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Hallwood Community Church of The Nazarene Newsletter

An "I LOVE YOU" Church

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Notes from The Pastor's Desk:

One of my favorite Scriptures is Proverbs 3:5-6 where King Solomon warns us, "Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge (submit to) Him and He will make your path straight." I want to reflect on this Scripture as we continue our journey through the Back 2 Basics Series – a 10 week look at the foundations of our faith as a Church. These foundations are not man-made. They didn't come from somebody's higher thinking about God and the universe. These foundational tenets of our faith come directly from the Word of God.

So when Solomon tells us to "trust in the Lord with all your heart", we need to understand what that trust looks like, and the 16 tenants of our faith give us a clear picture of that trust. Solomon is encouraging us to completely depend on God for all our needs, guidance, and provision. Which I will admit is a hard thing to do. But the key to gaining this kind of trust is found in the beginning of Vs. 5 – acknowledging or submitting to God in all things. When I put God first in everything I do and I make His mission my priority above all else, then I am trusting Him with all my heart. I am being confidently led by Him.

Now the opposite of this is to lean on our own understanding of things. Meaning we use what limited knowledge and intelligence we have to figure things out. This is where we see our society at today. It seems each week people are coming out with stranger and weirder ideas of what is normal and socially acceptable. Many times I just shake my head and ask, "Lord when will it ever stop? How far will they go?" But as we look at society's ideas and theories from a foundation built on God's Word, we can see the foolishness and that God's way is straight, good, and trustworthy. We may not have all the answers to everything, but we have a firm foundation that brings us confidence and peace.

We serve a God who is unchanging, and His Word is unchanging – yet this world and people's ideas about life are like Jello! Fun to eat but not very nice to stand on. May you confidently trust in the Lord with all your heart!

Our Mission:

*Sharing Faith,
Hope, and the
Love of God
with the world
around us.*

See:

1 Corinthians 13:13



An "I Love You" Church celebrates the "Moms" of our community

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Ruby Schoenig and her siblings

Counselor's Corner

The Truth Will Set You Free

Many people will say, "But how will it set me free? I know a lot about God and Jesus but it isn't making my life any easier and I certainly do not feel 'free!'"

Often we look at circumstances to evaluate how satisfied we should be with life, relationships, and so on. However, the Scriptures are primarily intended for our spiritual life. Out of that healing of our souls, our circumstances may change, and not always for the better. We may actually lose our relationships with friends and family members based on our new faith.

So, what are we actually freed from?

Separation from God
God's wrath
Sin controlling our lives
Eternal death in hell

Member Spotlight: Ruby Schoenig

Ruby started attending Hallwood Community Church in November of 1926, shortly after she was born! Her husband, since passed, was an attorney in a law office where she was a secretary. They worked together for 7 years. She then became a homemaker, wife, and mother.

Ruby found God at the tender age of 5 when she told her dad she needed to go to the altar. Her mother thought she was too young to understand but Ruby begged to go. Ruby says, "That memory has never faded or been forgotten! Dad took me to the altar, I sobbed my heart out and committed to live for God."

How she has fun!

Ruby's favorite hobbies are golfing and traveling. She also likes watching sports, mainly golf, on TV. During her teen years she did a lot of sewing: dresses, coats, capes, wedding dresses and bride's maid dresses!

The rest of the family

Ruby has 5 children, 2 boys and 3 girls. She also has 12 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren! She also has a 13 year old Brussel's Griffon named Charlie who is almost human!

Things She enjoys about our Church Family

"My church has always supported me, loved me and prayed for me. I love each and every member and I have lived the rule "treat every person the way you want to be treated. Now that I have reached the Golden Years, I lean more and more on the church family. I feel so blessed to know that I can depend on them. I enjoy being able to play music and to take care of God's money (as treasurer) in a frugal



Ruby Schoenig and sister, Rose

Hallwood Humor:

A mother entered the grocery store with her five bouncing, exuberant children. Wandering down the cereal aisle, she came upon the manager and asked him, "Isn't there a cereal that will "sap" all of their energy?"

Prayer Focus:

This month's prayer focus is on all of our elected officials. As we are commanded to submit to them, we should eagerly pray for them.

"Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of punishment but also as a matter of conscience."



MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT: The Prayer Quilt Ministry

Our Prayer Quilters LOVE Hallwood!

We have a wonderful ministry here at Hallwood Community Church that regularly pours love into the lives of our neighbors and friends. It is our Prayer Quilt Ministry. These quilts are designed for and given to those in our community that have suffered illness or death of a loved one.

A few of our ladies pick our material that matches the interests of the person with illness or loss and make a cozy quilt. Then, they attach matching ribbons throughout the quilt. Each quilt is brought before the congregation and laid on the altar. During a worship service, each blanket is prayed over by the members of the church. The person receiving the blanket is also prayed for during this time, and the ribbons are tied in simple knots. Each knot then represents a prayer made on behalf of the recipient. Then each person signs their name or writes a brief note attached to a poem that accompanies the quilt.

We have had numerous wonderful reports about miraculous recoveries from severe physical issues by those who have received prayer and a quilt. We also know that those receiving the quilts truly feel loved by our congregation and therefore, God, when we give them a quilt.

As an "I Love You" Church, this is another tangible way we share faith, hope and love in our community! The next time you see a blanket on the altar feel free to

Coming Events

Sunday Services:

- 9:30 Christian Education for all age groups (nursery provided)
- 10:30 Worship Service (Children's Church and nursery provided)

Wednesday Evenings:

- 6:30 Teen group
- 7:00 Adult Bible Study and Children's Scouting Program

May

1st Twin Cities Rescue Mission food service. Contact Jerry at: 923-2204

5-6th Neighborhood Rose Distribution Call: 743-7961

8th Mother's Day Brunch 9:30am in the gym before morning service

15th Movie Night Social, 6pm Bring a friend and a snack to share

22nd Pastor Elaine preaching, Ladies Craft fellowship after morning service

[visit our website for more exciting calendar information](#)

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