

Activity Highlights (Continued)

Women's Retreat April 17-19 – EARS WIDE OPEN!

The Women's Retreat is now just 2 weeks away and today, April 5th, is the deadline for registering. Our theme – "EARS WIDE OPEN" – is based on Isaiah 55:3. Get ready to be inspired as we explore how to listen, hear and respond to God's voice through special sessions led by Dawn Snellenberger, Donna Corbeil, Karen Tedone, and Jane Loftus; along with inspirational testimonies, worship, and fabulous fellowship. The retreat will be held at the Windsor Hills Inn in New Hampshire. Check-in will begin at 5 PM on Friday, with our program beginning at 8 PM. The retreat will conclude on Sunday, April 19, after our noon meal. The cost is \$120 per person and includes meals, lodging, and all the wonderful inspiration we will receive. Registration forms are available in the lobby. DON'T MISS OUT!

Looking Ahead

Apr 14	MCN Board Meeting
Apr 17	ENC A Cappella Choir
Apr 17-19	Women's Retreat at Windsor Hills Camp
Apr 26	Annual Meeting
May 2	Leadership Equipping Day, Nashua, NH
May 7-13	Bible Reading Marathon
June 10-11	NMI Convention
June 11-12	NE District Assembly

Financials

Tithes & Offerings	Received Last Week	Wkly Operations Budget	Received Yr to Date	YTD Budget	Over (under) YTD
	8,186	10,096	492,756	524,992	(32,236)
Missions	579	645	38,574	33,540	5,034

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Sunday, April 5—Saturday, April 11

Today	Sunrise Service	7:00 AM
	Sunday School	9:30 AM
	Morning Worship Service	10:45 AM
Monday	Young Adult Bible Study	7:00 PM
	(Contact Adam Marois 860-803-8044)	
Wednesday	MCN Teens	6:30 PM
Thursday	Moments for Moms	9:30 AM
	Women Connecting After 5 (Flynn's Grill, Glastonbury)	6:00 PM
Saturday	Saturation Prayer	7:00 PM

Announcements

Leadership Equipping Day with Reggie McNeal

Where: Community Chapel Church of the Nazarene, 5 St Laurent St, Nashua, NH
When: May 2, 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM
Lunch: Provided
Cost: \$15/person (Make Checks out to NED Church of the Nazarene and mail to District Office, 162 Old Colony Ave. Quincy, MA 02170)

If you are interested in attending, make your reservation and contact the office for carpooling opportunities.

Reggie McNeal:

Reggie has contributed to numerous denominational publications and church leadership journals, including Leadership and Net Results. His books include:

Revolution in Leadership (Abingdon Press, 1998),

A Work of Heart: Understanding How God Shapes Spiritual Leaders (Jossey-Bass, 2000),

The Present Future (Jossey-Bass, 2003),

Practicing Greatness (Jossey-Bass, 2006), and

Get A Life! (Broadman & Holman, 2007). His latest book,

Missional Renaissance: Changing the Scorecard for the Church (Jossey-Bass, 2009) details the three shifts that church leaders must make to engage the missional movement and offers suggestions for a different scorecard to reflect missional ministry.

Announcements

Nomination Responses Due Today

For those who received nominating letters for service or church offices, please return your responses by today.

NMI—Beyond 100

If you did not have an opportunity to participate in the Lebanese Luncheon last Sunday or contribute to the project, you still have an opportunity. We will not send in our project money until after Easter, so if you would like to earmark a contribution for anniversary missions project or Beirut Christian School please write that on the envelope or memo line of your check and place it in the offering plate this week. Thank you.

Thank you!

We would like to thank all of you for your support of us during Stephen's recent trip to Russia. The encouragement, prayers, and financial contributions all worked together to give him a wonderful trip with many opportunities to renew fellowship ties and form new ones. Donna truly appreciated the encouragement from friends here as she waited for him to return. God has truly blessed us with a wonderful church family. Thank you.

