



Mt. Zion Church of Ontario

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REMOTE & LIVE SERVICES

CHECK WEBSITE FOR DETAILS.

Saturday Services

- 10:00 am Evangelism Team Outing
- 3:00 pm New Member Orientation
- 3:00 pm Discipleship Training
- 4:00 pm Saturday Bible Study
- 5:00 pm R.I.S.E. Saturday Service

Sunday Services

8:00 am Worship Service
9:30 am New Member Orientation
9:30 am Discipleship Training
9:30 am Sunday Bible Study

10:45 am Worship Service

STEWARDSHIP

1. Revenue and Expenses as of August 2024 Our budget is funded through tithes and offerings. Mt. Zion's financial statements are available upon request. Financial statements will be updated monthly. (Week 40) YTD Goals YTD Actuals Variance Revenue \$ 1,701,152.40 \$ 1,363,918.62 <\$ 337,233.71> \$ 1,629,149.60 185,187.18 Expense \$ 1,443,962.42 Total Revenue/Loss: 80.043.73> <\$ 2. Phase I Capital Campaign 2024 Milestone Goal Goal Amount 2023 Milestone Goal Total Needed for Phase I* \$1,000,000.00 \$1,000,000.00 \$2,000,000.00 Goal: \$5,000,000 Actual \$ 212,481.81 \$1,026,064.00 \$1,238,545.81

*Phase I includes building the Education Building, the Mt. Zion Center and infrastructure. GOD CAN DO IT! The original loan amount was \$2,400,000.00 **Paid in Full 3/12/2021.**

The Capital Campaign team is contacting everyone who pledged to past campaigns to update their pledge to the Phase I Capital Campaign. I ask that you help us accelerate this process by stopping by the Capital Campaign table or call Church Office at 909-983-2411. Sincerely, Pastor Brian E. Kennedy.

Capital Campaign fund monies cannot be used for operating cost.







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Shelby Online Giving https://www.shelbygiving.com/mzo



Shelby Text Giving 909-219-9637 (Ex: \$100 tithes)

If you have any questions or need assistance, please call the Church Administrator at 909-983-2411 ext. 108.



HARVEST FESTIVAL HARD CANDY DONATIONS NEEDED

For detailed information on upcoming events, please view the calendar on the Mt. Zion website.

FROM THE Pastor

Capital Campaign prayer request #36: Lord, guide our architects as they prepare our Site Plan for the plan preapproval process with the City of Ontario. God Bless



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READ AN EXTRA CHAPTER OR TWO A DAY					
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Oct		Ps.	106-107	Mark	
Oct		Ps.	108-109	Mark	
Oct		Ps.	110-111	Mark	9
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Oct		Ps.	116-117	Mark	
Oct	18	Ps.	118-119	Mark	
In Christ Do More in 2024					

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https://covr.sos.ca.gov/

Oct 13 Go Sunday @ 9:30am 20th Annual Usher Celebration @ 4:30pm Oct 26 Women's Ministry Conference @ 8:00am Register today! Oct 31 Harvest Festival @ 5:30pm



Counseling Ministry: 909-415-4132 or mcallomtz@aol.com.

Helping Hands Ministry: Community: Tuesdays, Thursdays & Fridays (9:30am– 12:00pm); Food Giveaway for Members: Wednesdays (9:30am–12:00pm); Fridays (9:30am–12:00pm). If you need assistance, please call 909-460-0984.

Fitness Ministry: Gospel Line Dancing on every Tues. @ 6:00pm in the cafe, with the exception of holidays or any other church closures.

Karate: Every Tuesday and Thursday in Room 11 of the Education Building at 7:00pm– 8:30pm.

ESL Classes: (English as a second language) every Wednesday (7:15pm-8:30pm) in Room 3 and Thursday (7:30am) Dan Seymore Bldg.

Mental Health Ministry: https://www.mtzionontario.com/general-3.

