

## Looking Ahead

- Dec 16 MCN Board Dinner
- Dec 21 Christmas Caroling
- Dec 24 Candlelight Christmas Eve Service
- Dec 31 New Year's Eve Party
- Jan 10 Prayer Retreat at MCN
- Jan 18 Pizza with the Pastors
- Jan 25 Hymn Sing

Financials					
Tithes & Offerings	Received Last Week	Wkly Operations Budget	Received Yr to Date	YTD Budget	Over (under) YTD
	10,072	10,096	350,857	363,456	(12,599)
Missions	636	645	25,628	23,220	2,408

### Christmas Poinsettia Orders—Last Week to Order!

If you would like to purchase a Christmas poinsettia in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please complete the information below, tear off this section of the bulletin and place in the offering plate, or send an email to office@mcnaz.com. The cost is \$10. We'd appreciate having a few of them left for Christmas Eve service, however, you are welcome to take them home after service on December 21.

- In Honor of                       In Memory of

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

- In Honor of                       In Memory of

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Total Number of Plants \_\_\_\_\_ X \$10.00 = Total Amount: \_\_\_\_\_

With love from: \_\_\_\_\_



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## Sunday, December 14—Saturday, December 20

<b>Today</b>	Adult/Children's Sunday School & Prayer Morning Worship Service	9:30 AM 10:45 AM
<b>Monday</b>	Young Adult Bible Study (Contact Adam Marois 860-803-8044)	7:00 PM
<b>Tuesday</b>	MCN Church Board Dinner Men's Recovery Step Study Group	6:00 PM 7:00 PM
<b>Wednesday</b>	CCS's Christmas Concert	6:30 PM
<b>Friday</b>	Women's Recovery Step Study Group	3:30 PM
<b>Saturday</b>	Saturation Prayer	7:00 PM

## Announcements

### Service Opportunity

Alice Gurski, a resident at Chestnut Point Care Center, LLC nursing home in East Windsor, is in need of some assistance getting to a few doctor's appointments. If you would be willing to drive her to an appointment every once in a while, please contact the church office. She uses a wheel chair most of the time, so the car needs to be able to accommodate that.

### NO Sunday School

All Sunday school classes are cancelled for the week of December 28.

### Snow Removal Assistance Needed

We need volunteers to help with snow removal. If interested, please send an email to the office (office@mcnaz.com) with your cellphone number and hours of availability. We know that most folks will not be available much of the time, but if you are willing to be called in case of emergency, we'd appreciate your contact information. Eddie Alamo is coordinating this important service.

## Announcements (Continued)

### Pastors' Love Offering

As an expression of our appreciation for our Pastoral Staff, we ask that you join us in our annual love offering for Pastor Dan and Nancy and Pastor Garry and Tonia. If you would like to participate, please mark your check or envelope "Pastors' Love Offering." Checks should be made payable to Church of the Nazarene. Thank you. —Church Board

### Faith Promise Goal

The total promised, to this point, as a result of our Faith Promise weekend is \$40,100—over the next year. There is still time to submit your Faith Promise so that we can reach our goal of \$45,000 for missions this year.

### 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

### Moments for Moms

ALL ladies are invited to attend the "Moments for Moms" Bible Study resuming Thursday, January 8, 2015 from 9:30 - 11:00 A.M in the Fellowship Hall. We will be studying the Book of James using Beth Moore's study, James: Mercy Triumphs and holding our own "Table Talk." This study concludes by the end of April.

James, believed to be the half brother of Jesus, teaches practical action in the life of faith as we pursue holiness. Don't miss this opportunity of insight and wisdom for a GENUINE walk with Christ. Contact Sandy Snellenberger at 860-432-0241 or dalesnel@att.net, or see her at church. Childcare is provided from birth up to age 6.

### Christmas Ensemble

Tonia Light has been diligently working to organize an ensemble to sing on Christmas Sunday, December 21. The last practice will be held following the morning worship service TODAY.

### Christmas Caroling

We will be caroling on December 21 at two different times this year. At 2:30 PM we will meet at the church and travel to area convalescent homes to sing carols to the elderly in our community before evening sets in. Later that evening at 5:00, we will head out into the church neighborhood.

## Activity Highlights (Continued)

### Christmas Eve Candlelight Service—6:30 PM

We invite you to bring a friend to the Christmas Eve service. This service begins early to accommodate families with young children . . . and we are hoping that you will bring them along. There will be special music, candles and cookies afterward. If you can bring along a plate of your favorite Christmas cookie, we will be much obliged!

### New Year's Eve Game Night

On December 31, we will have a New Year's Eve party at the church starting at 7:00 PM. Our plan will be to have a brief prayer service, followed by a time of hors d'oeuvres and little snacks. We'll plan about an hour of games for kids after that, while adults can enjoy fellowship and games. We are not planning games or entertainment for the adults; that part is informal based on your interests. Folks may want to stay various lengths of times, based on the age of their children, but all are welcome to come and join the fun. Reservations are not necessary, but if you would like to help with the kids' games, call Tonia Light at the church office-860-646-8599. We hope you will join us!

### Prayer Retreat

On Saturday morning, January 10, we will hold a prayer retreat at MCN for any who are interested. This time will focus on quiet reflection, meditation, the study of scripture and prayer. We start at 9:00 AM and break for lunch. We will continue after lunch until about 2:00 PM, however, if you can only stay for the morning, the time will still be beneficial. Please sign up for the retreat in the church lobby. Cost for lunch will be \$5.00 or you can bring your own brown bag lunch and avoid the fee.



Please see back page for Poinsettia Order Form