

# HIGH POINTES

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## Wednesday Night reFuel

It's not too late to join us for Wednesday Night Small groups, we are beginning on October 3 from 6:30 - 7:30 PM. Contact Margaret Hasselbring to sign up (878-1090).

**Jr. High:** Jr. High Youth Fellowship will meet in the gym on Wednesday nights with Pastor Mark.

**Adults:** This fall we'll kick off with two adult groups too! One class will be a Bible study lead by Pastor Kip. Jim Smit will facilitate the second class "7 Pillars of Health". We're offering a nursery this year too.

**Dinners:** We know that these Wednesdays can be a rush at times to try and get dinner ready, eaten and cleaned up so you can be at church by 6:30. Once a month our Senior High Youth Fellowship group would like to provide a meal for our families (donations will be accepted and appreciated)! Our first Wednesday night meal is on October 17 from 5:30 - 6:15 PM. Come early and enjoy this break and a little social time with other High Pointe families! Thanks, Sr. High!

Come on out on Wednesday and get re-fueled and better connected, there is something for the whole family. Don't just send your kids off to church, go with them to show them it's your priority too!

We will not meet on Wednesday, October 31st.

## Thanksgiving Baskets

Thanksgiving, it's the time of year when we especially take the time to reflect on how truly blessed we are. So often, families wonder how they can give back to our community. We have an opportunity for our High Pointe Families. We are again partnering with Byron Community Ministries in preparing thanksgiving baskets for families in need this year. These "baskets" provide families to prepare and enjoy their own thanksgiving meal. Byron Community Ministries will provide the turkeys, but is asking that we provide the "fixings". If you would like to donate a basket (or half basket), please sign up in the foyer on Sunday mornings in October. Each basket is due back at church by October 28. This is a great service opportunity for families.

## Church E-mails

Want to be added to our all church e-mail list? Contact Eva at office@high-pointe.org to get occasional updates and special announcements

## Silent Auction

During the month of October the Youth Fellowship will begin to collect donated items for the annual Silent Auction. This is a fund raiser to help our teens attend a mission trip in 2009. The auction will begin on November 18 and end on December 2nd. See Tona Ambrose (554-3198) or Melissa Gallup (656-9218) for details and donated items.

## Women's Ministry

Ladies, join us on October 8 for our ladies night out at Max & Erma's. See Diane Hehman for more details.

Don't miss out on a baby shower for Angie Rienstra on October 23 at 7:00. The shower will be at Kelly Bischoff's home (8446 Woodhaven, Apt.11, BC)

Hearts at Home conference is in GR this year. Contact Michelle Alber (583-0322) about attending this awesome conference on October 26 & 27.

Want to get caught up on Scrapbooking? Join us at High Pointe East on Friday, October 26!

Check out the women's ministry table for more details on all of these events and even more! Or contact Tammy Bate (878-9336) with any questions.

## MEAL MINISTRY

Have you ever been overwhelmed and wished that someone else would take care of dinner for your family? There are times that we want to provide that meal for some of our High Pointe families, especially those who may have had surgery, or have been injured or hospitalized recently. Maybe you enjoy making meals or baking. We have a place for you to plug in! These meals are so appreciated. Call Michelle Kramer if you'd like to be added to the list (554-6003).

In being a blessing to someone, you will be blessed!

Check out our website for any details that you may have missed any Sunday: [www.high-pointe.org](http://www.high-pointe.org)  
Teens - check out the latest Youth Fellowship announcements and pictures at [www.highpointeyouth.com](http://www.highpointeyouth.com)

Stay Connected!



## Building The Future

Almost a year ago, we launched our Building the Future campaign. First of all, **"thank you"** for all of you have given so generously. Thanks to our High Pointe Family we were able to raise \$554,000 in one time gifts and 3 year pledge commitments. To date we have collected \$ 177,424.61

God is good and faithful! We'd like to celebrate with an all church pot-luck on November 11. Details are being worked out, but keep an eye out for more details. Our building the Future team will give an update on our progress. We know there are many questions you have in regards to a new facility. When will we build? Are those blueprints the final drawings? Can we afford it? Why is it taking so long? Have you forgotten about the building? Where's my money going?

The Church Board Trustees have been meeting to make decisions about our facility and the costs. They plan to answer those questions and more at our potluck dinner in November.

## FINANCE REPORT

The finance team felt it important to share the High Pointe financial information to our congregation. Below is a look at September 2007. If you have additional questions, feel free to contact Sandy Mathias or Ed Bueche.

September 2007	Actual	Budgeted
Tithes	\$36,9398.00	\$28,750.00
Missions Giving	\$538.50	\$1,017.00
Building Fund	\$9,724.00	\$11,750.00

## ADOPT - A - MARINE

We've already been praying for Dan DeWeerd and his marine troop as they have recently left for Iraq. We would like to adopt his unit to pray for them individually and send an occasional card. If you would like to take a name and adopt a marine, please contact Rose Mary Hartwick (Dan's mother-in-law) at 986-1001.

## A Look Ahead Into November

- 8 Church Board Meeting
- 10 Tool Time for Men
- 10 Children's Bible Quiz
- 13 Baby Shower for Lisa Bruinooge
- 14 Wednesday Night Dinner before 'refuel'
- 17 Ladies Shopping Trip
- 18 Youth Silent Auction Begins
- 22 Thanksgiving
- 30 Scrapbooking

## Kids Hope

Our Mentors have begun a new year with their students. Some have returned to the same student and some have new ones. Please pray for an effective year for this mentoring program at Nickels Intermediate. There are many children who could benefit from a mentor, please prayerfully consider how God can use you to reach out to a child. Contact Trish Verbrugge if you'd like to be involved in this ministry (698-6231)

## FLAG FOOTBALL

Hey guys, ready to play some football? Join us at Whistlestop Park on Sunday, October 7 for a couple hours of flag football from 3:00 - 5:00 PM. Women and children are welcome to stay and cheer on their men. We'll end with a much deserved pizza party. Join in on the fun and play if you dare! Watch the bulletin for more details.

## Pastor Appreciation Month

During the month of October we have an opportunity to show our Pastors how much we appreciate them. This is a great time to give them encouragement and support for all they do at High Pointe. If you'd like to bring a card, you can place it in the basket at the welcome table any Sunday in October. Let's find some great, creative ways to show our appreciation!

## Membership Class

Are you new to High Pointe and are wondering about the Church of the Nazarene, our beliefs visions and values? Join Pastor Kip in a two part membership class to discuss these and other topics. Classes will be held at the office (HQ - 2485 84th Street) on October 21 & 28 from 4:30 to 6:00 PM. Please contact Pastor Kip or the office (583-1451 or office@high-pointe.org) if you plan to attend.

## October Birthdays

3 Gene Kramer	18 Tracy Colby
3 Eva Vander Woude	18 Anna Smit
4 Rhonda Bischoff	19 Steve Brocker
5 Josh Carter	19 Trish Verbrugge
6 David Prindle	20 Tyler Shauer
9 Amanda Vander Woude	21 Audry Richardson
10 Mike Wall	22 Ellerie Ambrose
10 Kirk Starnes	22 Brandon Armstrong
11 Kelly Nichols	26 Katie Bird
11 Joe Prewitt	27 Justin Ercia
12 Jordan Gallup	27 Tim Lenger
12 Kaylee Ruffing	29 Kaylinn Remer
17 Lynnette Butler	31 Samantha Newberry
17 Taft Richardson	

\*Don't see your name? Well, let us know when your birthday or anniversary is. You can email them to Eva Vander Woude at office@high-pointe.org