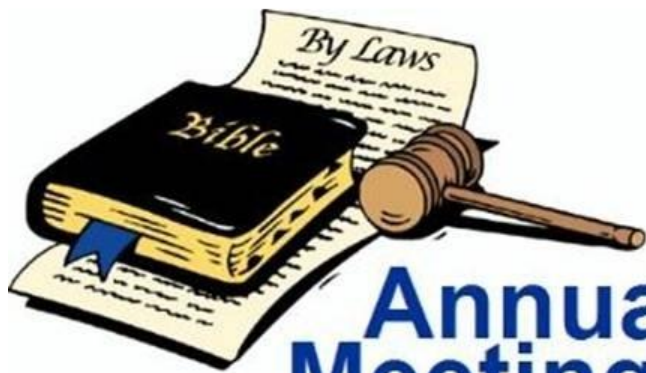


NOWTHEN ALLIANCE CHURCH

Equipping people to find Life and Faith in Christ

This edition of the NAC eNews will focus on our Good Friday and Easter services. In addition, we will highlight ministry events occurring at the church this spring. Nowthen donated 308 pounds of food to CAER during our March Food Drive. We will begin with an announcement regarding our annual meeting on April 12, 2018:



**Annual
Meeting**

Nowthen Alliance Church Annual

Meeting: Thursday,
April 12th at 7:00pm

The Annual Meeting of Nowthen Alliance Church will be held on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 7:00pm in the café. There will be a potluck dinner prior to the meeting at 6:00pm. Chicken and beverages will be provided, please bring a side, salad, or dessert to share. In addition to reports and other items of business the membership will vote on leadership positions. The nominating committee has prepared the following report (positions requiring action in **boldface**):

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Elder Board (vote for 2): Aaron Burquest, Ryan Hinson, and Eric Sundstrom.

Elder Board (one-year term, vote for one): Chris Bauer

Continuing Elders: Ryan Wilder, Dennis Hall, and Scott Jones

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Officers, Assistant Treasurer (term runs until 2021): Stan Selander

Continuing Officers: Chris Bauer (2019) and Eric Edgar (2020).

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Deaconesses (vote for 4): Cindy Goodrich, Julie Hall, Jeannie Murdock, and Brenda Bauer.

Continuing Deaconesses: Lois Fredell, Helen Huber, Mary Jones, and Robyn Palmquist.

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BYLAW: "After the slate has been posted, members of the congregation may nominate for any position by submitting the nomination in writing signed by at least two active members to the Nominating Committee at least five calendar days prior to an annual meeting. These names shall be added to the posted list."



Good Friday and Easter Services. Join your Nowthen Church Family on Friday, March 30, at 7:00pm in the Sanctuary as we remember the sacrifice and love of Jesus. We are excited to announce that Gary Ries will be sharing a series of seven brief talks, each followed by relevant hymn or song. This will be a somber service designed for reflecting on the importance of Jesus' loving sacrifice.

Easter is a time of celebration and will look forward to worshipping together on Sunday, April 1, at 8:00am (sanctuary), 9:30am (worship center), and 11:00am (worship center). We will have a photo booth available at both entrances prior to each service where you can take a family or individual picture. The tempo of these services will be upbeat because we serve a Risen Savior that has conquered death. These services are an excellent time to invite visitors and family! Mark your calendar now and plan to attend both Good Friday and Easter services at Nowthen.

On April 8 Pastor Nate will begin a new message series titled, "The Ten Commandments." Rather than outdated laws from the Old Testament, learn how they define the greatest teaching of Jesus to love God and to love others.



Ecuador 18 trip will leave MSP on June 14 and return on June 22. We will travel to Manta, Ecuador to assist a local C&MA church with construction, kids ministry, food distribution, and similar tasks. This short term missions trip has just been announced and we still have spots available. Interested persons need to submit a NAC application and \$1,000 deposit by April 10, 2018. The total cost of the trip is \$1,700 and Pastor Bruce has an information handout. Contact Pastor Bruce for more information.

PrimeTimers Presents:
“MUSIC THROUGH
THE DECADES”
with Gospel Singers
Mark & Jill Winger



PrimeTimers event: Thursday, April 19, beginning with a Potluck lunch at 11:30am in the cafe. The Wingers will take the stage at 12:30pm to delight you with their gospel music. The Wingers have performed at County Fairs, Churches, and other venues for over 15 years, singing popular and gospel favorites. Everyone is welcome and there is no charge for this event. Contact Helen Peterson or the church office for more information.