The following families have recently lost a loved one. Please keep them in prayer during their time of bereavement:

Family of Bill Coleman Margaret Smith & Family (son) Family of Eugene Mitchell Tyna Carson & Family (sister) Arthur Nash & Family (sister) Family of Floretta Phillips

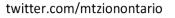


Please continue to pray for Mt. Zion, its leaders, members, and our community.

If you have a family member who is hospitalized or have lost a loved one, please call the church office or email <u>info@mtzionontario.com.</u> Your requests will be given to the Monday Night Prayer Team.







Motivation to Spread the Gospel!

Acts 5:12-42 (NASB95)

Pastor Brian Kennedy

TEXT QUESTIONS TO PASTOR AS HE IS PREACHING TO: (909) 906-0272

God created the gospel with built-in motivation. The gospel is more than an intellectual exercise, or a magical path to wealth, power, and superiority. The gospel is life changing. The gospel is the message about Jesus dying on the cross for the sins of the world, His burial, and resurrection, to secure our eternal love relationship with God (I Cor. 15:1-4; Rom. 5:6-8; John 3:16). Believing in the gospel involves a new life with Jesus. Through Jesus, you have:

- Security in God's unconditional love (Rom. 3:31-39)
- Value (Eph. 2:10)
- Forgiveness (Eph. 1:7, I John 1:9-2:2)
- A new nature with the removal of guilt and shame (II Cor. 5:17; I John 2:28)
- A change in your thinking and behavior (Rom. 12:1-2)
- A call to fulfill God's purpose for your life (II Cor. 5:18-20)
- Eternal life with God in heaven (after this life) (John 3:16, John 14:1-6)

Because of what the gospel is and what it does, you are naturally motivated to tell someone else.

Key Statement: God gives the church built-in motivation to spread the gospel.

- A. God Gives the Church Built-In Motivation to Spread the Gospel (Acts 5:12-42).
 - 1. God uses signs and wonders to attract people (v. 12; cf. 4:29-31).
 - 2. God gives us gathering opportunities for fellowship, encouragement, and edification (v. 12; cf. Heb. 10:24-25).
 - 3. God causes non-believers to respect us for dealing with our sin (vs. 13-14, cf. 5:1-11).

Note: Some non-believers respected the Christians for dealing with the dishonesty of Ananias and Sapphira (v. 13; the phrase "none of the rest," references non-believers - Luke 8:10; cf. Rom. 11:7; Eph. 2:3; 1 Thess. 4:13; 5:6). When the church respects God and we deal with our sin, both believers and non-believers gain respect for God (Acts 5:11). This respect motivates people inside the church to spread the gospel.

- 4. God saving people as we spread the gospel motivates us to continue spreading the gospel (v. 14, cf. Acts 2:40-41, 47; 4:1-4).
- 5. God meeting needs in the church motivates us to spread the gospel (vs. 15-16).
- 6. God uses persecution to supernaturally motivate His people to spread the gospel (vs. 17-42).
 - a. Peter and the Apostles were arrested for spreading the gospel (vs. 17-18).
 - b. The motive for the arrest was jealousy (v. 17).
 - c. While the devil used the Jewish leaders to hinder the spread of the gospel, God worked a miracle to continue the spread of the gospel (vs. 19-26).
 - d. In the face of a cruel Jewish Council, God gave Peter the boldness to proclaim the church's mission to spread the liberating gospel of Jesus (vs. 27- 32).
 - e. When the Council attempted to kill the Apostles, God intervened (vs. 33-39).
 - f. With physical persecution, God supernaturally motivated His people to continue spreading the gospel (vs. 40-42).

Personal Challenge: Use the motivation God gives to spread the gospel.

Personal Prayer: Dear Lord, thank You for creating the gospel so unique and powerful that nothing and nobody on earth can compare or compete with the gospel. Lord, my life is changed because of the gospel. Thank You for the person who shared the gospel with me. Lord, help me draw upon the motivation You give so I spread the gospel and someone else also experiences a changed life. I live to love and serve You. In the name of Jesus, I pray, amen.