



## NEW BUFFALO ALLIANCE CHURCH

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## PRAYER REQUESTS

- Pray for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs within the church body
- Pray for restoration of family relationships
- Pray that God continues to strengthen the marriages within New Buffalo Alliance Church and Perry County
- Pray that revival will start in our homes, church, nation and all over the world
- Pray for protection over our military and wisdom for it's leaders

Submit your prayer requests to  
[pray@newbuffaloalliancechurch.org](mailto:pray@newbuffaloalliancechurch.org)

## 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 Microsoft word document. Please have this information to us by **December 15th.**

### 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.



We exist to make disciples who glorify God and exalt Jesus as Savior, Sanctifier, Healer, and Coming King! Our church is part of the Christian and Missionary Alliance. Learn more at [www.cmalliance.org](http://www.cmalliance.org).

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# 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' RETREAT UPDATE

BY: TERESA CARROLL

Our ladies' retreat was held October 17-19, 2025, at the Christian Retreat Center in East Waterford with 26 ladies attending! Our theme was Be A Light! Your Word is a Lamp for my Feet a Light on my Path - Psalm 119:105

Our speaker, Missy Paden, had four inspirational messages throughout the weekend.

**The Importance of Intimacy with our Heavenly Father.** Jesus teaches us in His word how **crucial** prayer is in our Christian walk. In Luke 5:16 But Jesus **often** withdrew to lonely places and prayed. Matthew 14:23 After He had dismissed them, he went up on a mountainside **by himself to pray**. Throughout our day, pray without ceasing.

**Our Identity in Christ & Anchor Ourselves in Truth.** John 1:12 Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become **children of God**. Ephesians 2:10 For we are **God's handiwork**, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Scripture reminds us to **see ourselves as the Lord sees us**.

**Trusting God in Difficult Situations** Psalm 34:18-19 The Lord is close to the brokenhearted and saves those who are crushed in spirit. The righteous person may have many troubles, but the Lord delivers him from them all. Romans 12:12 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. We need to look to Jesus, the problem solver rather than the problem.

**Walking in the Fullness of God.** Psalm 116:1 I love the Lord, for he heard my voice, he heard my cry for mercy. Ephesians 3:19 and to know this love that surpasses knowledge – that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God.

We had a large beautiful wooden cross in our conference room brought to us by Missy's son. On Sunday morning we had a meaningful communion and prayer time at the foot of the cross. Prayers were answered and burdens lifted!

Our retreat was a wonderful mix of Bible study, worship, fellowship, quiet time, crafts and plenty of good food! Always a blessing when the common bond of Jesus brings all generations of ladies together.

Thank you to each of the ladies on the ministry team for your dedication and attention to detail: Brenda Leshner, Barb Stone, Norma Rowe, Maigan Swartz, and Elizabeth Kreiger.

A special Thanks to Pastor Ken, the Elders and to you the church congregation for your support and prayers for this Ladies Ministry!

Ladies, mark your calendars next year's retreat is scheduled - October 23-25, 2026!

Blessings, Teresa Carroll Ladies Ministry Team Leader

## CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE 6:30PM

New Buffalo Alliance Church invites you to join us for a blessed evening of fun and music. This will be a candlelight service to celebrate the Birth of Jesus Christ.

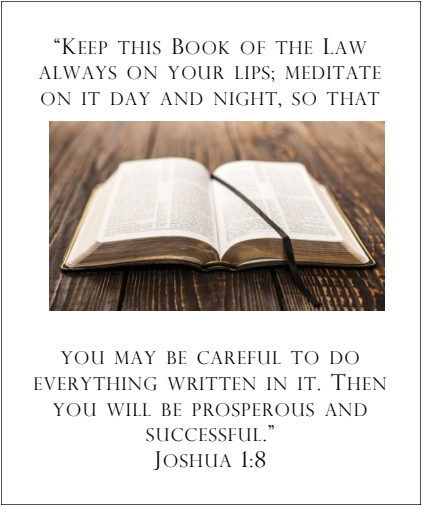


KEY SCRIPTURE

Luke 2:13-14

“And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host praising God and saying:

‘Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace, goodwill toward men!’”



