



# Eagle River Naz News

## From the Pastor's Desk

**Loving Jesus, Loving People means:**  
The Eagle River Church of the Nazarene, as a member of the international Christian community, desires to be a holy people, anchored in God's Word for the purpose of worship, praise and the glorification of our Lord and Savior. We desire to reach the lost for Jesus Christ, establish and nurture new relationships, and assist in the discipling of all Christians.

I was having a discussion with a friend about what he was preaching on the first week after Christmas. He told me he was thinking about a New Year sermon centering on Romans 12. I have been thinking about that for a little, and I think that is an excellent passage on which to focus for the New Year. It reads,

"I appeal to you therefore, brothers and sisters, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds, so that you may discern what is the will of God—what is good and acceptable and perfect."

(Romans 12:1-2)

How better to start the new year than to consider what it means to belong to Christ and to be a child of God. But of particular interest to me is Paul's urge to renewal of the mind to be conformed into the image of God rather than the

patters of this world. That is a good word especially after the consumer driven hype of the Christmas season. Generosity is not a crime, but when we feel bad for not being able to afford the 'perfect gift' that seems to be to be a problem.

This is exactly the self-reflection to which Paul urges the Romans in this letter. Understand the pulls of the world that we may not be conformed into a way of thinking which does not mesh with God's way of doing business. Paul then urges them to be transformed (into the image of Christ?) by the renewing of our minds. We are to take on the patters and practices of the Kingdom of God as our norm.

So in this new year, let us heed Paul's advice to be proactive. Instead of being lulled by the patters of the world, let us allow God to transform our minds that we might think and act as citizens of the Kingdom of God.

In this new year, there are a couple of things I want to

make sure you are aware of. First: our continuing discussion through the book of Acts on Sunday nights. The first few weeks have been an awesome time of discussion and thought-provoking questions. Quite frankly, the only thing missing is your thoughts! Remember, as the people of God we all have something to contribute and teach one another. Second: We are looking at late winter early spring to begin the in-depth study of the Old Testament. This study will include deep background into the writing and interpreting the Old Testament and a study through each of the books. If you are interested in attending the class let Nancy Kinney or myself know what times/days work best. We are considering a Wednesday nights, Sunday mornings and other weekday nights.

Thank you all for another great year! Happy New Year!

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## Sunday School

Nancy Kinney SDMI Superintendent

## Sunday School Discipleship Ministries International

### Adult Sunday School – Room 1

Greg Wohrle and Kris Kinney are sharing teaching the adult Sunday School class. The class will be focusing on *Daniel: faithfulness for Difficult Times* and *Ezra/Nehemiah: A Hope Fulfilled* in January and February.

### K – 6 Children’s Sunday School and Children’s Church

Bev continues to do a wonderful job teaching the K-6 class. Julie Wohrle will teach the class for the month of January. If you are interested in teaching this class for a month, a quarter (3 months), or a year, please contact Nancy Kinney.

Children’s Church continues under the teaching of Donna Malone, Julie Wohrle and Jenn Yost.

### New Financial Peace University Class Coming!

Cathy Spooner will be teaching the 10-week Financial Peace University class beginning Thursday, March 18 from 7 – 9 PM. The class will be held in Room 1 downstairs each Thursday evening. If you are interested in attending please contact Nancy Kinney for registration. We will take registrations with \$100 materials fee until February 15. Please talk with Nancy if a scholarship is needed OR if you would like to provide a scholarship. For more information on Financial Peace University, please go to [www.daveramsey.com/fpu/home](http://www.daveramsey.com/fpu/home).

Those who have taken the class in the past are invited to attend also. You are considered Lifetime FPU members, so there is no fee because you already have the materials.

### Winter Vacation Bible School

Our church has had the privilege of offering a winter Vacation Bible School as a community outreach to teach neighborhood children about Christ. This year, we do not have a Children’s Coordinator. For us to offer VBS this year, we will need someone to coordinate the winter VBS. Please pray about this opportunity. We are looking to offer the winter VBS in March.

