

Scripture: Luke 2:8-14, John 3:16; 20:28, Matthew 11:28-30, Romans 5:1

Christmas is a loving _____ - vv. 13-14

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WELCOME

Clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with cries of joy.
~ Psalm 47:1

YOUR MINISTRY TEAM

Derek Elkins

Lead Pastor

Josh Potter

Executive Pastor

Kym Slater

Family Ministry Pastor

Desiree Ferring

Youth Pastor

Bob Cruthirds

Associate Pastor

Weldon Shuman

Sr. Adult Pastor

WEEKLY EVENTS

Monday, December 25

MERRY CHRISTMAS

Tuesday, December 26

No Pickleball

Church Office is Closed

Wednesday, December 27

No Services

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Thursday, December 28

No Services

Church Office is Closed

6:30pm Celebrate Recovery

Friday, December 29

Church Office is Closed

Sunday, December 31

New Year's Eve

9:00am Contemporary Worship

10:45am Traditional Worship

No Evening Service

Prayer Chain: Betty Gilbert (465-0439) or email bethel@bethelnazarene.org
Our Prayer Chapel is available for prayer during church services and open office hours. Let us know if you would like to be a part of this ministry.

Our new online giving program is Amplify. Text "GIVE" to 208-428-6344 or scan the QR code here. You can also visit our website at bethelnazarene.org/give to give online.



If you can't find a parking space close enough to the building and need assistance parking your car, please let a member of our Safety Team know as they would gladly park your car for you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Adult Sunday School Classes

9:00AM

Maranatha - Room 106

WORD Study - Room 109

Foundations of Faith - Room 112

Kingdom Seekers - Room 102

Faith and Reason - Conference Room

Christianity 101 - Room 108

10:45AM

Word Searchers - Room 112

Family Builders - Room 109

College Class - Room 108

This Is Not Our Home - Room 106

Christmas Cards - feel free to bring your Christmas cards for church members and use our indoor "mailbox" in the foyer. Check the box for ones you receive!

New Ministry - Our church district is starting up a new Hispanic Ministry in Nampa. They have a house behind Fairview Nazarene that needs remodeled to support that ministry. Pastor Jim Franklin is leading the project and could use your help. Please call him if you can help in any way, 208-283-0247. They want to start right away.

Lunch Bunch - We're revamping Lunch Bunch! **ALL WOMEN** (young, old, married, single) who want to have fellowship together are invited to join in the 1st Wednesday of every month at 11:45pm in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a sack lunch and come meet new people!

Secret Sister Forms - are available in the foyer to fill out if you would like to participate. We will draw new names in January and begin a new year of this prayer ministry.

Liberty Quartet - Sunday, January 7th at 6:00pm. Liberty is a Gospel group that will be sharing with us. We will be taking a Love Offering to support their ministry.

Ladies' Bible Study - Starting January 9-March 12 (10 weeks) study called "Sermon on the Mount" by Jen Wilkin. In His sweeping depiction of kingdom citizenship, Jesus utters some of the most familiar passages in all of Scripture. What if we navigated these three chapters in Matthew as they were originally heard? What if we read them as one cohesive, well-ordered message, intended to challenge us to think differently about what it means to be a follower of Jesus? Come and learn from Jesus, just as His disciples did. Books are \$25 each. Sign up in the foyer if you need a book and/or childcare.

Lost and Found - Our Lost and Found outside the Fellowship Hall has a lot of Bibles. Please look and see if your missing Bible is there.

Financial Update (3/1/23 - 12/21/23)

Projected Income: \$882,000

Received: \$918,433

New Scent: \$36,705

World Evangelism Fund (Faith Promise): \$48,940

2023 Contribution Reminder: Only those contributions actually received in the office by **December 31** or postmarked by that date may be recorded as given during the 2023 tax year. Please keep in mind that the office will be closed December 25-29. Checks received in the offering January 7 but back-dated into December are **not** considered 2023 contributions. Donors having given more than \$500 during the 2023 tax year should delay filing their tax returns until after they receive their contribution statement from the church. IRS regulations require that the contribution statement be in hand prior to filing the return. Bethel Church contribution statements will be emailed or made available by January 30, 2024. If you need a printed copy of your statement, please contact Amy in the church office.

Christmas Services:

December 24 ~ 9:00am & 10:45am—Family Christmas Eve Sunday

(No Sunday School or Childcare)

December 24 ~ 5:00pm (new time) - Candlelight Service