

NEW BUFFALO ALLIANCE CHURCH

CROSSROADS

"STAND AT THE CROSSROADS AND LOOK.....
ASK WHERE THE GOOD WAY IS AND WALK IN IT..." JEREMIAH 6:16

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LADIES PRAYER CIRCLE

BY: ROSEMARY MILLER

The Ladies Prayer Circle meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 9:30 AM usually in a member's home or if not at New Buffalo Alliance Church. Our time begins with worship music glorifying our Lord, then prayer to him who we know intercedes in prayer for us.

We bring our lunches and afterward enjoy reviewing and discussing a book written by a Christian author. This is optional. Warren Weirsbe's book, "50 People Every Christian Should Know" will be our next learning experience.

Feel welcome to join us for spiritual encouragement and great fellowship.

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

Now is the time to start packing shoebox gifts! Mark your calendar: We will have shoeboxes available the beginning of October and National Collection Week will be November 15-22.

WOMEN'S ALLIANCE STAMP MINISTRY

The inception of the Alliance Stamp Ministry based in Fort Myers, Florida began in 1972. New Buffalo Alliance Church has participated in this ministry for over 24 years.

The income from the sale of canceled and uncanceled stamps goes to support the preparation, publishing and distribution of a Spanish language curriculum for Sunday Schools in 19 Spanish speaking countries in South America, Central America and even the USA.

The most recent report shows a total of \$15,000 has been generated in 2021 so far in support of this Sunday School program.

It is not necessary to trim, but if you do, please leave about 1/3 inch around the stamp where possible. The stamp donation box is located on the table to your left as you enter the church.

Thank you,
Rosemary

KEY SCRIPTURE

1 John 4:7

“Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God.”

“KEEP THIS BOOK OF THE LAW ALWAYS ON YOUR LIPS; MEDITATE ON IT DAY AND NIGHT, SO THAT



YOU MAY BE CAREFUL TO DO EVERYTHING WRITTEN IN IT. THEN YOU WILL BE PROSPEROUS AND SUCCESSFUL.”
JOSHUA 1:8

DEVOTIONAL READING PLAN

1 John chapters 1-5

Week 1 - 1 John 1 & 2

Week 2 - 1 John 3

Week 3 - 1 John 4

Week 4 - 1 John 5

Before reading, pray that God will open your mind to the reading of His scriptures. After reading, ask yourself the following questions: What does it say? How may I apply this to my life?

INSPIRING CORNER

“The impulse to pursue God originates with God, but the outworking of that impulse is our following hard after him; and all the time we are pursuing him we are already in his hand.”

~ A.W. Tozar

FUN CORNER - RULES FOR DAILY LIFE

BEGIN THE DAY WITH GOD;
Kneel down to Him in prayer;
Lift up thy heart to His abode,
And seek His love to share.

OPEN THE BOOK OF GOD,
And read a portion there;
That it may hallow all thy thoughts,
And sweeten all thy care.

GO THROUGH THE DAY WITH GOD,
Whate'er thy work may be;
Where'er thou art—at home, abroad,
He still is near to thee.

CONVERSE IN MIND WITH GOD,
Thy spirit heavenward raise:
Acknowledge every good bestowed,
And offer grateful praise.

CONCLUDE THE DAY WITH GOD,
Thy sins to Him confess;
Trust in the Lord's atoning blood,
And plead His righteousness.

LIE DOWN AT NIGHT WITH GOD,
Who gives His servants sleep;
And when thou tread'st the vale of death,
He will thee guard and keep.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 2nd - 7:00am - **Men's Breakfast** @ The Ranch House
 - Oct 3rd - 12:00pm - **Empty Nesters** @ TBA
 - Oct 5th - 9:30am - **MOLO** - @ Church
 - Oct 7th - 6:30pm - **Ladies' Bible Study** @ Church
 - Oct 10th - **Church's 40th Anniversary Celebration**
 - Oct 10th - **Monthly Fellowship Meal**
 - Oct 12th - 9:30am - **Ladies Prayer Circle** @ TBA
 - Oct 12th - 6:30pm - **Elder's Meeting** @ Church
 - Oct 14th - 6:30pm - **Ladies' Bible Study** @ Church
 - Oct 17th - 12:00pm - **Empty Nesters** @ TBA
 - Oct 19th - 9:30am - **MOLO** - @ Church
 - Oct 19th - 6:30pm - **Ministry Board Meeting** @ Church
 - Oct 26th - 9:30am - **Ladies Prayer Circle** @ TBA
 - Oct 31st - **Name Tag Sunday**
- Every Week**
- Wednesdays** - Prayer Meeting @ 3:30pm
- Awana @ 6:30pm

