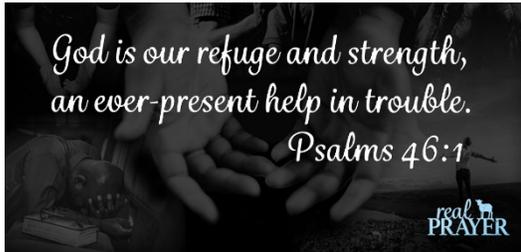




**AT HOME GUIDE  
OUTDOOR SERVICE  
SUN, AUG 23**



*JOIN US IN-PERSON AT SMC  
OR...*

*WATCH SERVICES ON-LINE AT  
[WWW.STUMPTOWN.CHURCH/ONLINE](http://WWW.STUMPTOWN.CHURCH/ONLINE)*

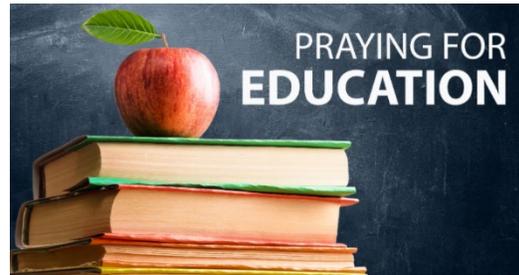
**PRAYER/PRAISES:**

- PRAY FOR HEALTH/HEALING
- PRAY FOR SCHOOLS  
(STAFF/STUDENTS/PARENTS)
- PRAYER GUIDE FAMILIES:
  - 8/23 Mahlon/Carol Zimmerman
  - 8/24 Jack Herr
  - 8/25 Harriet Burkhart
  - 8/26 Jim Burkholder Family
  - 8/27 Dick & Joyce Bomberger
  - 8/28 Betsy Brackbill
  - 8/29 Jay & Ruth Carpenter
- PRAY FOR \_\_\_\_\_
- PRAY FOR \_\_\_\_\_
- PRAISE GOD: \_\_\_\_\_
- PRAISE GOD: \_\_\_\_\_

**Outdoor Worship  
Service**

Welcome: Pastor Keith Nyce  
Worship: Sheila Meck  
Message: Pastor Mark Mentzer

**BACK TO SCHOOL SUNDAY!**



SIGN UP AT LINK BELOW OR CONTACT GLENDA IN CHURCH OFFICE:  
[HTTPS://WWW.SIGNUPGENIUS.COM/GO/5080448A9AC2AAAF85-PRAY](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080448a9ac2aaaf85-pray)

**REMINDER:**

Summer is a great time for taking beautiful outdoor pictures of yourself/family. These pictures are great updates to our church directory pages. Send pictures, updated interests, contact information, hobbies, etc to Glenda **BY AUGUST 25** at the church office at: [groffg@stumptown.church](mailto:groffg@stumptown.church)

**WORSHIP THROUGH GIVING:**

Online: [stumptown.church/give-online](http://stumptown.church/give-online)  
Text: 717-510-1832  
US Mail: Checks (no cash) payable to:  
"Stumptown Mennonite Church"  
2813 Stumptown Road  
Bird in Hand, PA 17505

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## FOR YOUR CALENDAR:



**TUES, 8/25 – ALL AGES WELCOME TO “SNACK ‘N CHAT” (10-11 AM)**  
*Gather on playground side of SMC for IN PERSON time of connecting with one another. Light refreshments provided.*



**TUES, 8/25 – MEETING OF SMC CHURCH COUNCIL (7 PM)**



**WED, 8/26 – SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP (7 PM)**



**WED, 8/26 – PRAYER GATHERING (7 PM)**

*If Joining by Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82106905525>*



**WED, 9/2 – MENS GROUP - BEGINNING STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN (12:15 PM)**  
*(NO MENS GROUP ON 9/26)*

### **JOB OPPORTUNITIES:**

**Lancaster Mennonite Schools: Bus Driver, Advancement Associate, Interim Event Liaison** – Interested persons should download an application, send application and resume to [humanresources@lancastermennonite.org](mailto:humanresources@lancastermennonite.org).



