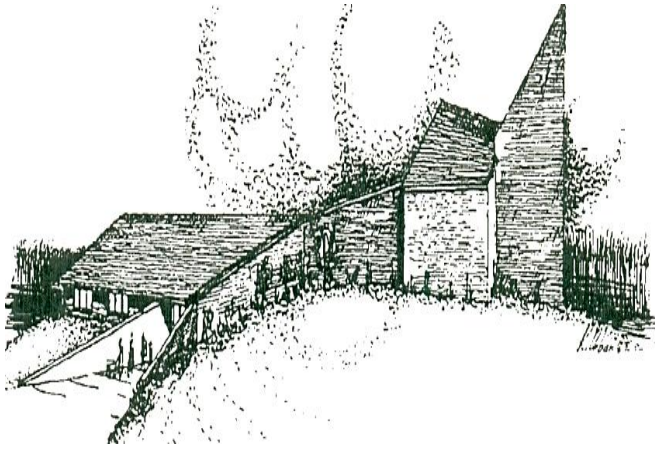


Bethany Church of God



Welcome Home to God's House!

Come, and find your place in a community of believers.
Come and Be Blessed!

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PRAISE and WORSHIP CELEBRATION

Sunday, May 4, 2025

CALL to WORSHIP

“Goodness of God”

WELCOME and GREETINGS

A TIME of WORSHIP and PRAISE

“Blessed Assurance”

“My Jesus”

A TIME of PRAYER

COMMUNION

MESSAGE

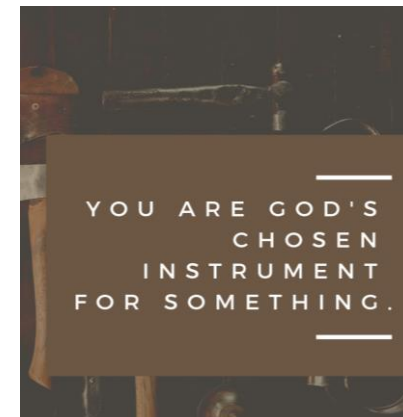
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“An Instrument For God”

SONG of RESPONSE

“You’ve Already Won”

CLOSING PRAYER and BENEDICTION



MESSAGE NOTES

Scriptures

Acts 9:1-6 (7-20)

God Surprisingly Enters Into the Ordinary Events _____

It Takes My Surrender to See What God Can Do _____

God Can and Will Impact Those Around You _____

We May Be Called to Lead Others By the Hand _____



Next Sunday – Mother’s Day

“We Are All Called”

Read Acts 9:36-43



CHALLENGE for the WEEK

The Challenge for this week:

**BE AN INSTRUMENT OF GOD AND ALLOW
HIM TO USE YOU TO SHARE HIS LOVE!**



THIS WEEK’S ACTIVITIES

Today – Communion Sunday

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting

Monday, May 5th

10 a.m. – 11 a.m. Visitation for Yvonne Martin

11:00 a.m. Funeral Service for Yvonne Martin

Tuesday, May 6th

**Women’s Bible Study @ Hope Crossing
has been cancelled for this week!**

Wednesday, May 7th

5:00 p.m. Dinner and Fellowship

6:00 p.m. Bible Study

Sunday, May 11th – Mother’s Day

9:15 a.m. Contemporary Praise and Worship Celebration

11:00 a.m. Traditional/Blended Praise & Worship Celebration

8:00 p.m. AA Meeting



Our Vision:

Our prayer is that we are a faithful, loving people who are seeking to grow in Christ and thereby affect our world.

Our Purpose:

To Know and Share Christ

CHURCH LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study at our sister church, **Hope Crossing**, 37845 Dodge Park Rd., Sterling Heights, has been cancelled for this week. They will resume next Wednesday at 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT DINNER AND BIBLE STUDY

Join us for **Dinner** and **Bible Study** this **Wednesday** evening; **5:00 p.m.** for dinner and **6:00 p.m.** for Bible Study. Come and enjoy a time of feeding your body and soul! All are welcome to attend – in person and/or online!

MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST

Men – come get together for the monthly Men's Fellowship Breakfast **Saturday, May 17th** at **9:00 a.m.** We will be meeting this month at **Metropolitan Church**, 13400 Schaefer Hwy., Detroit. Hope you'll join us for breakfast and fellowship.

LADIES AFTERNOON TEA

Ladies wear your best tea hat and bring your favorite teacup and saucer for an afternoon of tea! This event is at **Evanswood Church of God**, 2601 E. Square Lake, Troy, on **Saturday, May 17th** from **11:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.** Guest speaker Angela Rayford from Just Love Ministries will be sharing. The cost is \$35 per person. Please bring donations on Visa gift card, all donations will be given to Just Love Ministries to be used for the families that they are supporting. For tickets or any questions please reach out to Tonja Henry at (313) 300-6530

STRONGHOLD QUARTET IN CONCERT!

