

**WELCOME TO MT. ZION!**

We rejoice in having you here today. If you're a guest, please complete the guest information on your worship guide and place it in the offering plate. If you'd like to request prayer or visit with someone about spiritual decisions or the opportunities here, please mark the space provided and either put the card in the offering plate or hand it to a staff member upon leaving. *Have a great day with us at Mt. Zion!*

**OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP AND SERVICE THIS WEEK**

**Sunday, January 22**

Sunday School..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Morning Worship..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Cook-Out/Auction Volunteer Meeting .....after a.m. service  
 Missions Committee Meeting ..... 4:00 p.m.  
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Evening Worship..... 6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, January 25**

Awana ..... 6:25 p.m.  
~~2-4:5~~ (teens)..... 6:30 p.m.  
 Adult Bible Study..... 6:30 p.m.

**Friday, January 27**

"Guys Night Out" (Big Buck Classic)..... 5:00 p.m.

**Saturday, January 28**

Grand Prix Workshop ..... 10:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.

**Sunday, January 29**

Sunday School..... 9:00 a.m.  
 Morning Worship..... 10:00 a.m.  
 Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal..... 5:00 p.m.  
 Joyfest!!..... 6:00 p.m.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- There will be a **Missions Committee meeting TODAY** at 4:00 p.m.
- Joyfest** will be Sunday, January 29 at 6:00 p.m. Sign the list in the foyer if you would like to participate. Joyfest is an opportunity for everyone in our church to share their talents. You can sing, do a reading or poem, give your testimony or whatever brings Joy to the Lord! If you have questions, please see Bro. Paul.
- PARENTS OF TEENS**, if you would be willing to provide a small snack for the teens on Wednesday nights, see the list on the bulletin board. If you have questions, see Bro. Paul.
- If you would like to **host a S.N.A.C.** for the Youth Ministry in 2017, please sign the list in the foyer. It is recommended that multiple families get together to do this to cut down on expense. Also, please remember it is a snack / fellowship time, not a feast or even a full course meal.
- The Youth Ministry will be attending the **"True Love Worships" conference** at Cross Roads MBC on Saturday, February 11 from 1:30 - 6:00 p.m. We will leave from here at 12:30 and the cost is FREE. Please sign up by Wednesday, February 8 if you plan to go.

**THIS MORNING IN WORSHIP**

Special Music..... Angel Choir  
 Praise Chorus..... Congregation  
*"Lamb Of God w/ More Than Amazing"*  
 Hymn..... Congregation  
*"My Savior's Love"*  
 Welcome and Prayer..... Mike Clayton  
 Offertory..... Suzy Draper  
*During this song, the ushers will receive our tithes and offerings*  
 Hymn..... Congregation  
*"Love Lifted Me"*  
 Hymn..... Congregation  
*"Standing On The Promises"*  
 Special Music..... Mary Penny  
 Worship Chorus..... Congregation  
*"Unfailing Love w/ My Savior's Love"*  
 Message from God's Word..... Bro. Donis Smead  
*"How To Survive And Thrive In Babylon"*  
*Daniel 1:1-21*  
 Time of Reflection and Response..... Congregation  
*"I Need Thee Every Hour"*  
 Dismissal Prayer..... Fellowship

**THIS EVENING IN WORSHIP**

Fellowship Hymn..... Congregation  
*"I Want To Know More About My Lord" HHH #304*  
 Welcome and Prayer..... Bro. Donis  
 Special Music..... Curt Smead  
 Hymn..... Congregation  
*"That's Why I Love Him So" HHH #259*  
 Message from God's Word..... Bro. Donis Smead  
*"To Love Or Not To Love, That Is The Question"*  
*Matthew 5:43-48*  
 Time of Reflection and Response..... Congregation  
*"Just As I Am" HHH #124*  
 Dismissal Prayer..... Fellowship

**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!**

The Youth Ministry Mission Trip this year will be **July 10-16**. We will be going to Bloomington, Indiana to help Missionaries Scott Bourland & Kevin Pruitt  
 West Central Church Camp is **June 26-30** and NEXT Teen Camp is **July 24-28**.

**COOK-OUT**

It's almost cookout time again! There will be a brief meeting for those who would like to help with the cookout again this year following the morning service in the Fellowship Hall. Thanks in advance to all who volunteer, we could not do this without you! The Cook-Out / Auction will be Saturday, March 11.



We are getting ready for the Awana Grand Prix! The Awana Grand Prix is a Pinewood Derby-style event that allows clubbers to express their ingenuity by creating and racing their own wooden Grand Prix cars.

We will have three "Grand Prix Construction Workshops" to help the clubbers build their cars. **The workshops will be held Saturday morning January 28, February 4 and February 11 at 10:00 a.m. until noon in the Fellowship Hall.**

The Grand Prix will be held on **Saturday, February 25 at 10:00 a.m.** The Grand Prix is open to anyone who wants to create a car! There will be clubbers, teens, and adults racing categories. If you would like to construct a car contact Missy Smead.

We need people to help the children with their cars at the construction workshops. If you are interested in helping with the workshops see Missy Smead.

