

THE NAZARENE MESSENGER

834 UNION STREET

Shelbyville, TN 37160



Our Purpose is to Know Christ

and to Make Him Known

As Savior and Lord.

REV. ANDY KEFFER, PASTOR

REV. DAVID BLACK, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

REV. JOSH CROWE, ASSOCIATE PASTOR

REV. KATIE CROWE, CHILDREN’S PASTOR

DEACON STEVE DIXON, WORSHIP PASTOR

PASTOR CALEB PUCKETT, YOUTH MINISTER

GERALD BAKER, SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPER.

CURT CURRY, NYI PRESIDENT

JOYCE ELLIOTT, N.M.I. PRESIDENT

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES	
SUNDAY SCHOOL	9:00 A.M.
SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP; NURSERY, WEE CHURCH AND CHILDREN’S CHURCH	10:00 A.M.
WEDNESDAY NIGHT SERVICES	6:30 P.M.
PRAYER SERVICE FOR ADULTS	SANCTUARY
YOUTH - PASTOR CALEB PUCKETT	CLC
WEE CHURCH & CHILDREN’S CHURCH	CHILD. SANC.

PRAYER BREAKFAST & BIBLE STUDIES	
MEN’S PRAYER BREAKFAST MONDAY	6:00 A.M.
THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY	10:00 A.M.
FRIDAY LADIES STUDY	10:00 A.M.

NEED TO CONTACT THE CHURCH?

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CHURCH OFFICE EMAIL: firstnaz@bellsouth.net

WEBSITE: shelbyvillefirstnaz.com

CHURCH FINANCES: CHURCH YEAR: 2024 - 2025		
WEEKLY BUDGET	\$	9,135.00
TOTAL RECEIVED	\$	15,213.40
APRIL BUDGET	\$	36,540.00
APRIL RECEIVED	\$	44,640.79
YEAR TO DATE BUDGET	\$	475,020.00
YEAR TO DATE RECEIVED	\$	544,361.65
FAITH PROMISE RECEIVED (YTD)	\$	21,666.00
CHANGE FOR CHILDREN WEEKLY GOAL	\$	35.00
CHANGE FOR CHILDREN NEEDED	\$	1,820.00
CHANGE FOR CHILDREN RECEIVED YTD	\$	2,897.33
ATTENDANCE		
A.M. SERVICE (IN CHURCH & ONLINE)		220
SUNDAY SCHOOL		106
JAIL MINISTRY (MEN’S & WOMENS)		74

MUSIC SCHEDULE	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
May 4	Jenni Shoemaker
May 11	Ginger McCracken

NURSERY SCHEDULE	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
May 4	Roy Wade
May 11	TBD

WEE CHURCH SCHEDULE	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
May 4	Walt & Brooke Sanders
May11	Walt & Brooke Sanders

CHILDREN’S CHURCH	
DATE:	10:00 A.M
May 4	Children’s Service
May 11	Pastor Katie



Baby Day

Sunday, May 4th

Children’s Service

Sunday, May 4th

Church Elections - Sunday, May 4th

All members age 14 and up may vote.

Junior High

Interpretive Worship Practice

Sunday, May 4th after the service in the children’s center. Lunch will be provided.

A Bridal Tea for Caleb & Abby

Sunday, May 4th,

2-4 p.m. in the CLC.

They are registered at theknot.com, Amazon, Orate and Barrel, and Target. There will also be a money tree set up and there will be cards to write a note and envelopes to put your card and gift in to clip to the tree.

Tanya Edson is collecting toothpaste, gently used boys clothes and shoes for the Dominican Republic. Please give your donations to her. Thank you.

Pastor Andy’s Corner



Acts 9:1-10

But Saul, still breathing threats and murder against the disciples of the Lord, went to the high priest 2 and asked him for letters to the synagogues at Damascus, so that if he found any belonging to the Way, men or women, he might bring them bound to Jerusalem. 3 Now as he went on his way, he approached Damascus, and suddenly a light from heaven shone around him.4 And falling to the ground, he heard a voice saying to him, “Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?” 5 And he said, “Who are you, Lord?” And he said, “I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting. 6 But rise and enter the city, and you will be told what you are to do.” 7 The men who were traveling with him stood speechless, hearing the voice but seeing no one. 8 Saul rose from the ground, and although his eyes were opened, he saw nothing. So they led him by the hand and brought him into Damascus. 9 And for three days he was without sight, and neither ate nor drank. 10 Now there was a disciple at Damascus named Ananias. The Lord said to him in a vision, “Ananias.” And he said, “Here I am, Lord.”

