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"THE NAZARENE NEWS"

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"SPRING IS COMING!"

A long, cold, snowy winter ~ where it seems we have been "locked in" for so long ~ has made us feel like it will "never end."

Some have been "locked in" by circumstances for a long time. I believe we need to be reminded that no earthly circumstances have the ability to hinder God from fulfilling His Word.

The world changes—but we must, as spring blossoms are coming—remind ourselves that God's Word does not change. God's desire is for us to trust His Word. Believe His Word. Follow His Word and to do so "according to our faith."

Sometimes it is important for us to go back to the beginning and remember: *"And God said...and it was so."* (Genesis 1:9).

He is the same...**YESTERDAY, TODAY & FOREVER!** (That includes the harsh days of winter as well as the pleasing, lovely, & gentle days of spring).



Let the warmth of His Word and the presence of His Holy Spirit bring a spring flowering to your heart. And may the flowers of peace and joy bloom in all of us...that the world might see.

Pastor Terry Vance

FIRST CHURCH STAFF

TERRY VANCE

Senior Pastor

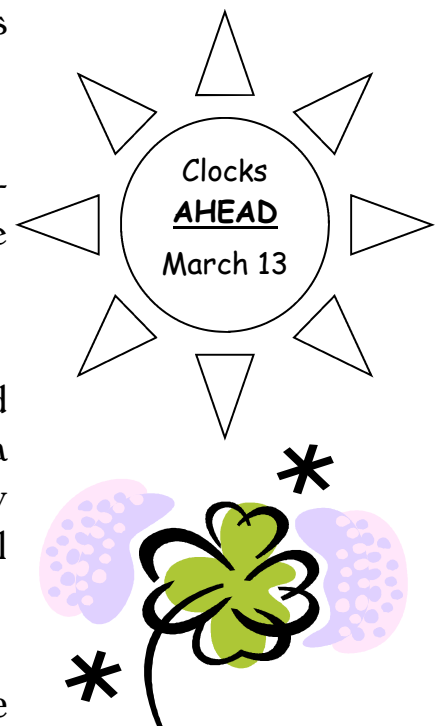
CHRIS VANBUSKIRK

Music Coordinator

TAKE NOTE...

PRAYER PARTNERS
Saturday, March 6
8:30 a.m.

EVENING
SERVICE
Sunday, March 7
@ 6:00



ANGEL FOOD MINISTRIES

MARCH MENUS AVAILABLE

Onsite Orders due: Sunday, March 14 ~ Online Orders due: Wednesday, March 17

Order Pick-Up: Saturday, March 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

"FAN INTO FLAME, THE GIFT"

That is the theme for this year's **Iowa District Women's Retreat** in Des Moines. The dates are **April 16 & 17** and the special speaker is **Vicki Henderson**. Vicki is a wife, mother & actress who will provide encouragement & laughter through her skits on the joys of parenthood, (ie: potty training) along with offering hope in a very busy & chaotic world. The cost for the Retreat (not including motel accommodations) is **\$55** (if registered by **March 31**) and **\$65** after that. See **Carol Vance** if you have any questions. Plan now to attend this "just-what-I-needed" event. Oh, and **Gregory Paul Smith** is the Worship Leader for this year's Retreat. Now, how exciting is that!!

"THE EDGE" IS BACK!

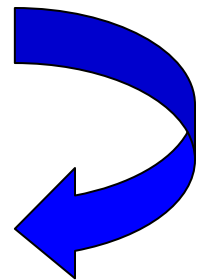
If you are 40 and younger, enjoy contemporary music and group discussions, all in an informal setting then "The Edge" is for **YOU!** We will begin meeting on **Saturday, March 6** at **6:00 p.m.** Hope to see you there!

IOWA DISTRICT MEN'S CONFERENCE

Council Bluffs Emanuel ~ Saturday, April 24 or Moravia ~ Saturday, May 1
8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

Speaker: Rev. Bill Ulmet ~ Song Evangelist ~ Marcus Whitworth

Get your registration form at the Welcome Center.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1 Darlene Todd	12 Lori Miller	20
2 Sara VanBuskirk	12 John Arnold	Randy & Kathy Clark
3 Aletha Arnold	13 Michael Clark	22
4 Jeramie May	18 Jeff Johnson	Pastor & Carol Vance
4 Glen Gieselman	19 Emily Thompson	29
5 Shawn Warth	19 Joseph Ebert	Dan & Grace Aney
5 Nick Dillon	21 Danny John	
5 Eunice Turner	24 Vicky Thompson	
11 Dave England	30 Julie Griffin	
11 Sharon Stonehouse		

