

Upcoming at Maranatha

During January, we aim to complete Stage 1 of the 5 Stages of this interim season at Maranatha with Pastor Jeff. Please pray for and be part of the following events as our church moves toward becoming the church Christ intends us to become.

January 4-11 MEFC Prayer Week

Our church family will be praying daily for God to bring His presence into our church's relationships, ministries, direction, and future.

Preaching on Prayer: Pastor Toney on January 4, and Pastor Jeff on January 11

Prayer and Worship Gathering – January 11 @ 6:00pm

January 18 – February 1 – Church Health Survey

Every adult will complete a survey that will help us discover who Maranatha is as a church. This on-line survey will take about 25 minutes to do on a phone or computer. Paper surveys will be available, if needed. You can do it at home, or get help completing it during Fellowship Times those Sundays.

January – Transition Team forming

Pastor Jeff and Elders will be putting together a team of 8-10 who will help assess where we are as a church, guide in addressing areas of church healing, and seek God's plans and future for the church.

January – March Preaching Direction

Pastor Jeff will be preaching through the book of First Timothy. Each week this incredible book will open our eyes to how God wants the people of His Church to do church.

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MARANATHA

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12/21/2025

A Christmas Epilogue

WELCOME TO MARANATHA
WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

Worship Service

Join us for worship at 9:00 AM. Families are welcome, and enjoy coffee fellowship immediately following service in the Fellowship Hall at 10:15AM

Children's, Youth & Adult Sunday School

10:45AM—11:45AM

Nursery

Available for children 2 and under in the south hallway. We also have a pre-school area for children in the Conference Room

Children's Activity Kits

Available on the table on the south wall in the lobby.

Tithes & Offerings

Give through the offering box located between the sanctuary doors or use the QR code for easy, online giving. Envelopes are available.

GIVE HERE



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OUR VISION: To reach *all* generations for Christ

OUR MISSION: According to God's Word, we proclaim the *joy of salvation* in Christ to people in need and encourage His followers in their devotion to Him.

OUR CORE VALUES:

- Founded on Christ
- Grounded in Scripture
- Powered by Prayer
- Committed to Evangelism
- Responding in Worship
- Intentional in Discipleship
- Characterized by Love

Opportunities to Participate:

- **ACBC Training Conference – February 2026:** Grow in applying God's Word to real-life struggles and in encouraging others with biblical truth. In Person (Lafayette, IN): Feb 8–13 • \$259 • Commit by Jan 9 Virtual (at Maranatha): Feb 20–22 & Feb 27–Mar 1 Questions or to sign up: Ben Baye — 715-418-1417 • ascentwi@gmail.com
- **Women's Bible Study:** a 10-session study in Joshua by Jen Wilkin beginning Tuesday, January 13th from 6:60pm-8:30pm in the Conference Room, Sign up at the Welcome Desk by January 4th. Books are \$26. Questions? Contact Nancy Peterson 715-419-0191
- **Connect Cards: need to give us an update?** We'd love to connect with you! Use the QR code to fill out your information.
- **Valentine's Day Dinner—Save the Date:** Plan to join us on Sunday, February 15th for a fun and meaningful evening of connecting with your spouse and others, great food, and an encouraging message.



A Christmas Epilogue

Message #5 of *Christmas Surprises*, Pastor Jeff MacLurg, December 28, 2025

The Christmas Hunters (Matthew 2:12)

After Christmas, Pay attention on ...

The Christmas Dad (Matthew 2:13-15)

After Christmas, Listen for what ...

The Christmas Grinch (Matthew 2:16-18)

After Christmas, don't ...

The Christmas Witnesses (Luke 2:16-17)

After Christmas, Tell people what ...

The Christmas Mom (Luke 2:19)

After Christmas, Take time to ...

The Epilogue of the Epilogue

After Christmas, Look for the new ...