

# INFORMATION FOR OUR GUESTS

Our prayer is that you will experience the presence of God today.

NFC Communication Cards are available in the pew racks or on the Early Church round tables. Please use these to communicate prayer requests, questions, or words of encouragement.

Nursery and preschool programs are available this morning in the Family Life Center. Please visit our web site at [nfcnaz.org](http://nfcnaz.org) to find out more about NFC and our weekly activities.

## WEEKLY CALENDAR

### MONDAY, December 15

7:00am Men's Bible Study - NNU Alumni Hse  
9:00am Project Shoebox Delivery - schools  
5:45pm Koinonia Class Light Tour - Circle Dr

### TUESDAY, December 16

6:00am Men's Bible Study - 2nd St. Deli  
9:30am Heart 'n' Hand Quilters - B55  
Ladies Bible Study - CM217  
1:30pm Ladies' Prayer Group - Mission House  
6:00pm Boy Scout Troop 112 - B59  
Celebrate Recovery - Gym  
CR - CM Celebration Place - CM225  
CR - Yth The Landing - Forum  
6:45pm CR Childcare (0-4yrs) - Nursery

### WEDNESDAY, December 17

6:30am Men's Bible Study - Sunrise Café  
12:00pm Prayer & Fasting - Parlor  
3:00 - 5:00pm Church Library open - Rm 135  
5:15pm Wednesday Night Dinner - FH  
6:00 - 6:30pm Church Library open - Rm 135  
6:15pm Nursery Opens  
Brass Ensemble Rehearsal - S4  
6:30pm Authentic Men's Prayer Mtg - S259  
Intergen Prayer Grp for Gals - Rm124  
CR Women's Step Study - CM217  
CR Women's 12-Step - Counseling Rm  
CR Men's Step Study - CM216  
CR Men's Step Study #2 - S250  
Midweek Bible Study - Parlor  
Reading Thru the Bible - Conf Rm  
Esperanza Spanish Bible Study - Y09  
Choir Rehearsal - Choir Rm  
Cub Scout Pack Mtg - Gym

### WEDNESDAY, December 17, continued

6:30pm Community Life Mtg - CM219  
Benson's Buddies - PS227  
Lift Off Live (Grades 1 - 4) - CM220  
CM Mix 56 (Grades 5 - 6) - CM224  
Yth - Caroling Trip - Circle Dr  
Young Adult Class - S260  
Divorce Care - Y16/17  
Young Adult Women's Prayer Group - S256  
Bible Study - Book of John - Y01  
Christmas Band Practice - Sanctuary  
Bible Study for Caregivers - Y09  
7:30pm Treasure Cove Practice/Preteen Leadership - FH

### THURSDAY, December 18

Various Project Shoebox Openings - schools  
7:00am Men's Prayer Mtg - Conf Rm  
7:00pm Men's Open Gym Bball - Gym

### FRIDAY, December 19

Various Project Shoebox Openings - schools  
6:30pm Singles' Road of Healing - Forum

### SATURDAY, December 20

11:00am Boise Rescue Mission Christmas Banquet - Gym

### SUNDAY, December 21

9:45am Nursery (ages 0 to Kinder.)  
10:00am Worship Celebration - Sanctuary  
2:00 - 4:00pm Kent & Kay Conrad Retirement Drop-in Reception - FH  
No Evening Service

**B** - Basement of Ferdinand Hall

**CH** - Care House

**CM** - Children's Ministries, Upstairs FLC

**Conf Rm** - Family Life Center

**FH** - Ferdinand Hall

**FLC** - Family Life Center

**Forum** - Downstairs Family Life Center

**Parlor** - Sanctuary Building

**Ps** - Preschool, Upstairs FLC

**S** - Sanctuary Building

**Y** - Youth, Downstairs FLC

WORSHIP GATHERINGS	
9:30 am Early Church	229
10:45 am Sanctuary Service	896
7:00 pm Tuesday Gym	126
<b>Total</b>	<b>1251</b>
<b>Sunday School</b>	<b>1196</b>

OFFERINGS	
<b>GOAL FOR DECEMBER</b>	<b>\$ 156,270</b>
<b>Received to date</b>	<b>\$ 52,959</b>
<b>FAITH PROMISE BUDGET</b>	<b>\$ 245,000</b>
<b>FAITH PROMISE COMMITMENTS</b>	<b>\$ 249,602</b>
<b>Received to date</b>	<b>\$ 164,956</b>

### PRAY FOR:

- John & Linda Bondy - Philippines
- Pastor Mark Winkelman - Middleton Church of the Nazarene
- Dan Deaton - US Army

**IN THE HOSPITAL:** Tina Berman, Sandra Brown, Merreta Daniels, Alice Weller, Cathy Wraith

**SYMPATHY IS EXTENDED TO:** The Family of **Gene "Corkey" McCreery** who passed away on November 30. A memorial service will be held Friday, December 19, 6:30pm at Crossroads Community Church in Nampa.

