



SOUTHWEST

CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

Happy New Year!

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God Will Take Care of You

Be not dismayed whate'er betide
God will take care of you
Beneath His wings of love abide
God will take care of you

Through days of toil when heart doth fail
God will take care of you
When dangers fierce your path assail
God will take care of you

All you may need He will provide
God will take care of you
Nothing you ask will be denied
God will take care of you

No matter what may be the test
God will take care of you
Lean weary one upon His breast
God will take care of you

God will take care of you
Through every day o'er all the way
He will take care of you
God will take care of you

Civilla Durfee Martin / Walter Stillman Martin

Church Events

- Friday, December 30th – 7:00pm – 7:00am – R!OT Youth Overnight Spectacular. See Announcements for details.
- Sunday, January 1st – 10:40am – New Year's Day Service (*No Sunday School)
- Tuesday, January 3rd – 11:00am – Christmas Decoration in reverse! Can you help us take down the decorations and put away?
- Wednesday, January 4th – 6:30pm – Discipleship Study - Mission Lessons with guest speaker Dan Duke. Come hear about his time in missions and his work with languages.
- Monday, January 9th – 6:30 – 8:00pm – MOPS & MOMSnext meets for a lesson, food, & fellowship. Childcare available (for ages 0 - 5th grade).
- Tuesday, January 24th – 6:00pm – Church Board Meeting
- Sunday, January 29th – 6:00pm – ONU Proclamation Gospel Choir will perform a concert for us! It will be great!
- Sunday, February 5th – 10:40am – Dr. Wangler, District Superintendent, will be delivering the message. We'll follow service with our annual chili cook-off!

Praises:

- Praise the Lord for His help through the weather this weekend! It has been several years, according to meteorologists, since we have seen cold temperatures like that... but the church is in good shape and everyone seems to have come through okay!
- Praise the Lord for a great Christmas Day Service! We ended up having a great service with the orchestra playing an excellent Christmas song, the worship team leading us in a beautiful time of worship, a message about our "unordinary Jesus", communion and a candlelight service singing Silent Night, then capped off with "We Wish You a Merry Christmas." It was a blessed day! Thank you Jesus for all you have done for us!

Nun's Prayer

Lord, Thou knowest better than I know myself that I am growing older and someday will be old. Keep me from the fatal habit of thinking that I must say something on every subject and on every occasion. release me from the craving to straighten out everybody's affairs.

Make me thoughtful but not moody; helpful but not bossy. With my vast store of wisdom, it seems a pity not to use it all but Thou knowest, Lord, that I want a few friends at the end. Keep my mind free from the recital of endless details; give me wings to get to the point.

Seal my lips on my aches and pains. They are increasing and love of rehearsing them is becoming sweeter as the years go by. I dare not ask for grace enough to enjoy the tales of others' pains, but help me to endure them with patience.

I dare not ask for improved memory but for a growing humility and lessening sureness when my memory seems to clash with memories of others. Teach me the glorious lesson that occasionally I may be mistaken.

Keep me reasonably sweet; I do not want to be a saint; some of them are so hard to live with. But a sour old person is one of crowning works of the devil. Give me the ability to see the good things in unexpected places and talents in unexpected people. And, give me, O Lord, the grace to tell them so. Amen!

(Opening prayer given by nun, Mary Maxwell,
at a senior care convention.)

Prayer Needs:

- Please pray starting on January 1, for God's will in your life, your family's life, and for your church. We will be praying for 50 days, while reading through the book of Genesis.
- Please pray for the many newer people in our congregation, that they may know Christ, grow, and find a place to get involved.
- For Personal Prayer Needs, please see the emailed and mailed versions of the church newsletter.

Announcements:

For inclement weather (or other potential issues), we must sometimes cancel services or activities. We wanted to remind you of where to check for this information. Due to possible posting delays, please check at least a few of these:

Facebook - at Indy Southwest Naz

WTTV (channel 4 – CBS)

WTHR (channel 13 – NBC)

WISH (channel 8 – MyIndy)

WXIN (channel 59 – FOX)

WRTV (channel 6 – ABC)

***Can you help take down
our Christmas Decorations?***

Be at the church at 11:00am on Tuesday, January 3rd. Many hands make light work!