### **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:**

**ReUzit on State, Ephrata:** support worldwide efforts of Mennonite Central Committee to provide reasonably-priced merchandise. **Volunteer Cashiers** (Fri 5-8 PM &/or Mon-Sat afternoons---2 hr min). **Donation Receivers** 9am-5pm (min 2 hrs) to help unload donations. (*Volunteers may serve weekly, bi-weekly, or monthly. Volunteers must wear masks or face-shields, and cashiers serve behind plexiglass screens.*) Contact Sue Shirk, Volunteer Coordinator, at [voldev@reuzit.org](mailto:voldev@reuzit.org) or call 717-733-4934.

## **Join the Healthy Niños service team, May 22, 29, 2021... *it may change your life.***

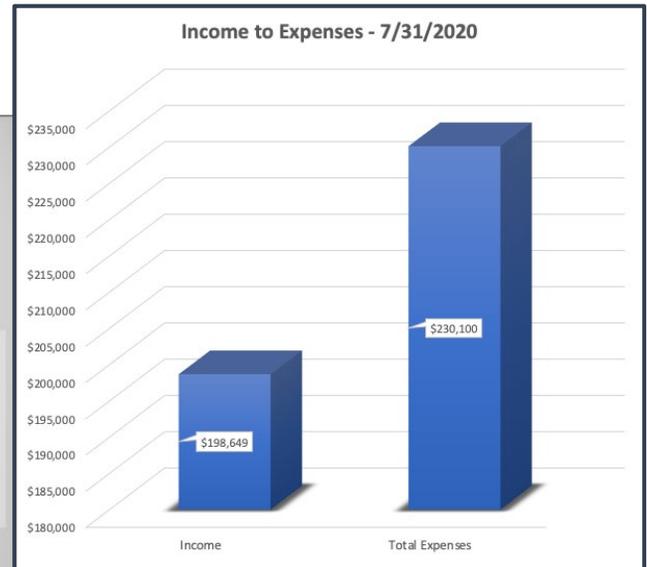
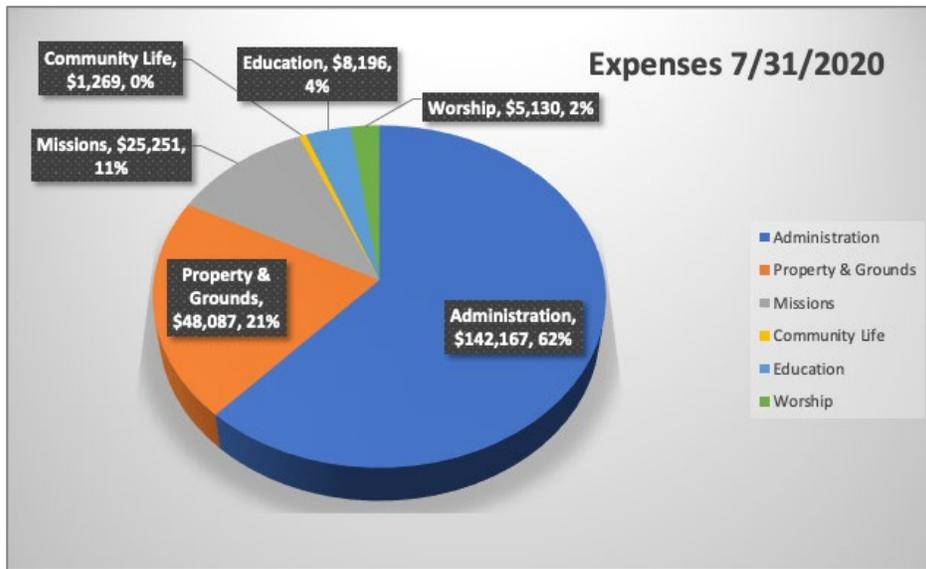
We are again planning to send a team to Honduras in May 2021 to serve with Healthy Niños Honduras who focuses on helping children & families with malnutrition.



Attend an introductory meeting, Sun 8/30 @ 4 pm (in-person & virtual).