### Exploring the Old Testament with Pastor Mike

Be watching for more information on this class with Pastor Mike. It will begin the first part of February.

### SDMI Survey


Please be expecting a SDMI Survey as the new year begins. It is most helpful if everyone participates so that decisions can be made to best meet the needs of all.

## Children’s Corner

Jennifer Yost Children’s Ministry Coordinator

## Sunday School / Discipleship Ministries International

### QUIZZING SCHEDULE – TENTATIVE

Jan. 1 or 2?	Review??	Helper: Kinney	
Jan. 6	Review	Helper: Malone	
January 9, 2010	Quiz Meet @ Eagle River	10 AM ~ Chapters 8-14 in the quizzing books	
Jan. 13	Dig Site 15	Helper: Jaenicke	
Jan. 20	Dig Site 16	Helper: Wohrle	
Jan. 27	Dig Site 17	Helper: Berndt	
Feb. 3	Dig Site 18	Helper: Bearden	
Feb. 10	Dig Site 19	Helper: Lee	
Feb. 17	Dig Site 20	Helper: Malone	
Feb. 21??	Review?	Helper: Kinney	
Feb. 24	Review	Helper: Berndt	
February 27, 2010 (Location and time to be announced) ~ Chapters 15 through 20 in the quizzing books			

### Quiz Meet Dates

- January 9** at 10 AM at ERCN—(Covering Dig Sites 8-14)
- February 27** (Location and time to be determined – Covering 15-20)
- April 3** (Location and time to be determined – Covering 1-20)

# Church News

## Happy Birthday/Anniversary to...

### January

- 2 Hope Reeve
- 6 Sterling Johnson
- 7 Dave Boss
- 8 Liam Pickens
- 14 Aubrie Scott
- 15 James Lyman  
James & Nancy Lyman  
Samuel Wold
- 18 Megan Daniell  
Katrina Wold
- 19 Kelby Nicholas Kinney
- 25 Robert & Carolyn Clemens



### February

- 3 Stacey Johnson
- 6 Madison Collins
- 7 Calen Wohrle
- 8 Abe J. Harms  
Warren Johnson
- 9 Hans Vogel
- 17 Craig Hanson  
Jill Kaufman
- 18 Brian Metzger
- 19 Kyong Woodward
- 20 Jeff Hunyor
- 21 Kerry & Cathy Spooner
- 24 Nancy Walker
- 25 Kyla Allen  
Kees van Weel
- 26 Jared Lanham  
Bruce Rodman  
Tony Vargo  
Pastor Michael Yost



**Pastor Mike will be out of town  
Dec. 25-31.**



**The Church Office  
will be closed for  
New Years  
January 1.**

**Town Hall Meeting and Potluck  
January 3 at 6:00 PM**

## NYI News

### NYI Photo Shoot Fundraiser

Thank You to Everyone who participated in the NYI Photo Shoot Fundraiser. A special Thank you to Nancy Wold for all your time and hard work editing the photos. Everyone has made this years photo shoot a huge success. From Oct. 16—Dec. 27 we have raised at total of \$1,033.00 for the teens. If you haven't donated and would like to, you can put your donation in the offering plate and mark it "NYI Fundraiser". The funds will be used for upcoming events such as Teen Winter Retreat, and District Main Event.

### Teen Quizzing Results December 5th

Eagle River girls took 1<sup>st</sup>  
Memory Marathon – Jordan Jensen  
#1 quizzer – Morgen  
#5 quizzer – Ira

Next quiz is in Fairbanks on the 9<sup>th</sup>. They will be quizzing over I Corinthians and II Corinthians 1-4

### Backgrounds for Media Shout

If you take photos and I've seen or heard about them, *I will be calling you* to see if I can get them on CD if you're willing. I know there are many photographers out there, and I've seen some great scenic. I would like to use ones from our own church of the great state of Alaska (or elsewhere). Thanks in advance. ~ Nancy Wold

### General Office Hours for Administrative Assistant Shawna King

I will be in the office  
Monday through Friday  
from approx.  
10:30 AM—1:30 PM

