

### *A word from our pastor...*

Recently I've been doing a lot of reading in the Old Testament. As I've read through the early books in the Old Testament I have been struck with how God longs for His people to live holy lives. It is God's desire that all should be holy. However, I'm afraid that often times we resist this call and make holiness something that's reserved for clergy, or at the very least, the super-spiritual. In reality though, the call to holiness is the call to REAL life. It is the call to live life as it was intended to be lived. It is the call to be whole, to be complete, and to experience the fullness of life.

In Genesis we read that we were created "in the image of God," but as we continue to read we discover that when we choose to sin, we distort that image. Sin not only distorts the image of God in our lives but it leads us on a path to destruction. God, however, made a way for us to be freed from sin and restored to REAL life, and that way is Jesus Christ.

The only way to holiness, the only way to peace, the only way to joy, the only way to wholeness, the only way to life, is through Jesus Christ. My prayer for you and me this year is that we would seek after God with reckless abandon. May God be our beginning and our end and everything in between. May God so fill our lives that when others see us they would see Him living in us.

We live in a world of short cuts – Easy Mac, 15 minute workout plans, diet pills, quick money – there is no short cut to God. If you want to experience all that God longs for your life then you must spend time in His presence. That is why we put together the "Cultivating Time with God" booklet. It is intended to be a tool to help you spend time in the presence of our Lord. Whether you use this booklet or not, spend time with God and see what He does in and through you.

In Christ,  
*Pastor Mark*

### Happy Anniversary\*

14 Dick & Nancy Wilkins  
19 Bill & Linda Cummins

### Happy Birthday\*

1 Matthew Hergert  
5 Ryan Steiner  
6 David Williams  
10 Ashlee Ouderkirk  
12 Gary Most  
13 Marianna Lozano,  
Loretta Lee  
15 Jennifer Walker  
16 Todd Cummins  
18 Paul Lee  
20 Elliott Traver  
22 Della Lesperance  
22 Olivia Williams  
24 Barb Medlock  
27 Joel Wilkins

\*If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please email or call the church office to update our office records.

# FEBRUARY

2012 Newsletter

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Discipleship*

### Schedule of Services

#### Sunday

Sunday School 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 10:45 a.m.  
Life Groups—Following Jesus Training at  
South Church of the Nazarene 6:00 p.m.

#### Wednesday

Kid Zone &  
Coffee House 6:30 p.m.  
Youth Group, Intercessors, Men's Group  
& Ladies Bible Study 7:00 p.m.

## Prayer Requests

Jon Barks, Gary Burris, Betty Castle, Lucille Clayton, Andie Cocco, Emmie (Haff's granddaughter), Frances Hurd, Winnie Karnes, Dee King, Paul Lee, Della & Megan Lesperance, Bob & Connie McVey, Brian Newport, Edward Ritchie, Jim Rux, June Shepherd, Pauline Timmer, Thelma Wilkins, Bev Wright, our country and its leaders. Bill Fitzgerald, Derrick Fladseth, Daniel LaLone, Nelson Muma, Adam Nemeskal, Kent Planck, Jonathan Schwartz, David Sierkowski, Chaplain David Sifferd, David Tasket, Adam Van Dusen, Cody Younglove, and all serving in the Armed Forces.

## Church Board Reports

Although there is no board meeting in February, Church board reports are still due in the church office on Wednesday, February 1<sup>st</sup> (electronic files or email are encouraged).

If you're aware of any new business that needs to be on the next agenda, please let Pastor Mark know.

## Finance Committee Meeting

6:00 p.m. *March 6*

## Church Board Meeting

7:00 p.m. *March 6*



## Men's Breakfast

8:00 a.m.  
Saturday, February 4  
at Guerrazzi's



## Women's Ministries

Ladies Day at Olivet Nazarene University Saturday, April 14th with featured guest speaker Lysa TerKeurst  
Registration Cost \$35 (includes all programming, lunch, and special gift).

Friday night lodging (April 13), Country Inn and Suites, Manteno, IL—lodging rates begin at \$20 each with 4 ladies per room.

Registration and Lodging deadline is Sunday, February 26th.

Please talk with Erika Williams or Jennifer Walker to register or for more information!

We would love to have you join us!

## Men's Group

7:00 p.m. Wednesday's at Woodview  
Contact Bob McVey or David Williams with questions.

## Ladies Bible Study Groups meeting at Woodview

7:00 p.m. Monday's  
We're using the book titled "Becoming More Than A Good Bible Study Girl" by Lysa TerKeurst. See Erika Williams with questions.

7:00 p.m. Wednesday's  
Our study is "More 2 Life". See Jennifer Walker with questions.

10:00 a.m. Thursday's  
Our study is on the book of Colossians. See Sandy Haff with questions.



## "Treasure Seekers"

For Ages 2 - 11 years

Wednesday's  
6:30-8:00 p.m.

Contact Rachelle Tasket or Debbie Timko with questions.

- February 1—God Stengthens
- February 8—Community Project
- February 15—God Loves & Forgives Me
- February 22—God is the One True God
- February 29—Leap Year Party



## TEAM Day Saturday, March 10 Perry, MI

Lay Leadership & Clergy  
Youth Workshops and Events  
Children's Workshops

Early Bird Registration Deadline:  
postmarked by February 13, 2012  
Adults and teens \$25

Final Registration Deadline:  
postmarked by February 27, 2012  
Adults and teens: \$35

Online Registration Cutoff: February 28, 2012

Late Registrations Not Accepted

For more information and to register online:  
[http://minaz.org/Michigan\\_Tri-District\\_TEAM\\_Day\\_2012/](http://minaz.org/Michigan_Tri-District_TEAM_Day_2012/)