

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Week Beginning March 4 2018**

**SUNDAY MORNING Worship is held at 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School begins at 10:45 a.m.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL AGES:**

**Following morning worship, help yourself to coffee and snacks in the gathering room on your way to a Sunday School class!**

**Our Sunday School Class for Special needs Adults continues.**

**For more information: Contact Nicole Lonsinger at 942-3055.**

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**Monday: 9:30-11:30 in the Church Basement: The RISE Women's Ministry group will continue their work on making sleeping mats for the homeless. Bring your scissors--bring your friends. All are welcome.**

**WEDNESDAY: The Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study will meet in the church basement at 9:30 a.m. The Lenten Luncheon series continues at the Wehnwood United Methodist Church: noon-1:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Band Rehearsal will be held in the Sanctuary at 5:30 p.m. The Children's BLAST group will meet in the church basement at 6:00 p.m. The Men's Promise Keeper Group will meet in the Annex at 6:30 p.m. The Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study will meet in the Gathering Room at 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal will meet in the sanctuary at 7:30 p.m.**



**Needed: Small candies to be placed in plastic eggs for the children's Easter Egg Hunt, March 25th.**

**Contact Leann Hornberger @814-742-7250.**

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**Tip for the Week:**


**Use St. Patrick's Day as an opportunity to strengthen relationships within the family of God or to reach out to unchurched neighbors or friends. Why not have a "green party?" Invite guests to come wearing green. Have green appetizers, green tea, a green salad, green beans, and a green desert. Remember that green signifies new life and growth, and "go," like "go" into all the world and preach the gospel!**



**We do regular musical outreaches to several (9) area nursing homes. To be a part of this ministry and be Blessed, See BJ or Daniel. Call BJ at 946:4110.**



**Pray for our young people in the military:**



**Kaylan Barger, Matthew Gensamer, Dakota Gunsallus,  
Zach Hornberger, Jean Bridget Loomis, Austin Noble,  
Morgan Shatzberger,**



**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:**

Bill Brown, Esther Chesney, Debbie Darnell, Gordon Darnell, Dave Duke, Archie Keller, John Kelly, Vic Kovaloski, Dave Minehart, Jean Nedimyer, Jim Poirrier, Ray Ramstad, Sr., Heather Sollenberger, Jim Stotler, John Vance, Jim Way, Ken & Audrey Woomer, & Ken Zitsch. Pray for the unsaved by name. Pray for the end of abortion on demand. Pray for the purveyors of terror to be captured by Christ. Pray for our wounded veterans. Pray for World Missions and for our missionaries by name. Pray for persecuted & imprisoned believers and refugees around the world. Pray for our local, state & political leaders. Pray for our nation's police officers and those who govern their procedures. Pray for our outreach into our community. Pray for Spiritual Revival in our church, local community, nation, and in our world! Pray for a solution to the opioid epidemic and the rise of mass killings in our nation.



**Our Mission is to Love God and Care for People:**

**We strive to be a place of healing and a people of joy, dedicated to bringing others into a living relationship with Jesus Christ and to help them become active members of His family. It's all about His love!**



**We are collecting soap & body wash for clients of our local food bank. Bring items to box in the Gathering Room.**



**Want to make a positive difference in someone's life...and make a new friend? Call today to learn how to become a Foster Grandparent or Senior Companion. Tax free hourly stipend, paid holidays and mileage reimbursement are offered. Applicants must meet age and income requirements. Call the Volunteer Program Office of Blair Senior Services, Inc. At (814) 946-1235.**

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**There is a critical need within the northern regions of our Bangladesh Mission! They are requiring help for winter blankets due to the intense cold. Providing blankets will keep them warm, but will also allow our pastors to share the love of Christ with these people. Approximately 720 blankets are needed at a cost of \$10/blanket. If you would like to share in this Missionary endeavor, please put your donation in a white envelope and mark it blankets.**



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Find us on our Church page and on our **BLAST** page on Facebook.



**FOR YOUR INFORMATION: WE ARE A "SAFE SANCTUARY"  
CONGREGATION. ALL WHO WORK WITH OUR CHILDREN AND  
SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS HAVE PASSED CRIMINAL  
BACKGROUND CHECKS AND HAVE BEEN SCREENED FOR ANY  
HISTORY OF CHILD ABUSE. POLICIES ARE IN PLACE TO  
GUARD AGAINST ALL FORMS OF PREDATORY BEHAVIOR  
AMONG US.**



**HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES**  
**MARCH 25-April 1st:**

**Sunday, March 25th is Palm Sunday.**

**WEDNESDAY, March 28th: The Men's Promise Keepers'  
Group will meet as usual. There will be no Women's  
Bible Studies or Choir Rehearsal.**

**THURSDAY: March 29th: Our Maundy Thursday Service with Feet  
Washing and Communion will be held in the  
Gathering Room, beginning at 7:00 p.m.**

