

:: You are invited to get involved at FCC ::

Baptism Celebration ... is almost here! Our Baptism Celebration will be held at Matt and Joni Johnson's home (see our insert for directions) on July 29, starting at **11:00 AM**. If you are interested in learning about baptism, please contact Pastor Terry soon so he can meet with you. Sign up to help with our celebration luncheon at the Welcome Center! Make plans to join us!

Summer VBS ... Our Children's Ministry Team is organizing a great VBS for this August! **SKY**—Everything Is Possible With God; *Mark 10:27*. VBS is for children entering kindergarten through 6th grade. Registration info is at the Children's Ministry Table and the Welcome Center. We will need lots of help from all ages to have a successful ministry. Sign up at the Welcome Center today!



Mobile Food Pantry ... Thank you to all who helped with the food distribution at last week's Mobile Food Pantry. Your willing spirit helped to serve over 400 people. In addition to the food, the offer of prayer was extended to many we served! What a great day!

Backpack Project ... It is time to be on the look out for school supplies for our Backpack Project. Mercy Team will provide the backpacks. They will be available starting August 5. Fill it with the items listed inside the pack. Return your filled backpack no later than August 26. Please see Pat or Chuck Stewart for complete details. This is a wonderful way to bless the students in our community.

Global Leadership Summit ... The Willow Creek Association is a leader in developing Christian business and ministry leaders around the world. Their upcoming summit will be August 9-10 and will be simulcast at New Covenant Church in Clio. Contact Pastor Terry if you are interested in joining him at the Summit!

Online Giving ... You can now visit our website and make a contribution online. This simple tool has been designed to enhance your worship through giving. Check it out!!

FCOC Donations ... The FCOC continues to provide much needed support to many families in Flushing. To help meet the needs they are asking for donations of personal items like shampoo and deodorant. Your generous donations can be made in our entryway.

Toby Mac & Steven Curtis Chapman Concert ... The Community Life Team is coordinating a trip to the DTE Music Theatre on Saturday, August 25 to experience these two great Christian artists. Lawn seats available for \$15. More details coming soon.

Have you seen our website lately? Sermons, outlines, and power point files are available to download each week. News and information about upcoming events and ministries plus pictures from past events are also available. It's a great way to introduce our church to friends and family ... check it out this week!

Stay Informed ... If you did not receive two electronic communications from FCCN the week leading up to July 15, that means we do not have a current email address from you. You can share your info with us by putting it in the Friendship book today or see Mary Ann Korte. You can also visit us on Facebook and Twitter (@FlushingCCNaz).



Our Church Story

In the summer of 1996, God began to move in the hearts of a handful of people to start a creative new church in Flushing. In January of 1997, Pastor Darrel Harvey and his family moved from Cincinnati to the Flushing area to begin this new ministry. By September 1998, eight families had

responded to God's call to form the core of Flushing Community Church of the Nazarene. The church was officially launched on March 28, 1999 initially meeting at the Crouse Instructional Center. Through the years we've met in various places but always had the same drive to be a relevant voice of God's love to the community of Flushing.

We moved into our current worship facility on October 5, 2003. This 12,000 sq. ft. facility was built with the dream of being a place where our community and church would gather for various purposes. It has been used for sport and recreation, funerals and weddings, and weekly worship.

Flushing Community Church has experienced some wonderful days! We've also experienced some great struggles and deep trials. Through it all, we've seen God's loving arms reaching down to us offering hope and purpose.

The next page of our story is still being written. Will you join us to see what God has in store for our journey? We hope that you will. Feel free to contact any member of our staff with questions you have about FCC and be sure to explore how you can be involved!

Stewardship Report: Mar. 12 - Feb. 13

	7/15 Actual:	Weekly Goal:	Raised YTD:	Budget YTD:
Morning Worship Attendance:	201			
Tithes and Offerings:	\$7,679	\$7,593	\$134,600	\$144,267

Thank you for your faithfulness in worshipping the Lord by giving of your financial resources!

:: Our Leadership Team ::

