

Special Stewardship and Debt Reduction Emphasis

This is the day!

We hope that if you haven't submitted a pledge card yet, you will do so today!

Our desire is to erase our indebtedness over the next two years in order to make more resources available for ministry.

Candidly, we have had a large number of our older members retire and move away in recent years, and, as is usually the case, these are the folks who have been committed to and supporting the ministry here for several decades. Without their tithes, our revenue has fallen, and we are finding it difficult to both fund the staff and ministries we have, as well as manage the large monthly mortgage payments.

Your help is crucial to the mission! Our current monthly budget calls for an income of \$9,000 a week, and you can track how we are doing weekly in the bulletin. That \$9,000 includes the regular amount we are paying on our mortgage, but does not include the extra we have been pledging to retire the debt.

If we can pay off our debt in two years, we will have available resources to expand our present ministry into our community as God calls us, and we will be able to care for the needs of our staff and facility.

You may have been thinking, paying off the mortgage is a nice goal, but it isn't a necessity. Well, actually, it is. The only other option we may have is to refinance our debt and stretch out the payments. This would be a huge step backwards, in that it would be expensive to refinance, and we would be saddled with additional debt for a longer period of time.

We hope you will join us on this mission. The programs that MCN offers to the community, from Cornerstone Christian School to Celebrate Recovery, from Children's Musicals to Youth Group, from Sunday School to Senior lunches, all are vital to our mission here in Manchester. We need your support and we trust that as you help us deliver this ministry to our neighborhood, we will see God move in mighty ways.

Debt Reduction Goal: \$300,000

Received Last Week	\$4,415
Total Received	\$12,346
Interest Saved	\$3,347



MANCHESTER CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

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Welcome to Manchester Church of the Nazarene! We are delighted to have you with us today, as we seek to worship God, pray for one another and our world, and listen intently to whatever the Holy Spirit might say to us. Relax! Consider yourself among friends!

Sunday, May 27, 2018

Welcome Song and Welcome

Praise and Worship

Prayer, Response

Announcements

Worship Through Giving

(Children in Grades K-4 are dismissed to Children's Church.)

Investigating God's Word

Response and Blessing

This Week

Today

Sunday School	9:30 AM
Coffee & Conversation	10:30 AM
Morning Worship	10:45 AM

Wednesday

MCN Student Ministries	6:30 PM
Wednesday Night Prayer	7:00 PM*

*last meeting until the fall

Thursday

Celebrate Recovery	6:30 PM
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(Please see **Weekly Meetings** for specific information.)

Looking Ahead

June 2	Men's Prayer Breakfast
June 3	Community Prayer @ New River
June 6	Wednesdays with the Wise
June 10	Church Picnic
June 12	MCN Board Mtg.
June 15	Cornerstone Graduation
June 26	CCS Board Mtg.
July 8	Church Picnic

Weekly Meetings

Wednesday Night Prayer

In place of a traditional Bible study, we have given Wednesday nights to prayer this spring. Join us in the Fellowship Hall for prayer at 7:00 PM for our last meeting until the fall.

Celebrate Recovery Thursday Night!

Stop struggling alone! Come find a safe place. Experience the healing love of Jesus! Lower Level, McLain Building (Sterling Place entrance).

6:30 PM	Food and Fellowship
7:00 PM	Teaching Meeting—Victory!
7:45 PM	Coffee & Snacks
8:00 PM	Open Share Groups

Women's Habits & Addictions
Women's Hurts & Hang-ups
Men's Purity
Men's Hurts, Habits & Hang-ups

More information in the lobby.

Guest Wi-Fi



We offer free Wi-Fi, by request, to all members and guests.

Please contact Aaron in the church office, or speak to Pastor Dan, or Pastor Garry for more information.

Weekly Giving

	Tithes & Offerings	Missions
Last Week	\$7,228	\$286
Needed Weekly	\$9,000	\$525
Received YTD	\$65,055	\$3,415
Needed YTD	\$72,000	\$4,200
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SAVE THE DATES!

Family Camp
June 30—July 8

Teen Camp
July 15-21

Kids Camp
August 5-11

whcamp.org

Announcements

Community Block Party 2018—Brainstorming Meeting TODAY

Please join Tonia Light today, after service, for a brief brainstorming meeting as plans get underway for our 5th Annual Community Block Party (Which will take place on July 28th.) This has become an important way for us to reach out into the community as we strive to share the love and joy of Christ with our neighbors!

Summer Session Starts Next Sunday—June 3 through August 26

The following changes go into effect starting next Sunday:

1. Sunday School (kids and teens) is suspended during the summer. It will resume on September 2.
2. Children's Church for grades K- 4 is suspended. Those children will stay in the regular service. Children's sermons will run through the summer months. Bring crayons.
3. Nursery care will be provided for the morning worship service, along with toddler care.
4. Financial Peace University will be offered on Wednesday nights. Our regular prayer meeting will not meet after this week, but will resume in the fall.

Membership Sunday—June 3rd

We will be taking in new members on June 3 in the morning service. If you are interested in joining the church, please contact a member of the pastoral staff.

Wednesdays with the Wise—June 6th

Our next Wednesday Luncheon will be Wednesday, June 6th at 11:00am in the Fellowship Hall. We hope that you will be able to join us for this special time of food and fellowship!! Feel free to bring a friend and a side dish to share if you are able. For further information or questions, contact the church at 860-646-8599

Financial Peace University is coming to MCN

Financial Peace University (FPU) is a nine-lesson money-management class taught, via video sessions, by Dave Ramsey. Dave and his teaching team will walk you through the basics of budgeting, dumping debt, planning for the future, and much more. The cost of the class is \$109 per family unit and includes the 9 week course, workbook, reading book, online access to FPU resources for one year, extra copies of the lessons, and access to a free budgeting system. The class schedule will go as follows from 6:30pm—8:00pm each evening listed.

- **June 20, 27**
- **July 11, 18, 25**
- **August 1, 8, 15, 22**

The deadline to register and pay is Sunday, June 10. For further information or to register for the class, please contact the church office at 860-646-8599 / office@mcnaz.com or make note in the black communication pads.