

**SHARING OUR FAITH
TESTIMONIES FROM BAPTISMS**

Before I attended church, my life was at a bad point and I needed to find a way out. I needed God's help. On April 16, 2017, I came to the Nazarene Church, and on August 23, 2017, I accepted our Lord Jesus Christ into my heart. It felt like a weight was lifted! Coming to church along with Bible studies has helped me through a lot and I'm still learning too. I am getting baptized today because I am a child of God and I will follow God for the rest of my days. He is my SAVIOR!

- **Amanda Carbajal**, baptized September 24, 2017

I was lost...I went from having everything to having nothing. My father abandoned me, I lost my marriage, I lost my children, and I lost my faith. I literally was homeless. I tried to fill the emptiness with anything but God. Finally I hit rock bottom and cried out to God. There are still prayers that haven't been answered, but I know God is working them out for His plan. I have my faith and I know He will, and even if He doesn't answer them the way I want Him to, I know this...I know God is good, I know God is able, I know He loves me, and it is well with my soul.

- **Katie Akins**, baptized September 24, 2017

"I have told you all this so that you may have peace in Me. Here on earth you will have many trials and sorrows, but take heart, because I overcome the world." John 16:33

Before I met Christ, my life was in shambles. I had lost my business and my marriage. I tried to drown all my problems with alcohol. I always knew God existed but reckoned I wasn't good enough. I was a lost cause, I suppose you could say. When my wife rededicated her life to the Lord, I saw a change in her...a change I wanted for myself. I began to attend church and read my Bible and surrounded myself with positive friends like Wayne and Ron. I accepted Jesus and have given my life to Him. No going back.

- **Todd Akins**, baptized September 24, 2017

I want to be baptized because I want to follow Christ. It has been hard in life having people bully me, having my brother gone, but I know God is with me all the time. I pray about all the problems, but I don't just pray because I have problems. I pray because I want to talk to Him. He's my Savior, I will always follow Him no matter what.

- **Ava Hernandez**, baptized September 24, 2017

"May you be blessed by the Lord, the Maker of heaven and earth." Psalm 115:15

REVIVAL



Revival is, by definition of the word, "an improvement or strengthening of something", or "something becoming active or important again, rejuvenation". So revival in a church setting, because we are a spiritual community, would be by definition "the improvement or strengthening of our spiritual community, our spiritual community becoming active and important again."

We have revival meetings set for November 12-14, Sunday morning and evening, Monday and Tuesday evening. We have a fantastic opportunity in those three days to come before the Lord together, joined by special workers we invited to Guymon. An entire team of leaders from the Bohi team will be here to encourage you, bless you, pray with you, minister to you, counsel with you, and prophetically preach the Word. These will be three incredible days of God strengthening, renewing and activating His Spirit in our church community. Come and be present for this special time. Prayerfully prepare your "soil" for new seed and a stirring up of your heart for increased fruitfulness. Isaiah 1:19, "If you are willing and obedient, you will eat the best from the land." Isaiah 2:5, "Come, O house of Jacob, let us walk in the light of the Lord". Come revival, Come!

It is a great joy to see the activities of Wednesday evening ministries. K.E.Y. Jr. High girls' group from 4:30 - 6; Evening meal prepared by the best cooks in the county from 5:15-6:15; 6:30 groups are: Youth W.A.Y. meeting; Children's meeting; Couples'/Single's Bible Study; Children's Quizzing; Nurseries; Worship Team Rehearsal; Women's Life Group; Men's Life Group. You are invited. The Wednesday groups are full of life and Holy Spirit work.

Thank your for your faithful giving. Because you give: Offerings to others are sent; Missionaries are sponsored; staff is paid; utilities are provided; building maintenance is done; ministry materials are provided, compassion needs are met; Sunday School breakfasts happen; vans have tires and gas; hospital calls are made; communication pieces are printed and websites are maintained; God is seen and heard in Guymon, Oklahoma, through you.

