**WELCOME TO MT. ZION!** If it's your first time here, please stop by the Welcome Center for a gift. Thanks for choosing to worship with us today.

- **PRAYER CHALLENGE:** November is Missions Emphasis Month! On your way in, you should have received a Prayer Challenge card for this week. Each card includes a daily prayer, bible verse, and a missions focus. Pick up a new card each Sunday, or find the full month's challenge on our website or in the MTZ app.
- At Mt. Zion, we want to help you discover God's purpose for your life and grow closer to where He's calling you to be. That's why we encourage everyone to take a **SPIRITUAL GIFTS SURVEY**—a tool designed to help you identify your gifts and find your place in ministry. To complete the survey on the nine Team Gifts and watch helpful videos from Pastor Vance about each one, visit **mountzionchurch.org/findmygifts**

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**DAYTON WOMEN IN THE WORD OPEN BIBLE NIGHT | Tuesday, November 18, 7PM-9PM, in the Worship Center** *From Everlasting: Tracing Christ in the Old Testament* is an Open Bible Night is for any woman, whether newer to the Bible or more seasoned, who would like to see or be reminded of the connections between the Old and New Testaments by seeing Christ throughout the entire metanarrative of Scripture. Our prayer is that when the Old Testament points us to Christ, our hearts burn within us and our eyes view Scripture in a renewed way. There is a place prepared for you, sister, and we are eager to open the Bible with you and discover Jesus throughout the cohesive, connected biblical narrative. Please register at **subscribepage.com/2025tracingjesus** 

## CHRISTIAN YOUTH NIGHT LOCK-IN AT SCENE75 | January 16-17

Middle and high school students—don't miss this multi-youth group night of worship, food, and nonstop fun! We'll worship from 8PM—11PM at Crestview Baptist Church, then head to Scene75 from 11:30PM—6AM, where you can race your friends on the go-kart track, battle it out in laser tag, ride the indoor roller coaster, brave the drop tower, and enjoy some all-out arcade action. It'll be an unforgettable night to hang out with friends, make new ones, and grow in your faith. Cost is \$20; due by Sunday, November 23. See Pastor Shawn to sign up.

# **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### THANKSGIVING BASKET COLLECTION

Mt. Zion is partnering with two local elementary schools to provide Thanksgiving meals for families who could use a little extra help this holiday season. Pick up a Thanksgiving shopping list in the Foyer to see the specific items we are collecting. Please return your donations to the display table in the Foyer and take any Aldi or Walmart gift cards to the Welcome Center.

# • OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX COLLECTION | November 9-23 Operation Christmas Child, a ministry of Samaritan's Purse, shares God's love through gift-filled shoeboxes for children in need around the world. Help spread Good News and great joy by picking up a box and

for children in need around the world. Help spread Good News and great joy by picking up a packing guide in the Foyer, and returning your filled shoebox by Sunday, November 23.

#### ADOPT A FAMILY THIS CHRISTMAS

Would you like to adopt a local family by providing Christmas gifts this season? See Pastor Vance if you're interested.

- CARING CARD MINISTRY | Monday, November 3, 10:00AM (76 S. Fairfield Road, 45440)
   Help make handmade cards to encourage and bless others.
- CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP | Thursday, November 6, 2PM-4PM If you're caring for a loved one, you don't have to walk the journey alone. Join us for encouragement, support, prayer, and helpful discussions.

- WOMEN'S BOOK CLUB | Thursday, November 6, 6PM
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  - Ladies, join us to discuss our Book of the Month Wedded to War by Jocelyn Green.
- SECOND SATURDAY SERVE | November 8, NOON-3PM

Serve with us—rain or shine—on the second Saturday of each month! We'll tackle a variety of projects that support the ministry of Mt. Zion, including an opportunity this month for some to work alongside our Widow's Might team. There's something for everyone—no matter what your age or ability. Just bring a willing heart and ready hands! Sign up in the Foyer.

MTZ YOUNG ADULTS LUNCH | Sunday, November 9, 11:30AM

College students and 20-somethings are invited to lunch after the service at the home of the Eldridges, who serve on our Young Adult Leadership Team. Address available at the Welcome Center.

• GOLDENAGER'S LUNCH | Wednesday, November 12, 11:30AM

Seniors, you're invited to lunch at Olive Garden (2865 Centre Dr. Fairborn 45324 – near The Mall at Fairfield Commons). Please sign up in the Foyer to let us know you're coming.

