



Ney Church of God's Monthly **NEWSLETTER**

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[ADVENT CONSPIRACY]

Worship Fully. Spend Less. Give More. Love All.

This Advent season, Ney Church of God continues our tradition of pushing back against the holiday rush and reclaiming what Christmas is truly about—Jesus, generosity, and love in action.

Our 2025 Advent Conspiracy Project

We are helping build a church in the Dominican Republic!

This year, our giving will go directly toward funding the construction of a new church in the Dominican Republic—a place where families will gather, worship, learn, and experience the hope of Christ for years to come.

But we're not just giving financially... We're Going!

In March 2026, a team from Ney Church of God will travel to the DR to help build this church with our own hands, serve the community, and partner with local believers. And giving makes this possible.

Your generosity builds more than walls—it builds hope, opportunity, and a place where the Gospel will shine. So join the Conspiracy!

This Christmas, let's choose to:

- Worship Fully – Jesus at the center
- Spend Less – freeing resources to bless others
- Give More – relational, intentional, life-changing generosity
- Love All – especially the overlooked and underserved

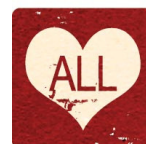
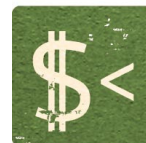


Together, we can make a lasting impact.

Let's build a church.

Let's build hope.

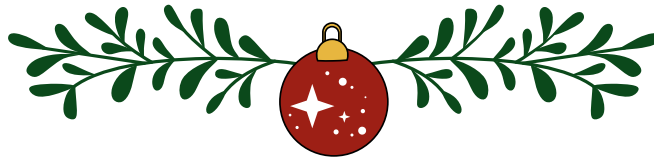
Let's build the Kingdom.





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Bryan Christmas Parade

This year we took part in the Bryan Christmas Parade with the theme “Light of the World”. It was cold, but still a lot of fun. A big “Thank you” goes out to the many volunteers who came out to make bags of candy to hand out, those who decorated the float, and those who participated in the parade.

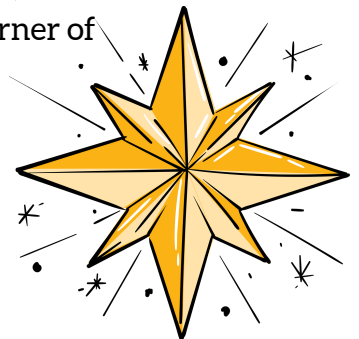
We could not have done this without you!



Our theme this year was “Light of the World,” and what a beautiful expression of that theme we saw at the parade! So many of you showed up, bundled up, lit up, and walked with us—literally shining the love of Jesus with every step. Your joy, and the way you covered yourselves in lights made our presence stand out in the best way possible.

Thank you for helping Ney Church of God bring hope, warmth, and the light of Christ to our community in such a visible and meaningful way. It was a joy to walk together! Also a big Thank you for those of you who showed up to cheer and support us along the way.

As we move deeper into this Advent season, may the light we carried through the streets continue to shine in our homes, our conversations, and our acts of kindness. Let's keep reflecting the love of Christ in every corner of our community. We are grateful for each of you, and we look forward to all God will do through Ney Church of God in the weeks ahead.



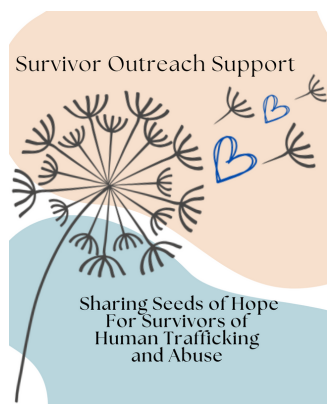


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Survivor Outreach Support Ministry



Current Needs to support our SOS ministry

Laundry Detergent and Dryer sheets
All types of cleaning supplies
Paper Towels and Kleenex
Paper Plates, bowls, foil and plastic wrap
Formal menswear, dresses, shoes and jewelry



Why formal wear? Our main funder is "Beauty Comes From The Heart", a ministry of West Clinton Mennonite Church that offers hundreds of dresses and menswear for prom and homecoming for any donated amount. All donations go directly to SOS. They are always in need of plus size dresses size 20 and up. Check with friends and thrift stores if you would like to help support this ministry.

Questions? See Kelly King

Prayer Time



Let's
Pray

Prayer is not only an important aspect of our daily lives, it is absolutely vital as a congregation, as we seek God's guidance. Therefore, we invite everyone to join us at 9:30 Sunday mornings in the Prayer room for a time of prayer for each other, our church, community, country and the world.



