

Year-end Giving Information

1. If you are mailing your gift, it must be postmarked by December 31, 2012, and the check dated in 2012. Special year-end giving will go toward helping other Missionary Churches in northern Indiana and southern Michigan through the District Office.
2. If you are giving cash or check in the offering, we can receive it in the offering on December 30, 2012. The check must be dated in 2012 to receive 2012 credit. Please be sure to clearly mark your giving envelope with the year so your gift is properly credited.
3. You get the biggest tax break by giving to the Bethel College Scholarship Fund. A \$200 gift gets you \$100 directly off your Indiana State tax or a \$400 gift gets you \$200 off. Get details in the literature rack. Make your check **payable to Bethel College** and put in FMC's offering today, **December 16, 2012.**
4. As a walk of faith, many families pray to give more each year than they did the previous year. If you want to know your giving for last year, or any year, give a note to Michelle, Fairview's Financial Secretary. Of course, we only keep records of giving for those who have giving numbers. To get a giving number, please drop a note in the offering or ask at the Connection Center.
5. There is a special brochure in the literature rack entitled "Special Gifts and Memorials". It has many suggestions in it from a few hundred dollars to \$10,000,000 for your prayerful consideration. There are other missions organizations and local ministries we support that can use help too. Information about Project Help, and their gift catalog, is in the literature rack. Feel free to contact Pastor Norm as well.
6. At the start of a new year many people start new habits for spiritual growth. If you are being led to consider new habits in giving you may want to consider E-giving where your giving can be electronically transferred to the church from your checking, savings, or credit card at an amount and time interval you approve. Get information from the literature rack across from the mailboxes.
7. If you are considering non cash giving, such as stock, bonds, real property, the church office should be made aware of your intentions ASAP to make sure all the proper paperwork is finished before the end of the year.
8. At this time of the year many people make decisions to move their God-given financial resources more directly into Kingdom-impact work. The Missionary Church has two organizations to help you do this.

The Missionary Church Investment Foundation is our denominational foundation with offices in Fort Wayne, Indiana. Contact 260-747-2027 or mcif@mcusa.

Also, United Missionary Loans and Investments, our district loan and investment organization with offices in Elkhart, Indiana. Contact them at 574-293-1332 or sara@mcncd.org. Both organizations are chartered under the federal government and have been in existence since the 1950's. They use our investments to loan funds only to Missionary Churches and related Missionary Church organizations that need funds to expand their ministry facilities.

Thank you for your very generous giving.



Merry Christmas

Fairview Missionary Church
December 23, 2012

A special welcome to our first time guests.

We invite you to go to the Guest Reception Center in the foyer to receive a special gift. Pastor Norm welcomes your response to your experience at FMC today.

Contact him by phone: 665-8402,
e-mail: norm@fairview-missionary.org
or slow mail: 525 E 200 N,
Angola, IN 46703.

This Week at a Glance...

Today, December 23

- 9 & 10:30 am **Worship Services**
9 & 10:30 am **Adult Small Churches** - A list of Adult Small Churches and their Locations is available at the Connection Center.
9 & 10:30 am **Children's Sunday School**
9:00 am **Teen Sunday School**
7:00 pm **The Hill Ministry** - Jake Shippe speaking on "The Meaning of Christmas". Bridge Park on Harcourt Road, behind Buffalo Wild Wings. Child care provided.

Monday through Friday, Dec. 24-28, Daycare Closed

Monday, December 24

6:00 pm **Christmas Eve Service**

Tuesday, December 25

Merry Christmas!

Wednesday, December 26

8 am - 8 pm **Strip and wax gym floor,**
volunteers welcome!

No Wednesday evening activities this week. Next week, January 2, The Hill will be meeting as usual, 6:45 pm - all other Wednesday evening activities will not be happening until January 9.

Thursday, December 27

8 am - 8 pm **Strip and wax gym floor,**
volunteers welcome!

Friday, December 28

6 - 8:00 am **Men's Bible Study, Fireside room**
8 am - 8 pm **Strip and wax gym floor,**
volunteers welcome!

Children

Children's Ministries -

Nursery through 5th grade

Sundays 9:00 and 10:30 am



Where do my kids go on
Sundays and Wednesdays?

Nursery & Toddler - Hallway to the gym, across
from the mailboxes

Preschool - Children's Ministry hallway

K-3rd grade - Kids worship room

4th & 5th grade - Room 120
(upper level of children's hallway)

Jessica Bonner, Director
419-889-7900



6th - 8th
Grades



Sunday School 9:00 am

In teen rooms above the gym.