Matthew 6:25-32

²⁵ "Therefore I say to you, do not worry about your life... ²⁷ Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature? ³⁰ Now if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is, and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will He not much more clothe you, O you of little faith? ³² ...For your heavenly Father knows that you need all these things.

New Sermon Series starting January 8th:

Trusting God with our Journey, Genesis 37-50

This is the story of God's will for a family, Jacob and his twelve sons, especially Joseph. It is a story of dreams, deception, temptation, injustice, forgiveness, and a celebration of the goodness of God.

Matthew 6:33-34

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

³⁴ Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about its own things. Sufficient for the day is its own trouble. NKJV

New Year - New Beginnings

Starting off 2023 right is important. But how? Prayer, planning, and preparation are all great ways to have a good start!

Beginning January 1, you are invited to join a 50 Day Spiritual Challenge to live in the will of God:

1. **50 Days of Praying.** Set aside time each day to pray for God's will for your life, family, and our church.
2. **50 Days of Bible Reading.** Take a slow look at Genesis 1-50 (one chapter per day), looking and listening to what the Lord is saying through His Word.
3. **50 Days of Obedience.** Trusting God's plan for your life, walking in the Light, and yielding up what needs changed in your life.



Hello Moms!



We invite Moms of children ages infant to 18 years old to come and be a part of Southwest's MOPS & MOMSnext groups. We meet on the 2nd & 4th Mondays of the month (next meeting is Jan. 9th). The meeting is from 6:30- 8:00pm. Childcare will be provided for children ages infant-5th grade. Please come for a good time of fellowship with other Moms, video lesson, and snacks. Questions? See Renee Plank.

Announcements :

Wednesday Discipleship Studies – 6:30pm

Dec. 28th – No Studies this week due to Christmas holiday.

January 4th – Mission Lessons Study continues with our very own Dan Duke!

January 25th – “The DiSC Profile: Know Yourself and Understand Others” Study with Dr. Houston Thompson (*Please bring a Bible, pen, and something to write on.*)

March 8th – Men’s and Women’s Bible Studies with Vince Plank and Cindy Hatchett

April 5th – No Studies this week due to Maundy Thursday Service

April 12th – Men’s and Women’s Bible Studies continue

April 26th – Study with Dr. Ron Hood

Next Church Board Meeting

is Tuesday, Jan. 24th at 6:30pm. Have reports to Katrina by Friday, Jan. 20th at southwest@swnazarene.org.



Sunday, Feb. 5th

Dr. Wanger, Dist. Supt. will deliver the message at service. After service, we’ll have our Annual Church Chili Cook-Off competition and R!OT Youth fundraiser. **Details coming soon!**

Our Food Pantry could use your help! If you would like to donate a few items to the Southwest Church Food Pantry, these are some items that are in high demand and would greatly be appreciated!

Shelf Stable Items:

Peanut Butter; Jelly; Flour; Sugar; Vegetable Oil; Canned Vegetables, Fruits, Meats, and Soups; and Pasta Sauce

Refrigerated Items:

1 lb pkg ground beef, turkey, or sausage, and whole chickens

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Thanks to John Michael Sullivan (See Luke 2:1-16) 12-23-2005

AT LEAST WE CAN SAY THAT HE WAS BROUGHT UP IN A STABLE HOME

R!OT Youth Overnight Spectacular – Dec. 30th 7pm to 7am

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OVERNIGHT SPECTACULAR
DECEMBER 30TH 7PM – 7AM
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\$35/STUDENT



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Registration is now open! Scan the QR codes below, go to the home page on www.swnazarene.org and click on the scrolling image, or find on Facebook under RIOT Youth Ministries to get more information and/or to register. Please register AND fill out your waiver for SkyZone BEFORE you come. Please have payment in no later than December 28th. If you have any questions, please see Dave or Dana Metcalf.

We’ll have: Food, prizes, and giveaways; Blacklight Pool; GaGa Ball; Noodle Hockey; Ping-Pong; Rockband Room; Group Games; SkyZone GLOW; AND MUCH MORE (but not sleep most likely) !!

SkyZone Waiver



Registration Form

