



January 2011

Mission Emphasis

January's mission emphasis is preparing Crisis Care Kits. These are packages of small toiletries and other items that the Church of the Nazarene distributes globally where a disaster has struck. Whether a hurricane, tornado, or other devastation, our church has a presence that allows us the opportunity to share the love of Jesus through helping with basic items in the midst of terrible tragedy.

Pick up a bag to help out with this ministry.

Teen Fundraiser

The teens are starting to raise money for a missions trip they are taking this summer to provide a VBS program for a church in Ohio. See one of the teens for a chance to participate in a savings program for a good cause!

See Scott VanZee for details on the missions trip.

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The God who came, still comes.
The God who spoke, still speaks.

Sunsets steal our breath. Caribbean blue stills our hearts. Newborn babies stir our tears. Lifelong love bejewels our lives. But take all these away—strip away the sunsets, oceans, cooing babies, and tender hearts—and leave us in the Sahara, and we still have reason to dance in the sand. Why? Because God is with us.

From Christmas Stories by Max Lucado

From the Pastor



*"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make your paths straight."
Proverbs 3:5-6*

We stand at the gate of a new year. We can see the road ahead, but not very far down that road.

Jerry Bimber There are twists and turns coming that we cannot yet imagine.

Our Scripture says that we can be victorious on our journey if we will trust God's guidance. That's an excellent watchword for the coming year. It's a battle cry in the testing times, and a comfort and strength in our uncertainty. It's better than a roadmap; it's the promise of God.

There's a difference between a truth acknowledged in the mind, and a belief that is acted upon and proved true in the battles of life. If we expect God's protection and guidance, we must trust Him with all our hearts, and distrust ourselves and our first impulses. God is good, and he shows his special care for his children when we turn to him in faith. Let it be a faithful year!



You and your family are welcome to attend any of our activities or worship services as a member or a friend.

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Women's Ministries Upcoming Events

January 17th Book Club Meeting:

Salvation on Sand Mountain: Snake Handling and Redemption in Southern Appalachia by Dennis Covington

Meeting Tuesday, January 17th @ 105 S. Wisconsin, Villa Park - 7:00PM

Dessert and Discussion, Invite a Friend!

Ladies Hot Tub/Pool Party

You are invited to the Hot Tub/Pool Party at Donna Cain's home.

Saturday, January 14, 7:00pm

214 S. Highland, Lombard, IL

Sit pool side for games and conversation or jump in the pool or hot tub for a refreshing change in the heart of winter!

Bring a snack, a friend, or both!

Contact Pam Miller for more information.

Men's Ministries Upcoming Events

The men are planning a trip to a basketball game in January. Details will appear in the bulletin as they are defined.

Contact Mark Miller for more information.

Children's Quizzing

Children's quizzing for grades 1-6

Every Sunday at 5:45pm

Our past studies in the Old Testament point us to Jesus.

The book of Matthew is about JESUS.

This year we study:

Birth, Life and Ministry of Jesus

Jesus' Death and Resurrection

Salvation Through Jesus

Old Testament Worship is Washed Away

We have many things to learn about God's Son, Jesus.

Teen Quizzing

For teens grade 7—12!

Sunday Nights at 4:30

This year the teens are quizzing on:

Hebrews

1Peter

2Peter

Other News

- Sunday morning PRAYER time is from 8am—9am in the sanctuary. Join us as we pray for our church!
- **The adult Sunday School class Sandi teaches is currently studying Daniel**
- Wednesday night Kingdom Kids are studying the Heroes of the Bible, learning about the ways God works through those who trust Him and are obedient to His call.
- **The choir is singing again! Join us on Sundays at 4:30pm to practice, so you can sing on Sunday mornings.**
- Upward Basketball will start soon...practice and then games. Contact Barry Atkins for details on how you can help make this season a success!

5 Minutes A Day...

Please pray for Lombard Church of the Nazarene for 5 minutes a day. In addition, here are those who are serving in leadership. Prayer for them would also be appreciated:

Pastor: Jerry Bimber

Church Board: Millie Cermak, Dave Cain, Don Canton, Sue D'Anza, Roy Darby, Pam Donovan, Mark Miller, Wayne Rethford, Joe Wimberly, Carolyn Klein (ex-officio), Scott VanZee (ex-officio)

NMI President: Carolyn Klein

NMI Council: Kathy Bimber, Donna Cain, Kari Furst, Aimee Obotte, Michelle VanZee

NYI President: Scott VanZee

Sunday School Ministries Board: Deb Darby, Kari Furst, Beth Rush

Men's Ministry President: Mark Miller

Women's Ministry President: Pam Miller

Wednesday Night Ladies Bible Study

On January 4, 2012, the Ladies will be starting the *James: Mercy Triumphs* series by Beth Moore at 7:00PM. James, Jesus' own brother, started out as a skeptic. See how one glimpse of the resurrected Savior turned an unbeliever into a disciple. Bible scholars compare James to the prophet Amos. In other ways, James more closely resembles the Book of Proverbs than any other New Testament book. Topics in this study include: joy, hardship, faith, reversal of fortunes for rich and poor, wisdom, gifts from above, single-mindedness, the dangers of the tongue, humility, and prayer.

This study has optional daily personal studies available for those wanting to go deeper.