Pastor Wayne

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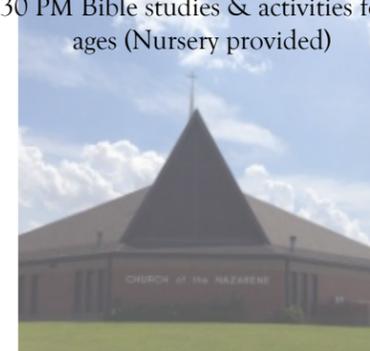
Service Times

Sundays

9:00 AM Family Communion
9:30 AM Sunday School
10:45 AM Morning Worship Service
1:30 PM African Worship Service
6:30 PM Evening Service & Life Groups

Wednesdays

6:30 PM Bible studies & activities for all ages (Nursery provided)



SUPPORT GROUP FOR FOSTER & ADOPTIVE FAMILIES

October 23, at 6:30 PM, is the first support group meeting for foster, adoptive, and kinship care families. This group will meet at the church once a month for support and training. If you'd like to attend, please contact Shanda Oden at 461-3528 or shanda.oden@gmail.com.

The group is in need of volunteers who would like to bless the families by providing childcare during those meetings. They'll need help for kids of all ages: babies through teens. Pick your favorite age group and come have fun! Please contact Shanda.

If you want to bless a foster or adoptive family, but childcare isn't your thing, contact Shanda and she'll suggest some creative ways to bless these families.

NMI COUNCIL MEETING

Sunday, October 8, at 2:00 PM.

CHURCH BOARD MEETING

Sunday, October 1, at 1:30 PM.

NYI COUNCIL MEETING: Sunday, 10/15, 4:00 PM.

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We have had a great beginning to the 2017-18 school year. Summers are busy but our normal attendance and activities tend to track with the school calendar year.

We had a Back-to School party at Ken Coulson's house/pool with nearly 40 students/sponsors involved.

KEY (Knowledgeable-Extraordinary-Young women) has resumed with around 20 involved. We took 24 students/sponsors to Naz Night/Six Flags this year and had a great trip. Our youth attendance on Wednesday evenings is averaging 30 each week.

We have begun a new lesson series called "Owning My Faith" that explores the basic questions of who is God, Jesus, and Holy Spirit? What does it mean for the Bible to have authority in my life? What is my role at church? Am I really a Christian? It has been a really good study and we're just getting started.

I am planning to begin a 6-week study series with parents of students about "Owning My Faith" that will begin in this month. The kick-off meeting is scheduled for Oct. 25 at 5:30pm. We will fix our plates and eat together in a class room and plan our future meeting times. I am really looking forward to this opportunity together.

Last month, I wrote about the importance of discipleship and mentors that help hold us spiritually accountable. I am blessed to have several in my life and I have the privilege of being a mentor to others. The youth version of this is called Emmaus groups. It gets its name from Luke 24:13-34. We are still in need for leaders for these groups. If you feel God may be tugging on your heart to help lead, please contact me and we can begin the process of new small group development.

I am praying for God to do wonder-full and wondrous things in the lives of our students and their families. Join me in prayer for these! Thank you!!

Pastor Monty

2018 WORK & WITNESS

Your Missions Council wants to know if there is interest in a Work & Witness trip to Salta, Argentina, where our own Madison Gibson is serving as a missionary with the Extreme Nazarene Missions Program. We would go in July, 2018, and the approximate cost per person would be \$3200. If you are interested, please contact myself or the church office (338-3553). Thank you, Your Missions President Robin Dawson (338-2002).

YOUTH BAPTISM CLASS

If you're interested in being baptized, meet with Pastor Monty on Saturday morning, October 14, at 10:30 AM. **Own your faith!**

YOUTH BOWLING

The youth group is headed to Liberal for another fun evening of bowling on Sunday, October 8. They'll meet at the church and depart at 3 PM. Pastor Monty will provide details about the cost.



PRAY & STUDY with OTHER MOTHERS

This group meets at the same time as the Open Gym and discusses the Bible, children, and common prayer concerns. Bring your Bible, bring another mom with you and spend quality time with other moms. **We are better together!**

 **2017 COLLECTION WEEK**
Operation Christmas Child
A PROJECT OF SAMARITAN'S PURSE
For the 13th year, Guymon Church of the Nazarene will be the drop-off site for OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD shoeboxes. National Collection Week is Monday, November 13, through Sunday, November 20. If you would like to volunteer some time during that week, please call or text Jill Johnson (580-651-0106).