**IN APPRECIATION:** Thank you for the beautiful plant that was given for our loved one's service. We will enjoy it for a long time. Thank you for your thoughtfulness. **The family of Carl Wilde**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO** the Diamond Jubilee 75th Wedding Anniversary Celebration for **Rev. J. Melton & Letitia Thomas** on Sunday, December 28, in the Karcher Estates Main Lobby. It is a drop-in event from 1:00 - 3:00pm.

### COMMUNITY:

- **Love INC is taking applications** for a full-time position as Case Manager/Coordinator. To read the job posting & description, visit [loveinctv.org](http://loveinctv.org) under Ministry Spotlight.
- **The Grace Place**, Love INC's Resale Shoppe, has moved to a new, bigger space in "The Birches" Plaza. Go by & check it out. Love INC is taking a break from remodeling their facilities. They will resume in January & if you would like to volunteer to help, call 466-7810.

**OVERFLOW JAVA MINISTRY** - Downstairs in the FLC adjacent to the Forum. A variety of flavored hot/cold beverages are available until 9:25am for \$2 or less. Proceeds support our NFC Youth Ministries.

**Boise Rescue Mission Christmas Banquet**, Saturday, December 20 - If you would like to volunteer for the Prep Shift from 8:00 - 10:00am here at NFC, please write your name & contact info on a communication card or call Dotti in the church office at 466-3549. You will be contacted.

**WiFi Users** - NFC Guest Networks use the following password: **nfcguest2014**.

**December Intermountain Insights** are available at the welcome center & in the hall rack by the office.

**Tableproject:** Come join us on the Table. It's a private online meeting place, just for our church, that enables us to connect 24/7, not just on Sunday. Need help or more information? Contact the group leader of any of the ministries in which you are involved or email [tablehelp@nfcnaz.org](mailto:tablehelp@nfcnaz.org) for more information.

**Kent Conrad** - Senior Pastor  
**Jim Vogel** - Adult Pastor  
**Robbie Durbin** - Singles' Pastor  
**Nate Roskam** - Young Adult Pastor  
**Brian Loeber** - Youth Pastor  
**Marcus LeBaron** - Children's Pastor  
**Carol Schroeder** - Early Child Pastor  
**Linda Thompson** - Early Church Pastor

**James Austin** - Community Life Pastor  
**Barry Lucas** - Celebrate Recovery Pastor  
**Eunice Lucas** - Celebrate Recovery Pastor  
**Doran Ritchey** - Worship Arts Pastor  
**Don Renschler** - Pastoral Care  
**Ernie Lowry** - Boy Scout Coordinator  
**Hugh Friberg** - NMI President

DECEMBER 14, 2014

# We Gather To Worship

Sermon Title: **"Who Are You?"**

Scripture: **John 1:19-28**

9:30am Early Church - Pastor Kent Conrad preaching - FLC Gym

10:45am Worship Celebration - Pastor Kent Conrad preaching - Sanctuary

6:00pm Evening Service - NFC Christmas Concert - Sanctuary  
Join us tonight for a very special musical Christmas celebration

## Prayer Opportunities This Week

Tuesday - 1:30pm - Ladies' Prayer Group - Mission House

Wednesday - 12:00pm - Prayer & Fasting - Parlor

6:30pm - Authentic Men's Prayer Meeting - S259

Intergenerational Prayer Group for Gals - Rm 124, Main ofc.

Thursday - 7:00am - Men's Prayer Meeting - FLC Conference Rm

You may also become a part of the Church Prayer Chain by calling Norma at 466-3549

## WOMEN'S MINISTRIES/GIRLFRIENDS

The Thursday morning Beth Moore Bible Study has ended for the holidays. We will start up again Thursday, January 8. Merry Christmas & see you in January 2015!

