

New Beginnings



1) Gen. 1.1-5	11) Num. 10.11-13	25) Acts 9.3-6
2) Gen. 9.12-13	12) Josh. 3.7-8, 17	26) Acts 9.18, 20, 22
3) Gen. 11.4-7	13) Judg. 2.10-12	27) 2 Cor. 5.17
4) Gen. 11.8-9	14) Ruth 1.15-18, 22	28) 1 Thess. 4.16-18
5) Gen. 12.1-4	15) 1 Sam. 8.19-22	29) 2 Pet. 3.13
6) Gen. 35.9-12	16) Job 42.10, 12-13	30) Heb. 12.22-24
7) Gen. 41.37-41	17) Psa. 30.4-5	31) Rev. 21.3-5
8) Ex. 3.9-10	18) Psa. 30.11-12	
9) Ex. 15.18-19	19) Lam. 3.22-24	
10) Ex. 31.16-18	20) Isa. 38.1-5	
	21) Matt. 1.21-25	
	22) Matt. 16.18-19	
	23) Acts 2.41, 46-47	
	24) Acts 7.55-56, 59-60	



start the New Year off well with the commitment
to faithfully study God's Word
and spending time in prayer!

WELCOME TO ELK RIVER NAZARENE CHURCH

December 28, 2025

Remember not the former things,
nor consider the things of old.
Behold, I am doing a new thing;
now it springs forth, do you not perceive it?
I will make a way in the wilderness
and rivers in the desert.

—Isaiah 43:18-19

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ELK RIVER
NAZARENE CHURCH

Sunday Morning@ 9:30/10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening @ 6 p.m.
Wednesdays @ 6 p.m. AWANA Club
6:30 p.m. Youth Group & Life Groups

**Real People.
Real Life.
Real Hope!**

You Belong! You have found a place where you fithere 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!



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[Facebook.com/ElkRiverNazareneChurch](https://www.facebook.com/ElkRiverNazareneChurch)

Find us on YouTube:
[YouTube.com/@elkrivernazarenechurch](https://www.youtube.com/@elkrivernazarenechurch)

Check out our website to stay up to date on our upcoming events!

Prayer List—Our Church Family

Kaydence Meadows Ashworth—recovery
 Dean & Edna Banks—health
 Don Bickley—health
 Joyce Bumpus—health
 Richard & Nancy Casto—health
 Juanita Fisher—health
 Angie Foster—health
 Bob & Stephanie Gunno—health/caregiving
 Barbara Landers—cancer/treatments
 Janice Ledsome—health
 Adele McFarland—health
 Betty Miller—health
 Edna Surface—health

Our Children, AWANA Families, Teens & College Students. LINKS Missionaries: Larry & Lynne Bolinger; Kevin & Jenny Campbell-White.

*Unspoken requests from our church family
 *Pray for those in nursing homes & homebound
 PROTECTION & GUIDANCE FOR OUR
 CHILDREN, MILITARY & GOVERNMENT LEADERS

Prayer List—Family & Friends

*Requests will be left on our list for at least two weeks then may be removed.

ACM/ZWT Work Families/Lost Family—B. Burdette
 Eddie Canda—surgery recovery; J Canada bro
 Stephanie Cavender—cancer; the Cavender's
 Terry Coleman—cancer
 Debbie Collins—cancer/radiation; Mavis Layton
 Rick & Leila Green—health; Susan Green
 Clarence Huddleston—metastatic cancer; J Ward
 Linda Huddleston—heart/health; Jackie's sis.
 Bill Lawson—health/salvation; E. George
 Don Milgrim—ALS; neighbor of our church
 Charlotte Pritt—health; Elizabeth George
 Kelly Regus—cancer/chemo/radiation; A Myers
 Brenda Rider—cardiac/health; Tammie Jones
 Laurie Sage—health; Susan Green
 Gene & JoEllen Short—Health; Ledsome Family
 Jennifer White—metastatic cancer; Amy Myers

PRAYER BOX

If you desire prayer for a friend or loved one who is in need of salvation, please fill out a prayer card and place it in the prayer box in the foyer (to the left of the main entrance).

The Men's Prayer Group will be praying specifically for these needs!

PRAYER CONNECTION

Prayer requests may be given in several ways. You may email your request to connect@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.

