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FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR

Aren't you so grateful for the beautiful word of God?

Though the world is overflowing with heaviness and division, the message of Jesus is bigger and brighter than all of it, giving us hope in the midst of every negative experience of our lives. We can't help but see the despair in others and I pray that this ignites a fire within us to be BOLD and share His beautiful, powerful name, and the hope and peace that we have in JESUS!! Romans 15: 13 "May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, so that by the power of the Holy Spirit you may abound in hope"

While praying into the Month of March, Scripture reminds us that March is the Month of Purim, where Esther, by the Power of God, brought about a great deliverance by saving the Jewish people from being annihilated.

Coincidentally, our youth just spent their winter retreat focusing on the book of Esther and how God used this one person to save the people. What if Bethel intentionally used this month of March to pray for the Holy Spirit to open doors for us to speak His name to the community we are in, and to invite people to sit with us in an invitation to walking with Jesus? What if we spent the month of March intentionally seeking out those people that God has put in our path who we can share the Gospel with? Because you were made for such a time as this.

In March we kick off the Lent season with an Ash Wednesday service, lets truly march into this new month walking in the power of His Glorious name with the ultimate desire to save souls for the Kingdom!! A dear friend shared with me years ago that "March" should be known as the "Month of Many Miracles" (notice all the "M's"). Let's walk in this truth and declare it with every step!

You may be the only Jesus someone sees today, make every moment count!

~Pastor Des Ferring

Church Events

- Mar. 2 - Grandparent Class; House of Prayer
- Mar. 5 - Lunch Bunch; Ash Wed. Service
- Mar. 8 - Spring Forward
- Mar. 10 - Revival House
- Mar. 14 - Bethel Kids Nerf Nite
- Mar. 15 - Men's Wild Game Dinner
- Mar. 16 - Picture Day
- Mar. 18 - 50-UP
- Mar. 19 - Board Meeting
- Mar. 23 - Next Steps Lunch; Picture Day
- Mar. 27 - Book Club
- Mar. 29 - Women's Retreat
- Mar. 30 - Messiah in the Passover Event

Look what's happening...

Ash Wednesday Service - March 5 @ 7pm ~ Sanctuary

Ash Wednesday is an ancient holy day in the Christian church calendar practiced by many protestant denominations. Bethel will be observing this with a time of worship, communion, prayer and observing the practice (for those who wish) of receiving ashes on their foreheads in the shape of a cross.

Revival House ~ March 10 @ 7pm - join us in the Teen Center for this special night of worship and prayer led by our Young Adults & teens. People of ALL AGES are invited to come and encouraged to bring someone.

Lunch Bunch - ALL WOMEN (young, old, married, single) who want to have fellowship together are invited to join in on the 1st Wednesday (March 5) of every month at 11:45am in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a sack lunch and come meet new people! Call Bertie @ 208-800-7541 if you have any questions.

50-UP Fellowship ~ March 18 @ 5:45pm - Entertainment this month will be our very own Jim Hall! Our dinner is traditional Potluck. Please signup at the Event Table if you can bring a dish. Also, mark the sheet if you need a ride.

Grandparent Class starts March 2 @ 6pm -

The "Equipping Intentional Grandparents," class is Sundays at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall, facilitated by Bob and Sharon Pilkinton. The class is open to all grandparents, soon-to-be grandparents, and aunts/uncles. A signup sheet is available, or you can just come to the class. Workbooks are available for \$7 each.

Men's Wild Game Dinner - Saturday, March 15 @ 5pm

Men of all ages are invited to this fun annual event! Special Speaker & Prizes! Bring your favorite Wild Game dish or just a dish that is "Wild". Sign up at the Event Table so we can get a count.

Novel Ideas & Slice of Life Book Club - March 27 (new date) @ 6:30pm in Room 106. This month we will be reading "A Tree Grows in Brooklyn" by Betty Smith.

Picture Day! - We will have a photographer in the foyer on Sunday morning March 16 & 23 to collect new pictures for our Church Directory. Stop by the booth to have your picture taken and update your contact information. We have lots of new families at Bethel and this is a great tool to get to know people.

Date Night ~ Friday, April 4th @ 6:30pm

Enjoy dessert with your spouse, fiancé, or your boyfriend/girlfriend. You will learn about "Better Love" with Drs. Les and Leslie Parrott! The Parrotts will join us for this interactive, live-streamed event offering real-life, practical guidance. As a part of Date Night, you'll receive a code to complete the "Better Love" assessment, which will create a personalized Action Plan for you!

The cost is \$20 per couple. Register either through the QR code or on the signup sheet at the Event Table.



Women's One-Day Retreat

Saturday, March 30 | 9am-2:30pm

In the Bethel Teen Center

Breakfast & Lunch included (no cost)

Special Speaker: Jennifer Greene

Join us for an event full of fellowship, personal growth, time to connect with ladies around us, and unforgettable fun moments.

Sign-up at the Event Table or the QR code so we can plan enough refreshments.



NEXT STEPS LUNCHEON ~ MARCH 23 @ NOON

ARE YOU RELATIVELY NEW TO THE BETHEL FAMILY? ANYONE LOOKING TO LEARN MORE ABOUT OUR MINISTRIES? COME HAVE LUNCH WITH THE PASTORS AND GET YOUR QUESTIONS ANSWERED. PLEASE SIGN-UP ON A CONNECT CARD OR AT THE EVENT TABLE SO WE CAN PREPARE ENOUGH FOOD.

Messiah in the Passover

Sunday, March 30 @ 5:30pm

Presented by Chosen People Ministries

Join us in the Teen Center for this powerful visual presentation that tells not only the drama of Israel's freedom from slavery in Egypt, but also the beautiful story of redemption from the bondage of sin through the atoning work of Jesus.

This year we are sharing authentic Jewish dishes as a simple meal along with the Seder Meal. We are asking for a donation of \$5 per person or \$20 per family to cover the costs of the meal. We will also be taking an offering to support the special speaker. Please signup at the Event Table or email the office so we can get a count for the meal. Childcare will be available for children age birth to Kindergarten only.

Elected Church Leadership for 2025-2026

Church Board:

Brant Bartlow
Jaden Bartlow
Kirk Bartlow
Tyson Cook
Gregg Davis
Danielle Dwello
Jeremy Franklin
Jesse Franklin
Fernando Gonzalez
Jana McKim
Lynn Nicholson
Sharon Pilkinton

NMI Council:

Dave Kerr - President
Kara Franklin
Jeni Franklin
Sandy Nicholson
Jim Abell
Sue Hampton
Heather Kellogg
Jim Franklin

NDI Board:

Mike Jorgensen - Superintendent
Natalie Samples
Vonnie McDaniel
Maddie Jorgensen
Therese Rogers
Tarah Bartlow