

Southwest

Church of the Nazarene

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At the Cross

Alas! and did my Savior bleed
And did my Sovereign die?
Would He devote that sacred head
For such a worm as I?

Was it for crimes that I had done
He groaned upon the tree?
Amazing pity! grace unknown!
And love beyond degree!

Well might the sun in darkness hide
And shut his glories in,
When Christ, the mighty Maker died,
For man the creature's sin.

But drops of grief can ne'er repay
The debt of love I owe:
Here, Lord, I give my self away
'Tis all that I can do.

*At the cross, at the cross
Where I first saw the light,
And the burden of my heart rolled away,
It was there by faith I received my sight,
And now I am happy all the day!*

- Isaac Watts and Ralph E. Hudson

Church Events

- Wednesday, February 8th – 6:30pm – Discipleship Study – “The DiSC Profile: Know Yourself and Understand Others” Study led by Dr. Thompson.
- Sunday, February 12th – Valentine’s Treats for sale – Children’s Dept. Fundraiser – “Award winning cookies” available
- Sunday, February 12th – Baptisms & Memberships (See Announcements for info.)
- Monday, February 13th – 6:30-8:00pm MOPS & MOMSnext meets.
- 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
- 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.
- Wednesday, March 15th – Men’s & Woman’s Bible Studies with Vince Plank & Cindy Hatchett will begin this day.

Praises:

Praise the Lord for a great Sunday! It was a busy but good Sunday morning at Church:

- Our new District Supt. Dr. Wangler and his wife Lindy came and he shared notes of praise for the Southwest congregation and delivered a powerful message for the church. Lara Hoaglan, Preston Broce, and Saralynn Vawter also led us into a wonderful time of worship!
- We celebrated with Pastor Acrame Charles and the Swahili Church on their 2nd Anniversary! They are a strong and growing congregation with great days ahead.
- We held our Annual Chili Cook Off! So many great chili's to choose from, but our winners were: Terri Greene 3rd Place, Dave Metcalf 2nd Place, and Phyllis Beavers 1st Place! The Chili Cook Off was a fundraiser for the R!OT Youth group and they were able to raise \$330 for the upcoming NYC trip! Special thanks to Dave and Dana Metcalf for this special day. We had a great attendance Sunday of 170!
- **Best of all**, after the service Pastor Scott met with a young man in our congregation, Jordan Patterson, and he received Christ into his life! Praise the Lord! Let's pray for Jordan as he begins his new life in Christ.



Prayer Needs:

Physical:

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

Church:

- 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!
- Pastor, our church staff, our Food Pantry Ministry, our Missions Ministry, Teen and College Age Ministries, and our Sunday School and Discipleship Ministries.

Announcements:

Coming this spring...

Maintenance on our 25,000 sq. ft. building is continual and costly. Through your faithful giving we can update our facility's needs in a timely manner. Our current projects are:

- 1.) Replacing Carpet in the board room and offices.** After our sanctuary remodel, we had several boxes of carpet tiles left over. We plan on using these for the three office areas and believe we will still have enough spare tiles for any sanctuary repairs. No costs involved, praise the Lord!
- 2.) Replacing our Flat Roof.** As most of you know, we have several leaks in our ceiling. This is due to our flat roof failing and needing replaced. The replacement cost for this will be around \$50,000. This will provide for a 20 year warranty with the manufacturer of the roof, We give God praise as we can pay for this in cash!
- 3.) Updating Old Sound Equipment.** We have 25+year old sound equipment that needs replaced soon (amps and speakers). We will need to set aside funds for this or raise the funds, after we receive an acceptable quote. These items are generally expensive, fortunately, we will not need to replace them for a long time...hopefully another 25 years!

Again, thank you for your faithful giving to the Lord and His Church! We, as your church leadership, seek to always be good stewards of the funds we are entrusted with. To God be the glory, great things He hath done!



