

**Announcements**  
**Springdale Mennonite Church**  
**July 16, 2017**

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**Children's Activity** -- Lynside Mennonite Church has invited Springdale children to join them at Lynside this Tues., July 18, 6 p.m., to put together school kits for Mennonite Central Committee. *(Springdale kit bags will be available to be filled in the near future!)*

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**You are invited to the public worship at VA Mennonite Conference Assembly!** Saulo Padilla, Menn. Central Committee's U.S. Immigration Coordinator, will bring the message on Thurs., July 20; and César García, Gen'l Secretary of Menn. World Conference, will bring the message on Fri., July 21. Gathering begins at 6:45 p.m. and worship is at 7:00 at Park View Mennonite Church. The theme is "**Neighbors: Strangers No More,**" and will focus on the scriptural call to love our neighbors and value the dignity of all people. After the Friday service, you are welcome to stay for **Taste of Missions**, a time of fellowship and sampling foods from areas of the world where Virginia Mennonite Missions workers serve.

Love INC has designated **July 21 & 22 as matching funds donation dates**. Matching funds of up to \$20,000 have been promised for donations received during that time period. Please consider how you can contribute to this fund in addition to your regular giving to Springdale. Checks should be written to Love INC and sent to P.O. Box 1003, 123 Tinkling Springs Road, Fishersville, VA, 22939. Address any questions to Love INC at 221-2955. Thank you for considering this matching fund request! Additional information is available under the church mailboxes.

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**FINANCIAL UPDATE (9/1/16-7/15/17)**

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- Number of Sundays remaining in fiscal year	7
- Amount needed per week to meet projected expenses	\$ 5,087

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*(Check Springdale's website for a full list of Conference announcements.)*

- An article about Karla Martin's studies at EMU/Duke (on the bulletin board or available at <http://emu.edu/now/news/2017/05/grad-school-q- karla-martin-13-pursuing-doctorate-physical-therapy-duke-university/>).
- A thank-you letter for our recent donation to Virginia Mennonite Missions' Mennonite Hispanic Initiative (\$1,000).
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