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PRAYER IS A POTENT PART OF YOUR TRIUMPHANT PERSISTENCE IN LIFE...

Our lives are perpetually in various seasons of evolution, growth - even as we're informed in Ecclesiastes 3:1

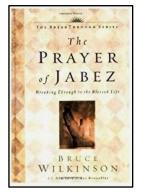
"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens:"

I want to encourage you, through all these times and seasons, of one of the greatest appeals that Jesus made to us is the importance of MAKING TIME TO PRAY.

Luke 18:1 NIV

Then Jesus told his disciples a parable to show them that they should always pray and not give up.

In recent months, we have celebrated the incredible victories manifested through prayer in the lives of several of our members, two of whom have overcome cancer!!! Prayer is a Tool that should not only be in your toolbox, but it should also be the first one you draw upon - proactively, responsively and responsibly throughout your life. We're here to help you learn how to better understand and apply it purposely in your life!



Join us, starting August 16th as we prepare to embark upon and embrace of the journey of Jabez, as he recognizes his capacity to foster a higher quality of life, purpose and prosperity as he pulled upon the potency of his relationship with God, through prayer - to change All circumstances. THAT POWER IS AVAILABLE TO YOU, RIGHT NOW, AS WELL!

Prayer is a potent tool to be able to transform not only your life, but the quality of lifestyle and relational Dynamics with those you know and love... Family, friends, coworkers and more...

Prayer Changes your circumstances

Job 42:10 NIV After Job had prayed for his friends, the LORD restored his fortunes and gave him twice as much as he had before

Prayer transforms your lens on life so that instead of being riddled with uncertainty with regards to the origin of other people's motives and decisions, you're equipped to proactively pave pathways for their restoration-even when they can't quite see it yet

Luke 23:34 NIV

Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

Prayer gives you the capacity to allow the compassion, the awareness that arises when you see others struggling, suffering or in need- and gives you the power to tap into God's supernatural resources to be able to not only see the need but meet the need!

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Matt 14:19 NIV

19 And he directed the people to sit down on the grass. Taking the five loaves and the two fish and looking up to heaven, he gave thanks and broke the loaves. Then he gave them to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the people

We've recently explored the incredible provision and generosity that evolved from our Lord and Savior Jesus, when He, is moved with compassion to SEE the needs of people- and his prayer is that transforms ordinary resources into extraordinary solutions that not only meet the needs of those in the immediate community he serves, but provides sustenance for those who serve alongside Him. With prayer, God will not only serve our community, He will attract and provide for those who will serve alongside us as we reach West Flint - and beyond!

Changes a community

2 Chronicles 7:14 NIV

if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Your prayers are important, they are powerful, they are potent and they are the prevailing force that makes sure that His presence is seen in the lives of those we serve. Consider joining us on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. for prayer in the month of August!

Dream It - See It

More information on the Capital Funds Campaign that was initiated in December 2024!
Please check the thermometer posted in the hallway to show our progress. God is faithful and the fund is growing! If you have any questions, please see one of the Leadership Team. Keep your eyes open as we see God at work! The information I have today is that \$11,311 has been given! Praise God! Continue to pray for this endeavor as we keep up with the maintenance of God's building.

There are pictures on a board in the hallway of before and after shots so we can literally see the progress! Our Sanctuary lights are next. The total cost to have our 22 lights done is \$22,000 which is \$700.00 per light, plus installation. God is good!

When you contribute to this Campaign please indicate on your envelope or your check that it is for the Capital Funds Campaign and know that we will not start any project without having sufficient funds for the completion of that project. Your gifts are greatly appreciated; any size donation is so helpful it adds up when we work together.

Your Sister in Christ, Chris

CAPITOL FUNDS CAMPAIGN CONSISTENCY

20 people giving \$10 each week totals \$10,400 per year.

15 people giving \$25 each week totals \$19,500 per year

15 people giving \$50 each month totals \$9,000 per year

10 people giving \$100 each month totals \$12,000 per year

15 people giving \$100 each month totals \$18,000 per year

You don't have to give a lot but every bit adds up and consistency makes a difference, YOU make a difference.

Something to think about.

HISTORY OF OUR TOWER WINDOWS

When the original sanctuary, now the Chapel, was built in the 1940's the tower housed a speaker. On Sunday mornings, prior to service, organ music was played.

Over the years this practice ceased. The tower soon became a gathering place for pigeons. Their droppings caused deterioration of the floor to the point that it was getting unsafe for anyone to go there. The decision was made to enclose it but blocking it up solid was not a very appealing option, so other methods were pursued.



At that time, about twenty members of West Court had some level of experience in working with stained glass. (I had been teaching it in my home) it was decided that it would be nice to make a church wide project and place the stained-glass windows in the tower. That way the tower would not only be sealed but it would add to the beauty of the whole building. Over a period of several weeks the members met to work on the windows. They were built and installed with the only cost to the church being for the materials. Instead of a cost of over \$4,000.00 the cost was only a little over \$1,000.00. The windows are sealed with tempered glass on both sides to protect them from the elements. Christian symbolisms are built into the designs.



In the top window on each side, you can see three golden shafts of light representing the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. They all originate from One source and spread to cover us all.

