

Experiencing the transforming love of Jesus
Expressing that love to others

Salem Happenings

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Welcome ... We are glad you have chosen to join us for worship today. Please take a moment during your visit to complete a Communication Card found on the tables at the back of the gym. If you have any questions, stop by the Welcome Center, contact us at info@salemchurch.org or 937-836-6500. We look forward to getting to know you better as we support and encourage each other in our spiritual journeys!

Curious how to get connected?

- There are many ways to receive info from Salem...
- Email info@salemchurch.org to receive our weekly e-newsletter.
 - Check out our website at www.SalemChurch.org.
 - Pick up a Salem Connection located in the info racks.



Baby Dedication

Sunday, September 16, 9:30 a.m. service

Madeline Michelle Manuel
Daughter of Jeff and Misty Manuel

*Christ will make his home in your hearts as you trust in Him.
Your roots will grow down into God's love and keep you strong.
- Ephesians 3:17*

September 14, 2012

Gospel Mission

Saturday, September 22,
9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Opportunity to enjoy beautiful nature at Camp Jabez while painting fence and assisting the Gospel Mission with upkeep of this camp that ministers to inner city children and other children who attend various churches in the area. Camp Jabez is located 5 miles south of Xenia and is owned and operated by the Gospel Mission. If you have not signed up and would like to help, contact

Jeanie at RarickGJ@Gmail.com.

In August we sprayed and brushed on 30 gallons of water-based black paint. Thank you to the team of painters during August.

Target Dayton

FYI - We are not going to Target Dayton Ministries on Sept 16.

Giving:

Weekly Need: \$34,815

Offering 9/9/12: \$36,481.32

Remember the sneakers? Remember the sweater? Remember the cute little song? It was always a beautiful day in Mr. Rogers' neighborhood. And no matter who you were, you were invited to be his neighbor. It was an invitation to be in relationship—but not a real relationship. It was, after all, a TV show. Life can be a lot more complicated than Mr. Roger's idyllic neighborhood. Maintaining real-life relationships that are healthy and authentic is challenging. Whether it's a relationship with your parents, your friends or a stranger, Jesus' call to "love your neighbor" has huge implications.

Join us Sunday for this new sermon series!



Not A Sermon, Just A Thought from Pastor Moss

Did Jesus mean that we should love our actual neighbors?

Most of us have turned Jesus' command to love our neighbors as ourselves into a nice metaphorical thought. We even make nice slogans about loving our neighbors without actually putting it into practice.

What if Jesus lived in your neighborhood? He does, you know! He lives in your house, he drives your car, he wears your clothes. Because if you are a Christian, he lives in you. What would happen if every Christ follower took the Great Commandment seriously? Is it possible that a world-changing solution is being overlooked while it is right under our noses?

Join me this Sunday for this exciting new series! Pastor Moss



Salem's Secret Sister Program

Young women (7th grade through college), now is the time to sign-up. If you would like to participate, fill-out and turn-in the Secret Sister questionnaire to the church office no later than Sept 23. Be sure to include a picture of yourself. Questionnaires may be obtained at Student Ministry events on 9/16 and 9/23 or on the Salem website under Women's Ministries.

Here is how the program works: You will secretly be assigned to a more mature Secret Sister. Each month (and maybe more) you will receive cards, notes, and small tokens of encouragement. Your Secret Sister is committed to upholding you and your family in prayer on a daily basis. Your Secret Sister will not be revealed until the party next spring!

Women, if you are interested in signing-up to be a Secret Sister, contact Patty Ernst at 833-2266. This is a wonderful opportunity to *inspire* the next generation toward faith and *nurture* believers to grow up in Christ!

Summer Produce

Do you have summer veggies to share from your garden? Or would you like some. There is a table set up in the Collection Center (across from the Outreach map in the RAC hall) where produce can be shared.

Check it out!

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Click on the "get connected" tab and scroll through the different areas. Listen online to teachings, submit a prayer request and more!

Starting Point...let the journey begin!

Thirteen weeks beginning **September 16, 9:30 a.m., Room 106**

This class will equip you with a better understanding of the Church of God movement, help you find out who Salem is, and introduce you to the five biblical purposes that gives you a taste of the life God created you to live. We will assist you in discovering the unique way God has created you for serving in the body of Christ. Contact Alisa at ext. 123 or adultministry@salemchurch.org.

Financial Peace University

Class begins this Sunday, September 16, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., Room 106

Financial Peace University is designed to teach you and your family how to get out of debt, stay out of debt, and build wealth. **Are you trying to decide about this class?** We invite you to check out the first class for free! For questions, contact [Betty](#) at ext. 104.

Join The Choir!

We meet weekly in the choir room, which is just inside Door #1. There are no auditions, just come out and sing with us... give it a try! Contact [Glenda](#) at ext. 105. Come and sing with us!

Wednesday Morning Men's Fellowship

Meets 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 6:30-7:30 a.m., Tim Horton's, Englewood

Guys, join us for a time of fellowship at Tim Horton's on Rt. 48 (Main St.) in Englewood. We are now meeting the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays of each month. Whether you just have time for a cup of coffee and a doughnut or can stay for the whole hour, we welcome you. Contact [Craig](#) at ext. 112.

Empty Nesters Fall Outing

Saturday, September 29, Brumbaugh's Fruit Farm, Arcanum

Mark your calendar for a beautiful fall evening at Brumbaugh's Fruit Farm in Arcanum. We'll have everything from hot dogs, and marshmallows to roast, and we'll top this off with a hayride. Look for us in the lobby through Sept 23 to sign up to bring a covered dish. Contact Kathy Troehler at 583-5003.

EPIC Search for Worship

Students Serve in Worship Arts at EPIC

Informational meeting, Thursday, September 20, 6 p.m., Gym

Do you love to play an instrument, sing, or work with tech gear? Do you love learning how to use your talents to serve all while growing in your walk with Christ? Well then, we're inviting you to our first ever "EPIC Search for Worship!" EPIC is Salem's student worship service that meets on Sunday evenings at 6:04 p.m. in the gym. Students worship, hear a message from Pastor Wes, and then break into small groups. Any student interested in serving with the student worship arts ministry (who can play a praise band instrument, sing, or are technologically savvy) is invited to join us on Thursday night September 20 at 6:00 p.m. in the gym, as we set up our new worship team. Please RSVP no later than September 16. Don't miss out on this opportunity ... it's going to be EPIC! To RSVP or to receive a list of songs to prepare, email Kelly Daniel at thensingsmysoul2@gmail.com.

Children of Promise Sponsorship Sunday

September 23

Would you be willing to be the hands and feet of Jesus to a child in desperate need? Through the Church of God child sponsorship program, Children of Promise is ministering to children in 27 countries, providing food, education, basic medical care and spiritual nurture. It takes only \$25 a month to change the life of a child forever. Stop by the display table in the lobby on September 23 to select a child who is waiting for your love, prayers, and support right now. For further information, contact reneemoss@hotmail.com.



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If you have a medical emergency and need to contact a staff person after office hours please call 937-474-9753.