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In recent days, God has been reminding me of two things – the importance of slowing down and the importance of prayer. We live in a very busy culture. Depending on your stage in life, you may find the pace nearly unsustainable. We are more connected than ever, more committed than ever, and more accessible than ever. It seems if we are going to find some margins in life, we are going to have to be very intentional about it.

I have just finished reading, *Redeeming Your Time* by Jordan Raynor. Jordan is a very busy entrepreneur. However, he finds time to sleep eight hours a night, put his phone “to bed” each night at 7:30, and spend a substantial amount of time with the Lord. Yes, it takes

discipline. It also takes saying no to a number of things. However, as he points out, you must determine what is important and what deserves your attention.

Reading this book really challenged me. Not just the call to be careful with your time, but the amount of scripture that he uses to make his point. God has designed us a certain way. Clearly, that design is not to go full speed all the time. If you drove your car that way, you would destroy it. Why do we think our bodies are any different? If we live the way God has designed us to live, we will truly be able to enjoy a full and abundant life.

So, here are a few of the questions I am currently asking myself. How much sleep am I getting? Why am I not getting to bed earlier? Am I watching too much TV or spending too much time scrolling social media and the internet? What if I went to bed an hour earlier (365 additional hours of sleep a year)? What would that extra hour each night cost me? Can I find more intentional time to spend in the presence of the Lord? Can I be more intentional about how I schedule my workday and when I do “deep work”?

As many of you know, I am turning 50 (February 3). I began pastoring at the age of 25. With a reasonable expectation of fruitful ministry until 75 (maybe not full time), that means its halftime. One other question I am asking myself, what have I learned in the first half that will help me have a more fruitful second half? Whether you have made it to halftime or not, or maybe you are beyond, it is never too late to start, “Redeeming Your Time.”

Honored to be your pastor,

*DARRELL*

## AT A GLANCE

<i>Sunday</i>	9:30a	Bible Study
<i>February 6</i>	10:45a	Worship Service
	10:45a	Kid's Church
	5:00p	Ecclesia
	5:00p	Sunday Evening Worship
	5:00p	Discipleship Groups
	5:00p	Praiz Kidz/Praiz Kidz, Jr.
	5:00p	Summit Huddle
<i>Tuesday</i>	6:00p	Celebrate Recovery
<i>February 8</i>	6:00p	Circle of Hope Bible Study
	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>Wednesday</i>	6:00p	Wednesday Night Connect
<i>February 9</i>	6:00p	Student Midweek
	6:00p	AWANA
	7:00p	Worship Choir rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i>	9:30a	Ladies Bible Study
<i>February 10</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
	6:15p	Trail Life
<i>Friday</i>	6:00p	Women's Night
<i>February 11</i>		
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<i>Sunday</i>	9:30a	Bible Study
<i>February 13</i>	10:45a	Worship Service
	10:45a	Kid's Church
	12:00p	Widow's Luncheon
	2:00p	Soccer Evaluation
	5:00p	Ecclesia
	5:00p	Sunday Evening Worship
	5:00p	Discipleship Groups
	5:00p	Praiz Kidz/Praiz Kidz, Jr.
	5:00p	Summit Huddle
<i>Tuesday</i>	6:00p	Celebrate Recovery
<i>February 15</i>	6:00p	Circle of Hope Bible Study
	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
<i>Wednesday</i>	6:00p	Wednesday Night Connect
<i>February 16</i>	6:00p	Student Midweek
	6:00p	AWANA
	7:00p	Worship Choir rehearsal
<i>Thursday</i>	9:30a	Ladies Bible Study
<i>February 17</i>	6:00p	Zumba Fitness for Women
	6:15p	Trail Life/AHG

# STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

## ALL CALENDAR ITEMS ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE



### FEBRUARY WOMEN'S NIGHT

Women's Night in February will be a bit different. There will still be Bible study and snacks, but we are adding art! Sign up on the events page of our website if you would like to paint a picture. The cost is \$35.

**Deadline to register is February 4.**

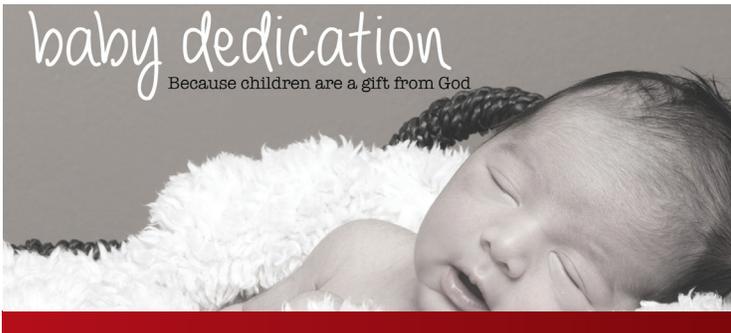
Don't want to paint? Come for the first part of the evening for Bible study and fellowship.



### UPWARD SOCCER

Registration for Upward Soccer is open. Registration cost is \$100. The season begins with practices the week of March 21. Games are Saturdays beginning April 2 through May 7. All players need to attend an evaluation. Evaluations are: February 13 at 2:00pm; February 26 at 9:00am; February 28 at 6:pm.

We always need coaches and referees. Sign up to be a head coach and get a discount on your child's registration fee.



### BABY DEDICATION

Northside will have a Baby Dedication on February 13 during the morning worship service. If you would like to participate, please go to the events page of our website to register your child. Deadline is February 10.