Encouraging The Family

Juanita & Ron Fisher
244 Kenna Drive
So. Chas., WV 25309
Recovery from Fall

Jerry & Ann Lewis
569 Garrison Ave.
Chas., WV 25302
Health

Birthdays

29 Tammie Jones 30 GL Montgomery 3 Jared Bowen
30 Patty Bumpus 2 John Browning

Anniversaries

29 Mike & Jewel Epperly 31 Roy & Cathie Hoffman 4 Ed & Kelly McMinn

*If your birthday or anniversary does not appear in the bulletin,
please contact the church office so we can update our records.*



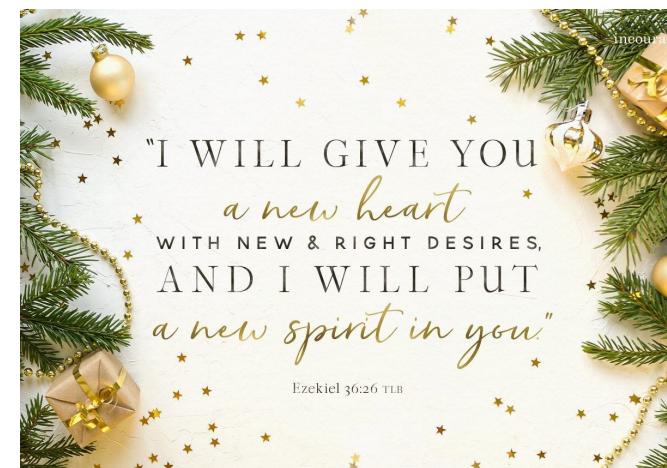
Sunday Worship Services

9:00 a.m. **Worship Service at Chas. 1st**
9:30 a.m. Life Groups for all Ages
10:30 a.m. Morning Worship Service in the Sanctuary (with Live Streaming)
Nursery (Birth to 35 months) Sanctuary Level
Beginners Church in Celebration Station (Age 3—K)
Children's Church in the River Kids Zone (1st—5th Grade)
6:00 p.m. **No Evening Service**

Tuesday

9:00 a.m. Prayer Meeting in the Sanctuary

Wednesday & Thursday **CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED—NO EVENING SERVICES**



UPCOMING EVENTS

2025 YEAR END GIVING—Just a reminder that all funds to be included on the 2025 giving records for income tax deduction receipts must be turned into the church office by December 30th, for 2025 credit (or December 31st if using online giving). Consider giving an additional birthday/Christmas offering gift in honor of our Lord!

The Church Office will be closed on Wednesday, December 31st—Thursday, January 1st.

Needles will meet on Tuesday, January 6th, at 10 a.m. in the FH Classroom. All are welcome!

Joy Club Luncheon—Join us at Cracker Barrel, 5720 MacCorkle Ave, SE, at 11:30 a.m. on January 6th! Sign up in the foyer.

LOCK IN Our District Teen Lock In will be on Friday, January 9th, at Malibu Jack's, 10699 US-60 Suite-102, Ashland, KY, from 10 p.m. to 6 a.m. Please see Pastor Jason and Emily if you plan to attend. Cost is \$45.

Pinto Bean Luncheon to support the Teen NYC trip is set for January 11th, after church at Noon in the Fellowship Hall. More details coming soon.

LNO for January will be on January 13th, at Hibachi Japanese Steakhouse, 48 RHL Blvd, South Charleston, at 6 p.m. Please sign up in the foyer if you plan to attend.

Ladies Bible Study—All ladies are invited to a 6 week small group study Jan. 16th--Feb. 20th @ Noon-2 p.m. with Tammie Jones: "Praying Women, How to Pray When You Don't Know What to Say" by Sheila Walsh. The group will meet on Fridays for 6 weeks. Sign up in the foyer!



WINTER WEATHER IS HERE! Anytime we have bad weather on the weekends throughout the winter season & you wonder if church times have been changed or canceled, please call the church office at 304-342-6052. Wait for the voice mail, which will notify you if there are changes. If the message is "normal," then service times are normal. Our Facebook page will also be used for updating information, please "like" our page to get these updates. Text & email message updates are also available, if you have signed up. Wednesday evenings will follow the Kanawha Co. Schools decisions.



Tickets are available today for purchase!

Happy New Year!

Heavenly Father, as we stand on the threshold of a new year, we want to express our deepest gratitude for the past year's blessings. Thank you for your faithfulness, your love, and your constant presence in our lives. We acknowledge your sovereignty over the days gone by and the days yet to come. We lift up to you, our loved ones, our communities, and the souls in our world. May your peace reign in our hearts and in the hearts of all people.

A Prayer for the New Year

Lord,
Whether I leave behind
a year of joy or of trials and difficulties,

I pause to *give thanks*.
Thank you for being with me
every day of every year.

Thank you for making all things **new**
and for giving me the grace of
fresh starts

and *new beginnings*.
Remind me of your presence in the days to
come,
even when I feel pushed and rushed by
busyness.

Be glorified in my life this year.

