

Meade Church of the Nazarene Monthly News Brief October 2009

510 S. Fowler <> P. O. Box 610 <> Meade, KS 67864

www.meadenazarene.org



Vol. 1, No. 10, Oct 2009



From the Pastor's Desk

C.S. Lewis once said: *"Every Christian would agree that a man's spiritual health is exactly proportional to his love for God."*

Last month we were blessed through the ministry of Rev. Jimmy Dell as he became God's messenger to us through music and the preaching of the Word. All who availed themselves of God's special presence during the revival were certainly drawn closer to the Lord. But we must remember that our spiritual health is far more than a momentary spiritual lift as the result of a revival meeting. Our on-going spiritual health is based upon our love for God. The more we love Him and the more we hunger and thirst for His righteousness, the better will be our spiritual health. The lasting benefits of revival time depends upon each individual – the more deeply we love God and the more earnestly we seek Him, the greater will be our relationship with Him.

October will start off with a special service of Holy Communion. October 4th is known as "World Communion Sunday" – the day that Christians all around the world celebrate the Lord's Supper. I believe that this special time of worship is very important for all Christians. Make sure that you are here – and come expecting to experience the presence of the Living Christ in a wonderful way.

October will end with a family event – our annual **"Family Harvest Night"** on Friday, October 30th. This evening is always fun-packed. There are games for the kids and food for everyone. As a safe alternative for being out going door to door on Halloween, this is a great time for the kids. We encourage them to wear their Halloween costumes. Watch for more details.

Everyone's schedules are filled these days. Let me encourage you to make a deliberate effort to keep Christ the top priority in your lives and on your calendar. All of us find the time to do those things that we believe are the most important to us. If we are too busy to follow the command of God to keep the Sabbath Day holy, and if we are too busy to take time to be in God's house for worship, fellowship, and instruction in the Holy Scriptures, they we are probably too busy. Say "no" to lesser things and "yes" to the Lord. Your choice matters. **Pastor Ron**



NMI NEWS –

FAITH PROMISE REPORT

We enjoyed a wonderful faith promise celebration with our missionary Kathy Matson. At the end of the day we had surpassed our goal of \$17,500.00 by \$775.00! Total "faith promises" were \$18,275.00. If you were unable to submit your "faith promise card" you may still do so. The funds given through faith promise are a lifeline for our mission work in the 155 countries where we preach the gospel. Missionary salaries, health care, travel expenses and the operational budgets that keep our missions operating all come from our faithful mission giving. (The taco dinner at noon was very, very good! Thank you NMI Council.)

September is usually our "Alabaster Offering" month. However with our revival and faith promise celebration, we were unable to schedule our Alabaster Offering in September. We will be receiving our special "Alabaster Offering" on Sunday, October 11. Keep in mind that 100% of these funds go for the purchase of land to build on, and for the construction of churches, pastor's homes, missionary homes, clinics, schools, Bible schools, training centers and more.



Thanks to the youth group for

providing a great Sunday great Sunday dinner on September 13th in honor of all our grandparents. Thanks teens! The food was awesome – and the service was the best!

Quiz Kids! Congratulations on a great quiz meet in Cimarron! Remember Quiz Kids meets each Wednesday afternoon 4:00 – 5:15 p.m. in the Children's Department. See you there!

"Nobody makes a greater mistake than he who does nothing because he could only do a little."

-Edmund Burke

WORSHIP CHOIR

"Every voice is one more voice to praise the Lord. Let your voice be heard!" Would you like to be part of the worship choir? Join us for practice each Sunday at 4:45 p.m. We have started working on Thanksgiving music and Christmas music. You are welcome to join in this special ministry.

-Sara Willard



SUNDAY SCHOOL
Make the Connection

Exciting things are happening in S.S. and church. New families are coming and the nursery is starting to fill up. This is wonderful! We could use a nursery worker during the

S.S. hour. If you could help in the nursery during Sunday School let me know. This is a wonderful problem to have – actually, not a problem – just a need.

I have been thinking about what Rev. Jimmy Dell said during the revival: "Church you need to come alive." And I feel that this is starting to happen. So church, keep on keeping on. Pray, call, work. Exciting things are going to happen.

Finally, remember "Family Harvest Night" is set for Friday, October 30. We'll have more details on that soon.

-Barb Webb, S.S. Superintendent



On Sunday, October 4, we will be celebrating the Lord's Supper in our morning worship service. Be sure to come expecting a

special blessing from the Lord.

Church Membership Classes

October 11, 18 & 25 – 9:45 a.m.

If you are interested in church membership – or would simply like to learn more about our church – come to Pastor's membership class which will meet in the overflow room at the back of the sanctuary. This class will meet during the Sunday School hour.

Special thanks to the church family for remembering my birthday - and for all the special cards, gifts, and words of encouragement. Some of those cards were absolutely hilarious! Thanks!

Ron

- Pastor

Sunday Night Live!

Sunday, October 18 – Fellowship Hall Hosted by Mary Ryckman's "Sonshine Class" – don't miss this great time of worship, food, fun and fellowship starting at 6:00 p.m.

ATTENTION ALL LADIES:

by Barbara Webb

Wouldn't it be fun to have a purse exchange? Now I know all of you have extra purses and they are in your closet. You don't know why you bought it but you are like me – you needed it to go with one of your outfits or else it was large and you could put a lot of things in it; or it was small because that's what you needed at the moment. Well in October we are going to get together and have a purse exchange. We'll announce the time later. So start gathering (as my grandma called them) pocketbooks. We'll have it some time during October.

Family Harvest Night will be on Friday, October 30th. Please watch the Sunday Worship Folders for details. If you want to help in this special evening, see Allyson Lumry or Barbara Webb.



From the Record Book: August 2009

Average Sunday School attendance	41
Average Morning Worship attendance	71
Average Evening Service attendance	37
Total Offerings – church	\$11,589.55
Total Offerings – missions	\$ 1,611.91

From the Record Book: September 2009

Average Sunday School attendance	50
Average Morning Worship attendance	86
Average Evening Service attendance	53
Total Offerings – church	\$12,464.73
Total Offerings – missions	\$ 1,486.50

Remember our Alabaster Offering, Sunday, October 11. This money goes to construct churches, clinics, Bible Schools and more.