**GUEST INFORMATION—JANUARY 22, 2017**

Mr./ Mrs./ Miss (circle) \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) Married ( ) Single  
 Age (circle) 0-21 22-40 41-60 61-up  
 Spouse's Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
 Best Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ (Circle) Work Home Cell  
 E-mail address: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Church Member? Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_ What church? \_\_\_\_\_  
 Where? \_\_\_\_\_  
 How did you learn of our church? \_\_\_\_\_  
 I am a guest of \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name & ages of children at home: \_\_\_\_\_

### THIS WEEK'S PRAYER ADDITIONS

Prayer was requested for Jesse & Bonnie Witham; Herman & Joyce Overton; Victor Green; Sherry Phillips; Baley Waller; Michael Foxx; Toni Myrick; Ms. Burton Johnson; Brandi Hughes; Jamie Brown; the Austin Moody family; Melba Peters.

### VICTORIOUS LIVING IN TROUBLED TIMES

This morning we begin a brand-new sermon series. The relevance and reasoning for this 12 week series from the Book of Daniel is, at least, threefold...

**First,** Daniel's God is our God too—and he is still on the throne. This may be the most important lesson of the book. God is in charge! Simple and clear. He is in charge of nations, families, and individuals. He is in charge of the past, the present, and the future. He is in charge of good times and bad days, of happiness and sorrow, of joy and heartache, of great victories and shocking defeats. He is in charge when a child is born and he is in charge when death knocks at your door. Studying this book ought to increase our confidence in the sovereignty of a God who makes no mistakes.

**Second,** Daniel's situation parallels our own. For most of his life, Daniel lived as part of a believing minority in a majority pagan culture. From the time he was a teenager until he died around the age of 90, he served under a series of pagan kings. He never had the luxury of living in a country surrounded by people who believed as he did. From his story we will draw many useful principles as we attempt to live for Christ in a world filled with people who do not share our faith.

**Third,** Daniel's prophecies may soon be fulfilled. This book is filled with dreams, visions, and prophecies about the end times. In the weeks to come we will discover an amazing correspondence between the words of Daniel and life in the 21st century.

### PRAYER REQUESTS

*We will be glad to join with you in praying for your specific needs. Please write your request here and place it in the offering plate or hand it to an usher.*

Please pray for:

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( ) Private Prayer Request      ( ) Public Prayer Request

( ) Add to Monthly Prayer Guide.

Requested by: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

### DECISIONS

- ( ) I'd like someone to contact me to pray over more confidential matters.
- ( ) I'd like to speak with someone about my relationship with God.
- ( ) I'd like to speak with someone about getting more involved with this church.

### LOOKING AHEAD

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

- Jan. 28 -- Grand Prix Workshop; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- Feb. 4 -- Grand Prix Workshop; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- 8 -- "Black Out" night in Awana
- 11 -- Grand Prix Workshop; 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- 25 -- Awana Grand Prix; 10:00 a.m.
- March 8 -- "Inside Out & Backwards" night in Awana
- 22 -- Awana Dismissed; Spring Break

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

- Jan. 27 -- Guys Night Out (Big Buck Classic)
- Feb. 11 -- "True Love Worships" Conference
- 19 -- Youth J.A.M.
- S.N.A.C.; after p.m. service
- 26 -- Girls Day Out (Arkansas Repertory Theatre)
- March 11 -- Youth Ministry Cook-Out/Auction Fundraiser
- 19 -- Youth J.A.M.; 6:00 p.m.
- Teen S.N.A.C.; after p.m. service
- 22 -- 2-4:5 Dismissed; Spring Break

#### OTHER MT. ZION ACTIVITIES

- Jan. 22 -- Cook-Out Fundraiser Volunteer Meeting; after a.m. service
- 29 -- Joyfest!!; 6:00 p.m.
- Feb. 5 -- Nursing Home Service; 2:00 p.m.
- 6 -- Ladies Auxiliary Meeting; 6:00 p.m.
- 12 -- Business Meeting; 6:00 p.m.
- 14 -- Men's Fellowship Breakfast; 7:00 a.m.
- 16 -- Prime Timers Game Night; 6:00 p.m.
- March 5 -- Nursing Home Service; 2:00 p.m.
- 6 -- Ladies Auxiliary Meeting; 6:00 p.m.

#### NURSERY WORKERS

##### This Week

SS Sara W.; Brandi H.  
MW (Infant) Sara W.; Leslie C.  
MW (Toddler) Jennifer R.; Pat H.  
EW Casey O.; Marietta B.

##### Next Week

SS Sara W.; PJ R.  
MW (Infant) Sara W.; Mikayla B.  
MW (Toddler) Chris A.; Jeanie T.  
EW Casey O.; Donna P.

#### CHILDREN'S CHAPEL WORKERS

##### January

Paulette Hathcock  
Teresa Gregory  
Mikayla Long

##### February

Dorothy Daniel  
Pat Hodges  
Alex Lindsey/Darby Waller

#### SPECIAL MUSIC

##### January 29

a.m. Lisa Gilmore  
p.m. Joyfest!!

##### February 5

a.m. PJ & Alex Reed  
a.m. Gail Kenney  
p.m. Kristie Buck

#### LAST WEEK'S RECORD

Sunday School—130; Morning Worship—172  
We had 147 children, teens, and adults here Wednesday night!  
Actual Year-to-Date Offerings: \$15,778.00  
Budgeted Year-to-Date Offerings: \$19,646.00



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