Not sure what Operation Christmas Child is all about? Pick up a brochure in the church lobby, ask Jill, or go to samaritanaspurse.org/occ for more information. Don't have an extra shoebox? No problem! There will be shoeboxes in the lobby while supplies last.

Share the love of Christ with children in need around the world through Operation Christmas Child!



WHAT DO THESE STONES MEAN?

This morning, I read the story of the Israelites crossing the Jordan River.

Last year, I stood on the banks of the Jordan River and wondered what it was like when Joshua lead the tribes from the wilderness into the Promised Land.

Joshua chapters 3 & 4 tell the story. The river was at flood stage. When the feet of the priests carrying the ark of the covenant were submerged in water, "the waters which were flowing from down above stopped and rose up in one mass a great distance away." The waters flowing downward toward the Salt Sea were completely cut off.

The priests stood on **dry ground** until all the people crossed over. So not only did God hold the water back, He dried up the river bed until everyone crossed. What's the big deal? Scholars think there may have been as many as **2.5 million people** in the nation of Israel at that time. That's a few thousand more than the entire populations of Alaska, North and South Dakota combined. It might have taken as long as 29 days for everyone to get across.

Once everyone was on the other side of the river, God told Joshua to have 12 men (one from each tribe) to get 12 stones and place them as a monument beside the Jordan River. They also placed 12 more stones in the middle of the river, where the priests stood. When their children asked about the stones, they were to tell them they were a memorial to God's mighty act.

What stones do you have to tell stories about? Maybe you have an old piece of furniture, a pair of baby shoes, or a Bible with notes handwritten by a family member. Mark the great acts of God in your life with a monument - something that shows people you remember what He did for you.

What do these stones mean? That we serve a good and great God, Who is able. This fall, let's ask God to take us across the river, and when He does, save some stones.
Pastor Angela

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OCTOBER FOR KIDS WITH A PURPOSE

Family Fun Day at Maxwell Farms

Reserve your spot for a great Saturday of family fun. Tickets are \$12 per person, and you must reserve spots for your family by Monday, October 9th. If we get enough people, we could get a discount on tickets.

Maxwell Farms is located in Amarillo, TX, and the admission price includes a giant maze, an obstacle course, jump pad, rope maze, hayrides, a mountain slide, a corn box, and so much more. Additional activities which cost extra are: a zip line, apple cannon, and pumpkin patch. We'll eat lunch at Maxwell Farms (additional cost), and eat supper in Amarillo before returning home.

This is a **FAMILY FUN DAY**, and each child **MUST BE** accompanied by at least one parent. No child will be allowed to attend without at least one attending parent.

Reserve your spot by contacting Pastor Steve at 580-461-4413. For more information about Maxwell Farms see their website: <http://www.maxwellpumpkinfarm.com/web/index.php>

TRUNK OR TREAT

We are once again hosting Trunk or Treat at our church on Tuesday, October 31. If you're interested in helping, please contact Pastor Steve. There are several ways tyou can help. You can donate candy, you can pray, or you can volunteer to come join the fun. It starts at 6:00 PM and will end when we run out of candy. What is trunk or treat? It is a safe place kids to trick or treat. It is also a time for us to tell others about our church. We plan to have between 600-800 kids and parents attend on this night. You may think, "This is a lot of candy for me to buy!" You don't have to buy all the candy. Start out with 2 or 3 bags, and we'll supply the rest.

Pastor Steve

KIDS WITH A PURPOSE BAPTISM CLASS

Pastor Steve is holding a baptism class for children at 9:00 AM on Saturday, October 7th. Talk with him to reserve a spot or come that morning. Parents are invited to attend also.



Nursery Huggers for October

Oct 1: Kathy White & Keidi Mull
Oct 8: Deena Reid & Keidi Mull
Oct 15: Dawn Perkins & Keidi Mull
Oct 22: Tina Martinez & Keidi Mull
Oct 29: Wendy Archer & Keidi Mull



2nd & 4th THURSDAYS: OPEN GYM

You don't have to be a star athlete to enjoy shooting some hoops, volleying across the net, whacking carpet balls or swatting a ping pong ball. Bring your gym shoes and some extra energy & expend it in the gym every other Thursday night. If that seems a little too active, join the Mothers' Prayer Group or just hang out and kibitz the players. It's great fun for all ages. 6:30-8:00 PM.

