

# The Air Hill Breezes



## 2018

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### WHAT SPRING SHOWS US ABOUT GOD'S CHARACTER

You've been there. Waiting, just waiting, to see the first robin, or the first bud, or the first hint of green. We know it's coming, but it's just out of reach. It's the hope that Spring will soon bring light rain showers, pink flowers, and the sound of buzzing bees.

And so we wait. We wait and hope for spring because there is nothing we can do to hurry it along. The coming of spring is out of our control. We jokingly look to a groundhog to tell us if spring is on its way, but we know it's really the God of the universe who brings each new season.

He brings newness after the gray of winter. **A new life.**

**Spring is the perfect metaphor for the gospel.** It is God's nature to make something new. Not only can we observe many attributes of God in the spring, but His gospel plan is plastered throughout creation.

#### GOD IS CREATIVE:

When was the last time you really took a good look at a daffodil? What about a praying mantis? Or a bluebird? God is so creative; and He isn't just creative in nature (Romans 1:20). **God is creative in story telling.** YOUR story. No one else has a testimony just like yours. God brings people to Himself in different ways. You are unique.

Who would have thought that through death would come life more abundantly? Through the blood and death of Jesus comes eternal life. How creative! The old is gone, a new life is beginning. Spring. **New life.**

#### GOD IS JOYOUS:

Winter, while beautiful in its own way, can be dreary and cold. Still, and hard. After a long winter, when that first green leaf appears, joy explodes. All of a sudden you can see green in other places along with yellow, pink...and smiles. **People begin to smile more in spring,** have you noticed that?

Once a habitual life of sin is given over to the Lordship of Jesus, joy floods one's soul. It's indescribable! Believers in Jesus see the world differently and with more joy. The gospel transfers a soul from the dreariness of sin into the **newness of life** and brings unimaginable joy.

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## GOD IS FAITHFUL:

We **know without** a doubt that spring will arrive to the land around us. The seasons, after all, are cyclical. Just as we know the sun will rise and set each 24 hours, we know that every 3 months we will have a new season. **Spring will come.** The God who created all of these nature cycles is faithful to bring them about.

God is also faithful and just to forgive us of our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. But many times we seem to forget this. We try to fix our lives on our own and everything becomes out of sync and out of the cycle of life. Just as spring is “right around the corner,” God is “right there” when we mess up. He is ready to give us a **new beginning** and another chance.

In winter, when looking at brown leaves on the ground one might wonder why they had to die. Why did a living thing fall to the ground only to turn into dust?

It had to. The leaf *had* to fall and die. If it didn’t then the new leaves would not be able to sprout. In the same way, **we must die to ourselves.** If we don’t, then the **new life** God wants for us will never grow. We will never be able to serve God as He desires if we aren’t willing to surrender it all. The gospel equals making Jesus Lord of our lives.

**And with the death of ourselves comes the spring of eternal life.**

Written by:

**Anne Marie** a “Sunday School Lady wanna be” and the author of the blog [Future.Flying.Saucers](#). Anne Marie has a passion for Bible study and teaching the Word to adults and children. On Wednesday nights you will find her teaching Biblical concepts to Awana clubs at her church.

## Church Board Highlights

- Motion to eliminate June designated offering of “Local Ministries” passed.
- Trip to the Museum of the Bible in Washington DC is being planned
- Sandy Bender will be asked to be Recording Secretary for the Church Board (Ruth Lehman has asked to be replaced)
- Ways to revitalize Maundy Thursday Service will be discussed.



## Upcoming Events

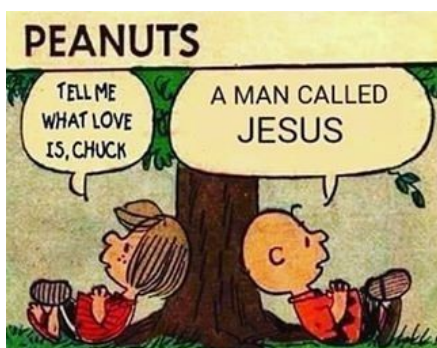
- Mar. 5-9 Meat Canning
- Mar. 7: Pine Car Derby
- Apr. 15: - Balloon/Juggling Artist





## Meat canning - Chambersburg, PA March 5 - 9, 2018

Volunteer your time to fill, weigh, wash and label cans of turkey, beef, chicken and pork to be sent around the world.



## Celebrating 25 Years of Ministry! NETwork Ministries Annual Fundraising Banquet Thursday, April 19th, 2018, 6:00 PM at World Harvest Outreach in Chambersburg



with guest speaker  
**Don Baker**  
Executive Pastor of  
King Street Church +  
Former NETwork Director



Reservations: \$15  
Please RSVP by  
Tuesday, April 10th.