**GOOD FRIDAY: March 30th: A Good Friday Cantata/  
Drama will be held, beginning at 7:00 p.m.**

**EASTER SUNDAY begins with our Sunrise Service with  
Communion at 6:30 a.m. followed by a Sunrise  
Breakfast provided by the men of the church, Our  
Easter celebration service will be at 9:30 a.m. There  
will be no Sunday School on Easter.**



# LADIES SPRING ENCOUNTER

Saturday, April 14, 2018

10:00 am - 3:00 pm

(Doors to the ballroom open at 9:00 am)

Blair County Convention Center, Altoona, PA

# SANDPAPER PEOPLE

Mary Southerland is an author and speaker. She is also a survivor. Women identify with Mary because she has survived the road of clinical depression, infertility, adoption, full-time ministry, sexual abuse, chronic physical pain and the daily stress of life. Through God's power, Mary has emerged with joy, strength, and victory. Her heart's desire is to encourage women with a message of hope and equip them with practical truths from God's Word to face every part of their lives with power and purpose.

She is Founder of Journey Ministry and Co-founder of Girlfriends in God, a non-denominational ministry that crosses many boundaries to bring the Body of Christ together as believers.

The unwanted intrusion of a nosy neighbor...the exasperating antics of the teenager who constantly pushes your buttons...the infuriating behavior of a co-worker or the hurtful words of a spouse. Mary will help us discover how to deal with the difficult relationships in our lives.



**Mary Southerland**  
Girlfriends in God

**ADVANCE TICKET DONATION:**

\$25 event/\$15 lunch | \$30 at the door/no lunch available

Advance Ticket Sales at businesses and on our website, [www.ladiesencounter.com](http://www.ladiesencounter.com) end April 8 for Ladies Encounter and April 15 for Teen Encounter

**WILL-CALL EVENT TICKETS (NO LUNCH) AVAILABLE**

**LADIES ENCOUNTER APRIL 8-13 AND TEEN ENCOUNTER APRIL 15-18**

Call Doris at (814) 224-5443 or Joyce at (814) 224-5119

**LUNCH MENU:** Marinated grilled breast of chicken on a bed of mixed greens with tomatoes, olives, red onion, cucumbers, mild pepper rings, shredded cheddar cheese and a balsamic vinaigrette dressing (preset on table not on salad), bread, carrot cake with a cream cheese filling and toasted coconut, iced tea and hot beverages.

-A gluten free or vegetarian option is available.

-Be sure to check your lunch choice on the ticket order form.

-You may go off-site for lunch, but no food or beverages may be taken into the Convention Center.

**TO ORDER TICKETS FOR BOTH LADIES AND TEEN EVENTS:**

-Purchase tonight at the Ladies Encounter Product Table. You do NOT need to fill out the form.

-On our website, [www.ladiesencounter.com](http://www.ladiesencounter.com).

-At local businesses beginning March 1. Locations will be listed on our website in January and also on our posters.

-Enclose the completed form below along with a check payable to Encounter and a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Send to: Doris Miller, 3209 Lafayette Road, New Enterprise, PA 16664



**SATURDAY  
APRIL 14**

**LADIES ENCOUNTER:**

*SANDPAPER PEOPLE* with **Mary Southerland**

\_\_\_\_\_ Ladies Event tickets (\$25 donation each)

\_\_\_\_\_ Lunch tickets (\$15 donation each)

( ) Chicken ( ) Gluten Free ( ) Vegetarian

**THURSDAY  
APRIL 19**

**TEEN ENCOUNTER: *WHOYAWANTABE &***

*WHATYAWANTADO* with **Kirsten Hart**

\_\_\_\_\_ Teen Event tickets (\$10 donation each)

\$ \_\_\_\_\_ Total of check enclosed

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_

State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

(Ladies Encounter does not share addresses or e-mails with other organizations)

Church Name: \_\_\_\_\_

**Made for a Mission**  
**Acts 2:1-8**

**Introduction:** According to Jesus' parting words to His disciples to "go and make disciples" and Paul's declaration that we are the "Ambassadors of Christ," We are clearly "Made for a Mission." Today's message, beginning with Acts 1:8, shows us three arenas for our outreach into the world.

**Questions for Exploring:**

- 1) What images come to your mind when you hear the word, "evangelism?" According to today's message what does "evangelism" actually mean?**
- 2) If you are a Christian, how did you become one? Who first brought the good news of Jesus Christ to you?**
- 3) Why should we care about others coming to know Christ as their Savior?**
- 4) Who in your immediate sphere of influence (friends, family, co-workers, neighbors) do you know that need to be introduced to Jesus Christ? Are you praying for them and for an opportunity to reach them for Him? Why or Why not?**
- 5) Where might you find people locally, whom you do not yet know but could get to know, in order to share Christ with them? Are you willing to pray that God would lead you into their lives? Why or Why not?**
- 6) What people groups (which are now quite foreign to you) could you see yourself ministering to and witnessing to, if God would open the door for you to reach them? Would you pray for God to open a door? Would you go if He sent you?**
- 7) What prayer does God need to answer in your life in order for you to become an effective witness of His love in the lives of others?**