INSPIRING CORNER

“The only sin Jesus ever had was ours, and the only righteousness we can ever have is his.”

~A.W. Tozer



UPCOMING EVENTS

- Dec 4th - 6:30am - **CE Committee Mtg @ Church**
- Dec 5th - 6:00pm-9:00pm - **Youth Christmas Party @ Church**
- Dec 6th - 7:00am - **Men’s Breakfast @ The Ranch House**
- Dec 7th - 10:15am & 6:30pm - **Children’s Christmas Musical**
- Dec 9th - 9:30am - **Ladies’ Prayer Circle @ Forsythe’s home**
- Dec 9th - 6:30pm - **Elder’s Meeting @ Church**
- Dec 14th - 6:30pm - **Men’s Bible Study @ Church**
- Dec 15th - 6:30pm - **Worship & Music Committee Meeting @ Church**
- Dec 23rd - 9:30am - **Ladies’ Prayer Circle @ Forsythe’s home**

DEVOTIONAL READING PLAN

Luke 1-4

- Week 1 - Luke 1:1-45
- Week 2 - Luke 2:1-52
- Week 3 - Luke 3:1-38
- Week 4 - Luke 4:1-44

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?

FUN CORNER

Why are Christmas trees bad at knitting?  
They always drop their needles.

Resource: <https://www.goodhousekeeping.com/holidays/christmas-ideas/a35399/christmas-jokes/>

- Dec 24th - 6:30pm - **Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ Church**
- Dec 28th - Immediately following the Worship Service - **Empty Nesters @ Church**
- Dec 28th - 6:30pm - **Men’s Bible Study @ Church**

Friendly Reminder: There is no MOLO for the months of December and January.

Every Week

- Wednesdays** - Prayer Meeting @ 6:30pm
- Awana @ 6:30pm
- Youth Group @ 7:00pm

ARE YOU LONELY?

The holidays can bring a lot of different emotions for people. For some it may bring excitement while for others it may bring sadness. If you are having a hard time this holiday season, you are not alone. The enemy (Satan) wants us to think it is only us that feels this way, no one else has the same struggles as we do. Let me be the first to reassure you THAT IS NOT TRUE. That is why we need each other. If you are struggling this holiday season, here is a prayer we would like to pray over you:

Father, thank you for the person who is reading this right now. Thank you that they are not forgotten in your eyes. You see them. You hear them. You know every detail about them. Psalm 139:1-4 says, “You have searched me, Lord, and you know me. You know when I sit and when I rise; you perceive my thoughts from afar. You discern my going out and my lying down; you are familiar with all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue you, Lord, know it completely.” Father, I ask that they will feel your presence. May they know that they are not alone, but that you are with them. May they seek you more and more during this hard season of their life.

Friend, you are not alone. God sees you and He loves you. May you feel His love today.

BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

December Birthdays

- 02 Olivia Simmons
- 10 Jim Goshorn
- 11 Meaghan Foltz
- 12 Verna Brought
- 15 Shannon Rudy
- 16 Kathy Styer
- 18 Donovan King
- 20 Maeva Schlachter
- 25 Dana Maurer



Dec Anniversaries Cont’d

- 03 Tim/Cheri Lantz
- 04 Carey/Barb Boyer
- 15 Dale/Bonnie Simmons



ATTENDANCE

Date	Sunday School	Worship Service
Oct. 26th	111	172
Nov. 2nd	113	190
Nov. 9th	124	215
Nov. 16th	113	185
Nov. 23rd	109	155



CONTRIBUTIONS SUMMARY

Monthly Report for: 10/01/2025 – 10/31/2025

General Fund	\$15,007.38
Missions	\$2,997.00
Other	\$3,883.50
Special Proj. Fund	\$3,356.00
Total	\$25,243.88

We have raised \$240,167.00 so far for the new building!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.