Wednesdays 6:45-8:00 pm

In teen rooms above the sanctuary.

Mark Compton, Leader

THE EDGE 9th - 12th Grades

Sunday School 9:00 am

Wednesdays 6:45-8:00 pm * Game room opens 6 pm

In teen rooms above the sanctuary.

Joel and Carolyn Greenwood
260-668-6734

**Events below are for both Fusion
and The Edge!**

No Youth Group On...

- December 26th due to Christmas
- January 2nd due to New Year's



The baby is due
January 1st..
We can't wait to
share her with you!

Check web site for updates: www.fairview-missionary.org

Find us on Facebook

Sermon Notes

by Pastor Norm Fuller • December 23, 2012

The Purpose of Christmas

1. Christmas is a celebration

Why do we celebrate?

God loves us

God is with us

God is for us

2. Christmas is salvation

What is salvation?

Saved from sin

Saved for a purpose

Saved by God's grace

3. Christmas is reconciliation

What kind of peace does Jesus give?

Peace with God

Peace of God

Peace with each other

Some of the Scriptures used to form this message:

Luke 2:8-11

John 3:16-17

Hebrews 13:5

Matthew 1:21

Romans 7:24-25 (MSG)

2 Timothy 1:9

Ephesians 2:8-9

Luke 2:13-14

Romans 5:1

Philippians 4:6-7

Matthew 5:9

Acts 10:35 (MSG)

In the Family...

Our sympathy to Terry and Jan Shipe on the passing of Terry's dad, Cleo Shipe on December 13th.

"College Fund" Update

Students from FMC have the opportunity to shape the future of tomorrow because of your generous giving to the College Scholarship Fund. This fund gives you the opportunity to invest in our future by educating men and women who will use their God-given talents and abilities to make their mark in the Kingdom.

College Transition Seminar

**Saturday, January 26, 8:30 am - 12:30 pm
at Nappanee Missionary Church**

A seminar to help parents and students navigate the emotional and spiritual transition from high school to college/career.

Speaker: Derek Melleby from the Center for Parent and Youth Understanding

Cost: \$15 for the individual and \$30 for the family.

Register online at www.nmconline.net/#/ministries/students.

If you plan to attend or have questions, please contact Jake Shipe at 665-8402 or jake@fairview-missionary.org.

We will take a church van or you can drive on your own to Nappanee Missionary Church, 70417 Indiana 19, Nappanee, IN 46550.

2013 FMC Phone Directory

On December 28, 2012 we are printing the 2013 FMC Phone Directory. There is a copy of the proposed one, as the office has it, at the connection center. Please look it over and make sure we have your information right or give us your new information on the friendship pad as you sign up each week. Thank you!

If you are a regular attender of FMC and need help with Christmas, contact Pastor Norm. We want to help.



Begins Monday, January 7th
Classes will be held for 9 weeks

Mondays at 6:30 p.m.

Fireside room. Cost: \$90 per family.

Scholarships and payment plans available.

First class will dismiss before the Notre Dame - Alabama game starts!

A Note from Pastor Norm

The State ATC Board overruled the Local Board and granted the alcohol permit transfer to the strip club. Information about the next step in the process is on the bulletin table - help yourself. If you got the certified letter, did not get it, signed the petition only or have not been visibly involved up to now - the information tells you how you can get involved now. We need you now! Thank you for your prayers!

You may not see or hear anything about the Alcohol Permit for several weeks. I assure you I am just quietly getting my "angels in a row." I ask you to pray to the God of the "Angel Armies" to go before us. I do sense He is with us on this.

Norm

Still have Christmas shopping to do?

FMC does its small part to help fight world poverty. One way we do this is through the *Leap Of Faith* store in the Brick House Designs store, 107 E. Toledo St., Fremont, next to Edward Jones' office. The *Leap of Faith* store has a wide variety of World Fair Trade items - it's like a small Ten Thousand Villages store. Winter hours are: Tuesday - Saturday, 9 am - 5:30 pm.



Future Events to Put on Your Calendar



Tomorrow, Monday, 6 pm

Christmas Eve Service

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Monday, Jan. 7, 8:30 pm - Notre Dame plays for National Championship - invite a friend to watch!