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT - DARLENE HOPTA

- Q. Where did you graduate high school?
A. Newport Union High School
- Q. What is the farthest you have been from home?
A. Panama
- Q. What is your favorite hobby?
A. Taking care of critters (dogs and cats) and training them
- Q. What is your favorite childhood memory?
A. Having a brother closer in age to play with
- Q. What's one piece of advice you'd give to your younger self?
A. Spend more time with your son and less time making sure everything is cleaned.
- Q. When did Jesus first become real to you?
A. I do not have a specific age. I was between 9 and 12. In the church I was raised in, I can remember crying and going forward in church to ask Jesus in my heart.
- Q. How did you first hear about New Buffalo Alliance Church?
A. I worked with Paul Shover and he invited Curt and I to try New Buffalo Alliance Church.
- Q. How long have you attended New Buffalo Alliance?
A. 29 years
- Q. How did you meet your spouse?
A. Through our job with the government



Curt and Darlene Hopta

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

October Birthdays

01 Kelly Ann Seaman
01 Leah Wert
01 Bellamy Williams
03 Owen Cramer
03 Gloria Schleh
04 Don Haines
05 Rachel Hertzler
05 Elloise Simmons
06 Amy Bankert

Oct. B-Days Cont'd

06 Richard Gow
06 Josh Simmons
09 Jim Bretz
09 Thea Goshorn
10 Darlene Hopta
10 Emily Howell
11 Emmaline Kirby
11 Theresa Raker
14 Sis Clugston

Oct. B-Days Cont'd

16 Tim Lantz
16 Anorah Simmons
17 Micah Coleman
17 Maryann Smith
19 Calvin Cassel Jr
22 Mary Cain
24 Peyton Hertzler
25 Maigan Swartz

Oct. B-Days Cont'd

26 Bridget Fox
26 Randy Lentvorsky
29 Michael Kreiger

October Anniversaries

01 Ron/Maigan Swartz
04 Jim/Wendy Raffensperger
11 Ed/Priscilla Allandar
16 Charlie/Ashley Fry
20 Jim/Elaine Fleming
28 Roy/Sis Clugston

ATTENDANCE

Date	Sunday School	Worship Service
Aug. 29th	98	157
Sept. 5th	77	105
Sept. 12th	93	124
Sept. 19th	102	148

CONTRIBUTIONS SUMMARY

Monthly Report for: 8/01/2021 – 8/31/2021

General Fund	\$22,187.63
Missions	\$4,603.52
Other	\$835.00
Special Proj. Fund	\$0.00
Total	\$27,626.15



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PRAYER REQUESTS

- B. Forsythe's niece's husband, Steve, as he is in the ICU on a ventilator with COVID
- E. Gow's family as her niece, Terry, passed away last week
- Ronnie Stoke from Mid Cove Church passed away. Please keep his family in your prayers.
- S. Howell's aunt and uncle have been taken to the hospital for COVID. His uncle is in the ICU
- B. Forsythe's grandson, Shane, who is 17 years old had his ACL tear for a second time. He went to a new surgeon and had surgery. Please pray for pain discomfort and complete healing and quick recovery for Shane.
- A bus on a high school ministry trip with LCBC Church (where J. Burlington used to attend), wrecked on Interstate 81. Thirty people were injured, three critically. Please pray for their recovery.
- P. Hertzler will begin monthly chemo treatments at CHOP within the next few weeks. These will be IV treatments requiring only a single day trip each time. Pray that the tumor responds to the treatment and shrinks, and that Peyton's side effects are kept minimal.
- C. Hopta goes for a defibrillator implant on October 26th. He started rehab last week and the rehab program will last for a total of 12 weeks.
- B. Stone is recovering from shoulder surgery. She must be in a sling for a few more weeks before she is able to start therapy.
- T. Swigart – His legs were swollen. Please pray for discomfort and that he has a low pain level. He is going through chemo treatments. Pray God will strengthen him as he walks the journey of cancer and that God gives the doctors wisdom.
- C. Hopta's friend, Fred, as he battles pancreatic cancer. He had a port put in him so now he is able to breathe better

INFORMATION CORNER

Newsletter Information

Please submit your information that you would like to have in the next newsletter to the church's email address that may be found above. You may copy and paste your information in an email or attach a Micro-soft word document. Please have this information to us by **October 18th.**

Congregation's Information

If you see that your birthday or anniversary is incorrect, please submit the correct date to us.

If you need to update your email address, phone number, or address, please submit the information to us.

You may call the office or email us the information by using our email address that may be found above.



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