

POINT GREY INTER-MENNONITE FELLOWSHIP

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Today: Welcome to Point Grey Inter-Mennonite Fellowship. This morning, our service will be led by Edwin Hintz; Sue Greenstreet will be leading us in song, and Sue Dudoward will be accompanying on the piano. Later we will hear a message from Evan Kreider on "Following the Rules." Just a reminder that there is no children's church in the summer months and parents are encouraged to make their own arrangements if minding is required. Please stay with us after the service for a coffee and goodies.

Today's Bible Reading is Acts 11:1-30 available online at:

<http://www.biblegateway.com/cgi-bin/bible?language=english&version=NIV&passage=Acts+11&x=6&y=5>

PGIMF News:

Please join us for pre-service hymn singing at 9:45 as we work our way through the book from 1 to 658.

Upcoming speakers

August 24	Henry Neufeld	Jesus, Pharisees and Rules
August 31	Evan Kreider	Acts 12: The Great Escape (17 th anniversary of PGIMF)
September 7	Mark Greenstreet	Welcome Student BBQ
September 14	Jim Neudorf	

Prayer requests: General prayers requested for church and conference leadership.

Cleanup day Once again the staff of the Menno Simons Centre invite all who attend PGIMF to come out to the summer-end clean up day on Saturday, August 30. In a change this year, Bob and Stacy have invited the students and their parents to join us for cleanup. We had a great turnout of students in spring, and the church members were surprised at how much easier the work was. There is still some outside work for those of you who like pruning and sawing. Muffins and coffee will be available starting at 9am. Pizza lunch.

Potluck Barbecue The welcome barbecue for students at Menno Simons Centre will be held on September 7 after the service. As this takes the place of our usual potluck at the end of the month, please bring salads (A-L) and desserts (M-Z) to complement the Mennonite sausage and veggie burgers. Come and meet the 22 new and returning students and eat and be merry with all!

Penny Power Start saving your pennies, nickels, dimes, and more. On September 7, bring your spare change in whatever containers you have for a special offering for the kids to collect for Penny Power. It will be commissioned at the service that day, and taken to the MCC Relief Sale the next Saturday, September 13. Your change will be matched 4:1 through the Canadian Foodgrains Bank and will help MCC's work with famine relief in North Korea.

Moderator—Don Teichroeb (604-221-8720); *Congregational Coordinator (bulletins)*—André Pekovich (604-879-0007);
bulletins through Sept 21—Rosie Perera (604-221-0410)
Pastoral Concerns—Herb Reesor (604-224-5245), John Friesen (604-266-7819)
Worship—Henry Neufeld (604-946-3961); *Music*—Eric Hannan (604-325-5065)

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From MBMS International: GOING TO GUADALAJARA. As you pray today, remember Miguel Diaz, new MBMS International worker preparing to begin ministry in Guadalajara, Mexico. Please pray the Lord of the Harvest to bring in the funds Miguel needs before his appointed time to leave this fall.

The **Mennonite Central Committee Quilters** will be demonstrating their craft and showing their handiwork at their annual Quilt Show, August 19-25 at the Clearbrook Public Library. Finished, hand-made quilts will be on display and quilters will be available to answer your questions as you watch them at work. Each quilt made by the quilters will be up for auction at the MCC Festival.

MCC Relief Sale, Auction & Festival: Sept 12-13 at the Tradex, Abbotsford. Proceeds from the festival this year will go to benefit famine relief in Ethiopia, North Korea and Zimbabwe. The sale truly is reaching out to a wider audience since moving into the new building. People who have never attended church before are coming for a look. A PGIMF cappuccino booth is planned again. See Paul Thiessen if you want to help out. See <http://www.mcc.org/bc/festivals/index.html> for more information on the schedule of events.

Arabic Evangelical Church MB is pleased to invite you to a special Middle East Evening at Bible Fellowship, 15100-66A Ave., Surrey. Saturday, September 6th, 6:00 pm. The program will include Middle Eastern dinner, music, and testimonies. The event is being held to support the Arabic Church. Tickets are \$15. Reservations before September 3rd. Please call Mr. Ramzi, (604) 930-4405 or Mrs. Hanna, (604) 572-9906, or e-mail hannareda@hotmail.com.

The **West Coast Mennonite Chamber Choir** in Concert, Saturday September 13 at 7:30 p.m. Bakerview Mennonite Church 2285 Clearbrook Road, Abbotsford. Suggested donation \$10.00 per person. This is a CD release concert for the choir's twelfth recording "And Night Shall End". Recordings by this choir and Calvin Dyck are produced and owned by Mennonite Central Committee Supportive Care Services. MCC SCS is involved in the work of supporting people who have disabilities. The artists involved in these recordings have donated their time and talent to MCC SCS, so that funds raised through sales go directly toward support services for people who have disabilities and those who struggle with mental illness.