Amen

2025 MEMORY CHRISTMAS ORNAMENTS

IN MEMORY OF

Thomas Townsend
Naaman Vance
Naaman Vance Jr.
Virginia Vance
Elzie Eli Williams
Bill & Lucy Wiseman
Charles Raymond Wiseman
Glen Wisnewski

GIVEN BY

Betty Townsend
Bill Burdette
Bill Burdette
Bill Burdette
Debbie Ray
Linda Wiseman
Pastor Randy Ledsome
Kay Gerencir

In Honor Of

Janie Parsons

The NMI Council purchased special ornaments to decorate the Memory & Honor Christmas Tree.

This tree gave us the opportunity to remember friends, family and loved ones who are no longer with us this Christmas Season.

Memories are made by the living, some placed an ornament in honor expressing your love and gratitude for your loved one while they are living.

A donation of \$450.00 was sent to the Nazarene Compassionate Ministries Global Fund.

May God fill your hearts with His perfect peace this Christmas and always!

2025 Nazarene Missions International Memory Tree



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IN MEMORY OF

Douglas Keith Albers
Thelma Baldwin
Terri Bickley
Terri Bickley
Thelma Fern Bickley
Betty Black
Carl Black
Bob Boggess
Norma Boggess
Debbie Bumpus Brown
Jake "Pops" Buckner
Larry "Jake" Buckner
Clarence Burdette
Pansy Burdette
Rosa Burdette
Rosa Burdette
Rosa Burdette
Rosa Burdette
Rosa Burdette
Earl & Noka Carter
Amy Lynn Catron
Webb & Wanda Chenoweth
Raymond "Bud" Collison
Virginia Conley
Lorri Ann Cottrill
Regina Crites
Janet Cummings
Rick Cummings
D. Dickson
Woody Edwards
Scott England
Ashton George
Colbert George
Rodney Green
Lillie Greenway
Beth Dohm Guthrie
Lynne Hamilton
Pat Harper
Betty Hess
Tina Holbrook, Sister

GIVEN BY

Pastor Randy Ledsome
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Angie Bickley
Donny Bickley
Don Bickley
Vicky Shank
Vicky Shank
Jeff Boggess
Jeff Boggess
Patty Bumpus
Sandy Boggess
Sandy Boggess
Bill Burdette
Bill Burdette
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Billy Burdette
Rochelle Davis
Sydney French
Sierrah Yoak
Barbara Stutler
Beth Layton
Kim & Karen
Pastor Randy Ledsome
Diane Billings
Nellie Cottrill
Diane Billings
Pastor Randy Ledsome
Charlotte Cummings
Heather Jones
Vickie Marcum
Elizabeth George
Elizabeth George
Elizabeth George
Susan Green
Sue Bickley
Lee Dohm
Marsha King
Roger Harper
Don Bickley
Joan Canada

IN MEMORY OF

Roger & Jane Hovey
Cathy Hudnall
Richard & Maxine Huffman
Lola Hunt
Phyllis Hutchinson
Jim Jamieson
Curt & Nancy Jones
Eric Jones
Stella Jones
George Jordan
Gretchen Jordan
Bob Kees
Bob Kees
Pat Kennedy
Helen King
Richard Lacy
Phyllis Larter
N. Keith Ledsome
Janiece Mack
Kaden Martin
Charlie McMinn
Laval Nichols
Brian Nye
Mary Olsen
Phyllis Pauline
Betty Preston
Raymond & Reba
Carolyn Reed
Marie Runion
Brooks Shaffer
Harold Shaffer
Doris Shank
James O. Shank
Joshua Shank
Kenneth Shank
Linda Snodgrass
Glada Stone
Emmett Stutler
Emmett Stutler
Tonya Stutler
Bessie Thomas
Jerry Thornton

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Marsha King
Jim Jones
Tammie Jones
Diane Billings
Donny Bickley
JoAnn Vealey
Jim Jones
Susan Green
Diane Billings
Vickie Marcum
Vickie Marcum
Kay Gerencir
Mandy Lacy
Bill Burdette
Marsha King
Pastor Randy Ledsome
Valarie Rucker
Pastor Randy Ledsome
Pastor Randy Ledsome
Terri Pickens
Sue Harper
Diane Billings
Kathy Shaffer
Linda Shank
Ann Runion
Janice Ledsome
Kathy Shaffer
Dan Reed
Ann Runion
Elizabeth George
Elizabeth George
John Shank
John Shank
Vickie Shank
Linda Shank
Roger Harper
Cathie Hoffman
Barbara Stutler
Tabby Stutler
Barbara Stutler
Linda Wiseman
Terri Pickens

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