



Southwest *Church of the Nazarene*

CHURCH NEWSLETTER
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Upcoming Events:

- July 10th, Saturday 12:00pm - ??
Sojourners Class Party at Reta Steely's House
- July 14th – 18th, Wednesday – Sunday
Children's Rookie (grades 1-3)
Summer Camp at Shiloh Park
- July 18th – 22nd, Sunday – Thursday
Children's Preteen (grades 4-6)
Summer Camp at Shiloh Park
- July 23rd, Friday –
R!OT Youth Holiday World Trip
- July 31st, Saturday – One Day VBS for
ages 3 years to 5th grade 11:30am -
4:00pm (Lunch will be provided.)
- August 1st, Sunday – Faith Promise
Service at 10:40am
- August 14th, Saturday
1:00pm to 5:00pm
Pastor Keith & Teresa Grove
50th Wedding Anniversary Open House
- September 19th, Sunday
Back to Church Sunday - Picnic on the
grounds!
- October 3rd – 6th, Sunday - Wednesday
Revival with Rev. Ron Richmond
- October 31st, Sunday afternoon
Trunk or Treat Night
- November 21st, Sunday
Thanksgiving Service - Divinity Trio Concert

***See Announcements for more details on
some of these events!***

“One Nation Under God”

In the 107th Congress Public Law 293, they reaffirmed the reference "one Nation under God" in the Pledge of Allegiance.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,

SECTION 1. <<NOTE: 4 USC 4 note.>> FINDINGS.

Congress finds the following:

(1) On November 11, 1620, prior to embarking for the shores of America, the Pilgrims signed the Mayflower Compact that declared: ``Having undertaken, for the Glory of God and the advancement of the Christian Faith and honor of our King and country, a voyage to plant the first colony in the northern parts of Virginia,".

(2) On July 4, 1776, America's Founding Fathers, after appealing to the "Laws of Nature, and of Nature's God" to justify their separation from Great Britain, then declared: "We hold these Truths to be self-evident, that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness".

(3) In 1781, Thomas Jefferson, the author of the Declaration of Independence and later the Nation's third President, in his work titled "Notes on the State of Virginia" wrote: "God who gave us life gave us liberty. And can the liberties of a nation be thought secure when we have removed their only firm basis, a conviction in the minds of the people that these liberties are of the Gift of God. That they are not to be violated but with His wrath? Indeed, I tremble for my country when I reflect that God is just; that his justice cannot sleep forever."

(4) On May 14, 1787, George Washington, as President of the Constitutional Convention, rose to admonish and exhort the delegates and declared: "If to please the people we offer what we ourselves disapprove, how can we afterward defend our work? Let us raise a standard to which the wise and the honest can repair; the event is in the hand of God!".

(5) On July 21, 1789, on the same day that it approved the Establishment Clause concerning religion, the First Congress of the United States also passed the Northwest Ordinance, providing for a territorial government for lands northwest of the Ohio River, which declared: "Religion, morality, and knowledge, being necessary to good government and the happiness of mankind, schools and the means of education shall forever be encouraged."

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SEC. 3. REAFFIRMING THAT GOD REMAINS IN OUR MOTTO.

(a) Reaffirmation. -- Section 302 of title 36, United States Code, is amended to read as follows:

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"Sec. 302. National motto

"'In God we trust' is the national motto."

(b) Codification. -- In codifying this subsection, the Office of the Law Revision Counsel shall make no change in section 302, title 36, United States Code, but shall show in the historical and statutory notes that the 107th Congress reaffirmed the exact language that has appeared in the Motto for decades.

Approved November 13, 2002.

(<https://www.congress.gov/107/plaws/publ293/PLAW-107publ293.htm>)

Praises:

- Praise the Lord for our Teen Camp! The week was packed with great activities as well as services and God's Spirit was working. One teen received Christ and others made important commitments around the altar in their walk for Christ. Let's continue to pray for our youth to grow stronger in their faith each day!
- Praise the Lord for our Youth Leaders! Dave and Dana Metcalf, and their host of helpers, continue to provide great events to build community, as well as foster the teens spiritual lives! Let's pray for our leaders and also tell them thanks for all they do. They are a blessing to our church!
- Praise the Lord for a beautiful worship service Sunday! With appreciation for America, our service men and women, and for God's blessing, we sang, prayed and heard an encouraging message from Dr. Thompson. Thank you to the lady's trio along with Saralynn Vawter and Judy James for the wonderful music!

**** Have you been missing someone from church? Reach out and see how they are, pray, lend a hand, show mercy. We all need encouragement from time to time, and you may be just the person they need to hear from! ****

1 Peter 3:8-9

8 Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another; love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous; 9 not returning evil for evil or reviling for reviling, but on the contrary blessing, knowing that you were called to this, that you may inherit a blessing. NKJV

Prayer Needs:

- Please pray for our Church to remain strong, unified, and focused on our mission even through the summer months.
- Please pray for our country and our military families.
- **For Personal Prayer Needs, please see the mailed or emailed versions of the newsletter.**



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Come check out our "African Safari" on Sunday, July 11th following service.



Get a treat and help us with our upcoming VBS!

Vacation Bible School
"Serengeti Trek:
Where Kids are Wild
about God" is
Saturday, July 31st
11:30am to 4:00pm



Ages: 3 yrs old to grade 5
(entering or exiting)

Needing
volunteers
for crew
members,
snacks,
helpers,
set up /
clean up,
etc.



See Cindy R. with
questions or to
volunteer!

VBS Registration
will start on
Sunday, July 11th.
Sign up at the
Welcome Center.



We'll also have a list of donations
needed for VBS located there
(food items, etc.).

You can also register for VBS online at
<https://forms.ministryforms.net/viewForm.aspx?formId=56d092d2-e2e8-4ba3-ae8a-9f7c1800e959>

Sojourner's Sunday School

Class Party

Saturday, July 10th 12:00pm to ??
Reta Steely's House

See Kim Miller or Barb Robinson
to sign up with the food dish
you'll bring!
Bring a lawn chair.
Questions:
Call Steve Miller
317-402-4123

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WILL BE OK?

Friday, July 23rd R!OT Youth Holiday World Trip

Tickets are \$40
each. You'll also
need spending
money for meals or
any other
purchases. See
Dave/Dana with
questions!

Faith Promise

Faith Promise August 1st at 10:40am

"An Open Door"

- Bringing missions to a broken world after a year of pandemic depression, isolation and lack of hope.
- Celebrating an opportunity to bring the hope of Jesus around the world.

We will have guest speakers from a "creative access area" in Africa.
Please pray for this day for two reasons:

- 1.) For the Lord to move among us again, reminding us of our call to bring the Good News to all the world.
- 2.) To help us reach our goal of \$33,000 this year!

*We can do this, in His Name, For His Name,
and through His Name!*