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**3 ONLINE TOOLS THAT YOU CAN USE TO FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH:**

1. Click on our church website: [www.mtziononline.org](http://www.mtziononline.org)
2. Watch a live stream of our Sunday AM service (at 10:45); access archived sermons and videos: [www.sermonaudio.com/mzbc](http://www.sermonaudio.com/mzbc)
3. Follow us on Twitter: @mtzbc

**WHAT GOD'S WORD TEACHES ABOUT ... SALVATION**

1. **What is sin?** "All unrighteousness is sin." 1 John 5:17 Anything that is not right in God's sight is sin.
2. **Who has sinned?** "For all have sinned and come short of the glory of God." Rom. 3:23
3. **What will happen to those who sin?** "For the wages of sin is death..." Rom. 6:23 They will spend eternity in "...the lake of fire. This is the second death." Rev. 20:14
4. **What am I to believe about Jesus?** "...Christ died for our sins according to the scriptures; And that he was buried, and that he rose again the third day according to the scriptures." 1 Cor. 15:3-4
5. **Why did Jesus suffer all this for me?** "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." John 3:16
6. **What must I do to be saved from the judgment of an eternal Hell for my sin?** "Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved." Acts 16:31
7. **What does God give to all who believe in Jesus?** "He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life." John 3:36
8. **How can I know that I have everlasting life?** "...God, that cannot lie, promised [eternal life] before the world began." Titus 1:2

You could become a Christian right now by sincerely **repenting** of your sin to God, and **trusting** in Jesus Christ alone to save you. If you want to share your decision OR need help with it, please call us at 927-9227. If no answer, press ext. 1 and leave a message.

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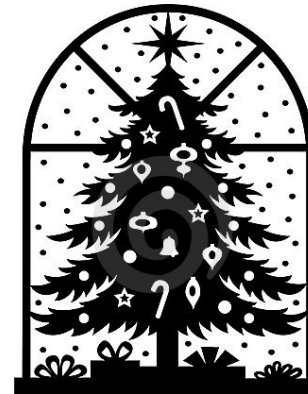
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## "Maranatha! The Lord is Come"

Join us for an evening of music and drama. Our Christmas play "Maranatha" presents both the first and second coming of Christ. A dying man tries to witness to his life-long friend and warn him of Christ's return. Find out how the story unfolds.

- What:** Christmas Cantata  
**When:** December 10-11 (Sat. & Sun.) at 6:30 nightly  
**Where:** Mt. Zion Baptist Church Annex Building  
**Who:** Everyone (bring your family and friends) (Nursery care is available)

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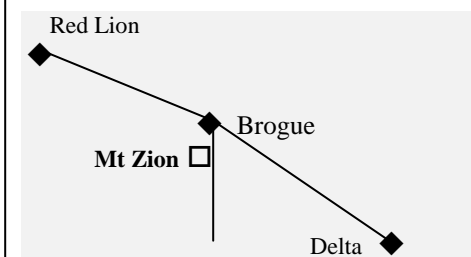
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**Location**

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**Services**

- Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
- Morning Service 10:30 a.m.
- Sunday Evening 6:30 p.m.
- Wednesday Evening 7:30 p.m.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS AT MZ

**Reformers Unanimous** (Addictions Program)  
**Every Friday, 7 pm**  
 (in the Annex gym behind the church)

<b>Sun., November 27, 6:30 pm</b>	- 4 Men Preach
<b>Sat. &amp; Sun., December 10-11, 6:30 pm</b>	- Christmas Cantata (in Annex both nights)
<b>Wed., December 14, 7:30</b>	- Children's Christmas Program
<b>Fri., December 16, 6:30 pm</b>	- Choir sings at Galleria Mall
<b>Mon., January 9, 6:00 pm</b>	- Annual Family Skating
<b>Every Monday, January – February, 6:00 pm</b>	- Boys Basketball (in Annex)
<b>Sat., February 25</b>	- All Day Teen Basketball and Volleyball Tournament



## ARE YOU PRUDENT OR FOOLISH?

**Proverbs 22:3** *A prudent man foreseeth the evil, and hideth himself: but the simple pass on, and are punished.*

This admonition from God's book of wisdom contrasts the prudent man with the simple. **A prudent person is** one who is wise enough to have foresight of coming evil and avoid it. **A simple person is** one who lives for today with no foresight of coming danger. Another name for the simple is the fool.

This Bible principle has many applications to us today. It applies to us **financially**. If someone foresees that he will be laid off, he will try to set some money back to prepare for it if he is able and prudent. Likewise, if he foresees a nationwide or global financial crunch, he will likewise take this time to prepare.

The principle also applies to us **physically**. You are what you eat. A junk food junkie at age 20 could avoid a lot of trouble at age 40 by foreseeing the results of poor eating and exercise habits and making corrections now.

