

# Welcome

APRIL 14, 2024

Pastor Dennis Owens

MESSAGE: "A Practical Plan for Prayer"

REFERENCE: Matthew 6:5-15

## NEW TO STERLING NAZ? WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

1. Grab a RED Connect Card from the chair pocket in front of you.
2. Tell us your name, contact information, or share a prayer or praise.
3. If you are a guest, bring your card to the Welcome Center in the main foyer. We have a gift for you!

Please use the cards in the seatbacks to: Update contact information, get more information about volunteer ministry opportunities or share a prayer request or praise.

Email prayer requests directly to Pastor Denny: [prayer@sterlingnaz.com](mailto:prayer@sterlingnaz.com)

## WHERE DO MY KIDS GO?

The Children's Department is located downstairs in the main building.  
If you need help finding it, a greeter will be glad to show you.  
*Measures are in place to keep your child safe.*

**CHILDREN'S CHURCH (AGES 4-6TH GRADE)** is located downstairs. The kids enjoy fun filled and interactive Bible stories, music, and activities.

**NURSERY (BIRTH-3 YEARS OLD)** is staffed and available downstairs. If your child is having a hard time adjusting, there is a system in place to notify you so you can come down.

**MOTHER'S ROOM** is available for caregivers just outside of the Main Worship area. Feel free to use it at any time.



## THIS WEEK AT STERLING NAZARENE

TODAY - Youth Group, 5:30-7 PM, Hatton Center  
MONDAY - Prayer Meeting, 6:30PM, Main Sanctuary  
TUESDAY - Ladies Bible Study, 12:30PM, Hatton Center  
- Pickleball 6:30-8:30PM, Hatton Center  
- Women's Council, 6:30PM @ Jody Owens  
WEDNESDAY - Chess Club (Kids & Teens), 5:15PM, Main  
- Kid's Wacky Wednesday, 6:30PM, Main  
- Adult Small Groups, 6:30PM, Hatton Center  
THURSDAY - Helping Hands, 9:30AM-Noon  
SATURDAY - Men's Breakfast 8:00AM, A's Kitchen RF

## COMING UP AT STERLING NAZARENE

NEXT SUNDAY, APRIL 21 - Baptism Service  
FRIDAY & SATURDAY, APRIL 26-27 - District Assembly, Crossbridge  
TUESDAY, APRIL 30 - CULVERS YOUTH FUNDRAISER 5-8PM, ROCK FALLS  
SUNDAY, MAY 12 - Mother's Day  
THURSDAY- SATURDAY, MAY 16-18 - Youth Celebrate Life @ Olivet  
SUNDAY, MAY 26 - Honoring our Graduates in Worship

## STARTING THIS WEDNESDAY

LADIES BIBLE STUDY OF THE BOOK OF JAMES

LADIES...join us as we begin a new study of the book of James by Francis Chan. He created this study for those desiring an authentic and deeper relationship with God.  
*Start with us this Wednesday @ 6:30PM in the HC.*



## Youth Fundraiser Night at Culvers in Rock Falls

Tuesday, April 30 @ 5-8PM

Eat at Culvers anytime between 5-8PM on April 30 and a portion of the proceeds will go to our Youth.  
*(You can also order to go)*



## CALLING ALL GRADUATES

**SUNDAY, May 26** we will honor our **High School & College Graduates**. If you have a graduate for 2024, please let the church office know by Sunday, May 12.

## SERVING OPPORTUNITY

TAKE-A-MEAL MINISTRY AT STERLING FIRST NAZARENE

Meals for families following a hospital stay/recovery, procedure or birth of a child. We have several families that need help.

**WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS**

### HERE ARE SOME WAYS TO HELP:

- Order a meal to be delivered from a restaurant or Door Dash
- Grab a friend and take a meal together
- Sign up for a time and day that fits your schedule

If you would like to help, mark a Volunteer Card with your name and phone. Leanne Dickson will get in touch with you.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Friday & Saturday, July 19-20 @ 6-8:30PM. Volunteer sign-ups are open today. Use the card in the bulletin to sign up and place your card in the offering or a Connect Box.





# STERLING FIRST CHURCH OF THE NAZARENE

OFFICE HOURS: Mon - Thurs: 9AM-Noon & 1-3PM

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**YOUTH PASTOR** Dalen Bradshaw, dbradshaw@sterlingnaz.com

### Sunday Gathering Times

9:00AM Adult Sunday School

10:00AM Worship Service

5:30-7PM Youth

### Wednesday Nights @ 6:30

Adult Bible Studies in HC

**WACKY WEDNESDAY FOR KIDS**

Main Building Lower level

### Woods Memorial Library

Our church library has books and DVDs available for you to borrow.

Open before and after service.