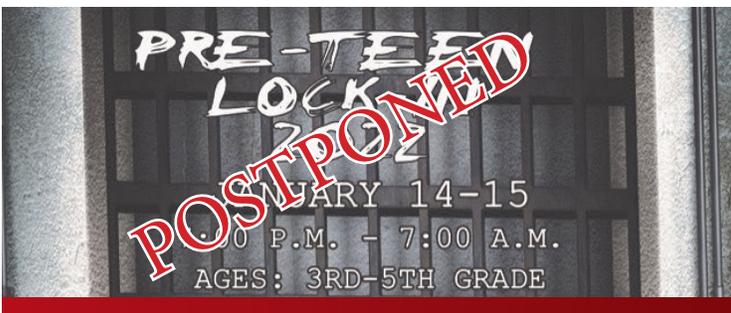


### GOD SQUAD

The Praiz Kidz' performance of *God Squad* is scheduled for Sunday, February 27, at 6:00pm in the worship center. Praiz Kidz, Jr. will sing to start off the evening. Come to support the kids, and receive a blessing yourself.

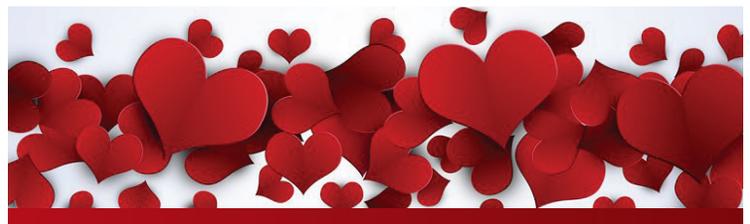
### DATE NIGHT

The next Date Night is February 4. Childcare at the church from 6:00pm - 10:00pm. Please register on the events page of our website by February 2 to register your child.



### PRE-TEEN LOCK IN POSTPONED

It's not too late to register for the Pre-Teen Lock in on February 4 - 5. Kids 3rd - 5th grade won't want to miss it. The cost is \$20, and you can register now on the events page of our website.



### WIDOW'S LUNCHEON

We want to honor our widows. All widows are invited to a luncheon on February 13 immediately following the worship service. Please call the church office to RSVP by February 10.

## .::SHORTLINES::.:

**ANNIVERSARY:** Rebecca McQuillen celebrates sixteen years as the accountant at Northside on February 13. Dave Benefield celebrates six years as our Children's Minister on February 2.

**THANK YOU: A BIG THANK YOU** to everyone that helped with RAD Weekend. Thank you host homes, cooks, prayer warriors, and all volunteers that helped to make this weekend possible for our students.

**HYPE:** There is NO HYPE in February. Sign up for the Pre-Teen Lock-In on our website.

**OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD:** We are starting early collecting items for shoeboxes. Bring coloring books in February. You can drop them off at a Connect Center on Sundays, or the church office during the week.

**WOMEN OF GRACE:** There will be no breakfast in February because there is a luncheon for our widows on February 13 immediately following the worship service.

**WORSHIP CHOIR:** Now is a great time to join (or check out) the choir. Rehearsals are Wednesday evenings at 7:00pm. You don't have to read music. Come blend your voice, even if it isn't perfect, with the others.

**ZUMBA:** Zumba has restarted. Come exercise in Bldg B on Tuesday and Thursday evenings at 6:00pm.

**UPWARD VOLUNTEERS:** We can't make the season work without volunteers. We need coaches, referees, greeters, prayer partners, evaluation helpers, etc. If you can help for the season, or help for one week, please contact Dean Meade or Arona Henneke.

**STUDENT SUMMER CAMP:** June 20 - 24 in Glorieta, New Mexico. Registration will open soon.

**SENIOR SUNDAY:** May 15 is Senior Sunday when we honor high school seniors on their graduation. We will be asking for more information soon.

**LET US KNOW:** If you or a loved one are in the hospital or need a visit, let us know. We can't know unless someone tells us.

**NORTHSIDE BAPTIST SCHOOL:** Our school is for 2 year olds through fifth grade and offers extended care hours until 5:30pm. We have certified teachers in Kinder - 5th grade, small classes, and a Christian atmosphere. Call 578-5601 for more information.

**FIRST IMPRESSIONS:** If you are interested in helping in this area, contact the church office. First Impressions includes Parking Lot Team, Welcome Center, and Section Hosts. Call to volunteer or get more information.

**PICTURE UPDATE:** Our membership software has the ability to run directories. Please update your picture either in the app or by sending a photo to office@nbcvictoria.org. You can drop off a picture and we will scan it and return it.

## THE RECORD SPEAKS

### MINISTRY ACTION PLAN

#### Received January 23

Budget Receipts	13,354.66
Designated & Other:	950.92
Total Weekly Receipts:	14,305.58

#### Received January 30

Budget Receipts:	26,942.11
Designated & Other:	282.00
Total Weekly Receipts:	27,224.11

Year-to-Date Need:	399,997.00
Year-to-Date Received:	400,686.54

### BIBLE STUDY

### WORSHIP

January 23	218	January 23	336
January 30	281	January 30	390

*And now these three remain:*

**FAITH, HOPE  
AND LOVE.**

*But the greatest of  
these is love.*

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13



IN  
FOCUS

# Widow's Luncheon

## February 13 at noon

### Call the church office to RSVP

— journey ▲ together —

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9:30am Bible Study Groups  
10:45am Worship

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