Rent-A-Student

Student Ministries Fundraiser: Do you have snow to be shoveled, rooms that need cleaned or painted, landscaping or yard work? Hire a high school student to complete the task. The funds they earn will support their summer missions trip – which runs from June 23-29.

The Rent-A-Student ministry will be an ongoing program so cut out this notice and paste it on your refrigerator so when you need help with lawn care, gardening, or household tasks you know who to call. If you have questions or wish to rent-a-student contact Rob Bergfalk at (bergfalkr@nowthenalliance.org) . Thank you for supporting Student Ministries at Nowthen!

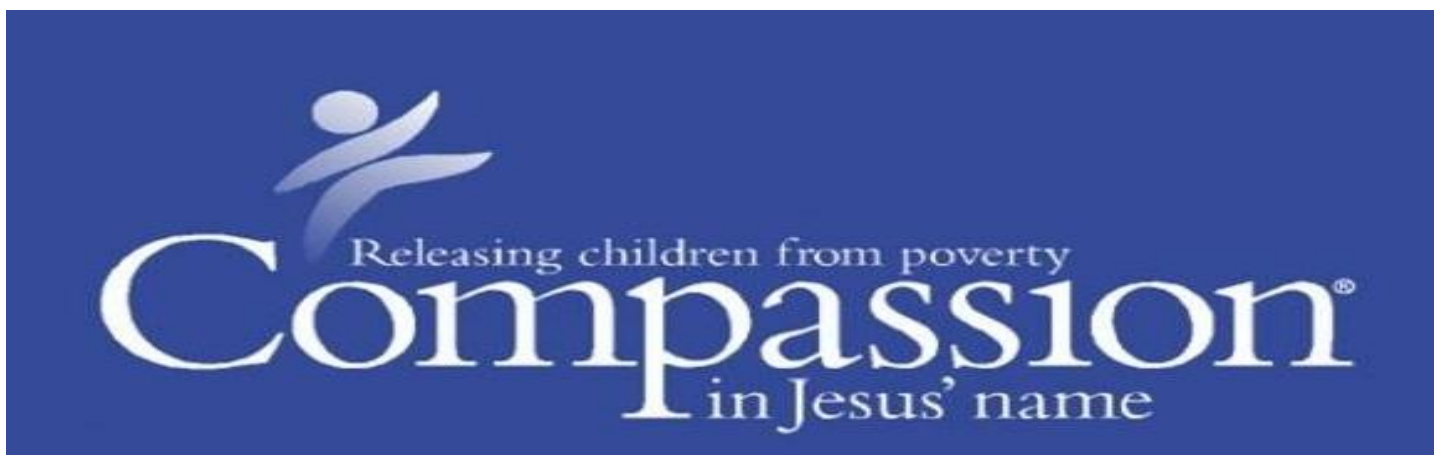


Registration for summer **soccer** (girls) and **baseball** (boys) ages 5-12 begins April 1, 2018! Both events occur on Wednesday evenings from 6:30-8:00pm from May 30 through July 25, 2018. All games are played at the Nowthen Fields – right behind Bill’s Gas Station. You can register online at www.nowthenalliance.org or via the handouts located at the Children’s Welcome Center. The cost is \$25 and includes a Tee-shirt. Registrations due by May 2.

Big Sandy Camp has set the following summer schedule and registration is now open:
Sprouts (2nd-4th grade): June 30-July 3. Registration forms available at the welcome center.
Pinecone 1 (4th – 6th grade): July 23-28. Registration forms available at the welcome center.
Pinecone 2 (4th – 6th grade): July 30-August 4. Registration forms available downstairs.

Vacation Bible School will be held July 30-August 2 from 9:00am – Noon. More information and registration will be available soon! Contact Cherie at morganc@nowthenalliance.org if you have questions.

Volunteers NEEDED: We need coaches for soccer and baseball – no experience needed. We also need volunteers for many roles with VBS. Contact Cherie morganc@nowthenalliance.org to learn more!



Compassion Sunday: Is scheduled for Sunday, April 15, at Nowthen. Learn how you can support a child living in poverty for less than a dollar per day.