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**WELCOME TO MT. ZION!** If this is your first time with us, please stop by the Welcome Center for a gift. We're so glad you're here today!

- **INTERESTED IN BEING BAPTIZED?** Pastor Vance would love to talk with you about this next step in your journey with Jesus. Email [pastorvance@mountzionchurch.org](mailto:pastorvance@mountzionchurch.org) or contact the Church Office.
- **NEED PRAYER?** Prayer Team members are available to pray with you under the front screens following the service or submit a request at [mountzionchurch.org/prayerrequests](http://mountzionchurch.org/prayerrequests)
- **DOWNLOAD OUR CHURCH APP!** Search Mt. Zion Xenia in the Google Play Store or the Apple App Store.

Printed copies of a **ONE-YEAR BIBLE READING PLAN** are available in the Foyer and in our church app. The plan includes 25 daily readings each month, with built-in catch-up days. In the app, open **Bible** at the bottom of the screen, then tap **Plan** (next to the calendar icon) to view or listen to the daily reading.

Our **21-DAY PRAYER CHALLENGE** begins today as we pray daily for one person in our lives who doesn't know Jesus. Use the prayer card you received today or find the daily prayers in our app.

#### CHURCH VOTE RESULTS

Thank you to the MTZ members who voted in December despite the challenges of weather and illness. Through the voice of our congregation, Daryl Smith and Lee Monroe were affirmed as Elders, Phil Blosser and Andy Betts as Deacons, and Cathy Scholz as Deaconess. We are grateful for the faithful leadership of our Elder and Deacon boards. These leaders will be introduced and installed during the January 25 worship service. The congregation also unanimously approved the \$970,000 budget for 2026. If you are interested in becoming a member and participating in future votes, please contact Pastor Vance.

## SPECIAL EVENTS

### MTZ YOUNG ADULTS | Today, following worship at Poelking Woodman Lanes (3200 Woodman Dr. 45420)

College students and 20-somethings are invited to join us for a fun afternoon of pizza and bowling.

### LADIES' GAME NIGHT | Friday, January 23, 6:30PM at 76 S. Fairfield Road, 45440

Game on! Invite a friend, bring a snack to share.

### EVERY LIFE SINGS WORSHIP NIGHT | Friday, January 30, 6PM-8PM at Victory Church

Join Hope Rising Pregnancy Center for this free event that features Christ-centered worship with guest artist Phil Stacey, powerful testimonies of God's work through Hope Rising, and a unified time of prayer for families, pastors, and churches as we stand for life together. **Victory Church is located at 2443 Valle Greene Dr. Fairborn, 45324**

### PARENTS' NIGHT OUT: VALENTINE'S DAY EDITION | Friday, February 13, 5PM-9PM at Mt. Zion

Love is in the air, and so is the chance for a kid-free evening. Drop your kids off anytime between 5PM-9PM for dinner, games, movies, and fun at church, giving you a well-deserved night to yourself. Go out, stay in, or enjoy dessert without sharing, we won't judge. This event is free. Sign up in the Foyer.

### WINTER JAM 2026 | Saturday, February 21 at Heritage Bank Center in Cincinnati

Middle school and high school students are invited to Winter Jam, Christian music's biggest tour, featuring performances by Chris Tomlin, Matthew West, Katy Nichole, Hulvey, Disciple, Emerson Day, NewSong, and speaker Zane Black. We will leave Mt. Zion at 1PM. The cost is \$15 for a ticket, and students will need to bring extra money for food. Sign up in the Foyer or see Pastor Shawn for more details.

## WEEKLY/MONTHLY GROUPS

- **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:** 1 Timothy study (9AM)
- **MEN'S ALLIANCE:** Learn more at [mensalliancetribe.com/tribes/shepherd](http://mensalliancetribe.com/tribes/shepherd) (Mondays, 6:30PM, Parking Lot)
- **MIDWEEK AT MTZ | Wednesdays, doors open at 6PM**
  - **RENU Youth:** weekly gathering for middle & high school students (6PM-8PM)
  - **GriefShare:** Support for those grieving a loss. Register at [griefshare.org/groups/285584](http://griefshare.org/groups/285584) (6:30PM-8PM)
  - **Awana Clubs:** helps kids grow in faith, friendships, and Bible knowledge. (6:30PM-8PM)
- **WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: BOOK OF ACTS | Thursdays, 10AM**
- **CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP | Thursday, January 22, 2PM-4PM**  
A supportive space for those caring for a loved one, using *The Heart of the Caregiver* study.
- **CARD MAKING GROUP | Monday, February 2, 10:00AM at 76 S. Fairfield Road, 45440**  
Encourage and bless others by making handmade cards.
- **WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB | Thursday, February 5, 6PM**  
Book of the Month, *Spy of Richmond* by Jocelyn Green.

## SERMON NOTES

### THE LIVING GOD: HOW LONG WILL YOU WAVER?

Pastor Vance Weeks | 1 Kings 18:1-38

**Background** (1 Kings 18:1-15)

**The Challenge** (1 Kings 18:16-24)

**Baal's Absence** (1 Kings 18:25-29)

**Elijah's Turn** (1 Kings 18:30-38)

**Why does God do what He does on Mt. Carmel?**

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**Concluding questions:**

- **What does it mean to waver in our faith?**
- **What causes this wavering faith?**
- **How can we overcome and turn our hearts back again?**

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