The red glass forming the cathedral arch that surrounds each window is the exact color of blood – the blood that was shed for you and me.

In the upper corner of each window is a very dark ominous feature forming a drape like design that represents the evil that would cover and engulf us all: but it is held at bay by the blood of Christ and its saving power that surrounds us.

There are 8 windows in our tower at West Court. This month you are seeing just a glimpse of what they look like from the air.

Everette Humphrey





A big thank you to the following people for consistently helping out and being present to prepare, cleanup and invest time at our monthly meal with the men at My Brothers Keeper. Randy & Catherine Gallagher, Vance Kupisch, Roxann Braddock, Cindy Golden (homemade cookies) and Stephanie Bigler and Children. The ministry of giving and caring for others is so evident in their lives.

Randy Russell



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| Sulluay | | - Tuesday | Wednesday | - Thursday | | - |
| COMMUNION 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Gathering 6:00pm The Ark | 4 | 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class | | 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class | 8 | 9 9:00am Men's Breakfast at Liberty Diner 9:00am - 3:00pm SERVE FLINT NEIGHBORHOOD CLEAN UP EVENT |
| 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Gathering 10:30am Youth Worship 11:30am ALL CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING & VOTE 11:45am COMMUNITY WIDE COOKOUT 6:00pm The Ark | 11 | 12 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class | 13 5:00pm Worship Team 6:30pm Virtual Bible Study | | 15 Newsletter Deadline | 9:00am - 4:00pm Alycia Craft Event 2:00pm -5:00pm Dorothy Walker 90th Birthday Celebration |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 9:15am Sunday School 10:30am The Mihsills, Missionaries 10:30am Youth Message 11:30am Youth Ministry Meeting 6:00pm The Ark | 6:30pm Leadership Team Meeting | 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 5:00pm Yoga Class | Bible Study @ McLaren | Rovers Game Night 9:00am LOVE I.N.C. 4:30pm MBK Meal Prep 5:00pm Yoga Class | | The Ark Regional Rally |
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- 2 Maddie Dolan (14)
- 5 Melani Anderson
- 11 Tricia Thornton
- 13 Dave & Diane Henry (2 Yrs)
- 14 Carrie Kupisch
- 15 Dorothy Walker
- 21 Brad & Chris Walker (49 Yrs)
- 25 Eric Petersen
- 25 Everette & Coralie Humphrey (69 Yrs)
- 31 Don & Arla Gill (23 Yrs)

St. Louis Camp Meeting

July 31-August 8

Evening Services 7PM Sunday Morning 10:30AM For more information call 989.681.2581 or visit stlouiscamground.org



Bobby & Jenny Mihsill August 17, 2025

Associate Regional Coordinators for Africa Project #42.10027 Ministry Focus

- Teaching at IBAO (West Africa Bible Institute)
- Helping develop the national church in Côte d'Ivoire

Since January 2025, associate regional coordinators for Africa Bobby and Jenny Mihsill arrived in Côte d'Ivoire in January 2015 after a year of language school in France. The

Mihsills teach a variety of theological courses at IBAO, West Africa Bible Institute, and assist the national church in training leaders for the Children of Promise program. Bobby and Jenny led the launch of the Children of Promise program in Côte d'Ivoire in the summer of 2016. Another one of their ministry responsibilities is to help coordinate and host missions teams in Côte d'Ivoire.

Jenny was born in Seymour, Indiana, but was raised in Woodburn, Oregon, after her parents (Sam and Mary Dunbar) relocated to serve in ministry at Hoodview Church of God. The seed for missions was first planted in her heart at a youth session at Oregon State Camp Meeting. She has been on numerous mission trips and previously served as a special assignment missionary to Japan for Global Strategy for three years.

Bobby was born and raised in Meghalaya, India, where his immediate and extended family has been part of the Church of God for many years. A powerful encounter at a youth camp at the age of eighteen led him to commit his life to Christ. After earning a bachelor's degree in business and accounting, Bobby began working for a nongovernmental organization teaching street children in Kolkata. It was there that he and Jenny met when she was working to complete her AUSOT internship in India. They completed their seminary degrees and were married in 2010. They have two children. In January 2025, they stepped into the role of associate regional coordinators for Africa, working alongside John and Gwen Johnson, current regional coordinators for Africa. Bobby and Jenny will be traveling throughout the region, working in collaboration with national leaders to develop regional ministry strategies and country-specific strategies, cultivating relationships within the Church of God across Africa, and helping connect the church across the region. To support the ministry of Bobby and Jenny Mihsill, call Global Strategy at 800-8482464 or visit https://chogglobal.org/BJMihsill.

VOTE
Sunday, Aug. 10
After worship
Absentee Ballots
available in the
church office.

COMMUNITY WIDE COOKOUT Sunday, August 10 After Worship

Hotdogs, chips, potato salad and beverages provided. Please bring a dessert to share.



RAMBLING ROVERS
Dinner & Play
September 25, 2025
10:30AM - depart Flint
Cost: \$65 per person

Payment is due by August 4. If you need a ride, call Dave



Rambling Rovers Game Night Thursday, August 21 @ 6PM

At the Smiley's Home
Bring a favorite snack and game and have a fun
night of games or just talking together. Great
time to invite a friend.