Please use this section to inform us of any prayer requests or updates & family information changes	ERNC PRAYER LIST Extended Family and Friends *Requests will be left on our list for at least two weeks then may be removed.
	Debbie Ashworth—health; Dawn, Matt & Misti's mom Janet Ashworth—cancer; Aunt of Dawn, Matt & Misty Kelsey Burch—chemo; D. Fields' niece Mary Casey—cancer/hospice; Nancy Strickland contact Ed Evanoski—esophageal cancer; Mike Davis contact John Kutil—knee pain; Jack & Karen Kutil's son Mary Ellen McDavid—oral chemo + radiation; B. Stutler Shawn McGuire—pancreatic cancer; Mark Shrader bro in law Ernest Pauline—throat cancer; David Pauline's brother Claude Taylor—hospice care; Shara Neal's grandfather Dollie Townsend—cancer/ill; Jenna & Brooke's g-ma Amanda Trail—leukemia/ needs bone marrow transplant
	Download the FREE ERNC Mobile App!
	Quick and easy access to sermons, events, directory, bulletins and more!
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# WELCOME TO

## **ELK RIVER NAZARENE CHURCH**

# May 3, 2020

"We have not ceased to pray for you,
asking that you may be filled with the knowledge
of His will in all spiritual wisdom
and understanding, so as to walk in a manner
worthy of the Lord, fully pleasing to Him:
bearing fruit in every good work
and increasing in the knowledge of God;
being strengthened with all power,
according to His glorious might..."
—Colossians 1:9—11

#### **PRAYER CONNECTION**

It's that easy!

Prayer requests may be given in several ways. You may email your request to elkrivernaz@elkrivernaz.com at anytime or you may call the Church Office at 304-342-6052 for special requests Monday-Friday from 9:00 am until 3:00 pm. After hours, simply call the main number and you will be auto-prompted to the Pastor's mail box. Your request will be handled in confidence in whatever manner it is received, via e-mail or by phone.

For immediate response, please call Rev. Randy Ledsome at 304-541-1910.

#### Randy Ledsome, Senior Pastor

143 Dutch Road Charleston, WV 25302 Phone: 304.342.6052 elkrivernaz.com www.elkrivernaz.com



You Belong! You have found a place where you fit ....here among friends. Join in the singing & worship together with us today! We look forward to learning & navigating life together as a church family with you! You have a place to belong here at The River!

Check out our church facebook page or website for more information on all of our upcoming services and events!



# PARTNERSHIP

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#### **ERNC Prayer List Our Church Family**

Patti Andela—health
Woody Edwards, Sr.—health
Debbie Fields—loss of cousin
Kevin Jackson—needing healing of foot
Shirland & Louise Kemp—health
Janice Ledsome—health
David & DarLena Martin—health/caregiving
Doris, Linda & Jim Shank—health/caregiving
Susan Smith—health
Glada Stone—health
Bill & Lucy Wiseman—health
Baby Kaitlyn Withrow—health
Abbi Witt—brain tumor; surgery in June
Elizabeth Workman—loss of father
Jayden Zickefoose—loss of grandmother



# COMMUNICATION CARD Welcome Guests!

Please fill out and place in the offering plate.

Name	Date
Address	
City	_StateZip
Email:	
Phone	

#### I would like information on:

Children's Ministry Teen Ministry

Ladies Ministry Men's Ministry

Prayer Ministry Sunday School

Missions Needles Ministry

Outreach Choir & Drama

The church office
will remain open
Monday--Friday
from 9 a.m.—3 p.m.
if you would like to drop off
your financial support
as we go through this time.

Volunteers are welcome to come deep clean or assist with projects as well.

#### **ENCOURAGING THE FAMILY**

Elizabeth Workm
1208 Crescent Rd.
Chas., WV 25302
(Loss of Father)

#### Jayden Zickefoose 610 Crestlyn Drive Chas., WV 25302 (Loss of Grandmother)

#### Ron Thompson 3229 Virginia Ave. Hurricane, WV 25526 (Encouragement)

#### **Debbie Fields** 96 Pinewood Rd. Elkview, WV 25071 (Loss of Cousin)

#### **Barbara Stutler** 750 Beulah St. Chas., WV 25302 (Encouragement)

#### **CELEBRATIONS THIS WEEK**

#### **BIRTHDAYS**

3	Stacey Earls
4	Tony Petry
6	Jason Hundley

Weekly Need:

- 6 Tom Smith7 Pam Enoch
- 8 DarLena Martin9 Nancy Casto10 Joan Canada

6,896.00

**ANNIVERSARIES** 

Glenn Navlor

6 Tim & Autumn Davis

If your birthday or anniversary does not appear in the bulletin when it should, please contact the church office.

#### **FAMILY ACCOUNTABILITY**

Worship Services are Suspended due to COVID-19 until such time as social gathering is permitted. Thank you for your faithfulness in giving!