Don't forget! This Sunday, February 12th, be sure to come down to the Children's Hall and see the children for all your Valentine's Day goodies – including "award winning cookies!" This Valentine's Day Fundraiser will help fund the children's department – Sweet treats for a donation!

Titus 3:4-5

*4 But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared,
5 not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us...
NKJV*



Get ready for a party!

On Wednesday, February 15th at 6:30pm, we will have the Children's Valentine's Day Party for kids ages 3 years - 5th grade! The kids will play games, have some yummy treats and have a fun time! We hope to see you there!

Some fun at MOPS/MOMSnex...

While the moms met with Renee Plank for the latest MOPS/MOMSnex meeting, Terri Greene was having a tea and cookie party - complete with dress up and British accents with this group of sweet and lovely young ladies! The lesson discussed was about Queen Esther and how she was the most beautiful woman; she was a true hero that we can learn about in our Bibles. Look at this creativity in their choice of attire: hats, jewelry, purses, and scarves! It was a fun time!



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership and Baptisms

This Sunday, we will be accepting new members and/or baptizing individuals during morning worship service! It will be a good day in the House of the Lord!

Alabaster Offering will be collected again 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!



Revised Wednesday Discipleship Studies – 6:30pm

Feb. 8th – “The DiSC Profile: Know Yourself and Understand Others” Study with Dr. Houston Thompson (*Please bring a Bible, pen, and something to write on.*)

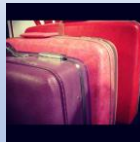
Mar. 15th – Men's and Women's Bible Studies with Vince Plank and Cindy Hatchett

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

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

May 3rd – Study with Dr. Ron Hood

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.



Annual Elections Time!

We will be holding our annual church elections at the beginning of service during morning worship service (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, SDMI board, NMI board, NYI council and for delegates to NYI, NMI, and SDMI conventions and district assembly.

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!

On January 1st, we were invited to join a 50 Day Spiritual Challenge to live in the will of God. It's not too late to join! Each day, you will do the following:

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.

Would you like an electronic way to support the church, pay tithe, make donations, etc.? We have an online app that you can use for that purpose! Check out the Online Giving app (details seen below) or see the Giving Tab on our church website: www.swnazarene.org.



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¹ Timothy 2:1-4

¹ Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, ² for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence. ³ For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, ⁴ who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. NKJV

Doesn't a delicious dinner of chicken parmesan or pot roast sound like a nice evening? Chef Harry & Terri Greene are once again preparing a wonderful meal for the RIOT Youth fundraiser "Eat Your Heart Out" coming up on February 18th. Sign up at the Welcome Center today! You won't want to miss out as this is a church favorite. AND.... The teens working in the roles of servers, hosts, etc. as they try to raise funds for the upcoming NYC trip and other youth events are excited for you to be a part of this special night!



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. 13th). 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.

RIOT YOUTH PRESENTS

Eat Your HEART Out Dinner

February 18th
Indy Southwest Naz
4797 Tinscher Rd.
Indianapolis, IN

\$10/PERSON | 3 COURSE DINNER | 4:7PM

For more info or to make a reservation, please visit our Welcome Center in the foyer.
*Reservation REQUIRED
This is a fundraiser for the students of RIOT youth

Rise & Shine Breakfast Club (Corrected Dates)



Come out and join the men's and women's breakfast each Tuesday at 9:00am. It is a good time of food and fellowship together.

February Breakfast Locations:

- Feb. 14** – Blueberry Hill Pancake House (460 Town Ctr St, Mooresville, IN 46158)
- Feb. 21** – Metro Diner (302 Dan Jones Rd, Plainfield, IN 46168)
- Feb. 28** – Morgan's Corner Café (457 Town Ctr St, Mooresville, IN 46158)

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Thanks to Dad Hengeveld (See Genesis 6-8) 02-05-2010

I'M SORRY SIR, BUT YOU'LL HAVE TO PAY \$25 FOR THE SECOND BAG OR I CANNOT LET YOU BOARD ... ARK POLICY