## CHILDREN & PRESCHOOL MINISTRIES

**Preschool Mini-Musical:** Our little Preschoolers are singing their mini-Christmas musical today in the Early Church Service. Please have your preschooler in their classroom by 9:20am.

**Treasure Cove Today!** All 1st - 6th graders & parents are invited to join us in Ferdinand Hall for Treasure Cove worship hour. This week's theme is "Obey."

**Wednesday Night Ministries:** 6:30 - 7:45pm! Benson's Buddies, for Pre-K & Kindergarten classes, meets in the Preschool Department. Lift Off Live, for 1st - 4th graders, meets upstairs in FLC Rm #221. MIX56, for 5th & 6th graders, will meet in FLC Rm #224.

**Family Tubing Day:** Find your snow gear & join us for Family Tubing Day at Bogus Basin on Monday, January 19, from 9:00am - 3:00pm. 1st - 3rd graders must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. Cost is \$13. Tickets can only be reserved & held by signing up & prepaying by January 11. You can sign up & pay on the web at [nfcnaz.org](http://nfcnaz.org), sign up at the welcome tables or call the CM office at 466-2302.

**Next baby dedication** is January 18; deadline is Monday, January 5.

## YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

**Young Adult Class - Sundays** - 9:30am in S260 studying the Book of Romans. Teachers: Grant Miller/John Emerson.

**Young Adults** are invited to our Wednesday Night Dinner for FREE! Come fellowship with other young adults & adults from the church & have a great home-cooked meal. Join a discipleship group. Email Pastor Nate, at [nroskam@nfcnaz.org](mailto:nroskam@nfcnaz.org), for more information.

**For more details** on young adult events, check out [nfcnaz.org/ministries/young-adult](http://nfcnaz.org/ministries/young-adult) or [facebook.com](http://facebook.com) at NFC - Young Adults.

## YOUTH MINISTRIES

**NFCU - Forum**, Sundays at 9:30am & **The HUB - Forum**, Wednesdays at 6:30pm.

**Parents meetings for Spring 2015 calendaring** are scheduled as follows:

Sunday, January 11, at noon in Y16/17

Tuesday, January 13, 7:00pm in Y14/15

**For more information** on our weekly youth ministry rhythms or for upcoming events, scan the QR code or visit us at [nfcnaz.org/ministries/teens](http://nfcnaz.org/ministries/teens) & [facebook.com/nfcstudentministries](http://facebook.com/nfcstudentministries).



# JESUS, A Ministry of Hope.... At Home, Across The Street, and Around The World

## THIS MONTH

### NAMPA FIRST CHURCH CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Presented tonight at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary.  
Intergenerational Choir, Kid's Choir, Encore Theatre Carolers & more.  
This will be a great evening of Christmas music!  
Doors will open at 5:15pm.

### SPECIAL COMBINED SERVICE SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2014

for Pastor Kent Conrad's last Sunday at 10:00am in the Sanctuary.  
A drop-in reception is planned from 2:00 - 4:00pm in Ferdinand Hall to celebrate Pastor Kent & Kay Conrad's retirement after 40 1/2 years of full-time ministry.  
Everyone is invited.

### "GOD'S NOT DEAD"

The Movie, 7:00pm - Tuesday, December 30, NFC Gym  
Free showing hosted by Celebrate Recovery

## GENERAL INFORMATION

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER

Come to fellowship & enjoy dinner with your church family, 5:15 - 6:15pm, in Ferdinand Hall! **Menu:** Meatloaf, scalloped potatoes, green beans, rolls, tossed salad & gingerbread. Upper Room will serve. Make a reservation today on a communication card or email [nfc@nfcnaz.org](mailto:nfc@nfcnaz.org) by 4:00pm Tuesday. Cost is \$3.50 for ages 9 & older; \$2.50 for ages 4 - 8; ages 0 - 3 are free. Family of 4 (children up to age 19) \$10 (additional children \$2.50 each).

**Christmas Poinsettias:** Many plants have been purchased to decorate both Early Church & the Sanctuary for Christmas. You may still provide a poinsettia in memory or in honor of a loved one. The cost for each plant is \$8. If you wish to do so, please clearly mark your check & include the name of the person(s) you wish to honor.

**Help is needed for Project Shoebox delivery** on Monday, December 15. We will be gathering in the East Foyer of the Sanctuary at 9:00am to load the boxes in the trailers & take them to the schools. Please bring a hand cart if you have one!

