Southwest Church of the Nazarene

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Goodness of God

I love You Lord
Oh, Your mercy never fails me
All my days
I've been held in Your hands
From the moment that I wake up
Until I lay my head
I will sing of the goodness of God

I love Your voice
You have led me through the fire
In darkest night
You are close like no other
I've known You as a father
I've known You as a friend
I have lived in the goodness of God

All my life You have been faithful All my life You have been so, so, good With every breath that I am able I will sing of the goodness of God

> Ben Fielding, Brian Johnson, Ed Cash, Jason Ingram, Jenn Johnson

Church Events

- Wednesday, February 15th Valentine's Party for children ages 3 through 5th grade. Come for games, treats, and fun!
- Sunday, February 19th Alabaster Offering & Annual Church Elections
- Wednesday, February 22nd 6:30pm –
 Discipleship Study "The DiSC Profile:
 Know Yourself and Understand Others"
 Study led by Dr. Thompson.
- Friday, February 24th 6:30pm 8:00pm
 Indy District NYI Convention at Shelbyville
 COTN. NYI Delegates are required to attend, but other teens can, too.
- Sunday, February 26th Olivet Preaching & Music Ambassadors will here during morning worship.
- Sunday, March 12th Local Annual Reports are due (See announcement for details.)
- Wednesday, March 22nd Men's & Woman's Bible Studies with Vince Plank & Cindy Hatchett will begin this day.
- Wednesday, May 10th Study with Ron Hood will begin this day.

Praises:

- Praise the Lord for wonderful service Sunday! God has truly blessed our congregation in so many ways. In case you missed it, here are some of the blessings of that day:
 - Children's Bible Quizzers reporting about their great day quizzing on Saturday.
 - We had new and returning visitors.
 - Beautiful worship time with our Praise Team and Saralynn.
 - Continued messages in Joseph's life that spoke to many.
 - Caleb Plank, Rachel Rance, and Jordan Patterson were all baptized.
 - Children's Dept. bake sale that raised over \$650 for the Kids Ministry... and was it ever good!

Prayer Needs:

Church:

- Pray for our Annual Elections and our new church year!
- Pray for those new to our church, and those who are planning to visit soon. We have several that need Christ in their lives and need a church family to love and encourage them.
- Pray for the Holy Spirit to work in our church as we pray, worship, surrender, give and serve!
- Pray the Lord will work through our 50-Day Challenge as we seek to know, as well as live in the will of God!

Prayer Needs:

Physical:

 For Personal Prayer Needs, please see the emailed and mailed versions of the church newsletter.

Announcements:

Alabaster Offering will be collected this Sunday, February 19th. Here's your chance to bring in you Alabaster boxes and jars, dollar bills and checks or give directly online under the Giving tab at www.swnazarene.org. Be in prayer for what to give for this special ministry. Alabaster funds are used to help build churches, schools, hospitals, and cover building costs and other needs in areas worldwide! Help spread the Good News with your donation from the heart!

Annual Elections Time!

We will be holding our annual church elections at the beginning of service during morning worship service this Sunday, February 19th. Please be sure to mark your calendar and plan to attend for this important process in our church. Elections will be for church board, NDI board, NMI board, NYI council and for delegates to NYI, NMI, and NDI conventions and district assembly.

Shepherd Community is collecting good used suits, dresses, & suitcases for our brothers & sisters coming to the General Assembly from other countries! If you have any suits, men's dress shirts, ties, dresses, or suitcases to donate, please bring those and place in the in the crate at carport entry. We'll be collecting these until May.







1 Timothy 6:6

"Now godliness with contentment is great gain."

Annual Church Reports Due:

Our local annual reports are due by March 12th at the latest. We'll need reports from NMI, SDMI, NYI, Church Board Secretary, Church Board Treasurer, and Compassionate Ministry Leader & Treasurer. Please send these to Katrina at southwest@swnazarene.org. We appreciate your diligence in getting these reports turned in timely. Thanks!

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Wednesday Discipleship Studies – 6:30pm

Feb. 22nd – "The DiSC Profile: Know Yourself and Understand Others" Study with Dr. Houston Thompson (*Please bring a Bible, pen, and something to write on.*)

Mar. 22nd – Men's and Women's Bible Studies with Vince Plank and Cindy Hatchett

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

Apr. 12th – Men's and Women's Bible Studies continue

May 10th — Study with Dr. Ron Hood

1 TIMOTHY 6:7

"FOR WE BROUGHT NOTHING INTO THIS WORLD, AND IT IS CERTAIN WE CAN CARRY NOTHING OUT."

Hello Moms! We invite Moms of children ages infant through 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 Feb. 27th). 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:

Food Pantry Needs:

Share the love of Jesus with others by helping meet their need!

All year round, we have many families coming to our church food pantry looking for food and personal hygiene items for their families. If you've ever wondered what kind of items that are needed to help these families, please see this list. Also, financial donations are greatly appreciated and often the easiest and least expensive (due to bulk buying) way for us to stock the pantry. Thanks for your help!

Items often needed include:

1 lb. pkg. ground hamburger or turkey; lunch meat; hot dogs; whole chickens; pork chops; canned tuna, chicken, vegetables, fruits, and soups; boxed cereal; boxed macaroni & cheese; ramen noodles; sugar; vegetable oil; flour; pasta sauce; pasta; bread; pancake mix; hamburger or tuna "helper" type boxes; bottled water (gallons/cases); bar soap; toothpaste; toothbrushes; shampoo; baby wipes; diapers; laundry detergent; toilet paper; cleaning supplies; & deodorant

DON'T FORGET! IF YOU SIGNED UP FOR THE EAT YOUR HEART OUT DINNER (THIS COMING SATURDAY), WE SHALL SEE YOU THERE! IT'LL BE A LOVELY DINNER SERVED TO US BY OUR VERY OWN R!OT YOUTH TEENS AND PREPARED BY CHEF HARRY AND TERRI GREENE!





HELP US HELP THEM! The Life Centers of Indianapolis are always in need of donations for needy families: gently used baby clothes up to size 5T and accessories, baby equipment & toys, and maternity clothes & nursing supplies. Darci Broce is assisting with this effort. If you, or someone you know, would like to donate to needy families in the Indy area, this is a great way to help! Drop-off donations to any Life Center location OR if you are near the west side of Indy, text Darci at 567-698-1002 and she may be able to pick-up your donation from your "doorstep." Also, items can be dropped off here at the Southwest Church. Call 317-856-3713 to ensure someone is available to take in these

Friendly Reminder:



If you are one of the special people who are making monthly donations to help provide funds for the R!OT Youth teens going to NYC (Nazarene Youth Conference) in 2023 and haven't yet made this month's payment, here is your friendly reminder. (3)

1 Timothy 6:8

"And having food and clothing, with these we shall be content."

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SOLOMON, DO YOU TAKE THIS WOMAN TO BE YOUR LAWFULLY WEDDED 700TH WIFE?