



Missionary Messenger

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Six Year Anniversary

This month marks the 6th anniversary of you calling me to be your pastor here at NMMC. I thought that it would be interesting to republish my first newsletter article that I wrote nearly six years ago.

It is such a joy to be back in Indiana. I first moved to Indiana in the fall of 1982 to attend Fort Wayne Bible College. It was there that I met my wife, Joanne and all three of our kids - Danielle, Judah and Jeshua were born.

I have served at many churches in the area as either interim pastor or associate pastor. I received my Master's Degree from Huntington University in 2008 and I have a few credits toward my doctorate from Indiana Wesleyan.

I am currently staying with the Gnagy's here in Manchester and hope to rent a home soon and move all of my belongings here. My wife is still in Lawton, Michigan where I was serving as an interim pastor for three months. She will be joining me on Sundays as she wraps up her commitments there in Michigan.

I am working on setting up my office and would love to meet with anyone in the church. If you would like me to come and visit you in your home please let me know and I will get it scheduled.

I will be starting a new series this Sunday, on the book of Hebrews. The first week's lesson will be chapter 1:1-3.

Again, it is such a joy to be your new shepherd and I look forward to meeting all of you.

In Christ, Pastor Ken

It has been a joy to be your pastor for the last six years. Thank you so much for the prayers and support during this time.

HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY

2023 MCS Teacher Staff
Appreciation Breakfast
Hosted by NMMC and
1st Brethren at the
elementary school
(We fed 171 people!)



End of Year
Bible Study Party



**Memory Verse of
the Month!**

2 Corinthians 7:10

Godly sorrow brings repentance that leads to salvation without regret, but worldly sorrow brings death. (BSB)

Who Are We?

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CONNECTION NOTES:

What would you do for a _____?

So did you fill in the boxes? Did you sing the jingle? Do you remember the advertising promotions that went along with this jingle?

"What would you do for a Klondike Bar" was a 1980's advertising question that aired on TV. It showed just how much people would do for a chocolate covered ice cream bar. Some clucked like a chicken, others sang/acted out "I'm a Little Teapot" and one man listened to his wife for 5 full seconds as she described some redecorating she wanted to do. All for a Klondike bar!

Recently I have been thinking of how I want to see renewal and revival happen within my life, in family and friends and in the world around me. I began to ask myself what would it take to see this happen? In other words, what would I do for a "Klondike Bar"? Or maybe the question should really be "What have I done for a "Klondike" bar?

How well do I love others? How much of my faith am I willing to live in front of others? What am I willing to do so that others see genuine faith in action and so that they feel Christ's love?

The good news is that God is willing to take us where we are and help us to grow and mature in our faith and our walk. If we listen to Him and follow His example, we will draw closer to God and those we care about will come face to face with Jesus. Isn't that the "Klondike Bar" in this example?

So what would you do? How about drawing close to our Almighty, Loving Father and see what He will do in you and through you?

Let's decide together to make disciples!

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CONNECTION ACTIVITIES:

Gather @ the Fire

June 11, Sunday, 5:30p

Bring a chair, snack to share (optional), and a desire to build relationships with your faith brother and sister. Let's try to include someone new to our fire ring. Invite a friend. There will be activities for kids. Fire, friends, and food will be provided!

Dogs with Dad's

June 18, Sunday, 9:00 - 9:45a

Men, we are making breakfast for you in honor of Father's Day (whether a Dad or not!) Breakfast is for everyone. We will have "griller dogs" for your enjoyment. Ladies, please see the sign up list for menu and items needed. Also Ladies, let me know if you can give a hand preparing breakfast.

PRAYER

FOCUS



FIRST FRIDAY PRAYER AND FASTING

The Missionary Church encourages individuals to set aside the First Friday of the month as a day of fasting and prayer for the awakening of the church and the advancement of the Kingdom. Whether you fast one meal or the entire day is between you and the Lord. A prayer guide can be found on the information table or at mcusa.org/first-friday-fast.

Prayer meeting continues to meet the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 6:30 pm. We would love to see more join us as we pray for those in need of prayer in and around our community.

*Please remember Dave Cordill one of our local fire fighters in prayer.

*Bri (the young girl struggling with Lyme disease) started new medicine which has caused some new side affects. Please keep her and her family in prayer as she continues to fight this Lyme disease.

*Continue to keep Marilyn McDonald's family in prayer with the passing of her mother.

*As school has come to an end for the school year some students only safe place was the school so please pray for their safety over the summer.