**Project Shoebox Opening Parties** will be at various times on Thursday, December 18 & Friday, December 19. Due to increased security, schools are asking to know ahead of time names of those who will be attending. Please call the Children's Ministry Office at 466-2302 or email Jenny at [jmark@nfcnaz.org](mailto:jmark@nfcnaz.org) for more specific information.

**Holiday Closures:** The NFC office will be closed from December 24, 12:00pm, until December 29, 8:00am & closed again from December 31, 12:00pm until January 5, 8:00am. We wish all of you, our church family, a Merry Christmas & a wonderful New Year's celebration.

**THANK YOU:** Your generous giving to Nampa First Church has been a wonderful blessing. We are fast approaching the end of the calendar year in which to make contributions for 2014. You may either place your contributions in the offering or bring them to the Church office by noon on Wednesday, December 31. Of course, you may also put your contributions in the mail; however, your envelope must be postmarked on or before December 31 to be counted in 2014.

For those of you who participate in online giving through our website, please note that December 25 is the last date you can select to be counted in 2014. Because we have a 5 day waiting period, you will need to select the 25th by December 20.

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** To ensure the deductibility of your church contributions, do not file your 2014 income tax return until you have received a written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church. Some of your contributions may not be tax-deductible if you file your tax return before receiving a written acknowledgement of your contributions from the church.

**Tuesday Ladies Bible Study**, led by Jennifer Alban, will not meet again until January 6.

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY

*Taking an honest Spiritual Inventory  
and*

**MOVING FORWARD**  
*With Christ!*

This Week:  
**Testimony**

Tuesday, December 16, 7:00pm, FLC Gym  
Family Friendly Programs  
A safe place to leave hurts, habits & hang-ups  
& move forward!

### BIBLE STUDY 101- Room CM209 - Tuesdays at 8:00pm

This Bible Study goes deeper into The Eight Principles of Celebrate Recovery. It is designed to provide a greater application & working knowledge of each of the Beatitudes from Jesus' Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5:3-12).  
Leaders are Jerry Powers & Reese Verner.

## NAZARENE MISSIONS INTERNATIONAL

**Work & Witness:** Our church's next trip will be in June of 2015. The team will be going to Burundi, Africa. Be in prayer about your attendance on this team. Applications can be found on the NFC website or at the welcome center.

**FYI:** Our Faith Promise weekend is coming soon. It will be held February 28 - March 1, 2015. Our speaker will be Brian Ketchum, who is presently in France. Please begin to be in prayer for this weekend.

**Just a reminder** to continue to be in prayer for the partnerships that NFC has with both Cuba & the Salt Lake Churches. Pray for the pastors & leaders in these 2 areas.

**Pakikisama** Mission Chapter will NOT meet in December. They will resume in January.

## SINGLES MINISTRIES

**Sunday mornings - SOS** is studying the book of John in Rm S256. **SPLASH** is continuing their study on sanctification in Rm S4 led by Marsha Rogers & Benny Choy.

**Sunday evenings** - Fellowship & Coffee, 7:00pm, at Marsha's house, 1030 E Hawaii.

**Wednesday, December 17, 6:30pm - Divorce Care** in FLC Y16/17.

**Friday, December 19, 6:30pm - Road of Healing** - Potluck - Bring a main dish or side to share. We have dessert covered!

**Saturday, December 20, 5:30pm** - Tour of Christmas Lights (Caldwell & Meridian) followed by dinner somewhere. Please RSVP to Marsha (989-1098).

**Coming in January** - "Beyond Boundaries" Class in Y14/15 beginning Wednesday, January 7, @ 6:30pm. This is not just for singles, but for everyone who would like to improve their relationships. Learn when & how to trust & grow friendships, work relationships & marriages! This is a 6-week video series by John Townsend.

## CARE HOUSE MINISTRIES

**Now that growing garden produce has come & gone**, we can always use canned goods to get us through these cold winter months. We are also in need of 2 sets of washer/dryers for 2 families. Thank you for your donations.

**If you are looking for a great place** to donate time & connect with our community, the Care House might be your answer. For information about this fun way to serve, contact Nichole Moore, Brian Westerfield or Neal Moore at 466-3549.

**The Care House** count for November 29 & December 2 & 4.

People: **738** Boxes: **157** Meals: **2,214**