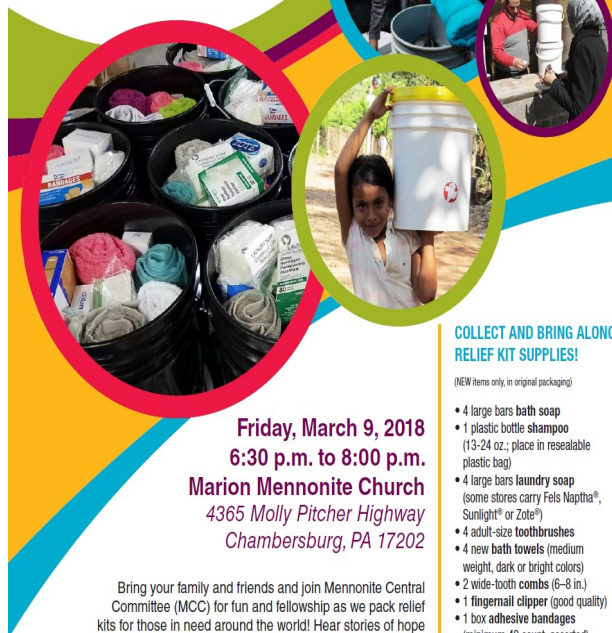
### TO RESERVE SEATS

1. Contact your table host from previous years
2. RSVP at [network-ministries.org/banquet](http://network-ministries.org/banquet)
3. Leave a message at 717-264-4640 (NETwork)

### TO HELP

1. Host a table of eight people
2. Sponsor an ad in our banquet programs
3. Contact our office for additional opportunities

Contact NETwork's office at [networkchambersburg@gmail.com](mailto:networkchambersburg@gmail.com)  
or 717-264-4640 for more information about our banquet!



### COLLECT AND BRING ALONG RELIEF KIT SUPPLIES!

(NEW items only, in original packaging)

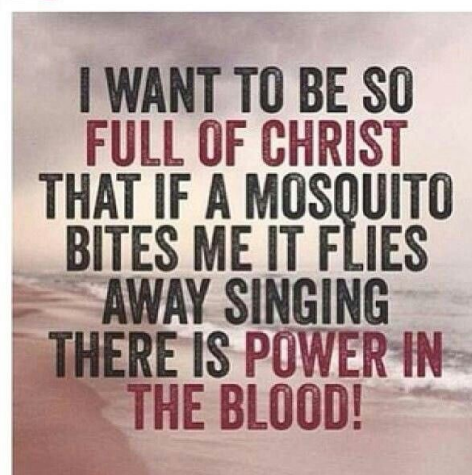
- 4 large bars bath soap
- 1 plastic bottle shampoo (13-24 oz., place in resealable plastic bag)
- 4 large bars laundry soap (some stores carry Fels Naptha®, Sunlight® or Zote®)
- 4 adult-size toothbrushes
- 4 new bath towels (medium weight, dark or bright colors)
- 2 wide-tooth combs (6-8 in.)
- 1 fingernail clipper (good quality)
- 1 box adhesive bandages (minimum 40 count, assorted)
- 1 package sanitary pads (18-24 count thin maxi)

Bring your family and friends and join Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) for fun and fellowship as we pack relief kits for those in need around the world! Hear stories of hope as we share how these kits are making a difference for families whose lives have been disrupted by war or disaster.



Learn more at  
[mcc.org/Buckets-Hope](http://mcc.org/Buckets-Hope)  
or call 717.738.0885.

OR GIVE ONLINE TOWARDS  
RELIEF KIT SUPPLIES  
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### Mud Bowl

Coming this Spring.... Start preparing for the best day of the year.



### Youth Summer Missions Trip to Kentucky

June 24 - July 1

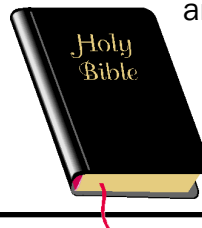
Mark your calendars now to join us for our summer missions trip with Big Creek Missions in Kentucky. We look forward to another week of serving people living in poverty and in building friendships and learning more about God. More details coming soon, but mark your calendars now. You don't want to miss it!



### The Golden Rule:

So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets.

- Matt. 7:12



*New Heights Youth*

# Children's Ministry

## Tea Party



Sharon and Susan put on a WONDERFUL tea party for the Wednesday Night Clubs' girls. The girls came in their favorite dresses, they made gorgeous hats to wear, they nibbled on delicious food, and even made a wooden valentine decoration to take home.



## Pine Car Derby



Pine Car Derby will be held on March 7th. Registration begins at 6 and the races start at 6:30.

Come out for some pizza!

# MARCH

## 2018

### AIR HILL STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

"To grow a healthy, loving, Christ centered church family that has a passion for reaching the community and the world for Christ"

Sun

Mon

Tue

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Thu

Fri

Sat

				1 6-7 pm REFIT	2 2-3:30 Good News Club	3
4 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship	5 5-6 pm REFIT 6-8 pm Volleyball	6 6:00 pm Prop. Mgt. Meeting 6:30 pm Basketball	7 Pine Car Derby	8 6-7 pm REFIT	9 2-3:30 Good News Club	10
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