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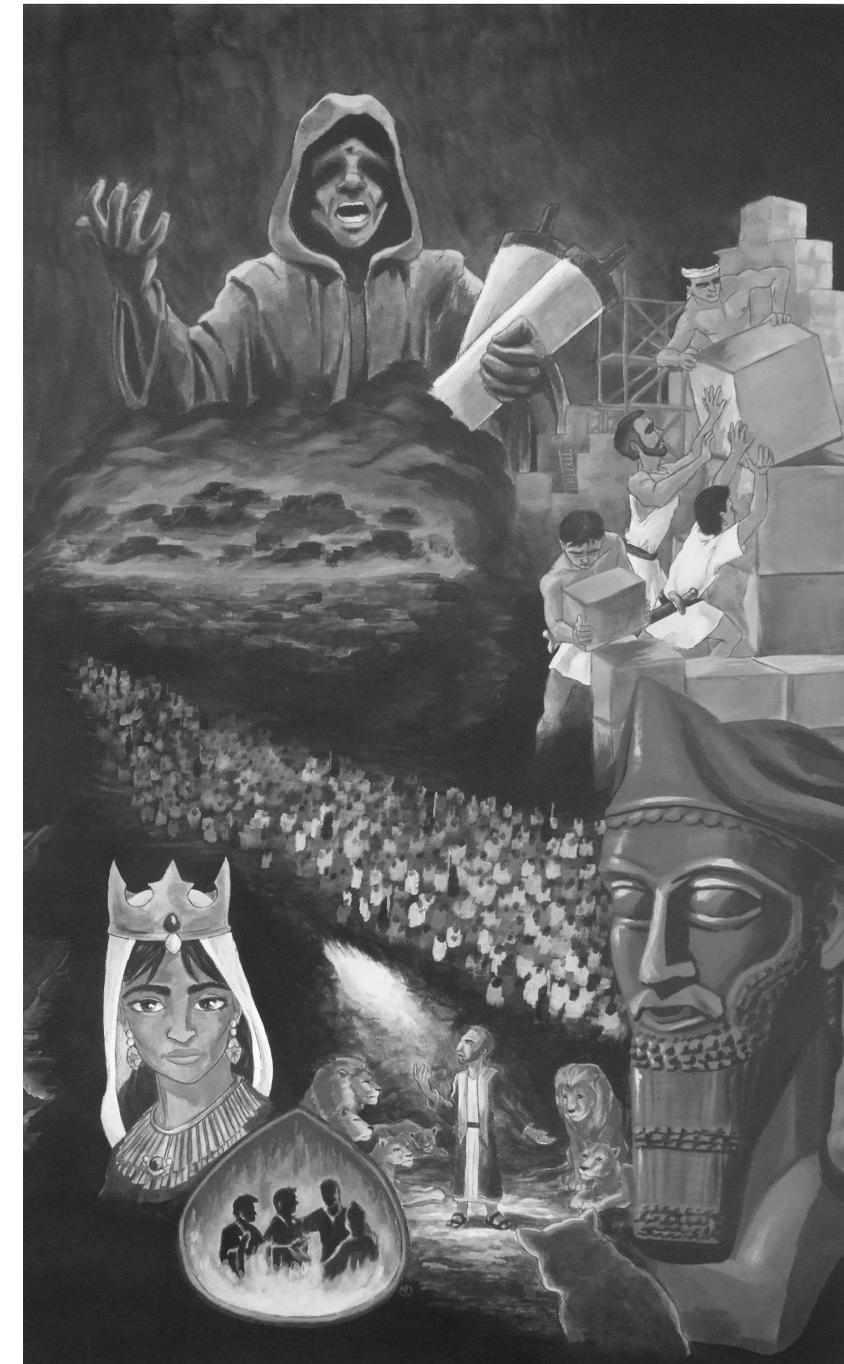
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The Story of God
Part 5: "Exile & Return"
Pastor Joel Heald

We are glad you are here!

Today at Flushing Community Church:

Today is going to be a great day to experience the power of God. We are excited that you have chosen to join us on this Sunday morning! You find yourself in a safe place today to engage your faith and your questions.

This morning we are looking once again at our summer teaching series, "The Story of God." Pastor Joel will be picking up our story from the formation of the nations of Israel and Judah to the struggles those nations experienced as they walked away from the Lord repeatedly. What is God showing them and us through this season of exile? What promises are being fulfilled through their return?

Grab some coffee, find a comfortable seat and open your heart to the work of God today. Sing with us. Pray with us. Stay with us!

Where Do I Go From Here?

Have you responded to God's grace today? Are you interested in learning more about God and His amazing love for you? We would be honored to share some information with you and help you discover this love. Please give the pastoral staff a call [732-0282] to set up a time to talk more or just to ask questions! We are here for you!

Who We Are:

Flushing Community Church is a Church of the Nazarene. Our focus in ministry is to all people from all walks of life in Flushing and its surrounding communities, yet we also exist to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus around the world through the work of the Church of the Nazarene. If you would like to know more about the Church of the Nazarene, visit our denominational website at www.nazarene.org.

Our Mission and Core Values:

God loves everyone in the world so much and He desires that we love Him in return. Our mission as a community of believers is "to experience the transforming love of God and share it with others." This mission calls us to personally worship God and become more Christ-like in the process. As we carry out this mission, we believe these core values must define our behavior along the way:

- ◆ Embracing the love of God through meaningful and relevant worship.
- ◆ Experiencing authentic friendships.
- ◆ Serving others with mercy.
- ◆ Pursuing truth with honest questions.
- ◆ Reaching out to others in love.