Again, it applies to us **domestically**. Sometimes, husbands and wives let themselves grow apart because of their harrowing schedules and the demands upon them. They become sitting ducks for a mental affair with a coworker, friend, or neighbor. Divorce, always considered taboo, soon becomes a plausible solution in their minds. The one who foresees the evil can address it and take steps to spend time with each other and enjoying each other's company again.

**Mentally**, it's the same principle. Garbage in produces garbage out. There are an amazing number of people (largely men) hooked on feeding their minds pornography—even Christian men. The prudent man, however, will foresee where it is leading and hide himself from it. Like the drinker should rid the house of all his alcohol to come clean, the man captivated by porn should burn his stash. The fool will just pass on and be punished. The same could be said of smoking, gambling, drinking, drugs, overeating, and any of a number of addictions. They are addictions of the mind. The prudent person will look ahead and see where it will lead and get help today. (See our article on Reformers Unanimous).

On and on, we could make present day applications of this timeless Bible principle. But it was never truer than it is **spiritually**. God's Word and God's men are trumpeting a warning to anyone and everyone who will listen. God created all of us and provided for us. Man has sinned against God and deserves Hell. However, God sent Christ to die in our place on the Cross, shed His blood, and raise the third day. Now, any person can have salvation from sin and Hell by repenting of his sin and receiving Christ as his personal Savior.

The warning is: Hell is an eternal, real place of fire, torment and darkness. Men have sinned. Sinners go to Hell. Therefore, receive Christ before it's too late.

*2 Corinthians 6:2b ...behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.*

Apply the Bible principle spiritually. The wise, prudent person will foresee the danger, heed the warning and receive the remedy. The simple, foolish person will ignore the warning and pass on only to be punished.

We at Mt. Zion care about our community and neighbors. We do not want even one of them to suffer eternity in Hell. Therefore, we are sounding out the warning of the Bible. Foresee the evil ahead and come to Christ today. We look forward to meeting you this Sunday.

## PREACHING

In the last four months, we have continued to have wonderful crowds averaging 284 and record giving. We have recorded over 30 professions in that time. The faithful workers at Mt. Zion won many of those on visitation or in VBS.

Pastor Starr has been preaching a series on Sunday mornings called "Who is Jesus?" and on Sunday nights, "The Promises of God." If you live in our area, join us at Mt. Zion as we study God's Word together! There's no substitute for being here!

**Don't forget:** For those who are out of town or unable to attend, remember that we are now live-streaming our Sunday morning services at 10:45 am each Sunday. Join us by going to our church website and clicking on the link at the bottom left.



## MT. ZION BAPTIST CAMP



Mt. Zion Baptist Camp is designed to help Christian young people take the next step in their Christian lives. Mt. Zion Baptist Church will host its 13<sup>th</sup> year of summer camp from June 25-June 29, 2012. Plans are just beginning for another exciting year. We will have two new speakers combined with a special VIP Registration Opportunity for campers. Find out more about camp for 2012 in the next newsletter ☺.

## JUST MARRIED

On August 20<sup>th</sup>, we rejoiced to witness the marriage of Anna Davis to Matthew Parks. The couple has settled down in the area and attends and serves at Mt. Zion.



## FAREWELL

On October 3, we had a service remembering a dear 25-year member of Mt. Zion, **Lorna Trump**. *Proverbs 10:7a says, "The memory of the just is blessed..."*

## ADULT BIBLE CLASSES

Special thanks to the following teachers for their investment of time in study and teaching our Adult Bible Classes:

Pastor Starr – Berean Bible Class  
Pastor Chris – Family Foundations  
Mark Waltemyer – Higher Ground  
Todd Henricks – Anchored Lives



We would also like to thank all the care group leaders for their labors in our Adult Bible Classes. Classes will end in November and then start back up in March 2012. We will continue to have the combined adult class at 9:30 am on Sundays in the main auditorium during the winter months (Dec-Feb).



**Mt. Zion IS...  
A Church for the whole Family.**

## TEEN TIME (Youth Ministry at Mt. Zion)

Youth Pastor: **Chris Starr**

This fall our weekly meetings on Wednesday nights at 7:30 have ballooned to nearly fifty teens each week. We are excited about the future at Mt. Zion. Recent ministry involvement by our teens includes hosting our bi-annual **youth service** (Sunday, Sept. 25), **Pastor Appreciation Night** (Sunday, Oct. 23), and **Bi-weekly bus visitation**. This year's theme is "Vessels Unto Honour". We are striving at Mt. Zion to help prepare teens for Christian service in the local church – A Cause Greater Than Themselves!