Need to contact Pastor Andy?

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**East Tennessee  
Nazarene Youth Int.**

**TNT @ TNU**

**MAY 8-10**

**Everyone who is going, please be at the church on Thursday, May 8th at 1:30 P.M. We will leave at 2:00. Contact Pastor Caleb with any questions. Phone: 803-493-2713**

**Email: calebpuckett5@gmail.com**

*Our church family is invited to the Curry's house - 3004 Pellas Place, Murfreesboro, to celebrate the graduation of Patrick and Cole from MTSU. The celebration will be May 10th at 5:00.*

**Prayer Requests/Ongoing Critical Needs:**

Mike Adkins, Arlo Alderman, Khadijah Alexander, Janice Anderson, Carol Armstrong, Ashley Bishop, J.R. Bowen, Tim Brown, William Butler, Joyce Carr, Elaine Casteel, Devon Christie, Krista Cokkians, Paula Confer, Clayton Cox, Greg Donmoyer, Rhonda Farmer, Virginia Flippo, Chrissy Friends, Shirley Gilford, Rev. Charles Guinn, Pat Johnson, Jan Lampkin, Ronnie Lovins, Junior Maloyed, Randy Maloyed, Annie Marks, Shannon Marks, Kayla Martin, Jake Melby, Marcie Melby, Micah McClendon, Carolyn Miller, Bryan Nerren, Kim Nevils, Hubert Owens, Christine Peach, Diane Ratley, Earl Rino, Janice Slosson, Jerry Vogel, Roy Wade, Robert Webster, Randal Wells, Judy Wright, Kaemey Young.

**This Week's Prayer Needs**

**Sandy Ballard, Lynn Boshers, Jackie & Johnny Christie, Melinda Edson, Mike Holt, The Family of Larry Noble, David Trott, Dianna Winfrey, Baker Woods, Jeannie Young.**

Your prayer requests are important! If you would like your request to appear in the newsletter/bulletin, please contact the church office. Thank You!

**Class of 2025 Graduates**

**High School:**

**Jesslyn Campos, Corban Crowe, Isaac Davis, Tyrese Dowd, Hadley Engle, Dijana Geary, Sophia Gillihan, Cayden Guilliot, Sara Kate Hall, Jax Howard, Caleb James, Caleb Keffer, Luke Smithson, Gabe Velasquez, Carlos Viveros, Lexi Wood.**

**College:**

**Wendy Campos (December 2024)  
Patrick Curry (May 2025)  
Emily Raines (December 2024)  
Cole Smotherman (December 2024)  
Devon Whitaker (December 2024)**

**Graduate Sunday**

**May 18th**



**Graduate Reception**

**Wednesday, May 21st**

We will have a shortened service that evening and then we will go into the CLC to celebrate our 2025 graduates. They will have their tables set up for you to see their accomplishments and you can put a card or gift on their table if you'd like.

**THANK YOU!**

**A big thanks to whomever assembled the new playhouses for the playground.**

*Mother's Day - May 11th*



*All moms will be honored  
during the service.*

**Children' Camp 2025 Sponsors Needed**

Cost: \$195 - Please drop your donation in the offering plate, or put it on your tithe.ly account. Please mark as "children's camp". The church pays half for children with perfect attendance in children's church. Thank You.

**MANCAMP**

**JUNE 6-8, 2025**

**Foothills Retreat Center**

**2926 New Topside Rd.**

**Louisville, TN**

**\$100 each, free to any East TN first time attendees. Please use this link to register:**

**<https://forms.gle/thNPgBF5ASxayhLHA>**

**NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL**



**Crisis Care Kits**

Please complete your Crisis Care Kits and return to the church. If you haven't gotten a kit or kits bag to fill, please do so.

These kits are very important when disaster of any kind strikes an area.

Put yourself in the place of these people who have sometimes lost everything. Receiving these basic necessities can be very helpful and encouraging that someone cares enough to see they have these items.

On our East Tennessee District Don Moore and Scott Blair transport CCKs from assembly to storage at their churches (which have space for them). These men work together to deliver CCKs to disaster sites.

You have until May 18th to complete and return your Crisis Care Kits.

If you are unable to complete the bag or bags you have taken, please return the bags so someone else can fill them.

Matthew 25:40 says 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

This is God's work! He just allows us to be the hands and feet of His work.