4/26/20 Offering YTD Income: YTD Expenses:	\$ 6,165.00 \$ 351,122.80 \$ 347,983.50
19/20 Mortgage Principal	\$ 8,331.69
Faith Promise/World Evangelism Goal Amount Received	\$ 18,034.00 \$ 13,742.00

## Anvil Time ~ by Max Lucado

On God's anvil. Perhaps you've been there. Melted down. Formless. Undone. Placed on the anvil for...reshaping? (A few rough edges too many.)
Discipline? (A good father disciplines.)
Testing? (But why so hard?)

I know. I've been on it. It's rough. It's a spiritual slump, a famine. The fire goes out. Although the fire may flame for a moment, it soon disappears. We drift downward. Downward into the foggy valley of question, the misty lowland of discouragement. Motivation wanes. Desire is distant. Responsibilities are depressing.

Passion? It slips out the door. Enthusiasm? Are you kidding? Anvil time.

It can be caused by a death, a breakup, going broke, going prayerless. The light switch is flipped off and the room darkens. "All the thoughtful words of help and hope have all been nicely said. But I'm still hurting, wondering....."

On the anvil...brought face to face with God out of the utter realization that we have nowhere else to go. Jesus in the garden. Peter with a tear-streaked face. David after Bathsheba. Elijah and the "still, small voice." Paul, blind in Damascus.

Pound, pound, pound.

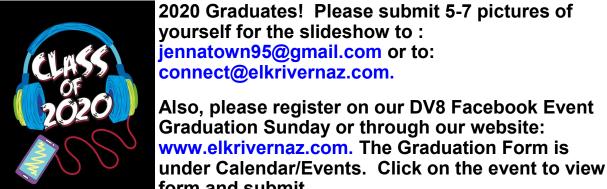
I hope you're not on the anvil. (Unless you need to be, and if so, I hope you are.) Anvil time is not to be avoided; it's to be experienced. Although the tunnel is dark, it does go through the mountain. Anvil time reminds us of who we are and who God is. We shouldn't try to escape it. To escape it could be to escape God.

God sees our life from beginning to end. He may lead us through a storm at age thirty so we can endure a hurricane at age sixty. An instrument is useful only if it's in the right shape. A dull ax or bent screwdriver needs attention, and so do we. A good blacksmith

keeps his tools in shape. So does God. Should God place you on his anvil, be thankful. It means he thinks you're still worth reshaping.

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2020 Graduates! Please submit 5-7 pictures of yourself for the slideshow to: jennatown95@gmail.com or to: connect@elkrivernaz.com.

Also, please register on our DV8 Facebook Event **Graduation Sunday or through our website:** www.elkrivernaz.com. The Graduation Form is

form and submit.



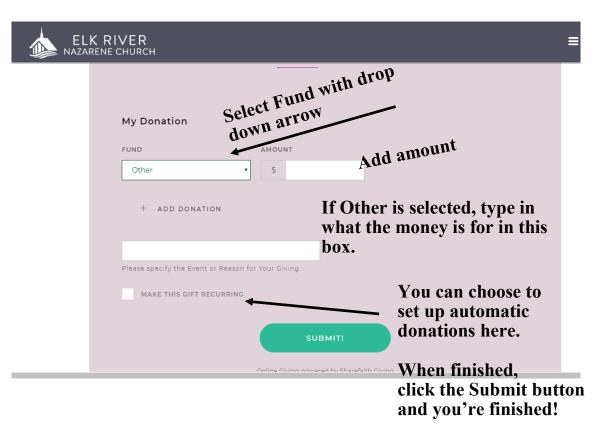
Devotional Readings			
Sunday	5/3	Prov. 30:1-9/ Psalm 18:2	
Monday	5/4	Luke 23:32-43/ Psalm 31:16	
Tuesday	5/5	John 7:45-8:11/ ls. 43:18-19	
Wednesday	5/6	Rom. 2:1-11/ Matt. 7:3	
Thursday	5/7	Eph. 2:1-10/ John 3:17	
Friday	5/8	Heb 9:18-28/ Is. 42:!	
Saturday	5/9	1 Jn 1:1-10/ Psalm 118:5	
Sunday	5/10	Psalm 51:1-19/ Jn 6:29	
Monday	5/11	John 9:1-12/ Psalm 146:7-8	
Tuesday	5/12	Jn 9:13-23/ Lk 6:36	

MEMORIAL ROLL—We will be remembering specifically those who have lost a spouse, sibling or parent (including in law) to death from May 2019—May, 2020, on Sunday, May 31st. Please contact the church office at 304-342-6052, if you would ike to add someone to this Memorial Service. An NMI Memorial Roll certificate will be presented to the family. A

donation of \$75 is made to the "Missionary Health Care Fund" in memory of your loved one. We want you to know that you & your family remain in our prayers. If you have someone other than the described immediate family member that you would like considered for inclusion, please contact us.

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