• LADIES' GAME NIGHT | Friday, November 14, 6:30PM (76 S. Fairfield Road, 45440)

Game on! Invite a friend, bring a snack to share, and enjoy a relaxing evening of games, fun, and laughter.

MEN'S ALLIANCE | Mondays, 6:30PM (MTZ Parking Lot)

A weekly 30-minute outdoor workout + a 30-minute fireside devotional for men of all fitness levels. Learn more about what Men's Alliance is all about at **mensalliancetribe.com/tribes/shepherd** 

- MIDWEEK AT MTZ | Every Wednesday night
  - RENU Youth (6th-12th) | 6PM-8PM (doors open at 6PM)

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GriefShare | 6:30PM-8PM

A safe place for those grieving a loss. We know it hurts, and we want to help. Join anytime for weekly support and encouragement. Register at **griefshare.org/groups/272499** 

Women's Bible Study: Psalms | 6:30PM-8PM

Join us as we deepen our understanding of prayer by studying the book of Psalms.

AWANA (Pre-K-5th) | 6:30PM-8PM (doors open at 6PM)

A fun and engaging way for kids to build Bible knowledge and lifelong faith.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: ACTS | Thursdays, 10AM

A time for women to gather for study, prayer, and fellowship as we explore the Book of Acts together.

# **SERMON NOTES**

THE JOURNEY: THE CALL TO FOLLOW

Mark 1:14-20, 2:13-17

What is a Disciple?

Mark 1:14-15 - The Call for Repentance

Mark 1:16-20 - The Call to Leave Behind and Follow

Mark 2:13-17 - Calling All Sinners



# **NOVEMBER 2 | A Heart for the Lost**

**Prayer**: Lord, give me Your heart for those who don't know You.

**Verse**: "For the Son of Man came to seek and save those who are lost." (Luke 19:10)

# Missions Focus: Operation Christmas Child

Pray each box has the right items and that the gospel is received through it.

# **NOVEMBER 3 | Boldness in Sharing**

**Prayer**: Father, help me speak of Jesus with courage & love.

**Verse**: "And pray for me, too. Ask God to give me the right words so I can boldly explain God's mysterious plan." (Ephesians 6:19)

#### Missions Focus: Aaron & Lina Kaufman - H20 Wright State

Pray for their newborn son Peter – for wisdom and patience as new parents, and for their home to be a safe place for students.

# **NOVEMBER 4 | Thankful for Salvation**

**Prayer**: Jesus, thank You for saving me and giving me new life.

**Verse**: "Thank God for this gift too wonderful for words!" (2 Corinthians 9:15)

## Missions Focus: Wright State H20

Pray for new students, that students would keep their priorities in perspective, and for wisdom in navigating obstacles sometimes faced from university admin.

# NOVEMBER 5 | Grateful for God's Word -

Prayer: Thank you, Lord, for the truth and power of Your Word.

**Verse:** "Your word is a lamp to guide my feet and a light for my path." (Psalm 119:105)

**Missions Focus**: Organizations focused on God's Word Pray for The Gideon's International, Wycliffe Bible Translators, illumiNations, International Bible Society, and others.

# **NOVEMBER 6 | Serving Others**

**Prayer**: Lord, show me ways to serve others with joy today.

**Verse**: "For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others." (Mark 10:45)

## Missions Focus: Beavercreek FISH

Pray for the faithful servants, the families they serve, and give thanks for 50+ years of faithful ministry.

# **NOVEMBER 7 | Pray for Open Doors**

**Prayer**: Father, open doors for the gospel in my community.

**Verse**: "Pray that the Lord's message will spread rapidly and be honored wherever it goes." (2 Thessalonians 3:1)

#### Missions Focus: Milton & Erica Pacheco

Pray for current disciple training in Honduras, their transition back to Thailand, and for adoption process.

# **NOVEMBER 8 | Grateful for the Church**

Prayer: Thank You, God, for my loving church family.

**Verse**: "We always thank God for all of you and pray for you constantly." (1 Thessalonians 1:2)

Missions Focus: Widow's Might

Pray for the widows and those who lovingly serve them.

Get your weekly Prayer
Challenge card at church —
or scan for the full month's
challenge on our website or
find it in the MTZ app.