If you need to contact me my email at the church is **ernazs@mtaonline.net** or you may call the church at **694-9423**. Thank you, Shawna

### Church Directory Updates

**Benjamin & Shawna King**  
Mailing & Physical Address  
24044 Dolly Ave E-2  
Chugiak AK 99567  
Same emails and  
phones



### Wold Family

Mailing & Physical Address  
5245 E Birch Dr  
Wasilla, AK 99654  
907-373-3588  
Same emails and cell phone

# December 27, 2009 - February 06, 2010

## Weekly Planner

Dec 2009						
S	M	T	W	T	F	S
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6	7	8	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30	31		

Jan 2010						
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Dec 27</i>	<i>Dec 28</i> Office Closed Christmas Holiday	<i>Dec 29</i> 7:00 PM SPAN Home Group	<i>Dec 30</i> 5:30 PM -6:45 PM Teen Quizzing 7:00 PM Youth Group  6:30 PM Kids Quizzing 7:00 PM Prayer Meeting	<i>Dec 31</i> Pastor Mike out of town	<i>Jan 1</i> New Years Day - Office Closed	<i>Jan 2</i>
Pastor Mike out of town Dec 25-31						
<i>Jan 3</i> 6:00 PM Town Hall Meeting and Potluck	<i>Jan 4</i>	<i>Jan 5</i> 7:00 PM SPAN Home Group	<i>Jan 6</i> 5:30 PM -6:45 PM Teen Quizzing 7:00 PM Youth Group  6:30 PM Kids Quizzing	<i>Jan 7</i>	<i>Jan 8</i>	<i>Jan 9</i> 10:00 AM Kids Quiz Meet @ Eagle River
<i>Jan 10</i>	<i>Jan 11</i> 7:00 PM Board Meeting	<i>Jan 12</i> 7:00 PM SPAN Home Group	<i>Jan 13</i> 5:30 PM -6:45 PM Teen Quizzing 7:00 PM Youth Group  6:30 PM Kids Quizzing	<i>Jan 14</i>	<i>Jan 15</i>	<i>Jan 16</i>
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# NMI News

The January Emphases for Nazarene Missions International is volunteer Ministries.

So you want to DO something. But what?

OK. Look at the list below. We've done the footwork and put together a smorgasbord of ideas for ways you and your church can get involved in mission through the Church of the Nazarene.

- ◆ Mission Candidate Opportunities
- ◆ Work and Witness
- ◆ Youth in Mission
- ◆ Nazarene Compassionate Ministries
- ◆ JESUS Film Harvest Partners
- ◆ Nazarene Secular Campus Mission
- ◆ RV's on a Mission (ROAM)
- ◆ One Heart Many Hands

For more information on this list go to [www.nazarenemissioninternational.org/GetInvolved/topic.aspx](http://www.nazarenemissioninternational.org/GetInvolved/topic.aspx)

Take Work & Witness, for instance. You can organize a team of volunteers to go almost anywhere in the world for a few weeks. Your group will pool your skills and resources to work on a desperately needed project, while sharing Christ's love and building relationships with local Nazarenes and their neighbors.

Or look at LINKS. Talk about practical. Missionaries and churches are paired up for two-year sessions to develop a personal relationship. Through praying, sending letters, e-mails, and packages your church supports the missionary family. You send a powerful message that even though they are out of sight, they are not out of mind. Or out of your prayers.

## Church Staff

Michael Yost—Pastor  
Shawna King—Admin. Assistant

## Church Board 09-10

Frank Clemens—Board Secretary  
Betty Johnson—Steward  
Nancy Lyman—Steward  
Benjamin King—Trustee Chairman  
Kris Kinney—Trustee  
Jeff Johnson—Trustee  
Nancy Kinney—SDMI President  
Marshall Pickens—NYI President

## Ministry Directors /Coordinators

**Ladies Ministry Coordinator—**  
Stacey Johnson

**Children's Ministry**  
**Coordinator – Position Open**

See Jenn Yost to volunteer  
**Nursery Coordinator—Jenn Yost**  
**2009-10 Children's Quizzing**  
**Director – Nancy Wold**



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