

# LONGENECKER NEWS:

**Transition Time:** The elders will be available during this time of transition. *Please note Dave Schluep is out of town on business for the next two weeks.* You may contact Nelson Weaver, Travis Kurtz, and Dan Hostetler.

**Nicaragua Team:** Join us on Sunday morning, March 29, to hear from Dr Andy Hart and the medical mission group that he led to Nicaragua from January 25 – February 1. Hear some of the highlights from the team members as they served alongside the CFCI Missionaries.

**Bible Quizzing:** The quiz team took 2nd place at the local tournament, and Margaret Wahl received the Rookie of the Year trophy for the regular season!

**Wednesday evening Family night activities:** our last evening will be on March 25 and will resume again in the fall. However, the Youth/Young adults will continue to meet through the summer months.

**Basket of Blessing:** donations needed: laundry detergent, dryer sheets, fabric softener, razors, baby wash, feminine products (no panty liners). You can place donations in the basket provided. If you prefer to donate money, you can hand it to Rhoda Gingerich or Amanda Mast.

**Formal Couples Dinner:** Experience a savory dinner with your loved one hosted by the youth here at the church on Saturday, March 21st. This features a candle-lit 5 course meal, with your choice of steak fresh off the grill or stuffed chicken breast and a delightful dessert. Arrive at 6 pm and be greeted with valet parking & hors d'oeuvres. Seating is limited so only the highest bids will be accepted. *Bid slips are available out at the bulletin board and bids are due today!!*

**Clue:** We will be having a live clue game at the church on April 24 & 25. Proceeds benefit our Nicaragua Missions fund. If anyone is interested in helping with the acting during one or two nights please contact Sheila Shoup, Les and Janet Shoup, Joe and Rosanna Miller, or Rhoda Gingerich.

**Lawn Care Bids:** The Trustees are accepting bids for summer lawn care. A list of responsibilities and bid sheets are by the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Spring Cleaning:** Be sure to check the list on the bulletin board for what you are assigned to clean, if you have not already done so. Bring your own cleaning supplies and clean your area when it works for your group. We do ask that you try to have all cleaning done by the end of March. Contact Earl & Mary Miller, Larry & Lori Wengerd, or Merlin & Rhoda Gingerich with questions. Thank you for your help!

**Staff Search Team Prayer Request:** Pray for the Staff Search Team and Elders through this time of transition. The elders are working to get an interim pastor in place. The staff search team continues to work through resumes and seek God's will and direction for a new lead pastor. Thanks for praying!

**Save & Serve:** We need two volunteers for April 1, May 6, and June 3 from 1-5pm.

**Story Impact Conference:** Choice Books of Great Lakes and Sue Thomas Ministries is hosting a major fundraising event called StoryImpact on April 10 and 11 at the Mt Hope Event Center. This is a free event but they would encourage you to register by April 1 at [www.storyimpactconference.com](http://www.storyimpactconference.com) for a food and seating count. There is a flyer on the bulletin board with more information and a complete list of speakers.

**Nehemiah Released Time Bible Education:** will host a Homemade Pie & Ice Cream Social & Benefit Auction Fundraiser on Tuesday, March 31, at Grace Church. Doors open at 6:00pm and pie will be served at 6:30pm. See the poster on bulletin board for more details.

**Bel Canto Singers of Hesston College:** will present a diverse repertoire of choral music Wednesday, March 18 at 7 pm at Berlin Mennonite Church. The program entitled *Lift Our Voices Together* is a culmination of works performed throughout the academic year.

**Camp Luz Retreats:**

1) **Mother Daughter Retreat** is March 20-21. Brochures are available by the bulletin board.

2) **Men's Retreat** is April 3-5. Brochures are available by the bulletin board.

3) **Father Son Retreat** is April 24 & 25. Brochure available soon.

\*\*Additional information and registration for these retreats is available at [www.campluz.com](http://www.campluz.com).

## SAVE THE DATE:

March 21 - Youth Formal Couples Dinner – place your bids today, if you would like to attend.

