm

Or by appointment

Secretary Office Hours:
 Wednesday: 9:00 am– 1:00 pm

The Messages are on the webpage at www.mexicocob.org. However, we will make you a dvd upon request. See Dave Collins or Lorie Bowman.



Sunday Services: August

Worship Leader

Keith Zimmer

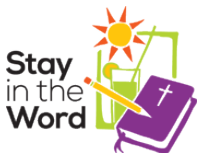
Greeters

5 Brooklyn Williams & Kody Myers
 12 Allen & Ellen Fisher
 19 Keith & Donna Zimmer
 26 Sandy Miller & Levi Huddleston

Children's Story

5 Dare to Share
 12
 19 Lorie Bowman
 26

Thank you for serving our church family in this way





- ★ 3- Stephana Prather
- ★ 8- Brad McClain
- ★ 13 - Leeshan Hudson
- ★ 14 - Mack Wildermuth
- ★ 15 - Amy Balsbaugh
- ★ 15 - Peggy Hostetler
- ★ 27 - Rosemary Clemons
- ★ 31 - Jenny Kling



- ♥ 3—Robbie & Lori Pratt
- ♥ 5—Dave & Twila Collins
- ♥ 11—Mr. & Mrs. Jane Conrad
- ♥ 19—Dave & Renee Dawalt
- ♥ 19—Dale & Jyl Hight
- ♥ 20—Phil & Joyce Tomson
- ♥ 21—Cy & Pat Howell
- ♥ 30—Chuck & Karen Oldfather



If we missed your special day let the office know. Simply drop us a note or an email.

Wednesday Night Meal

August 1, 2018
 & August 15, 2018
 At 6:00 pm
 We hope you will join us in this meal!



Prayer Concerns:

Pray for peace within the church, help for each one of us to show the love of Christ.

Please pray for our **Ministry Team** and the **Board** as these members are working diligently for the Lord's will at our church.



Let us pray



- Ministry Team:** Adriene Clingaman, Kim Milburn, Gina Hattery, Glenn Conner, Steve Hostetler & Pastor Matty Myers
- Board Members:** Brook Milburn, Dave Collins, Lorie Bowman, Dave Dawalt, Audrey Davis & Pastor Matty Myers

Please remember these groups and individuals in your daily prayers.

Helping Hands!

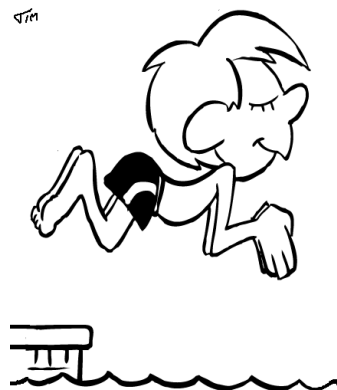
Helping Hands is in need of specific items from our church! In helping them we help our church family and neighbors. Our church is asked to collect items on the **3rd Sunday of each month!** Here is the list of items they request from us!

Canned Fruit, Cereal, Flour, Sugar, Toothpaste, Tooth brushes, Sanitary Napkins

Please remember this important ministry!
Thank you!



Sunday, August 5th at 1:00 pm—All Church Gathering at Barb Miller's. She will provide the hot dogs. Bring a dish to share. Drinks and buns will also be provided! Come out for good food and fellowship. Swimming is also available in the pond.



Items needed by Open Arms

Baby diapers and wipes, Onesies 6 mo.-18 mo. Socks, Kid's underwear and undershirts, socks, kid's Vitamins kid's allergy and cold medicine

Women's socks, undergarments. allergy and cold medicines

Kitchen Supplies-Bread, butter, cake mixes, icing, canned fruit, canned veggies, spices (lemon pepper, salt, garlic powder, pepper, baking powder), Kitchen towels, kitchen utensils (tongs, spatulas), large frying pans.

Cleaning Supplies-toilet bowl cleaner, Comet, window cleaner, Lysol, Laundry soap.

Our Daily Prayers



Our community children spend approximately 45 hours per week with our area teachers and other employees at the North Miami School System. For that reason we ask that you add the following people to your daily prayers.

Every month throughout the school year you will see one teacher/faculty from the elementary and one from the high school listed per week. Each day that week please lift the designated employee in prayer. Praying for the adults who influence our children will enable us to indirectly pray for the unnamed students as well.

During the week we also encourage you to pray for the school system as a whole.

