

Rhythms

*Believing
Building • Blessing*

**Pleasanton Church of the Nazarene
69th Annual Church Assembly**

May 3, 2026



What are Rhythms?

Rhythms are intentional practices that align our hearts, habits, and relationships so the whole church moves together toward God's mission. They help us stay responsive to the Spirit, connected to one another, and grounded in the practices that shape us as disciples.

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Our Mission

To love people where they are and help them become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

Our Vision

To be a place to **behold** the grace, love and forgiveness found in Jesus, to **belong** to the family of God, and **become** more like Jesus by growing spiritually and serving in love.

Core Values



We Trust His Word



We Worship with Our Whole Lives



We Go Deeper Together



We Belong to One Another



We Live Love in Action

Sunday Services

Sunday School – 9:00am

Worship – 10:00am

Order of Service & Agenda

Call to Order

Prayer

Worship in Song – Holiness unto the Lord

Treasurers Report

Discipleship Report

Approval of the Ballot

Elections

Scripture Reading – 1 Peter 2:2-10

Worship in Song – I Believe

Scripture Reading – John 14:1-14

Worship in Song – Hear the Call of the Kingdom

Offering

Missions Report

Pastor's Report

Message: Believing, Building, Blessing (Eph. 2:1-10)

Assembly Business

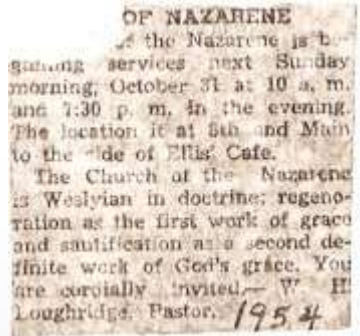
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Benediction

History

Pleasanton Church of the Nazarene began its ministry under the leadership of pastor Bill Loughridge. It held its first service on October 31st, 1954, next to the old Ellis' Café at 8th and Main Streets in downtown Pleasanton. The church began as a labor of love and hard work by the pastor and the many founding members who believed and were moved to action.

The church was officially organized on August 30th, 1956. The church property was purchased in March of 1956 from Mr. Harry Chase who had purchased the property



himself with the vision of seeing a church built on the property. Ground was broken on the new church building in March of 1957.

Initially the church met in the basement until the upstairs sanctuary space was completed in 1965. The First services were held that year on March 7th.



• Charter members of the Church of the Nazarene
The church in Pleasanton was organized August
30, 1956. This picture was taken of the chart
members present at the ground breaking service
March 24, '57. Pictured L. to R. Lillie Nation,
Aubrey Loughridge, Larry Loughridge, Esther Wood
Wood, Vivian Perdue,, Back Row. Ed Murphy,
Sibbie Murphy, Pastor Bill Loughridge, Beatrice
Loughridge and Bob Hand.

Since then, the church has thrived. There were many revivals held, many hearts given to Jesus, many baptisms, many saints disciplined, many children raised up to love Jesus. There have been good times and bad times, ups and downs along the way but the church persists to this day.

Rhythms

Rhythms are intentional practices that align our hearts, habits, and relationships so the whole church moves together toward God's mission. They help us stay responsive to the Spirit, connected to one another, and grounded in the practices that shape us as disciples.

These rhythms help us stay aligned with Jesus and with one another. They tune our hearts to the Spirit's leading, strengthen our unity, and keep us steady in the practices that form us as disciples. Through the rhythms of **Believing**, **Building**, and **Blessing**, we learn to turn our attention to Christ, grow together as a family, and join God's mission in our community and world.

Believing begins with beholding the grace, love, and forgiveness of Jesus Christ. We help people encounter God through worship, Scripture, prayer, and the work of the Holy Spirit. This aligns with our Mission to help people become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ.

We cultivate a rhythm of believing by continually turning our hearts and minds toward Jesus. Through worship, Scripture, prayer, and the work of the Holy Spirit, we behold the grace, truth, and presence of God. This rhythm deepens our trust in His Word and anchors our lives in the gospel.

Believing • Building • Blessing

Building is the rhythm of forming a loving, Christ-centered family where people are welcomed, known, loved, and supported. We build relationships, environments, and ministry teams that help people grow deeper together. This rhythm reflects our Vision to be a place where people belong to the family of God by creating spaces for discipleship and nurturing a community where every person can fellowship, learn, and grow. Through all of this we participate in the ongoing work of building God's kingdom as we form a community shaped by His love and committed to His mission.

Blessing is the outward expression of our faith and the embodiment of the Core Value of living love in action. It moves us to share Jesus' compassion for others in the ways we serve, give, lead, and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ in our community and throughout the world. Through these acts of compassion, generosity, leadership, and evangelism, we join in God's mission as His hands and feet and demonstrate our commitment to blessing others.

Treasurer's Report

For the period of May 1, 2025 through March 31, 2026:

Total income received to date: \$72,009.80

Total expenditures through 3/31/2026: \$74,139.98

Administrative: \$28,195.39

Facilities: \$28,244.11

Programs and Ministries: \$6,963.13

World Evangelism Fund: \$3,423.67

Stewardship: (District/MNU/Benefits) \$7,313.68

Banking Balances:

Account Balance as of May 1, 2025: \$16,277.66

Account Balance as of March 31, 2026: \$14,662.73

Net Change (since May 1, 2025): -\$ 1,614.93

Budget:

2025/2026 Budget Amount: \$77,286.84

Budget Surplus/Shortage: (95.93%) \$74,139.98

Amount over or under budget: \$3,146.86

We will include a finalized year end update in the coming weeks and publish it in the church bulletin.

