



# NEWS

## Begin In Me

In just a few days we will be celebrating July 4, the birth of our nation. It is a time to celebrate, reflect, and pray for God's guidance. I can never celebrate July 4 without considering the price paid by our forefathers in establishing this nation. There were many hardships. There was the war for independence. Always, there was the acknowledgement of God and prayer for His guidance. On several occasions I've stood in the Jefferson Memorial and been moved by the words which have expressed dependence on God. While we have often had gifted leaders, make no mistake about it, depending on God and seeking His help is what has made this a great nation.



While I long for national leaders who will have the courage to not only acknowledge God as supreme, call on Him for help, and who will embrace Biblical truth and principals, perhaps the real need is for individuals and churches to take their responsibility to be spiritual leaders. Do I want spiritual leaders in high places in government? Absolutely! Yet with or without them, the course of the nation will be set by the people of this nation going on their knees before God. I believe that is our greatest need. People on fire for God, and churches on fire for God can set the course for a nation. It all has to start with you and me! Maybe instead of saying God bless America we should pray, "God, set the hearts of people who call themselves Christians on fire, and begin in me!"

# ZERO

MINISTRIES

JULY 

## SR HIGH CAMP 2009

July 13th-17th

see pb for more

## BR S

NO GIRLS  
ALLOWED

Finally, an event for just the fellas! On July 10th, we are renting out the "Just 4 Kicks" facility in Pendleton. We will have soccer, flag football, ultimate Frisbee & inflatables. Cost will be \$10. Meet at 6:30pm. Return at 9:30pm.

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## Pigs & Pearls

G.O.T. banquet

- Event will be held on July 23, meet @ 5:45pm
- RSVP by July 12
- Formal attire

"...do not throw your pearls to pigs." ~ Matthew 7:6



July 27-31, each day from 1-4 pm



8:30 p.m., July 8th  
through  
10:00 a.m., July 9th

# Breakout Kids

July children's ministry news

Sparkle Club's Next Event: "Summer Party" July 14th 6:30-8:30

All 3rd-5th Grade girls are welcome to this exciting event held here at the church. Come dressed in your favorite pair of sunglasses and get ready for a night of Summer Fun! You will get to make your very own pair of flip flops during our craft time so make sure you don't miss it!



Vacation Bible School August 3-7 (6:00-8:30pm)



**Kids**, come help solve the mystery at Museum @12627! Come join the Mystery Kids as they unravel hidden secrets and clues in the Museum!

**Vacation Bible School 2009**  
**When: August 3-7**  
**Time: 6:00-8:30pm**  
**Ages: 4-kids going into 5th Grade**

**Adults**, we need ALL OF YOU to make this year's VBS a success. There is a VBS table in the foyer where you can sign up to help. We need LOTS of helpers. There will also be a list of craft & food items we would like to get donated. As we all unite together for this special week of ministry to children, may we see kids lives forever changed!



**Dana De Fur,  
President**

## **It's Back to School Time....well, almost!!**

It is time for NMI to collect School Pal-Paks. Each Pak serves two students. These paks go to Nazarene schools around the world (ex. The four schools that Rod Green works with in Jordan receive these Pal-Paks). Be watching for Back to School sales to get good deals on the items needed.

### **Packing Instructions:**

1. Gather **NEW** items in quantities listed below.
2. **Include only those items listed.**
3. Pack contents below in a 1-gallon zip-lock type bag:
  - 2 Composition notebooks, **no larger than 9 ¾ x 7 ½** (soft bound, **not** spiral bound—MEAD is a common brand name)
  - 1 package of #2 pencils (10-12 pencils)
  - 1 package of black pens (10-12 pens)
  - 2 Pink erasers (2-3 inches long)
  - 2 rulers (6 inch or 12 inch with metric—this is a new item for the paks)
  - 1 Package of colored pencils (12-15 pencils)
  - 1 Pair of blunt-nosed scissors
  - 1 Hand-held pencil sharpener

One gallon zip-lock bags with instruction lists will be available at the Welcome Center and in Adult Sunday School classes starting July 12<sup>th</sup>. Please return your completed Pak to the church foyer by Sunday, August 9<sup>th</sup>.

Questions—see Kay Bivens, Judy Donham or Dana De Fur.

Thanks for your help!





## Church Calendar

### Sunday, July 5

-No evening services due to the holiday.

### Wednesday, July 8

-Overseers meeting 5:30 pm.  
-Church Board meeting at 8:15 pm.

### Saturday, July 11

-Church Board meeting 8:30 am.