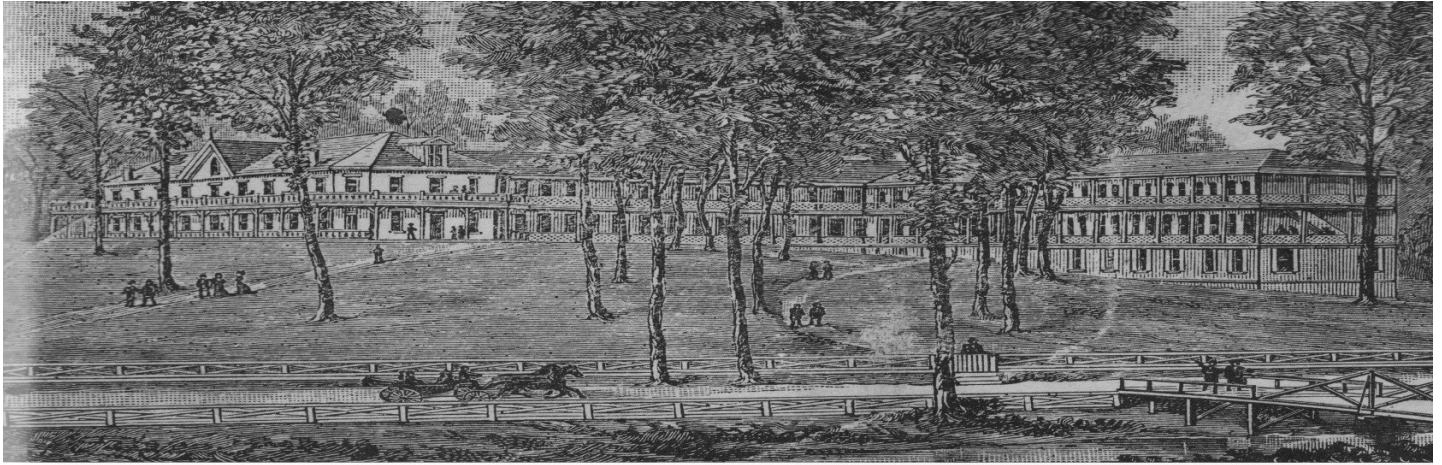
Week Of	Staff	Staff
August 5	Peggy Graves—Elementary Therapist	Carmen Kuhn—Elementary Therapist
August 12	Karen Marks—Elementary Psychologist	Jennifer Roach—IA Developmental Pre-school
August 19	Kailyn Sorrel—Speech Pathologist	Tiffany Raidy—Counselor
August 26	Julie Storm—Counselor	Melody Browning—Elementary Library



DISTRICT PRAYER CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

- August 5 - Please pray with us for the Manchester COB and Atlantic Northeast District.
- August 12 - Please pray with us for the Marion COB and Atlantic Southeast District.
- August 19 - Please pray with us for the Mexico COB and Idaho District.
- August 26 - Please pray with us for Northview COB and Illinois and Wisconsin District.

WEST BADEN HOTEL



An illustration of the original wood-frame West Baden Hotel from an advertisement.

I know I've covered French Lick before, but it is a learning curve the more times you visit. I was consumed with how the building traded hands and once again the time period all this took place.

Col. Lee Sinclair gained ownership of the hotel prior to 1900.

The main lure to the valley was the abundant sulfur springs. Guests flocked to the hotel to enjoy the reportedly miraculous cures prompted by "partaking of the waters". An early brochure claimed the water could cure alcoholism, bladder disease, blood diseases, Bright's disease, bruises, constipation, gout, gall stones, hives, insomnia, malaria, obesity, paralysis, pimples, rheumatism, sterility, and twenty-nine other ailments.

A unique double decker bicycle track was a prized addition. The lower level of the track was used as a horse track, while the upper level served as a bicycle track during the day and a Grand Promenade for evening strolls before retiring. A baseball diamond was located in the center of the track. This facet was well used as many major league teams flocked to the valley for a portion of their spring training. Electricity and central heating was added. With the extension of the Monon

Railroad to the valley, there was no lack of customers flocking to the hotel "for the cure". Other additions included an opera house, gymnasium, casino, bottling works, and swimming pool.

Shortly after 1:00 AM on June 15, 1901, the West Baden Hotel burned to the ground.



Losses were estimated to be half-a-million dollars, insurance only covering \$100,000. Mr. Sinclair, near 70 years of age, chose not to retire, but instead announced plans to build a completely fire proof hotel that would not only be the best in the country, but the most elegant and unique of the day. He further amazed the public by announcing that the new hotel would rise from the ashes within one year.

A young architect from West Virginia, Harrison Albright, listened to Sinclair and quickly envisioned what Sinclair desired. The two agreed and the construction company of Caldwell and Drake of Columbus, Indiana was contracted to build the structure for a sum of \$414,000. The company also agreed to a penalty clause that would bring a fine of \$100 per day for every day the construction ran over the agreed upon date of completion, one year from the date of the fire. The requirements of the hotel's construction were staggering. Five hundred and sixteen men worked on the project. In all, 45 train car loads of steel, 13 cars of stone, 187 cars of sand, 62 cars of cement, 26 cars of lime, 242 cars of cinders, 51 cars of lumber, 16 cars of red brick for trimming and 450 cars of white brick were used. Also, four tons of lead and zinc were used to paint the interior walls.

The building was to be an octahedron, made up of fifteen sections, each sixty feet long. The outer circumference was 1010 feet. The six floors of inside rooms faced the perfect circle accomplished in the central atrium of the structure. The 708 guest rooms each had the luxury of a private bath, hot and cold running water, steam heat, phones, and electric lights.