Major expenses during CY 2025-2026:

- Insurance (\$9,782.50)
- Purchase of Church Pew Chairs (\$5509.81)
- Repairing the upstairs air conditioning (\$2,412.50)

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Sands
Treasurer

Discipleship Report

The attendance report for the period of May 1, 2025, through April 30, 2026 is as follows:

Discipleship Average Attendance		Morning Worship Average Attendance	
May '25	17	May '25	24
June '25	11	June '25	22
July '25	11	July '25	22
August '25	15	August '25	26
September '25	12	September '25	22
October '25	12	October '25	22
November '25	12	November '25	20
December '25	13	December '25	21
January '26	17	January '26	24
February '26	21	February '26	24
March '26	16	March '26	25
April '26	18	April '26	23
Annual Average	15	Annual Average	23

Our highest month for attendance in Discipleship was February and for Sunday Worship was August. Our lowest month for Sunday worship was in November. Year to date Worship Attendance has however increased, which is encouraging. We are hopeful and we look forward to continued growth in the new year.

Respectfully submitted,
 Carrie Millard
 NMI President

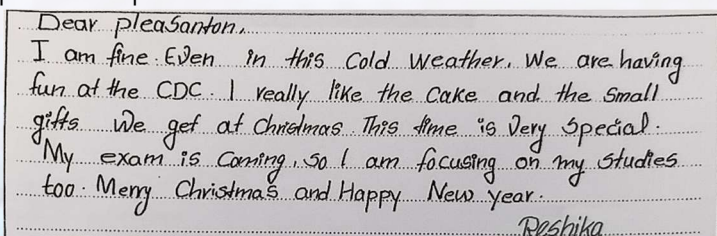
Missions Report

Local Nazarene Missions International (NMI) 2025-26 Report:

Our goal is to pray for, financially support, and share information about Nazarene Missions evangelism around the globe.

Missions Highlights 2025-26:

- ❖ We have met our commitment to support World Evangelism Fund by sending in \$4575 of the \$5020 Pledged.
- ❖ We raised \$540 towards Alabaster through our offerings in September and February.
- ❖ Shawn O'Connor visited us on April 26th. He and his family served as missionaries in Beijing and Taipei. His message inspired and encouraged our commitment to foreign Missions as well as being missionaries to our town and own county.
- ❖ April was "Faith Promise" month. Together we have pledged to raise \$6180 so far towards WEF for 2026-27.
- ❖ We supported our sponsor child Reshika through NCM Child Sponsorship. Below is a letter we received from her:



Dear Pleasanton...

I am fine. Even in this cold weather. We are having fun at the CDC. I really like the cake and the small gifts we get at Christmas. This time is very special. My exam is coming, so I am focusing on my studies too. Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Reshika

We continue to labor to fulfill the Great Commission. Together may we prayerfully reach out to our community and our world in creative ways that will reach others with the Peace and Joy of Jesus Christ.

Respectfully submitted,
Barbara Simmons
NMI President

Pastor's Report

State of the Church

We have been active in community and outreach events throughout the year. In August we hosted a *Back to School Bash* with bounce houses and fun for the kids. We packed, and then prayed over 80 backpacks to give to local students returning to school.

In October we set up a booth at *General Pleasanton Days* with sand art for the kids. We also hosted our first *Fall Family Fest* where we handed out candy to around 80 trick-or-treaters and passed out bible lessons and scripture tracts to kids.

In March we had the *Spaghetti Dinner and Silent Auction* to raise funds for the local compassionate ministry fund.

None of this can continue without you. Thank you all for your continued prayer, support, and most importantly, your participation. I also want to thank the Church Board for all their hard work over the last year of leading the church. Your efforts have made a huge difference.

Vision for 2025-26

As we look to the future, we want to continue embodying what it means to be a missional community — loving, serving and being a witness to the community. We will lean intentionally into the **rhythms** of believing, building, and blessing.

We will witness to others because we believe. We will build relationships with others because we are called. We will bless others because we embody His love. Together, we will embody these rhythms as we move forward into the new year.

Respectfully submitted,
David Schuermann
Lead Pastor

Assembly Business

Financial Reports

Board/Delegates Election

Ministry Reports

Election Results

Vote to Destroy Ballots

End of Assembly Business

Upcoming Events

Church Board Installation Sunday - May 10, 2026

First Board Meeting – Monday May 11, 2026 @ 4PM

Joplin District Assembly Schedule:

- NDI/NYI Conventions – July 25, 2026
- District Assembly – July 26-27, 2026
- Ordination Service – July 27, 2026
- NMI Convention – July 28, 2026

Location: College Heights Christian Church
4311 E Newman Rd, Joplin, MO 64801

Tree of Blessing

The Pleasanton Nazarene Church Tree of Blessing returns this December as we come together to bless a family in our community. We would love your help in coordinating this year's effort. If you'd like to be part of the team, see Pastor Dave to get connected.

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Membership

Ready to learn more about becoming a member? We want to invite you to attend the next *"Become"* class. This class will help you discover what we believe, who we are, and what it means to become a church member. Membership is more than just joining an association, it's about belonging in a relationship with Gods people, and becoming a part of the family. Talk to Pastor Dave today or watch for announcements for our next *"Become"* class coming soon.

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Stay Connected

- Get Important Updates
- Send Prayer requests
- Get Event reminders

Scan to Connect!



Notes

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