### Sunday, July 19

-Anniversary reception for Dr. & Mrs. Storey in the Lower Level from 3-5 pm. NO gifts please.  
-Ordination Reception for Pastor Brandon in the Lower Level following the evening service.

### Tuesday, July 21

-Widows luncheon at Eva's Breakfast Nook (Muncie).  
Leave the church at 11 am.

### Saturday, July 25

-Angelfood distribution at 11:15 am.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

- 1-Shelia Shannon  
Barbara McDowell
- 2-Keri Kardatzke
- 3-Cole Garner  
Sherry Swearingen
- 4-Lois Hummel  
Marie Daugherty  
Tim Weston
- 5-Tom Cox  
Anne Otto
- 6-Patty Mitchell
- 8-Frances McNeal  
Aaron Candiano
- 9-Bonnie Wilson  
Bobbie Taylor  
Sue Buck
- 10-Mike Tellman  
Phyllis Newton
- 12-Terry Rodgers  
Rose Swager
- 13-Dr. Storey
- 14-Harley Phipps  
Eddie Shultz
- 15-Katie Bennett
- 16-Sandy Forney
- 17-Pat Quinn
- 19-Dave Warren
- 20-Perry Luna  
Diana Bennett
- 22-Anita Ballard
- 23-Juanita Johnston  
Richard Hildreth
- 24-Naomi Bennett
- 25-Alyssa Reichart
- 26-Jerry Newton
- 27-Tom Shell  
Kiah Cheney
- 28-David Hinson
- 29-Dale West
- 31-Robert Branson  
Noah Cheney

# FIRST HAPPENINGS

- Pastor Melinda had the opportunity to lead worship in two of the services at the International General Assembly of the Church of the Nazarene in Orlando, Florida. Kevin and Josh Crawford were members of the Orchestra playing trumpet and drums. Pastor Cable and Mark Bennett represented NEI at the Sunday School convention. Pastor Cable was recognized as one of 14 World Area Leaders for Sunday School in the denomination. Pastor Brandon represented NEI as a delegate at the NYI convention and Dana De Fur represented NEI as a delegate at the Missions convention. James Boone, Hannah and Noah Imel competed in the Children's World Quiz.
- Dr. & Rebecca Storey will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary Sunday, July 19. Their family invites you to an open house reception in the Lower Level from 2-5 pm. Dr. Storey & Rebecca have requested no gifts please.
- Pastor Brandon was recently ordained at the District Assembly at Shiloh Park Camp grounds on June 4th. We will be celebrating this event Sunday evening following the Young Life service Sunday, July 19th in the Lower Level. So come have a piece of pizza with your favorite Youth Pastor.
- Two young ladies from the Middle East Work and Witness trip felt a call to return to Israel. Becky Bennett and Kayla Fields will leave Anderson on July 22nd to serve as volunteers at the Jerusalem Church for one month. While there they will help with VBS, Friday night services, coffee house ministries and the Saturday Street Outreach ministries. Please pray for these ladies as they serve the church as volunteers.
- Thank you for your patience and understanding as work on improvements to the sanctuary continue. It is our hope that all work on the walls, carpeting and air conditioning will be completed by mid July. However it has been interesting to watch as you have found alternate seating arrangements. Keep up the good work. Blessed are the flexible for they SHALL NOT be bent out of shape!



We all know that programs like VBS don't just happen. They take many hours of preparation and planning. But to ensure a great event it takes lots of prayer. Please clip this page from this newsletter and use it as a guide to pray daily for VBS it will make all the difference in outcome.

## **PRAY FOR:**

- Good weather for the week.
- For people to be attracted to this event by the Holy Spirit.
- Protection for every person participating.
- For the whole church to invite, attend, pray.
- For our workers to be the pleasing aroma of Christ.
- That our church would be prepared to minister to new Christians.
- For lost souls to find salvation that transforms families.
- That there will be enough workers to the ratio of children.
- That un-churched families will come back for the Sunday service.
- That Christ will be gloried in all we say and do.
- All workers would be anointed to serve with love and compassion.
- Wisdom and direction from the Holy Spirit and a special anointing for the VBS service.
- Bind and forbid any attacks, hindrances, or distractions from the enemy in Jesus name. Pray that no weapon formed against the VBS or our church would prosper in Jesus MIGHTY name.

### • Leadership:

Pastor Jamey  
Katie Bennett  
Jodi Sharp

Brittany Fishburn  
Kim Stiefel  
Amy Tescher

Keri Kardatzke  
Kendra Cable  
Brandon Kirk