

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 have been wrestling a lot lately. I have been wrestling with the idea of what it means to be a disciple of Jesus Christ. I believe that as a church we are called many different ministries and activities in our corporate life. I think if I were to ask the question to our congregation "what is the job of the church?" I bet the answers would be as multiple and varied as anyone can imagine. But if you were to put my feet to the fire, and ask the question to me, I would have one answer. In my estimation, the mission of the church of Jesus Christ can be summed up in one single word: "Discipleship." I truly believe that the mission of the church, any church and every church is to be disciples of Jesus Christ, and to make disciples of Jesus Christ. After all, Jesus' last command to his disciples was "In your going, make disciples of all nations..." As such, I believe our mission, as Eagle River Church of the Nazarene is to be disciples as

we live in this community and to make disciples in this community. It all sounds pretty simple? After all, how hard can it be to accomplish these two things? That's where the wrestling comes in. If I were to ask the question "What does it mean to be a disciple?" my guess is that the answers would be even more multiple and varied than for the question of "What is the job of the church?" Discipleship is a tough word to unpack. Oh, the word itself means follower or student, but what it means to be a follower or student of Christ is much less simple. I went to the bible hoping for answers on the subject of discipleship and of course, it did not disappoint. The problem with investigating discipleship in the New Testament is not a lack of information, but rather, information overload. Believe it or not, the entire New Testament is basically a handbook on discipleship. The Gospels are filled with Jesus' teaching TO HIS DIS-

CIPLES on what it means to be his followers and what it means to be a follower of God. The various letters are filled with wisdom and instructions on what it means to be (and make) disciples within specific Christian communities! Even the book of Revelation, in part, outlines what it means to be a faithful disciple amidst persecution, fear, and the lure of power and deception. So here's the news part of this article. On January 2nd I will be starting a series of sermons on discipleship in the New Testament. I will be dealing with texts which deal with several different aspects of what it means to be Jesus disciple. My hope is that when we come out on the other side, we will have a better, and more full understanding of what this journey of discipleship looks like and how we as a church and individuals might more fully engage our mission to be disciples and to make disciples.

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Children's Quizzing
 Children's Quizzing Director—Nancy Wold

*Sunday School Discipleship
 Ministries International*

Quizzing – 2010-11 Book of 1 & 2 Samuel

<u>Date</u>	<u>Dig Site/Page Numbers</u>	<u>Scripture Portion</u>	<u>Memory Verse*</u>	<u>Helper</u>
Jan. 2	REVIEW Dig Sites 8-10			Malone
Jan. 8	QUIZ MEET over Dig Sites 8-14 @ ERCN at 10 AM			*~*~*~*~*
Jan. 9	Dig Site 15 – pages 58-61	1 Samuel 25:1-42	Romans 12:18	Kinney
Jan. 16	Dig Site 16 – pages 62-65	1 Samuel 31:1-6; (and below) 2 Samuel 2:1-17; 3:1; 5:1-5	2 Samuel 7:28	_____
Jan. 23	Dig Site 17 – pages 66-69	2 Samuel 5:6-6:19	Psalm 23:1-3	_____
Jan. 30	Dig Site 18 – pages 70-73	2 Samuel 7:1-29	Psalm 23:4	Bearden

NYI News

NYI President—Marshall Pickens

*Nazarene Youth
 International*

**Church Directory
 Update:**

Matt & Andrea Allen
 17538 Meadow Creek Drive
 Eagle River, AK 99577
 726-0687
mattandandreaallen@ak.net

David & Bonnie King
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 688-2276
 Cell—244-7176

If your family has any new updates for the directory: Address, Phone Number, Emails, etc. please email Shawna at ernazs@mtaonline.net

Winter Retreat 2010 Alaska District NYI

Who: Anyone from age 12-19 (if still in high school)
What: The annual winter retreat for youth
When: January 21-23, 2010
Where: Victory Camp & Convergence Center, 64741 S. Victory Road, Sutton, AK 99674
Theme: "Stand Firm" (Ephesians 6:13—Therefore put on the full armor of God, so that when the day of evil comes, you may be able to stand your ground, and after you have done everything, to stand.)
How Much: \$100 for students / \$80 for sponsors (sponsors must be at least 21 years of age) Winter Retreat T-Shirts \$10 extra
Registration Deadline: January 8, 2010 (Registration forms must be received, not postmarked by this date)
See Marshall Pickens, Pastor Mike or Shawna if you need a copy of the registration form.

**NYI Quiz Meet Results for
 December 4**

The Eagle River Teens split up and joined three other teams for the quiz meet. Those three teams took 1st Place, 2nd Place, and 3rd Place at the meet.

Top Ten Quizzers

- Jordan Jensen
- Tara Lee
- Morgen Wohrle

Jordan Jensen—1st Place

Board Meeting News

December 13—
 The board continued the discussion on Church Health and the Plus Delta Chart.
 The Treasurer did a Church Budget Review.
 There was discussion and a vote on the support for Jewel Lake's debt reduction.
 Pastor Mike and Shawna left the meeting so the board could discuss staff Christmas gifts.

Church News

Happy Birthday/Anniversary to...

January

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



February

3 Stacey Johnson
6 Madison Collins
7 Calen Wohrle
8 Warren Johnson
17 Craig Hanson
18 Brian Metzger
20 Jeff Hunyor
22 Kerry & Cathy Spooner
24 Nancy Walker
25 Kyla Allen
Kees van Weel
26 Jared Lanham
Bruce Rodman
Tony Vargo
Pastor Michael Yost



The church office will be closed for:

- The New Years holiday on Jan. 3.