—Donna and Stephen Corbeil

Bible Reading Marathon—May 7-13

Beginning on the first Thursday in May, which is the Annual National Day of Prayer, hundreds of Christians will engage in reading the Bible – out loud – on the steps of the Connecticut State Capitol. It will take nearly 100 hours to read from Genesis to Revelation.

For more information about coordinating a team and other participation details, please go to <http://hartfordprayer.com/ministries/bible-reading-marathon/>.

Bereavement Support Group

Where: New England Center for Cognitive Therapy & Psychiatry
110 National Road, Glastonbury, CT
When: Thursdays, 12:00 PM—12:50 PM
Registration: (860) 430-5515

This group will be facilitated by Bonnie Lillis, LPC. Ms. Lillis has been facilitating the bereavement support groups for over six years within the hospice care system. There is no cost to attend this group. Additional information is posted on the bulletin board in the Foyer.

Rides Needed

Neale McLain is in need of a few chauffeurs to assist him. He needs some rides to doctor's offices, etc. If you would like to be on a list to assist as you are able, please call the church office so that we can compile a list from which he can make requests. Thanks!

Nursery and Toddler Room Assistance Needed

We still need a few volunteers to assist in the nursery or the toddler room. Volunteers serve on a rotating basis – or you can volunteer to be a back-up helper in the event of the illness of another volunteer. Please email or contact the church office to volunteer!

Activity Highlights

Discipleship Course, Segment 3

In this class, we will learn about the history of the Church of the Nazarene. We will discuss the core values of the Nazarene Church and the 16 Articles of Faith. We will also talk about the importance of belonging to a faith community, and local church membership here at MCN. This class is a prerequisite for membership here at MCN. This class will be taught on Sunday mornings at 9:30 AM and will meet in the CCS Library (3rd floor). It will be a 9-week class, beginning April 26 and ending on June 21. Pastor Light will be the teacher.

Women Connecting After Five

Women Connecting After Five is a non-denominational outreach ministry of stonecroft.org and is a time to invite other women to a place where they can hear the Gospel in a comfortable, non-threatening atmosphere. After an interesting activity and a delicious dinner, the speaker will tell her story of what her life was like before she learned about Jesus and how her life has been changed by Him. Invitations with specific information are on the welcome tables in the Foyer.

Pizza (and Salad) with the Pastors

If you consider yourself 'new' to MCN, we invite you to join us for 'Pizza (and salad) with the Pastors' next Sunday, April 12th in the Fellowship Hall. We would love to have you join us! This is an informal lunch gathering to give us the opportunity to get to know one another better. Kindly RSVP to the church office (860-646-8599/office@mcnaz.com) or make note in the Communication Pad if you are able to join us.

ENC A Cappella Choir

On Friday night, April 17, the **ENC A Cappella Choir** will be singing here at MCN. The choir will minister at Cornerstone during the afternoon and then at the church in the evening. We will need housing for the choir members on Friday night as well as breakfast the next day. This will be doubly hard for us, since many of our ladies will be leaving for their Retreat on Friday afternoon. There are 40 choir members, and we men are going to have to step up to the plate!!

This is an important opportunity for us as a community. We need our kids to connect with the kids in this choir. We want our kids to get a vision of what college life at a Christian College might be like. This is so much more than just a musical event, which is why we have agreed to host this group again. We are partners in ministry, and this is one way we show our support. Mark the date on the calendar and start to think about how many you can house. Call the church office (860-646-8599) to let us know the number of college kids you want to adopt for one evening!

Scholarships Sought for Women's Retreat Attendees

The ladies are very excited about attending the EARS WIDE OPEN retreat on April 17-19. There is a need for some scholarships to help make it possible for more women to attend. If you are able to provide some scholarship funds, please make your checks payable to "MCN", indicate on the check that it is for Women's Retreat Scholarships, and place your donation in the offering. Thank you for your consideration!