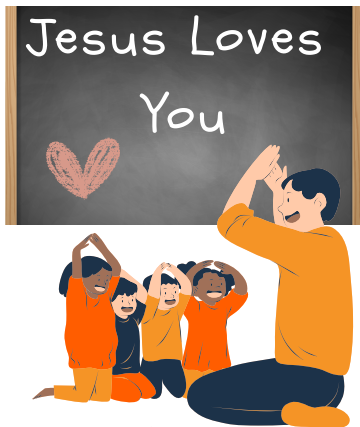
December Calendar



December 3rd 6:30pm Worship Night
December 13th 8:00am Men's Fellowship @ Seasons Bistro (Bryan Square)
December 24th 7:00pm Christmas Eve Service
December 25th Christmas! Enjoy!
Wednesdays 6:30pm Bible Study @ Jinkins
Tuesdays 9:30am Women's Bible Study @ parsonage



Our Kids *Still* Need Volunteers!!!!



We really need more volunteers in our Children's department.

Needs:

- Sunday School Teachers. We have a WIDE array of ages and could use more options during the Sunday school hour.
- Nursery workers and substitutes for both services as well as for special events
- Youth Group Leader and possible Wed. Night Kids ministry leader.
- Jr. Church and Sunday school substitutes



2025 Church Council Members

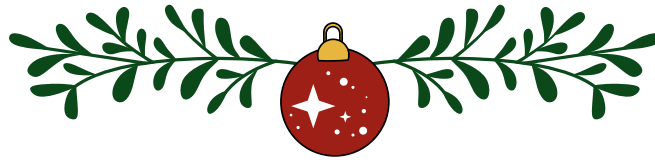


President: Cheryl Chafin **Treasurer:** Stacie Smith
Elders: Rob Zwayer, Steve Sims and Dan Jinkins
Deacons: Lisa Keck, Stacie Smith and Sherry Sims
Trustees: Matt Keck, John Chafin and Leonard Lockwood



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Missions Report

To date, our monthly mission articles have explained the home mission fields our church serves. Today, we begin to explore the foreign missions we support. The Denisa Center is located in a small village in rural Romania. This country was one of Europe's poorest, since it came out of Communism in 1989. Today, things are looking brighter for Romanians because of places like the Denisa Center and the loving care they provide for the country's children. Originally, the center was part of Open Arms International, but in recent times it has merged into Stand by Me Ministries (headquartered in the United Kingdom).

The Denisa Center is an after-school program for elementary-aged children. On weekdays, students attend school, which is dismissed at noon. They return home, eat lunch, and around two o'clock a van from the center picks them up. They are transported to the center where they are cared for until their parents' workday is over (approximately three hours).

Presently, around sixty children receive nutritious food, Bible lessons, help with their homework, and tutoring in their school subjects during their time at the center.

Many rural children in Romania do not have access to recreational and cultural activities. These activities are luxuries, so the center has made it their goal to create opportunities to broaden horizons, stimulate imaginations, and enrich these children's lives. They celebrate each child's birthday with a party and, recently, the children were privileged to attend an animated movie at the cinema and stop at MacDonald's afterward for a small treat. Recently, another building was added to accommodate preschool children.



Initially, Cathy Leu was put in touch with this center through a friend and has made two summer trips to assist with Bible School with a mission team with members from across the United States. She is grateful for her opportunity to share their culture beyond tourism and reported her second trip was like going home.



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Mary's Musing



One of my seasonal pastimes is checking out the catalogues that cram our mailbox. There are so many quirky items. I found a life-sized Grinch to hug your Christmas tree. My brain waves flickered because that suggested to me the Grinch's Christmas cohort, Scrooge. They are a dynamic duo for the season, two lovable Baddies. One is from the nineteenth century, the other from the twentieth, however both are poster boys for avarice, aka greed. "Avarice," what a great Word for the Day! It is one of the Seven Deadlies! (sins). The similar antagonists spanning two centuries suggest a problem throughout the ages.

Both had a heart problem: their hearts were too small. Fortunately, in their tales, the problem is resolved, and we are reminded why we celebrate Christmas. The baby, whose coming we celebrate, brought the opportunity for sinners to change. It isn't recorded that either the Grinch or Scrooge "found Jesus," but they certainly had transformations like the one brought to our lives by finding Messiah. Join in the Christmas celebration: Change is possible!

Jesus looked at them and said, 'With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible' (Matthew 19:26).



YouVersion

Have you downloaded YouVersion?

If not, do it today. YouVersion is a great free app that provides users with a Bible on their phone



Ney Church also uses it to provide you with sermon notes, announcements, and an opportunity to pray for others through the week.

If you are having trouble getting the app to work, ask and we will help you!