The atrium and dome are undisputed as true architectural accomplishments. The 10,000 square feet of glass in the dome was laid in seven days requiring three and half tons of putty and in all, about 60,000 square feet of surface was painted in the dome. The dome is 200 feet in diameter, six hundred feet of inner circumference and has an interior height of 110 feet with an exterior height of 110 feet. The twenty-four girders of steel, each weighing four and a half tons, fan out from the central hub to rest on top of the atrium's columns. The expansion and contraction concern was accomplished by a series of rollers on top of the 24 columns that slowed a measure of give and take.

True to his word, Mr. Sinclair greeted his first guests in June 1902. He had done the impossible; building what soon became known as the "Eighth Wonder of the World". Mr. Sinclair died in 1916.

Sinclair's daughter, Lillian and husband, Charles Rexford, decided to extensively remodel the hotel in 1917. The floor of the atrium was replaced with more than 12,000,000 one inch marble mosaic tiles. With mounting bills from the renovation the stage was set for difficult times. Lillian discovered that her husband Charles had been borrowing money from Ed Ballard to complete the remodel; \$500,000 to be exact; which ended their marriage.

She somewhat was bailed out in 1918-1919 when the U.S. Government wanted to lease the hotel as an army hospital for returning injured soldiers.

Lillian approached Ed Ballard and offered to give him shares in the hotel as a means of settling a portion of her debt to him. Ed suggested that he not only forgive the entire

debt, but provide her an additional \$500,000 in order that he may become sole owner, a desire he had hoped to become a reality for many years. Lillian accepted his offer and Ed Ballard became owner of the hotel in 1922.

Ballard's fortune continued to mount from his gambling interests, including the Brown Casino, the largest of the casinos in the valley, and through his purchase of the Hagenback and Wallace Circus as well as other circus operations.

The hotel continued to flourish under Ballard's ownership until the stock market crash of 1929 brought the country to a screeching halt.

Overnight, fabulously rich guests were reduced to near paupers and the building emptied to a few occupied rooms.

In June of 1934, Ballard sold the hotel to the Jesuits for \$1.00.

The Jesuits used the building for educating their priests from 1934-1964. They could not maintain the building with falling enrollments so they closed in 1964.

It was then bought by Mr. and Mrs. Whiting of Michigan who donated the grounds to Northwood Institute. The school opened in 1967 with degrees in business, hotel and restaurant management, culinary arts, and other liberal arts offerings.

Unfortunately, Northwood Institute endured the same lack of financial funds and closed in 1983.

In 1996, the Historic Landmarks Foundation bought the building and grounds for \$250,000. The Cook Group started their preservation, bringing back both French Lick Springs and West Baden Hotel.

Historian – Glenn Conner



KIDZ ZONE

Happy Feet



This summer, put your best foot forward by brightening up a pair of flip-flops.

What you need:

- Flip-flops in your size
- Metallic permanent markers
- Foam stickers
- Craft gemstones
- Plastic flowers
- Ribbon
- Hot glue gun (and adult help)

What you do:

Use these ideas to decorate clean, dry flip-flops:

- Draw with markers on the soles.
- Decorate the sides and soles with stickers.
- Glue gemstones along the strap.
- Glue plastic flowers on the strap between your toes.
- Wrap ribbon around the strap and glue in place.



BE HAPPY IN THE LORD

Happiness and joy are frequent themes in the Old Testament book of Psalms.

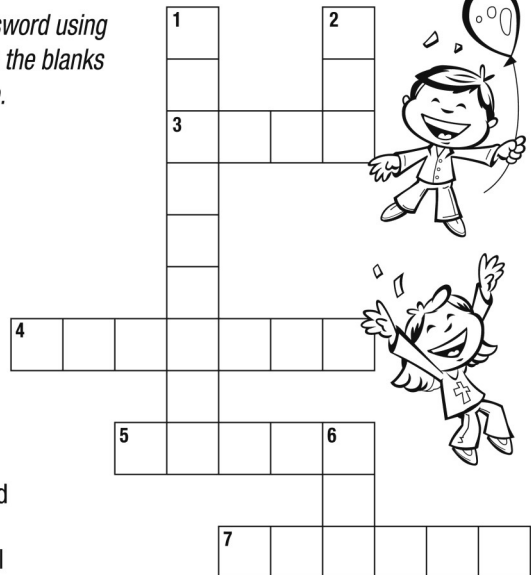
Directions: Solve the crossword using the clues below. Then fill in the blanks to complete the Bible verse.

ACROSS

3. A word for happy (rhymes with had)
4. What you do when you're very happy
5. A song written by David
7. Full of joy

DOWN

1. People who obey God
2. Our Creator
6. The month after April



"But may the 1. _____ be 3. _____ and

4. _____ before 2. _____; 6. _____ they

be happy and 7. _____." 5. _____ 68:3, NIV

Answers: (across) 3. glad, 4. rejoice, 5. psalm, 7. joyful; (down) 1. righteous, 2. God, 6. may and joyful." Psalm 68:3, NIV