

News & Events

Jan 2-15, 2025

September 2024 to August 2025
ECOB All Church Calendar
WEB VERSION



LOOKING INTO 2025

As we start a new year, be sure to look ahead at the exciting things we have in store at ECOB through the resources that are available.

Faith Formation Brochure - Explore this document to find ways you can grow your faith at ECOB, including the Sermon Series topics through August 2025.

All Church Calendar - Make sure to add all the upcoming events happening at ECOB to your personal calendars or put the printed copy

on your fridge. We look forward to seeing you at many of these events as they are ways for us as an ECOB family to live out our mission statement to connect, grow, live and radiate the transformative power of Jesus in the world.

Both documents are available in printed form at the Welcome Desk in the Community Room or online [HERE](#).

VICTORY SUNDAY

Sunday, Jan 5
Both Services

This is when we celebrate the ways God moved at ECOB in 2024! A report will be shared on Sunday, Jan 5, highlighting the impact of some of our ministries.

Join us in praising God for all He has done in and through us!

Sunday, Jan 5

Series: Heart for the House

Title: The Mission Field

Scripture: [Acts 1:6-11](#)

Focus: Wherever you find yourself, that is the mission field where God has called you to serve. Pastor Brian, speaking

Sermon Series



Study Guide [HERE](#) (pg 11)

Sunday, Jan 12

Series: Heart for the House

Title: Being A Good Steward

Scripture: [Matthew 25:14-30](#)

Focus: Do something with God's gifts.
Pastor Brian, speaking

☩ MEN CONFERENCE 2025
BIBLICAL MANHOOD

Saturday, Jan 18, 2025
8 am-3 pm | @ECOB
Guest Speaker: Brian Francis Hume

Join us for breakfast followed by worship, guest speaker Brian Hume, activities, lunch by King's BBQ, giveaways, and more.

Register Here:




Contact: [Carol Bowman](#)
Updated as of Jan 1, 2025
None reported

ALL IN (ACCOUNTABILITY GROUP)

Sunday, Jan 5 | 9:45-10:30am
Pastor Brian's Office
All In is a new way of doing life together.

SOULED OUT PRAYER TIME

Wednesday, Jan 8 | 6-6:30 pm
@Pastor Brian's Office
Join Pastor Brian to be in prayer for our congregation.

BREAD AND CUP COMMUNION SUNDAY

Sunday, Jan 19
Both ECOB Services

OFFERING ENVELOPES are ready for pickup in the Community Room. Contact [Cindy](#) for info.

INCLEMENT WEATHER PROCEDURE

ECOB follows the Ephrata Area School District schedule for closings or delays of events, office hours, or evening activities due to inclement weather. On the weekends, decisions will be made by the Trustee, LT Chair, and Pastor Brian. Contact your ministry leader concerning ministry team meetings.

Notifications of delays or cancellations will be posted on the ECOB Facebook and Instagram.

SAVE THE DATE: BETTER LOVE DATE NIGHT

Saturday, Feb 8, 2025 | 5-8 pm
Couples are invited for a time led by Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott, #1 New York Times best-selling and award winning authors of *Saving Your Marriage Before It Starts* and *Love Talk*.

Contact: [Stacey Coldiron](#)

CITY GATE LUNCH

Saturday, Jan 18
9:30 am-1:15 pm
Food prep is for all ages. For serving downtown you must be 13 or older. Sign ups will be in the Community Room on Jan 5th and 12th. Contact [Stacey](#) with any questions.



ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING TRAINING

Mon, Jan 27 | 6-8 pm
@ECOB

ZOE International will be coming to teach us about human trafficking and how we can combat against it. This training is open to the community. Contact [Stacey](#) for info.



TRUSTEE WORK DAY

Saturday, Jan 11
8 am-12 pm
@ECOB
All are welcome to join the Trustees to help with work needed around the church building.



EPHRATA CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

MISSIONS BANQUET

SAT, JAN 25 @5:30 PM

ALL ARE WELCOME, ESPECIALLY THOSE WHO SERVE, SUPPORT, OR WANT TO KNOW MORE ABOUT OUR LOCAL, NATIONAL AND GLOBAL MISSIONS AT ECOB.

RSVP BY JAN 17 HERE:



CELEBRATING GOD'S FAITHFULNESS AND ENCOURAGING ONE ANOTHER!



kids through grade 4



students in grades 5-12

Contact: [Michelle Nolt](#), Coordinator
Parents: Check in by Kid's Entrance **PRIOR** to Service

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUPS

9:45-10:35 am
Class 1: Preschool walking-PreK | Class 2: grades K-4

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Infant-2 & Preschool Care during 10:45 Service
Kids Church (K-4 grade) - kids attend beginning of 10:45 Service with family then are dismissed before the sermon.

