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FROM THE HEART OF THE PASTOR

November is here whether we are ready for it or not. The temperature is changing, and the colors of the trees are changing from green to vibrant reds, yellows, and oranges. The time is falling back to regular time. We are starting to see subtle changes around the church like not using the blue books and transitioning to using the connect cards for our prayer requests. We have switched over to using the furnace instead of the air conditioners. More importantly we have been seeing new faces due to being invite crazy.

November is also a time that we can reflect on the things we are thankful for. Some things are easy to see that are happening in our lives and we can be thankful for those. Other times it is hard to see that there are good things happening and we just keep on trudging through. One thing to remember is to have a thankful heart does not mean that everything is going good. We just need to be able to approach each situation trusting God will move in mighty ways and be thankful. How are we supposed to do that?

Here are three ways that can help you accomplish thankfulness. Read through these three scriptures and apply them to your daily lives. Do this everyday for the month of November and be in anticipation for what God is going to show you. On November 24th, we will be having a gratitude service in both morning services. At this time, you can share how great God is. Have an awesome month.

Colossians 3:15-17

Colossians 4:2

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

~Pastor Josh

Church Events

- Nov. 1-2 - Boldly United Teen Event
- Nov. 2 - Daylight Savings Ends
- Nov. 3 - House of Prayer
- Nov. 6 - Lunch Bunch; Solo Mamas Closet
- Nov. 9 - District Kids Quiz Meet
- Nov. 10 - Faith Promise Sunday
- Nov. 17 - NNU University Choir @ 6pm
- Nov. 19 - 50-UP Fellowship
- Nov. 20 - Board Meeting
- Nov. 24 - Gratitude Sunday
- Nov. 28 - Happy Thanksgiving!

Look what's happening...

Lunch Bunch - All ladies, young & old, single or married, are invited. Bring your sack lunch and join us in the Fellowship Hall on Wednesday, Nov. 6 @ 11:45am. Call Bertie @ 208-800-7541 if you have any questions.

50-UP Fellowship Night ~ Nov. 19 @ 5:45pm - This event is for anyone age 50 and older. We will be having Thanksgiving dinner this month. The meats will be provided; please sign-up on the Master Sign-up sheet for specific side dishes if you would like. Entertainment this month will be Malia VanderSys and Noah Mori. Please be prepared to give a love offering. Signup at the Event Table outside the Fellowship Hall if you can come or if you need a ride.

Solo Mamas Closet - Wednesday, November 6, 6:30-8pm in Room 102. Free pop-up shop for all solo mamas to come check out. New and gently use clothing, accessories, shoes, home décor, furniture (off-site) & more! Talk with Kristi Barnes if you need more info or if you have newish usable items to donate.

Novel Ideas & Slice of Life Book Club - taking a break for the holidays.

NNU Choir ~ Sunday, Nov. 17 @ 6pm - the University Choir, under the direction of Ron Curtis, will be sharing with us for our Sunday evening service. It features some of our own Bethel members! Come enjoy this fun, musical evening. We will be taking a love offering to support them.

Heart of the Home Class - How do you navigate the digital world with your kids and grandkids? Starting Wednesday, November 6th at 6:45 p.m., we will begin a series to address this question and help you create a strategy for your family. This series is called Refresh, a practical video-based course that helps families confidently navigate smartphones, social media, and screen time. Email Pastor Kym with any questions at pastorkym@bethelnazarene.org.

Crisis Care Kits - we've put together 17 boxes of kits!! We're almost to our goal of 20 boxes. Keep the items coming in. We'll collect for a few more weeks. Thank you for helping with this crucial ministry.

Gratitude Sunday - On Sunday, November 24th, the week of Thanksgiving, we have a special service planned (for each service) to give Bethel Church the opportunity to praise God with songs of thanksgiving and to share what we're grateful for. We'll give those who feel led to share the opportunity, much like a testimony service. Let's demonstrate to God and His people that we're grateful.

Blessing Our Community - Thank for your continued support of Iowa Elementary and South Middle School!! They are super appreciative of the help we give. Here's a reminder of the items we are collecting:

Iowa: peanut butter, jelly, bread, spaghetti sauce & noodles, individually wrapped snacks, cereal packs, single-serve shelf table milk, easy mac, ramen, etc.

South: granola bars, protein bars, crackers w/cheese or peanut butter, pop tarts, easy mac, cup-of-noodles, single serve fruit cups or applesauce, juice cups, etc.

*We are also starting another piece to this ministry. Iowa Elementary is looking for volunteers to be in the class, listening to kids read, practicing math skills, etc. You can give any level of time or help. Contact Pastor Kym at pastorkym@bethelnazarene.org and she will help you get in touch with the school resource person.

Advent Fair - Save-the-Date for December 1st @ 6pm! More details to follow for this fun event!



FAITH PROMISE SUNDAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10 BOTH MORNING SERVICES

Our special missionary guests will be Roger & Damaris Kellogg. They serve the Mesoamerica Region and live in Guatemala. They will be sharing how God is working in that part of the world.

Faith Promise is a promise made in faith between an individual and God. The Faith Promise offerings are a part of the Nazarene World Evangelism giving, which helps us share Christ's transformational love with the world and fulfill our call to make Christlike disciples in the nations. We will be collecting the Pledge Cards during service.

Be in prayer for how God is asking you to give.

The kids will also be returning their Alabaster boxes during service.

Sunday evening at 6pm we will have a Q&A service featuring the Kelloggs with a fellowship time following. The NMI council will be providing the refreshments; just come!