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# BETHEL church



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## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear Bethel Church Family,

Greetings in the mighty name of Jesus.

As I write this note, the Elkins family is less than a week away from the big move to Nampa, Idaho. We covet your prayers as we finalize things here and as we say our farewells and finish packing, loading, and traveling.

Our family is looking forward to making our home in Nampa and getting acquainted with our new church family. We anticipate arriving on Friday, March 3rd and will spend time unloading the truck and settling in.

We also look forward to being with you all for the reception on Friday the 10th and our first Sunday with everyone on March 12th.

Blessings,

*Pastor Derek Elkins and Family*

**Pastor Elkins' Family Drop-in Reception | Friday, March 10 ~ 7-9pm**

Join us in the Teen Center for light refreshments to welcome Pastor Derek, Jessica and their girls to Nampa and the Bethel Family.

**Sunday, March 12 is one Combined Worship Service @ 10:30am**

We will all join together to welcome our new pastor. Only PromiseLand will be open (age 0 to Kinder) and no Sunday School that morning.

## Church Events

- Mar. 1 - Lunch Bunch
- Mar. 4 - Men's Wild Game Dinner
- Mar. 5 - Teen Service & Fundraiser Lunch; House of Prayer
- Mar. 7 - Upward Award Night
- Mar. 10 - Pastor Elkins' Family Reception
- Mar. 11 - Kids' Quiz Meet
- Mar. 12 - Combined Service w/Pastor Elkins; Daylight Savings
- Mar. 15 - Board Meeting
- Mar. 18 - Safety Team Training
- Mar. 21 - 50-UP
- Mar. 24 - Game Night
- Mar. 29 - Egg Stuffing

# Look what's happening...

**Lunch Bunch** - You are invited to bring a sack lunch and meet in the Fellowship Hall on March 1 @ Noon. Call Bertie Stout @ 208-800-7541 if you have any questions.

**50-UP March 21 @ 5:45pm** - Entertainment this month will be the musical group "Just Keep Looking Up". This month is Pot-Luck dinner so please sign-up at the Welcome Desk if you can bring a dish. Also sign-up if you need a ride.

**Family Game Night - March 24 @ 6pm** - EVERYONE is invited to join in. Please bring a favorite game and a snack to share. We'll also have Pickleball and Corn Hole setup in the gym. Don't prefer games? Come for the fellowship!

**Men's Wild Game Dinner March 4 @ 5:30pm** Bring your best Wild Game dish or a dish with a 'wild' name (sample sizes...you don't have to feed the whole group) and enjoy this great night of fellowship. There will be prizes! Fernando will be sharing a testimony from his family. Men of all ages are invited; signup at the Welcome Desk.

**Summer Camp @ Trinity Pines!** - Registration is open! We are offering our scholarship program again this year. Forms are available in the foyer and each family must submit one for pastoral approval by **May 1st** in order to make the Trinity Pines payment deadline. New this year...grades 4-6 is co-ed camp! Talk with Pastor Kaleb if you have questions. All things "camp" can be found at [www.TPINES.org](http://www.TPINES.org).

Genesis Girls (1-3 grade) June 5-7    Genesis Boys (1-3 grade) June 7-9    KIDS camp (4-6 grade) June 12-16  
Sr. High (9-12 grade) June 19-23    Jr. High (7-8 grade) July 17-21



March 11

**Teen Fundraiser Lunch**  
**Sunday, March 5 @ Noon**

*In the Teen Center*

*They will be serving Soup,  
Salad and bread.*

*All donations will go to  
help the last of the teens  
with their remaining  
balances.*

*See you for lunch!*

## Kenya Work & Witness Trip 2023 ~ March 17 - April 1

The team will be departing in just a couple of weeks to Kenya, Africa. They will be working on the campus of Africa Nazarene University, helping Peris at the school in Mathre, and visiting Flora and the girls at the New Scent Center campus. Pray for safe travels, that all the luggage would make it there, and that God would bless them as they minister to everyone they meet.

### The Team:

Pastor Jim Franklin, Doug & Joni Wilson, Rob & Teresa Hampton, Brooklyn Hampton, Teigan Bird, Carol Coose, Dean & Rose Reich, Amy Eakin, Jesse Franklin, Chade Franklin, Jeremy & Kara Franklin, Addison Franklin, Rhett Franklin, Bonnie Winters, Gregg & Gina Davis, Brooks Davis, Claire Davis, Cheryl Beymer, Tyson Cook, Kirk Bartlow, Tara Tackett, Jessica Tackett, Michele Hinton, Jamie Hinton, Ed & Rosie Krantz, Steve Parke, Jana McKim.

### Elected Church Leadership for 2023-2024

#### Church Board:

Brant Bartlow  
Kirk Bartlow  
Lynn Nicholson  
Zach Dwello  
Jeremy Franklin  
Fernando Gonzalez  
Greg Matson  
Jana McKim  
Bryan Shoemaker  
Sharon Pilkinton  
Jesse Franklin  
Steve Parke

#### Missions Council:

Sue Hampton – President  
Kara Franklin  
Jeni Franklin  
Carol Coose  
Sandy Nicholson  
Jim Abell  
Candy Abell

#### Sunday School Ministries Board:

Johanna Holloway – Superintendent  
Natalie Samples                      Bob Pilkinton  
Danielle Dwello                      Michelle Slater  
Vonnie McDaniel

*\*Delegates to District Assembly & NMI Convention (May 10-12) will be notified by email.*

## Eggstravaganza

April 1 ~ 10:30am to noon

Free family event!

Invite your family, friends and neighbors for this fun event with games, inflatables, photobooth, barrel train, fresh hot donuts and 12,000+ egg hunt.

**\*We need LOTS of CANDY and VOLUNTEERS!**  
If you would like to give a monetary gift mark it "Easter Candy". Sign up in the foyer to help today and talk with Pastor Kaleb or Pastor Kym if you have questions.

## Egg Stuffing Party

March 29 @ 9:30am

Adults and kids are welcome to join in as we stuff all the eggs with candy. Meet in Bethel Kids' Dept. We'll work until we run out of candy.

## Kids Easter Programs

Sunday, April 2 for both services