ECOBKIDS TOT LOT

Tuesdays, Jan 7 & 21 | 9:30-10:30 am
@ECOB Community Room
Free play for babies and preschoolers with an adult present. Coffee and Conversation for the adults.

CROSSOVER MINISTRIES EVENT: FAMILY GAME NIGHT

Friday, Jan 17 | 6-8 pm
@ECOB Community Room
ECOBKIDS, ECOBCC, and Mountaineers' Table families are invited to join us for a fun family game night. We will provide the pizza. You bring your favorite board or card game to share. All children must be accompanied by an adult. **Register [HERE](#) by Jan 12.** Contact [Michelle](#) Nolt for more info.

ECOBKIDS & ECOBYOUTH FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT

Saturday, Feb 1 | 6 pm
@ECOB
Join us for a FREE movie night at the church with family and friends. We will be watching Inside Out 2. Movie snacks will be available.

Contact: [Chris Reinford](#), Youth and YA Director

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUPS

9:45-10:35am (Teacher must be present before students go downstairs)
Class 1: grades 5-8 | Class 2: grades 9-12

UPCOMING ECOBYOUTH EVENTS

Sun, Jan 12, 19 & 26 - ECOBYOUTH
Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Elevate (HS) 6-8pm
Sat, Feb 1 - ECOBKIDS & ECOBYOUTH Family Movie Night
Sun, Feb 2 & 16 - ECOBYOUTH
Engage (IM/MS) 5-6:30pm, Elevate (HS) 6-8pm



ECOBYOUNGADULTS



Contact: [Chris Reinford](#), Youth and YA Director

CAFFEINATED CONVERSATIONS

Sunday, Jan 5
@Javateas Pavilion, 9:45-10:30 am



CAFFEINATED
Conversations
ECOB YOUNG ADULTS

SUNDAY MORNING LIFE GROUP

Join us in Room 101 for this intergenerational group.

MONTHLY EVENTS

Wed, Jan 15 - Trivia Night @ORD, 6:30 - 8:30 pm
Open to all ages!

CAMP SWATARA
Pasta Dinner [Fundraiser](#)

CAMP WOODCREST
Ephrata [Night of Prayer](#)

grow.



ECOBMEN MONTHLY BREAKFASTS

Sat, Jan 4 & Feb 1 | 7 am

@Gus's Keystone Family Restaurant

RSVP needed to ryan@ecob.church

ECOBMEN WORSHIP NIGHT

Tuesday, Feb 4 | 7-8 pm

@Javateas Pavilion

Contact [Ryan](#) with questions.

ECOBPRIMETIME OLDER ADULT BREAKFAST

Wednesday, Feb 12 | 8:30 am

@Gus's Keystone Family

Restaurant

Contact Sam Frankhouser to sign-up at safh@ptd.net or 717-669-5720.

ECOBWOMEN BREAKFAST & OUTREACH

Saturday, Jan 11 | 9 am

@ECOB

We will be collecting items for the ECOB College Students to send them a February Care Bag. Pick up a list of items to donate, at the table by the Welcome Desk. Bring the donations to the breakfast.

Sign-up by Jan 5 at the Welcome Desk or the link [HERE](#).

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2025 GLOBAL MISSION TRIPS INFO MEETING

Sunday, Feb 9

9:45 -10:15 am

All are welcome to learn more about what the ECOB Global Missions teams will be doing this year, initial timeline and cost, and how to sign-up.

Contact [Dean](#) with questions.

ECOBWOMEN GAME NIGHT

Tuesday, Jan 21 | 6:30 pm

@ECOB

Light refreshments served. Women ages 14 and up are invited to join us for a fun night of connecting and playing games! Bring a friend and your favorite game!

Contact [Carol](#) for more info.



ATLANTIC NORTHEAST DISTRICT (ANE) EMERGING AFRICAN CHURCHES

January 12, 2025 | 3 pm

[Myerstown Church of the Brethren](#)

Chris Elliott, who has been supporting emerging Brethren churches in Central Africa, will be sharing his story of how God is at work there.

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN (CoB)

FAITHX 2024 SCHEDULE

Join FaithX (formerly Work Camps) during 2025 to serve, grow in faith, make friends, and experience something new!

Registration for 2025 FaithX opens on Jan 8, 2025 at 7 pm (ET), and closes on Apr 1, 2024.

More info and registration [HERE](#).

CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN CORNER



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Download the Tithe.ly app—a safe and easy way to give any time. (select “Ephrata Church of the Brethren”) OR give through the [ECOB website](#).



Sunday Services (in-person and online): 8:30 am Classic | 10:45 am Contemporary
Office hours: Mon - Fri 9:00 am to 1:00 pm

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