

IMPOSSIBLE LOVE

**News from
the Hill
Hillcrest Church
of the Nazarene**

February 2020

My Brothers and Sisters,

Have you ever considered how excited God is about you? Think for a moment how you came into being; a cell from father met with a cell from mother, a near impossibility (1 in 100 million).

Yet our Heavenly Father thinks about us;

¹⁵ “Can a woman forget her nursing child And have no compassion on the son of her womb? Even these may forget, but I will not forget you.

¹⁶ “Behold, I have inscribed you on the palms of My hands; Your walls are continually before Me. (Is. 49)

So, if we are important to God, shouldn't He take importance to us? Is it important to pray? Most of us would answer with an affirmative.

However, it seems that prayer is the least practiced component of our relationship with our Savior and Lord Jesus Christ. Why is this the case?

What keeps, dare I ask prevents you from praying?

Consider what 19th Century Pastor Andrew Murray said, *“I need to spend time with God even when I do not know what to pray.”*

Our time is so consumed these days that we might even suggest that it is impossible to find time to pray.

Luke 18

²⁶ They who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?” ²⁷ But He said, “The things that are impossible with people are possible with God.”

All the more reason to make the time for prayer with our Heavenly Father.

It comes down to how much faith are we willing to place in trusting that if we spend time with God, He will make time for us.

Hebrews 11

¹ Now faith is the assurance of things hoped for, the conviction of things not seen. ² For by it the men of old gained approval.

³ By faith we understand that the worlds were prepared by the word

of God, so that what is seen was not made out of things which are visible. ⁴ By faith Abel offered to God a better sacrifice than Cain, through which he obtained the testimony that he was righteous, God testifying about his gifts, and through faith, though he is dead, he still speaks. ⁵ By faith Enoch was taken up so that he would not see death; and he was not found because God took him up; for he obtained the witness that before his being taken up he was pleasing to God. ⁶ And without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is and that He is a rewarder of those who seek Him.

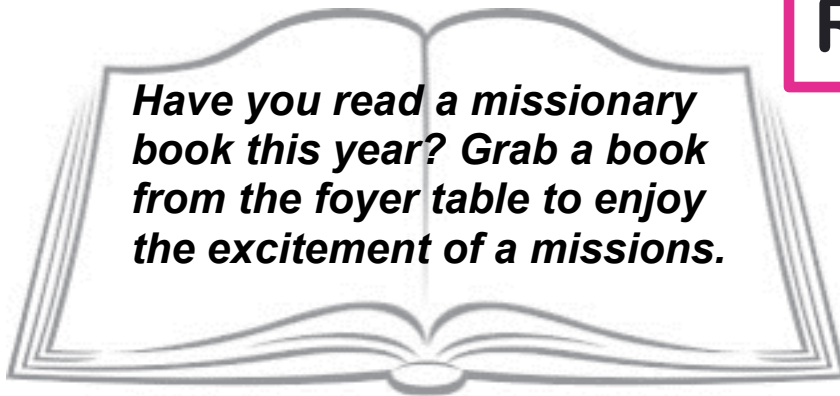
I'd like to challenge us for 1 week. Make intentional time for prayer and see what possibilities God will do in your life.

"We have a God who delights in impossibilities."— Andrew Murray

Let's love our world today!
With Love, Pastor Steven and Family

Upcoming Events

- Feb. 10 – 6:30
Church Board Meeting
- Feb. 19 – 6:30 PM
WAMA Service @ WUCC
- Feb. 23
Alabaster Offering Sunday
- Feb. 23
Annual Church Meeting/Elections
- Feb. 25 – 6:00 PM (Muncie Southside)
Sunday School Spirit Rally
- Feb. 26 – 6:30 PM @ Hillcrest
Ash Wednesday Service



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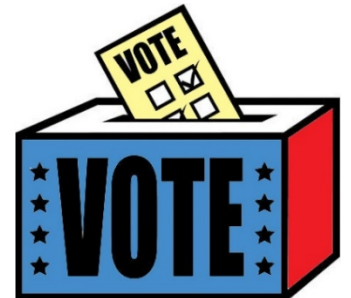
Prayer Time

Prayer should be something that we do naturally as a Disciple of Jesus. It isn't something we should have to be reminded to do.

However, let's make March a month of Prayer for those in need. Let's use our prayer room and become Prayer Warriors!

Be joyful
in hope,
patient in
affliction,
faithful
in prayer.
Romans 12:12

2/23 Annual Church Elections



*Happy
Birthday!*

February Birthdays

Judy Sower	2/8
Samantha Langston	2/14
Kathy Ralston	2/20
Jason Voland	2/28