March 25 – last Wednesday evening family night activities until the fall

April 9 – Maundy Thursday Service

April 12 – Sunrise Service

April 24 & 25 – Clue – Nicaragua Missions Fundraiser

Happy Birthday!!

Logan Hershberger, Shirley Raber, Rosanna Miller

Happy Anniversary!!

Joe & Rosanna Miller

## YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

March 18 – Meet at the Beacon Café

March 20th - set up for the Couples' Dinner at 6:30pm

March 21st - Prepare for the Couples' Dinner at 4:00pm

March 25 – Fun night

March 28- Laser tag

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY

**Sewing Project:** The project for March and April is to collect items for the MCC Hygiene Kits. The items for March that will be used for 1 kit are: 1 adult sized toothbrush in packaging, 1 fingernail clipper (Please no toenail clippers), 1 6-8 inch wide toothed comb. Please place your items in the basket provided.

**Ladies Brunch:** on April 18 at the church. More details later.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

In March we will continue collecting toys and games suitable for ages 2-14. (Keep in mind that we can not package liquid items.) You can pick up a list of suggestions on the table by the drop off basket, if you would like one. There is also a box on the table if you prefer to donate money and have someone shop for you. Direct questions to Les or Janet Shoup or Kristina Hamsher.

## NURSERY:

**Sunday School:** Kristle Weaver, Krystal Hewitt

**Worship Service:** Emma Hershberger, Lisa Miller

## HOSPITALITY CENTER:

**March** – Mike & Arlene Hershberger

## This Week at LONGENECKER:

### Wednesday:

6:30pm Family Night Activities  
8:00pm Worship Team Practice

### Friday:

6:30pm Youth/Young adults set up for Couples Dinner

### Saturday:

8:00am MMP Prayer Breakfast at New Grounds  
Café in Walnut Creek

**(Please note new time and place)**

4:00pm Youth/Young adults prepare for couples  
Dinner

6:00pm Couples Dinner

### PRAYER REQUESTS:

Family and friends of Donald Lent, Allen Miller, Martin Yoder, Pastoral Search

Continued prayers for those with cancer:

Phoebe Killy, Paul Miller, Roy Miller, Jeanie Gatti,  
Nicole Wheeler, Janice Troyer, Atlee Mast, Janet Swisher, Chris Miller, Paula Dodd, Sally Yoder, Kristen Bietzel

### MONGOLIA & NICARAGUA MISSIONARIES:

Laura Schlabach

Valentin & Judith Herrera; Melvin & Paola Mendez & family



### FOR THE RECORD - Sunday, March 1, 2020

Offering: \$1,901.00

Let's Thrive: \$300.00

SS Attendance: 67

Attendance: 95

## CONTACT INFORMATION

Longenecker Evangelical Anabaptist Fellowship  
Physical Address: 2200 Township Road 606,  
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330-359-5155

Wednesday evening family night service: 6:30pm  
[www.longeneckermennonite.com](http://www.longeneckermennonite.com)

A member of Evana Network - [www.evananetwork.com](http://www.evananetwork.com)

### Administrative Assistant

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### One Call Now: 1-877-698-3261

(Call this number to listen to the prayer chain.)

**The Mission** of LEAF is to call individuals to a growing, personal relationship with Jesus Christ by demonstrating His love through everything we do and by providing opportunities for Worship, Nurture, Fellowship, and Service.

## Welcome to Longenecker Evangelical Anabaptist Fellowship



March 15, 2020  
Sunday School: 9:00am  
Worship 10:10 am

**Prelude:** *Merlin Gingerich*

**Welcome:** *Daniel Weaver*

**Praising God in Song**

**Offering**

**Praising God in Song**

**Sharing Joys & Concerns**

**Prayer**

**Greeting**

**Scripture:** *Luke 15:11-24*

**Message:** *"Because God Loves Us So Much"*

*Jeff Bargerstock*

**Closing Song**

**Benediction**