

3001 12th Ave. Rd.
Nampa, ID 83686
208-466-6344

March 2020

Bethel *church*

For more information check out our website
www.bethelnazarene.org

A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Eleven years ago we built a new education wing for our church for children and teen ministry. It has been a great addition and has helped us grow and minister to many kids, teens and adults. To finance this project that cost about 1.6 million dollars, we raised \$250,000 and borrowed 1.35 million dollars. We have been paying on this loan for the past 11 years. In November of 2015 we began a stewardship campaign called 'Unleashed' to help us pay off the remaining debt. At that time we owed 1.1 million dollars. In the last 4 years and 2 months we have paid off the complete 1.1 million dollars! In February we were able to pay off the remaining balance of this loan! **We are debt free!** I am amazed at what God has done for us. Thank you for your faithful and sacrificial giving! We are going to have a big celebration on Sunday, April 5 to celebrate this achievement and give glory to God. When I think of what God has done I think of the verse in Ephesians 3:20 that says, "Now to him who is able to do immeasurable more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever! Amen."

Straight Ahead!
Pastor Doug

Church Events

- Mar. 2 - Ladies' Night
- Mar. 4 - Lunch Bunch
- Mar. 6 - AWANA Pinewood Derby Race
- Mar. 7 - Wild Game Dinner
- Mar. 8 - House of Prayer
- Mar. 10 - Upward Awards Night
- Mar. 14 - 50-UP Game Day
- Mar. 15 - NMI Mtg
- Mar. 17 - 50-UP
- Mar. 18 - Board Meeting
- Mar. 22 - Camp Dinner; Safety Team Mtg; SS Board Mtg

Financial Update - Fiscal Year End Mar. 2019 - Feb. 2020

Budget	\$884,000
Received (includes faith promise)	\$890,040
General Funds & Unleashed	
paid on Loan:	\$257,121
New Scent Center	\$19,286
"Other" Missions Giving	\$32,752

Look what's happening...

Single Again Lunch Bunch - You are invited to lunch at LeBaron's Honker Café on March 4 @ 1:30pm. Please RSVP with Bertie @ 208-800-7541 so she can reserve enough seats.

50-UP March 17 @ 5:45pm - Entertainment this month will be the Cloggers. We will be serving finger foods as our meal. New Location...the Teen Center for this month. The sign-up sheet is at the Welcome Desk.

Game Day - March 14 @ 3pm - 50-Up is hosting another game day...EVERYONE is invited to join in. Please bring a favorite game and a snack to share. Don't prefer games? Come for the fellowship!

Ladies' Retreat April 17-19, 2020

Refresh ~ Renew ~ Rejoice!

This year we will be headed up to Trinity Pines in Cascade. Cost is \$115 and includes 5 meals. Registration forms are available in the foyer. Our speakers this year will be our very own Joni Wilson, Kym Slater and Mindy Helena. Plan now to attend! Deadline to register is March 22.

Men's Wild Game Dinner March 7 @ 6pm

Bring your best Wild Game dish or a dish with a 'wild' name and enjoy this great night of fellowship. There will also be a nacho bar served. Men of all ages are invited; signup at the Welcome Desk.

Elected Church Leadership for 2020-2021

Church Board:

Brant Bartlow
Kirk Bartlow
Jeremy Franklin
Fernando Gonzalez
Chad Gunstream
Mike Jorgensen
Lynn Nicholson
Steve Parke
Sharon Pilkinton
Rusty Rogers
Bryan Shoemaker
Mike Shuman

Missions Council:

Sue Hampton - President
Kitty Leach
Carol Coose
Al Coose
Joni Wilson
Kara Franklin
Teresa Hampton
Jim Abell
Candy Abell
Jennifer Shoemaker
Sandy Nicholson
Sean Fyock
Anki Matson

Sunday School Ministries Board:

Johanna Holloway - Superintendent
Michelle Slater
Gina Davis
Vonnice McDaniel
Natalie Samples
Christie Jorgensen

Men's Bible Study starts March 11 or March 12

Wednesdays @ 7pm or Thursdays @ 8am

We will be diving into Tony Evans' "No More Excuses" bible study. Tony Evans urges men to stop looking at their circumstances as excuses and instead to see them as challenges and opportunities for success. See Fernando with questions.

All-Church DEBT-FREE Celebration! ~ Sunday, April 5 @ noon. Mark your calendars!

KIDS and Youth Ministries...

- ✝ AWANA Pinewood Derby Race Day! - Friday, March 6th...weigh-in is at 6:30pm! Bring your car ready to race!!
- ✝ Upward Awards Night is March 10 @ 7pm. Every kid who participated in the League will get a prize!
- ✝ Spring Break Dodgeball Camp @ Lakeview Bible Church ~ March 23-25. For all kids K-5th grade. Cost is \$20/kid or \$40/family. See Pastor Mindy for questions or if you would like to sponsor a child or help provide snacks.
- ✝ Message from Pastor Matt...

This last Sunday we started a new Small Group focused service that is designed to build off of the message from the 1st service. Each Sunday morning will start with me (or another leader at times) reading over the passage that Pastor Doug focused on, summarizing some of his key points, and sharing any other observations or ideas they had from the passage. We will then split off into our small groups and "Dive Deeper" into the passage, looking for ideas and concepts that we can apply to our lives. My hope is that this format will help the youth dig deeper into the Word and build meaningful connections with peers and leaders.

Summer Camp 2020!

It's time to start thinking about Youth Summer Camp! Early-Bird Registration is due by **April 15th!** Bethel offers a scholarship program to help kids get to camp. Scholarship forms are available for each family and are due by **June 1st.** You must register ONLINE and pay the \$50 deposit to be eligible for a scholarship.

Camp Scholarship Dinner - March 22 @ Noon

Come enjoy a yummy Spaghetti Dinner! All donations will go toward the camp scholarship program. The kids and teens planning to go to camp need to be at the dinner to help prep, serve and clean up!

Happy Camping!



We need to collect LOTS of CANDY!!

We'll have 10,000 eggs for hunting and games that need prizes.

Be on the lookout for CANDY collection bins and volunteer signup.