### Helping Hands Food Pantry

1208 E 4th St, Sterling, IL 61081

**1st & 3rd Thursdays 9:30-NOON**

Drive-Up only

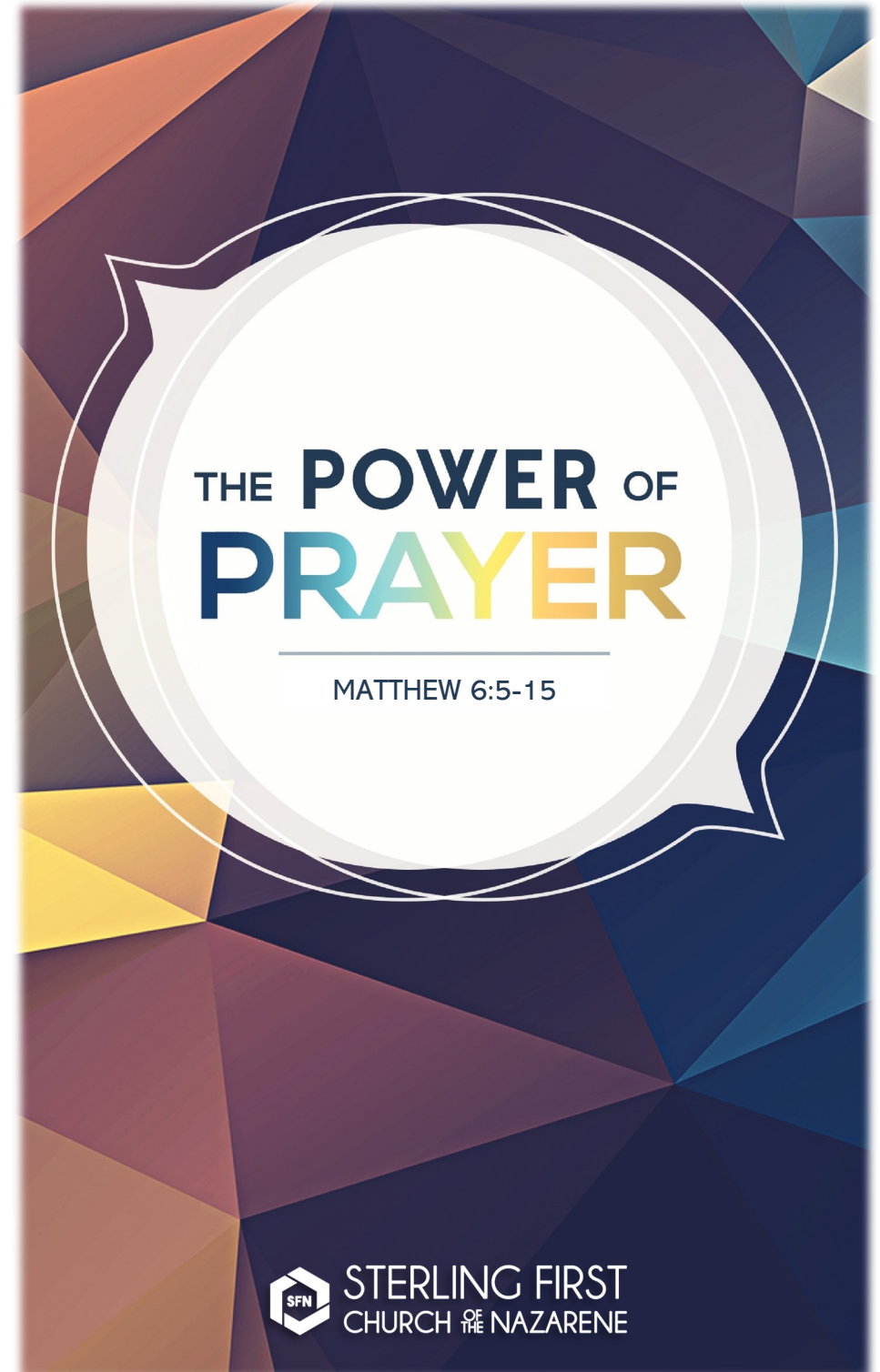
APRIL 4, 2024  
ATTENDANCE  
156

SPECIAL OFFERINGS  
Baby Bottle Campaign  
Hope Life \$536.31

	Contributions	2024-2025 Ministry Plan	Difference
Weekly	\$7,742.48	\$5,695.20	\$2,047.28
Y-T-D	\$35,383.08	\$34,171.20	\$1,211.88

### BIBLE READING PLAN 2024

April 15	Judges 1-2	
April 16	Judges 3-4	Luke 12
April 17	Judges 5-6	
April 18	Judges 7-8	Luke 13
April 19	Judges 9	
April 20	Judges 10-11	Luke 14
April 21	Judges 12-13	Luke 15



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