



Special Offerings for
TODAY: Benevolence
Aug 27: Building Fund

God enables the giver
 to give beyond the
 ability to give!

Aug 13, 2017
 Total weekly Budget: \$ 5,861.21
 Actual collected: \$ 3,564.51

**SERVE
 GOD
 GLADLY**

"I give thanks to Christ Jesus our Lord who has strengthened me, because He considered me faithful, appointing me to the ministry." ~1 Timothy 1: 12

"Your ability to serve God is not based on your past, but on your faithfulness today. If you are faithful with the task God entrusts to you, God will enable you to accomplish it. ... Whether God has asked you to pray for someone, to minister to a person in need, to lead a Bible study, or to care for those who are sick, strive to be faithful. You will experience His enabling as you serve Him." ~Henry Blackaby

- Windmill Tours has arranged for a day trip to Shishewana for church women in the Evart and Reed City areas and would like you to join them. Date of the trip is September 12 and the bus will leave from McBain. Cost 59.00. Contact Dave at 231-942-1111 to reserve your seat.
- It is time to start thinking about the **next mission trip to the Dominican Republic with Project Canefire: Jan 23 –Feb 6, 2018.** Team meetings are the 4th Tuesday of every month starting in September. Join us September 26, October 24, November 28, and December 26; 7PM at Friends Ministry, 3728 S. Morey, Lake City MI 49651. For more information call Mark Mogan 231-429-2974, Dave VanHouten 231-878-2314 or Paul Benthem 231-825-2787.
- Cooperative Ministry is in urgent need of volunteers** who would be able to spend three hours a week in an office and food pantry setting. If you enjoy helping others and feel a call, your help would be greatly appreciated. For more information, please call the office at 231-839-4485
- Please join us for the annual **All You Can Eat Fish Fry** on September 8 and 15 at Northern Michigan Christian School from 5:00-8:00pm. The delicious menu includes: All you can eat cod, walleye, baked walleye, chicken, corn, baked beans, french fries, baked potatoes, rolls, salad, homemade desserts, ice cream, and drinks. Cost is \$12 for age 10 & up, \$5 age 4-9, and 3 & under are free. Proceeds benefit Christian Education. Questions, call 231-825-4055. We hope to see you there!

Would you like a greater understanding of your identity in Christ? Do you want to experience fresh growth in your Christian life?

“Disciple”

Led by: Josh & Mandy Shaarda

October 13 (6:45-9:00 p.m.) & October 14 (9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

**To be held at the BARN
 (2431 E. Workman Road, Falmouth, MI)**

On Friday evening we will seek to understand what it means that our identity comes from Christ. We will also explore the implications for this truth. We will also enjoy a time of fellowship with Ugandan Coffee, tea, and locally made deserts.

On Saturday we will learn about the battle for our minds and what we need to do to win that battle. We will see the purpose of emotion and how to handle emotions well. We will learn how to be free from the past. We will also be honest with God so we can walk in freedom. We will learn how to use that freedom to grow in Christ. A catered meal at noon along with more snacks, Ugandan coffee, and tea throughout the day.

Space is limited, so please contact the Shaardas at shaarda@hotmail.com or Amy DeZeeuw at amydezeeuw@yahoo.com or 231-826-3772.



"These Biblical truths have renewed our minds by replacing the lies with truth and helping us become more like Christ. We know who we are in Christ which gives us security, significance and acceptance. Freedom in Christ discipleship is for every believer, not just for our Ugandan Friends. This has given us peace in the midst of difficult circumstances. We long for every person to experience all that God intends for them" ~Josh & Mandy

**FREEDOM
 IN CHRIST
 AFRICA**