Come enjoy the music ministry of **Stronghold Quartet** on **Sunday, May 18th** at **6:00 p.m.** here at **Bethany**! A love offering will be received that evening for the group. For more information see Pastor Jim.

MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATION!

We have been invited to join with **Hope Crossing**, 37845 Dodge Park Rd., Sterling Heights, for the **Sterling Heights Memorial Day Parade** and "**Community Under the Tent Event**", on Memorial Day, **Monday, May 26th** at **10 a.m.**! For this Community Outreach we will be helping to serve hotdogs, water, chips, etc. to the Community and there will be games, music, and activities too! Plan to join in on the fun!

CHURCH LIFE OPPORTUNITIES

THE PANTRY and COAT CLOSET

The Pantry and Coat Closet are on-going projects here at the church. We can help those in need because of your donations. For The Pantry we welcome the donations of non-perishable food items (**Please Remember to Check Expiration Dates!**), personal toiletry items, Kleenex, paper towels and toilet paper at any time for this Community Outreach. We are partnering with Hope Crossing to gather coats for those in need in our community. New or gently used coats in all sizes are welcome for drop-off at any time. If you know of someone who needs pantry items or coats, please contact the Church office!

NEW DESTINY QUARTET IN CONCERT!

Plan to join us for two special concerts with New Destiny Quartet! They will be appearing here at Bethany on **Saturday, August 2nd** at **5:30 p.m.** and again on **Sunday, August 3rd** at **11 a.m.** Admission is a **NEW Backpack** or a **New/Gently Used Coat** to help those in our local community! Monetary Donations will be accepted too for this Outreach in place of a backpack or a coat! This event is being sponsored by Bethany Church of God and Hope Crossing.

STAYING CONNECTED!

Whether you are not feeling well, travelling, working, or just getting up late, it is important to stay connected to your Church family! You can still be a part of everything by connecting with us on our website, bethanychurchofgod.org, Facebook or YouTube. You can watch Sunday Morning Worship, Wednesday night Bible Study or keep up to date on all things Bethany! It is a wonderful way to stay connected with us when you can't be here!

SPEED LIMIT DRIVING SCHOOL

This is a Driving School in the Sterling Heights Community that will be meeting here at Bethany during the week. If you know of someone who is ready to start driving, please encourage them to gather more information about this school. Brochures are available at the Welcome Center. For more information, call (586) 339-5899 or see Sal Sinawi.



PRAISE and PRAYER CONCERNS

Praises

Pastor Jim

Prayer Concerns

Pastor Jim, Pastors, and Church Leaders
Church Health – Local, Regional, National
World Health
Disaster, Homeless & Violence Victims
Fire, Police, EMT & Military Personnel
Healthcare and Essential Workers
Henry Ford II High School and Students
Our Country, Communities & Their Leaders
MALU – Ministers and Laity United
All Schools and Students
Speed Limit Driving School & Students
Rebecca Anderson
Debbie Ball
Kay Barynas
Dave & Lisa Birtles
Patricia Brady
Judy Brecht
Mike Collins
Matt & Katy Cordell
Pam DelMonte
John Dzbanski
Melissa Flaga
Nadia Garver
Jack & Debbie Harper
Jean & Gary Hill
Darla Jackson
Andrew (Sandy) Johnston
Georganne Jones
DeBorah Lindsey
Olivia Lunetta
Yvonne Martin Family
Earlene Naugle
Tony Purgatore
Barb Richardson
Ralph & Evelyn Schultz
Doris Warren
Shirley White
Mary Anne Wrosch

Debbie Baab
Janine Barrett
Suzy Bearance
Chris & Nedra Bork
Jackie Brecht
Lee Burbidge
Shari Collins
Kristi Cross
Rob DiGiovanni
Roger Everett
Deseri Garver
Josie Gregory
Allison Hill
Hannah Irvine
Evelyn Johnson
Louie & Suzanne Johnston
Maurice Lentini
Roxann Lockhart
Melanie Malugin
Dave & Rita Nakkula
Nome Family
Charlotte Richards
Amy Schultz
Scott Stephens
Cathy White
Mark Wilson
Linda Zavitz



Our Stewardship

April 27, 2025

To fulfill our General Budget, an average weekly offering is necessary.
Please tithe in faith and as your response to God's blessings.

General Tithes	\$ 980.68
Weekly Need	\$ 2,176.83
YTD Giving	\$ 27,221.11
YTD Need	\$ 37,006.11



Please fill out a Prayer slip or contact Pastor Jim or the Church Office if you need a Praise or Prayer Concern listed above.