Church Potlucks

January 2
Town Hall Meeting / Potluck

February 6
March 6

Potluck will be in the Fellowship hall after the church service. Please bring a dish to share.



A big *Thank You* to all who helped make cookies for the Christmas Eve service reception. Your help is greatly appreciated. You all did a wonderful job!

General Office Hours for Administrative Assistant Shawna King

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



Church Quarterly Water Coliform Test—Passes

We need HELP with maintaining the church. If you can help out in this area please see Benjamin King.

Ladies Ministry

Stacey Johnson—Ladies Ministry Coordinator

Sunday School Discipleship Ministries International

“A New Attitude”

Ladies, we’ve been invited to join Palmer for their annual **Women’s Retreat**. It will be Friday night, **Jan 21st** – Sunday morning **Jan 23rd** at Langley Lodge at Camp Maranatha. Theme “A New Attitude” (Eph 4:22-24).

“We have been instructed in the Truth – abandon your old way of life, take on a God-centered life and be renewed from the inside to reflect God’s character” (paraphrased). Please begin to **pray for your attendance**. This will be a time set aside for personal reflection and a great opportunity to support each other spiritually!

See Stacey J with questions or to offer help with behind-the-scenes planning.

See Page 4 for the Registration form. Registration Deadline January 16th.

A New Attitude in Christ

Ephesians 4:22-24

The Palmer Nazarene's Ladies Retreat '11
(and West Valley Naz & Eagle River)

Fri. Jan. 21st — Sun. Jan. 23rd

Langley Lodge

Camp Maranatha, Big Lake

\$65 per person

(covers 2 nights lodging)

Scholarships available to everyone!

Breakout Sessions on a wide variety of topics,
activities, speaker, worship, fellowship and fun!

Speaker: Jennifer Linnell

Registration Deadline: Jan. 16th

Please complete this registration form and give to Stacey Johnson with payment no later than January 16th.

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

If needed, who would you be comfortable sharing a room with and/or full bed with?

Please circle one meal you would be willing to help with final preparations for:

Fri. Dinner Sat. Breakfast Sat. Lunch Sat. Dinner Sun. Breakfast

Dec 2010						
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26	27	28	29	30	31	

December 26, 2010 - February 05, 2011

Jan 2011						
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9	10	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
30	31					

Weekly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><i>Dec 26</i></p> <p>6:00 PM Children's Quizzing</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group</p>	<p><i>Dec 27</i></p> <p>Christmas Holiday - Office Closed</p>	<p><i>Dec 28</i></p> <p>7:00 PM SPAN Home Group</p>	<p><i>Dec 29</i></p>	<p><i>Dec 30</i></p>	<p><i>Dec 31</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 1</i></p> <p>New Years Day</p>
<p><i>Jan 2</i></p> <p>12:00 PM Potluck and Town Hall Meeting</p> <p>6:00 PM Children's Quizzing</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group</p>	<p><i>Jan 3</i></p> <p>New Years Holiday - Office Closed</p>	<p><i>Jan 4</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 5</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 6</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 7</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 8</i></p> <p>9:45 AM Kids Quiz meet at Eagle River</p> <p>Teen Winter Retreat Deadline</p>
<p><i>Jan 9</i></p> <p>6:00 PM Children's Quizzing</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group</p>	<p><i>Jan 10</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 11</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 12</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 13</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 14</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 15</i></p>
<p><i>Jan 16</i></p> <p>6:00 PM Children's Quizzing</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group</p>	<p><i>Jan 17</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 18</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 19</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 20</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 21</i></p> <p>Palmer, West Valley and Eagle River Nazarene Ladies Retreat January 21-23</p> <p>Teen Winter Retreat</p>	<p><i>Jan 22</i></p> <p>Ladies Retreat</p>
<p><i>Jan 23</i></p> <p>6:00 PM Children's Quizzing</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group</p> <p>Ladies Retreat</p> <p>Teen Winter Retreat</p>	<p><i>Jan 24</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 25</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 26</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 27</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 28</i></p>	<p><i>Jan 29</i></p>
<p><i>Jan 30</i></p> <p>6:00 PM Children's Quizzing</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group</p>	<p><i>Jan 31</i></p>	<p><i>Feb 1</i></p>	<p><i>Feb 2</i></p>	<p><i>Feb 3</i></p>	<p><i>Feb 4</i></p>	<p><i>Feb 5</i></p>

NMI News

Lois Munson NMI President

Nazarene Missions International

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.

- ◆ LINKS
- ◆ Mission Candidate Opportunities
- ◆ **Work and Witness**
- ◆ Youth in Mission
- ◆ YouthServe
- ◆ Mission Corps
- ◆ Nazarene Compassionate Ministries
- ◆ JESUS Film Harvest Partners
- ◆ Nazarene Secular Campus Mission
- ◆ RV's on a Mission (ROAM)
- ◆ Extreme Nazarene

For more information on this list go to www.nazarenemissionsinternational.com/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.

Work and Witness-Kodiak Island

July 24—August 7 2011

There are info/registration packets hanging on the bulletin board in the foyer. Contact Pastor Mike if you are interested.

Church Staff

Michael Yost—Pastor
Shawna King—Admin. Assistant

Church Board 10-11

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

Ministry Directors /Coordinators

Ladies Ministry Coordinator—
Stacey Johnson

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

See Pastor Mike to volunteer

Nursery Coordinator—Jenn Yost

**2010-11 Children's Quizzing
Director – Nancy Wold**



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