In Teen time, Pastor Chris has been preaching a series entitled "**What If They Say**". Lessons have dealt with what if someone says, "My Hair is My Choice" OR "I have received the Spirit and spoken in tongues" OR "Jesus is NOT God". Teens must know what they believe and WHY they believe it. That is the thrust of this important preaching series.

In October, we held our annual Bible Quizzing Event at Mt. Zion and had fifteen teens from our church and seven teens from Mt. Zion Baptist Church in Denver quiz over 1 Timothy 1-3. Though the competition was close and down to the last question, we congratulate **Emily Sparks, Alyssa Lyman and Nathan Smeltzer** as their team won the Bible Quiz for 2012.



On November 7-11, thirteen of our teens attended the Empowered Youth Conference held by Fairhaven Baptist Church in Chesterton, IN. The preaching and fellowship was such a blessing to our group. We had two Bible Quiz teams, two girls Volleyball teams, and seven others competed in individual competition.

On our way out to the conference we were able to be with **Pastor Mike Clark** and the **Legacy Baptist Church**. It was a blessing to see God working in this new church. It is great to have places you can take your teens and know they are going to be challenged in their personal walk with the Lord.

On Friday, November 18<sup>th</sup>, we will be taking four vanloads of teens on a "Destination Unknown" trip.



In January, we look forward to each teen boy who attends our youth group to share a 3-5 minute message from God's Word. Special thanks to **Jeremiah & Kelsey Tome, Bobby & Tabitha Rogers and Mark & Lori Waltemyer** for their weekly investment of time, love and prayer in our young people.

**Giving Living Project!** Throughout the school year, we have received an offering once a month for our giving living project. Our teens have given nearly \$700 this year towards purchasing a new digital piano for our church. Currently 33% of the funds have been raised! Praise the Lord for their generous giving!

## AMBASSADORS (Age 55 & up)

Directors: **Charlotte & George Whittaker**

Fall is here and we have been enjoying some good activities like driving to look at all the beautiful leaves and eating at Diener's. Our activities start with a challenge from one of the pastors or men of the church. We want all of our activities to be pleasing to our Lord. If you are 55 or older and planning to attend Mt. Zion Baptist Church, please join us. We look forward to sharing our fellowship with others.

## H.E.A.R.T. (Home Education And Righteous Training)



Our homeschool co-op is a ministry of Mt. Zion Baptist Church and exists to help aid parents in the raising of righteous children. We provide parent meetings, field trips, speech days, music concerts, standardized testing and a graduation each year. We meet every other Thursday from 1:00-4:00 in the fall and every Thursday in March and April in the spring. This is a ministry that is available to those who attend our local church. This semester, classes include:

K4-3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade	Beginning Art	Planets for Kids
4 <sup>th</sup> -6 <sup>th</sup> Grade	Creative Writing	English Roots
Jr. High	Building Good Study Habits	Typing 1
High School	Research & Writing	Children's Ministry

\*All grades also participate in Physical Education

In September, our group enjoyed a field trip to The Carlisle Army Heritage Museum. Special thanks to **Tammy Henricks** for organizing this trip and **Jim Bowman** for driving the bus.



We also had our annual Speech Day on Thursday, November 17<sup>th</sup>.

For more information about the HEART program, please email Pastor Chris: [pastorchris@mtziononline.org](mailto:pastorchris@mtziononline.org).

## BIBLE ASSEMBLY Director: Gene Engles

Since June, we have finished 75,000 French John/Romans and 5,000 English John/Romans for the "like minded" church. Our Bible Assembly volunteers have completed 90,000 of the 135,000 Tamil John/Romans. We are the first to have assembled this Indian dialect. With the help of four of our missionary families, we were able to assemble, cut and pack for shipment more than 15,000 of the Tamils. We demonstrated all of our equipment for them and gave "hands on" operation on one of our Rosback stitchers. Soon we will be printing, collating, assembling, trimming and packing MZBC's booklet: *God's Answers To Man's Questions*. This booklet will be used during our visitation ministry.

Of course when you trim three edges of a booklet there is waste. And when you multiply that 3-edge waste by thousands (115,000--represented in this article), you have 345,000 "edges of waste" (more than that if you add and multiply the number of pages in the John/Romans. One of our members uses this waste as bedding for his cattle. We do not know how often he "changes sheets," but he always has plenty of "bedding."



Director: **Jerry McCleary**

Reformers Unanimous is the largest faith-based addiction program in the world. At RU we help people overcome struggles such as depression, overeating, anger, as well as drugs, alcohol, tobacco, and pornography. This is accomplished by helping people grow closer to God and farther away from their struggle. RU uses 10 principles. Number 1 is: **If God is against it, so am I.**

If you have a struggle in your life and you know God is against it, why not come out Friday night and see if we can help. Give us a call at 717-577-8809 or call Mt Zion Baptist at 717-927-9227.