Friday, Jan. 11 - Focus on the Family Event. 7 pm - Speaker

Sunday, Jan. 13 - Child Dedication

Sunday, Jan. 20, 6 pm - Annual Business Meeting

Sunday, Jan. 27 - Baptism

Sunday, Feb. 3 - Super Bowl - invite friends over for the kick-off at 6:30 p.m.

Saturday, March 2 - Men's Wild Game Dinner at FMC



Men's Basketball
Thursdays, beginning January 7
7:00 pm

For all men post-high school.
?s, call Dave Huffman, 665-5628.
&

Women's Basketball
Tuesdays, beginning January 8
6:30 - 8:00 pm

High school and up
?s, Call Kim Frye, 260-409-4111

Donate from your smart phone!

Fairview Missionary Church offers a mobile version of our online giving page to make it easy for you to give anytime from your smart phone. Simply scan the image you see here using your phone's Quick Response (QR) code reader!



New van/utility truck project update!

Because of the extreme generosity of a special year end gift, the rest of the van cost has been underwritten. The van is tentatively ordered! Thank you for your generosity.

Opportunities to *Step* into Ministry!

1. **Donut/Coffee Ministry.** Take any part you want.
 - A. **Set out donuts and juice and make coffee** Sunday mornings by 7:30 am. Takes about 40 minutes for one person.
 - B. **Clean up donut areas after Sunday morning services.** Put juice away. Give away leftover donuts. Turn off coffee pots, etc. Contact Pastor Norm, 665-8402.
 - C. **Step into Monday morning ministry** by cleaning up the food and drink fellowship areas of the church. Our Sunday fellowship time can create a mess of donut dust and coffee residue in many areas of the church. It can take up to two hours to clean off tables and counter tops, wash coffee pots and set up the areas for the next fellowship time. Come for the whole morning or any amount of time you are available. Contact Mark, 665-8402.
2. **Project Help Flower Gardens** - can be done this week. These gardens are eco-sensitive and absorb all the water from the roof. We designed them to be blooming from May through October. This is a twice a month, 2 hour ministry each time. Contact Pastor Norm, 665-8402.
3. **Ushering** - Male and female, both services, need to arrive early. Must be friendly and willing to gently take charge of people. We will show you what to do. Contact Pastor Norm, 665-8402.
4. **Pick up the friendship pads** and organize the back of the pews each week. Takes about one hour. The friendship pads need done by 10:00 am Monday. The rest can be done any time during the week. Contact the office, 665-8402.
5. **In-Service Prayer Team** - We are putting together a team that will pray during 1st and 2nd service. If you are interested in being a part of this, please contact Joel, 665-8402 or joel@fairview-missionary.org, or meet in the upper room on Sunday morning.
6. **LAFF Leadership** - Needed soon! We are looking for a couple of friends or a couple to coordinate the LAFF group for the year of 2013, to keep the group on schedule and plan something fun for each month, March - December. Interested? Contact Sandee Sager, 665-8402.
8. **December 26, 27, 28**, 8:00 am - 8:00 pm each day. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday - Strip and re wax gym floor. This is an annual event. Contact Mark, 665-8402. Big work and detailed work for this job. We'll do the big kitchen too if there is enough help provided.
9. **January 7, 9:00 am until done**, Monday - Tear down Christmas decorations. We are leaving them up 1 week longer than usual because they are so beautiful!



Men Of Iron University

Each Wednesday, 6:45 pm, room S103 & 104

Dec. 26 & Jan. 2 - no classes, enjoy time with your family
Jan. 9 & 16 - Israel follow-up and prayer

Jan. 23 thru Feb. 27 - 33 Series Volume 2 "A Man and His Story"
March 6 thru 20 - Enjoying the outdoors and growing your faith
March 26 & April 1 - Spring Break, no classes

Come & Join Us!

Wingshadow Men's Prayer Breakfast

Sunday, January 6, 2013

7:30 - 8:45 am in the Fireside room

Great time of fellowship, food, and prayer
Mark Church will share about his Wingshadow experience
Egg casserole, biscuits/gravy and some healthy items too!
Please sign up at the connection center.



Focus on the Family Community Event at Fairview Missionary Church

Friday, January 11, 2013, 7 - 8:15 pm

- ♦ Special Music, Speaker and Refreshments
- ♦ Speaker: Tim Goeglein, VP for External Relations at Focus on the Family
- ♦ "Thriving Families in the 21st Century: How Nourishing & Defending Them Go Together"
- ♦ Free Event - Invite your friends and neighbors!
- ♦ Sponsored by Men Of Iron and Women of Worth Ministries