Financial Contributions:

Our church is a non-profit organization that is funded 100% through the financial gifts which are freely given. We believe that God's Word challenges us to give 10% (also known as a "tithe") of our income back to the Lord to be used for ministry both locally and globally. While this is a challenge for many of us, we encourage everyone to support your church regularly. You may place any financial gifts in the wooden collection stands (located near the doors & Welcome Center) or give online through our website. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Kid City Children's Ministries



It's a Veggie Tale Summer! We are excited to have a great summer of children's lessons through the creative stories told by our favorite veggies! This month is focused on "Temptation and Obedience."

Today's Lesson ... "Jonah and the Big Wall."

Club 56: Snack and a Movie ... This week we begin the movie "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory" and look at the power of friendships! This week's lesson is on "Don't be greedy." *Luke 12:15*

Pool Party!! ... Club 56 is gathering for a Pool Party at the Barclay's **TODAY**, July 22, from 12:30—3:00 PM. Hot dogs will be provided. Bring either a bag of chips or a 2-liter pop.

VBS is coming! We are really excited to host our first VBS this August! VBS is for children entering kindergarten through 6th grade. We are going to need lots of helpers! Sign up at the Welcome Center today!

Lugnuts Game ... Hey kids, we have 60 tickets reserved for a fun night of baseball and fireworks!!! Join us Friday, August 17th at 7:05 pm to watch the Lansing Lugnuts take on the Fort Wayne TinCaps!! See Amy or Darcy at the Welcome Center to sign up!! Cost is \$10 per ticket and we would like to have all money collected by **TODAY**. Lots of group benefits included!! Hoping to have lots of Flushing Community families participate!!

fusion Student Ministries

Fusion Tonight! ... Join us here at the church, 7-8:30 pm for food, games and talking about snakes on a staff! Catch up with your friends, and hear stories from the ones who went on our awesome Flint Project!

Jr High Camp ... It's not too late to sign-up for Jr High Camp if you've completed 7th or 8th grade this past school year. The cost is \$150 and you will enjoy an awesome band from Olivet Nazarene, cool counselors, good food, and lots of fun activities. Visit www.watersedgencamp.org to download registration forms.

Oak Street Renovation

Project Update ... If you have experience in drywall, please let us know. We are also seeking an experienced person with installing a drop ceiling. If you'd like to volunteer, see Pastor Joel.



Mercy Team

Ministry leader and contact: Bob Coe (659-9719)

What is Mercy Team? We seek to meet the needs of our community through financial assistance, physical labor or whatever it takes! Do you have an idea for the Mercy Team? Join us on the first Monday of each month as we openly explore new ways to meet the growing need! Don't forget to start purchasing supplies for a backpack.

:: Prayer & Praises ::

We believe in prayer and that it impacts lives! Take time to pray over these needs and take some tangible steps to encourage those laid on your heart!

The Cole Family: in the adoption process

Darlene Holmes: aneurism in the brain

John Jordan: battling cancer

Donna O'Brien's Family: in the loss of her mother on July 6

David Piechowski: multiple health concerns including ALS

Perry Wright: battling kidney stones

Our 2012 High School Graduates:

Olivia Dougherty | Ally Harvey | Kelsey LaCroix | Brandi O'Brien
Connor Robertson | Daniel Robson | Jordan White | Bianca Wurtz

General Prayers to remember ...

Our Staff & Leadership: wisdom, protection, unity, and vision.

Families & Marriages: those experiencing rough times, separation, divorce

Our Schools, Teachers & Students: God's protection

Those Looking for Work: may God open the right doors!

Our Soldiers ... Josh Barber (USMC); Ryan Crist (USARMY - Kansas); Allan Hadland (USARMY - Germany); Marcos Lambaria (US Marines); Andrew Marks (USAF in Kansas); Conner Robertson (Naval Academy) Ben Shelton (Coast Guard). *[additional military names share with Pastor Terry]*

If you have a prayer concern, please let us know!



Other prayer requests are available on our iPray Guide which is emailed out on Thursdays to those who have signed up for it. You can request a copy by emailing mak@flushingcommunity.org

:: Upcoming Events & Dates ::

JULY:

- 22.....Family Camp begins at Water's Edge
- 22.....Fusion Student Ministry (at the church—7PM)
- 22.....Club 56 Pool Party (at the Barclays)
- 29.....Baptism Sunday (at the Johnson's—11AM)
- 29.....Jr. High Camp begins at Water's Edge

AUGUST:

- 01.....Club 56 Service Project at Soup Kitchen
- 06.....Blood Drive (starting at 10:30AM)
- 06.....Mercy Team Meeting (7:00PM)
- 07.....Election Day (our building is a polling site)
- 07.....Board Meeting (Tabor's home)
- 12.....Children's Ministry Meeting (4:30 PM)
- 12.....Fusion (7:00 PM)
- 13.....Vacation Bible School (Mon-Thurs; 6:30—8:30 PM)

*So many activities to choose from! Get involved. . . Get connected!
See our complete calendar at flushingcommunity.org*