

Check It Out

Zion Mennonite Church Library

Recent Arrivals

- A new children's book, *The Librarian of Basra*, tells the true story of one librarian in Iraq who struggled to save a precious book collection from being destroyed in the war.
- *Sophie's World*—#1 in Faith Girlz series by Nancy Rue and *Are You There God? It's Me, Margaret* by Judy Blume are two new books for youth. Sophie uses new found facts to save a friend from impending humiliation by the popular girls.
- *Kairos*—by Joanne Lehman, a novel that wrestles with hard questions and injustice yet tells the story of love and friendship.
- 3 books by Lauraine Snelling are #4, 5 & 6 in the Red River of the North series: *The Reaper's Song*, *Tender Mercies* and *Blessing in Disguise*.
- Number 1 in Beverly Lewis' new series, *Annie's People*, *The Preacher's Daughter* is the story of Annie Zook who faces a choice between art and her People.
- *A Funny Thing Happened on My Way to Old Age*—a light-hearted look at aging by author Stanley Baldwin and how these life changes relate to your Christian life. Fun to read.
- *Home to Harmony* by Philip Gulley reflects on ways in which spirituality is woven into everyday life. He is described as a breath of fresh air, part Mark Twain, part Garrison Keillor.



- *Music in Worship—A Mennonite Perspective* by Bernie Neufeld. This book is written to be a resource for pastors, worship leaders and church musicians in local congregations. Marlene Kropf says "The writers call the church to a renewed vision for congregational singing that nourishes spiritual vitality..."

Books for more serious reading:

- *Our Endangered Values*—Jimmy Carter's latest book in which he puts forward a defense of separation of church and state, and a strong warning where the country is heading as lines between the political and religious worlds have become increasingly intertwined.

- *The Scandal of the Evangelical Conscience—Why Are Christians Living Just Like the Rest of the World?* By Ron Sider "A painfully honest look at the disconnect" of belief and practice, which summons us to take the gospel seriously.
- *Anabaptists Meeting Muslims—A Calling for Presence in the Way of Christ*—edited by Krabill, Shenk, & Stutzman. In a day of increased awareness of Muslims, this book reveals the diversity of Anabaptist engagement with Muslims around the world through reports and essays by individuals who serve among Muslims in mission and service agencies, et al.

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Looking Ahead

- Library Orientation for Primary Sunday School classes in April. This is in conjunction with National Library Week
- Plans are being made for another Summer Reading Club in July and August.

From the Library Staff

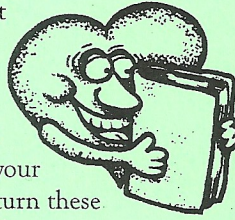
The library here at Zion has a lot of good books for you to enjoy—either for casual reading, church and family history, spiritual life, family guidance, and books for children and youth. We want to encourage you to enjoy the resources it has to offer. It would be worth your time take a look at what is available.

RECENTLY A BOOK MYSTERIOUSLY RETURNED TO THE LIBRARY THAT HAD BEEN CHECKED OUT IN 1987!!!! Thank you to the honest person who was responsible for that! We would like for others who have books from our library hiding in out of the way (or more obvious places) to take courage from this example and bring them in. It's never too late. Not only are books

valuable and an asset to the life of the congregation but also costly to replace. Some are very new to our library; your effort to find and return these would be appreciated.

We know who some of you are! But we will not include your names with the following partial list of overdue books that we would like very much to be returned so everyone has a chance to read and enjoy them as you have. Please note if you have these at home and return as soon as possible. Thank you!

- Addicted to War—Why the U.S. Can't Kick Militarism
- Biggest Popcorn Ever in Center



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- Denial of the Soul
- Eyes At the Window
- 50 Ways You Can Feed a Hungry World
- Frog and Toad Are Friends
- Farther Along the Road Less Traveled
- God's Politics
- Harry Potter and the Bible
- Prayer of Jabez
- Nicholas Where Have You Been?
- History of the Amish
- Someone to Love
- To All Generations
- Two By Two
- Who Needs An Oil Well

Any questions about the library?

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