We realize we are living in uncertain times, yet needs continue. We are hopeful to be able to serve in Honduras in May—yet continue to hold the plans loosely.

## SMC FINANCIAL UPDATE:



*(reprinted from a previously posted Facebook entry by Glenda Groff)*

A couple weeks ago our family was on vacation. At the beginning of the week, my brain was spinning with pressures and details of life (COVID, aging parents, etc). Each of the first days of vacation, I found a penny at random locations. One particular day I bent down to pick it up and felt God was telling me "I've got you covered! I am with you! I go ahead of you before you know where you are even going...no need to be anxious or worry! I am BIGGER than anything that consumes you!"



EVERY DAY...without fail...on our vacation, I FOUND A PENNY!

*(One day I was running, and too fatigued to bend down to pick up a penny almost directly underfoot...I grinned as I ran...."Thanks, God! I got the message!")*

EVERY DAY...God is with us!

Just the reminder I needed! Be encouraged! He will never leave us, never sleeps or slumbers, knows things before we even think them...join me in truly resting in Him!

*Just this week, I was running in our neighborhood and again found a 'random' penny, another day a daughter sent me a picture of a penny she found throughout her day... These are 'random' pennies---nothing really special about them---but, for me, these random pennies now hold a very special reminder of the love and protection our Heavenly Father shares with us.*

## Our Legacy in North America

I am so thankful for the privilege that God has given me of presenting Rapid Word Collection to many language groups so that they could benefit from it. For many of the RWC workshops, we've not heard how the community was impacted over the long term, but recently I received some very encouraging feedback regarding the "legacy" of my involvement with a couple of Native American groups. The non-profit that has been holding RWC workshops for them shared some video clips that highlight the impact.



In 2017, Anita and I flew to New Mexico to help The Language Conservancy (TLC), a non-profit organization which provides assistance to Native American groups wanting to breathe life into their language and culture. The Acoma people of New Mexico, for a variety of reasons, had not succeeded in passing on their language (Keres) to the younger generations, but a growing number of those younger individuals were interested in learning to speak the language of their elders. So TLC had agreed to help them develop a literacy program for the children and young adults to learn their language. The goal was to create a Keres-English dictionary first, which necessitated collecting Keres words from their elders using an organized method. So, with a team of TLC staff, we coordinated a two-week word-collection workshop for the Acoma people in May of that year.

Then, in 2018, TLC asked me to help them do much the same thing for the Crow people in Montana. So I facilitated a word-collection workshop there, with many interested Crow participating. By that time, the folks at TLC had gotten a good grasp on how the process works, so they've been able to orchestrate the subsequent workshops themselves. I hadn't heard much about how everything was going, except that TLC was completely sold on the idea of Rapid Word Collection, and I was glad to hear that.

## A word-collection group at the Acoma workshop An Upcoming Rapid Word Collection Workshop

I (Kevin) am currently involved in another RWC workshop, this time in Canada for an organization called First Nations Education Foundation (FNEF). However, due to present circumstances, I am doing the training for this workshop from our home in North Carolina, while all of the action happens in Kitimat, on the west coast of British Columbia, home of the Haisla (HIZE-luh) Nation. (Indigenous people groups in the US are called Native Americans, while those in Canada are called First Nations.) FNEF is a non-profit responsible for organizing the revitalization effort among the Haisla, and they have asked me to lead this workshop so that the staff of FNEF can be trained to lead similar workshops for other First Nations.

This is my first time to lead a word-collection workshop remotely, which is challenging in many ways. The organizers decided to begin training the participants several weeks ahead of time, so that the content could be taught in smaller modules rather than in several long days. So I have already begun training the Haisla people, even though the workshop won't start until Monday, August 24. More concentrated training sessions are scheduled for Thursday and Friday of this week, and then word collection will take place August 24 through September 4.

Please pray for me to be able to find ways to make the training effective, even though I have to do it via Zoom. And pray that the Haisla people will be encouraged by the results of the word-collection effort and will begin to feel valued by their Creator.

May the Lord be glorified in all we do,

Kevin and Anita