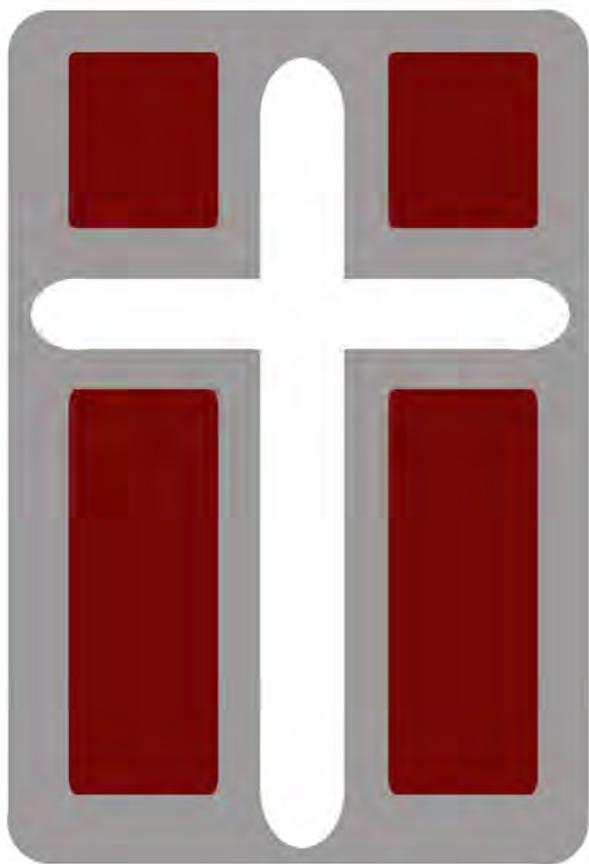


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Ministry Guide Foreword

Selinsgrove Church of the Nazarene seeks to provide a ministry program that meets the needs of our church family. Our goal is to serve Christ now through discipleship, encouragement, education and praise.

The call upon each believer to grow and contribute as a member of the body of Christ is clear in scripture. (1 Corinthians 14; Romans 12:1-13, Ephesians 4:1-16) Therefore, we hope this guide will help you find ways to serve Christ by participating in ministries offered, giving your time and energy to ministries that share your passion or by empowering you to begin a new ministry.

How Do I Get Involved

1. **PRAY** - Ask the Lord where He would have you serve Him in the local church.
2. **TALK** - Talk with the leader of the ministry you are interested in to get more information (refer to individual ministry descriptions for contact information).
3. **INTERVIEW** - Call Pastor Chuck Melton at 570-374-0028 ext. 222 to set up an appointment for an official ministry interview.
4. **SERVE** - Accept your God-given assignment and begin to follow the model of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ who came to serve.
5. **NETWORK** - If you are unsure where to serve, enroll in the next session of Network, a class designed to help you discover your God-given role in the body of Christ through an examination of your passion, spiritual gifts and personal style. Contact Karen Melton at 570-374-8041 for class dates and times.
6. **CREATE** - God may put it in your heart to establish a new ministry. If so, please refer to information on page 23 entitled New Ministry Guidelines, for more information on how to get started. For further assistance, contact Pastor Chuck Melton at 570-374-0028 ext. 222 today.

Adult Discipleship

If you are interested in helping others grow in their faith by means of teaching or by becoming part of one of these discipleship opportunities, please contact Pastor Jeremy Smallwood at 374-0028 (office), 847-0999 (home) or smallwood.jeremy@gmail.com

Bible Studies

Numerous groups meet for discussion that is specifically centered on group Bible learning. These groups may be specific to couples, men, women or mothers and are geared toward understanding the Bible and how it relates to our lives.

Small Groups

Small groups are the place where significant spiritual development occurs, a place to discuss real life and real issues. This is where we celebrate one another's successes and lift one another up during life's hardships. It is a place to be encouraged, equipped and challenged to become a fully devoted follower of Jesus Christ. Small Groups consist of 4019 people and meet throughout the area. They are a great place to make friends, study the Bible, pray together and grow closer to each other and to God. Visitors are welcome at all groups.

Christian Life Learning

Numerous Sunday School classes run for four month semesters. These classes provide structure learning in the Christian life and are well taught by experienced facilitators. These classes are divided into three categories; the Bible, Faith and Culture and Life Needs. The objective for these groups is understanding what being a follower of Christ is and how to live as Christian. We encourage everyone to take one class in each category per year as part of their discipleship learning.

Biblical Financial Ministry

This ministry is committed to help our parishioners understand faithful stewardship to God; it is for anyone who wants to glorify God through their finances. You will establish a workable budget, learn God's principles on handling money, and best of all, have peace of mind knowing that you have a plan in place. Individual counseling (or couple counseling) is available for anyone interested in getting a grasp on their finances. *For more information, contact the church office at 374-0028.*

Building Maintenance Ministry

We need a dependable team, regular helpers for this ministry, who can help with jobs such as painting, changing light bulbs in and around the building, and setting up for special services.

We also need this team for unplanned "emergency" type jobs. *For more information, contact the church office at 374-0028.*

Children's Ministries

Our vision is to lead all children in a loving and growing relationship with Jesus Christ. We also want to provide a safe environment in which children will have opportunities to worship, learn, minister, and fellowship. The following are opportunities to serve:

"Adopt 5 Kids" Prayer Partner

If you have a heart for children and are willing to spend time in prayer, then this is a ministry where you can be a real blessing to others. You will receive the names, ages, and grades of five children of our church to pray for each child at least once a week. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Bell Choir

Are you musically inclined and would like to share your love for music with children? Consider working with our children's bell choir! We have all the materials necessary; we just need some adults or teens who want to invest the time to bring this special ministry back to life! *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Children's Bible Quizzing

Would you like to learn more about the Bible and work with children at the same time? You can be part of our Bible Quizzing program by serving as a guest teacher or helper during our Wednesday evening sessions held during the school year. Children in grades 1 through 6 study a specific book of the Bible through a variety of learning activities and have the option of competing in quizzing competitions in the spring. *If interested, please contact Rita Kurtz, Quizzing Director, at 374-0348.*

Children's Choir

We would love to continue to have our children share their song talents with the congregation after they leave the Wee Praise Choir. If you have musical talent and would like to help form this ministry for our school age children, give us a call. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Children's Choreography

Do you like to dance for the Lord? Then this is the ministry for you! We need individuals with a passion for dance and choreography. This team choreographs the moves for the children's musicals, Vacation Bible School, and other children's musical events. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Children's Community Outreach

Do you have a passion for helping those less fortunate than yourself? Do you believe that the Church must reach out and make a difference in the community? If you answered, "yes" then how about sharing those beliefs with our children and helping our kids find ways of serving in the community such as Kitchen Cupboards and Martha's Table? *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Event Planning

SCN's Children's Ministries sponsor a wide variety of events during the course of the year including: Kids' Night Out, Talent Show to Benefit Missions, Children's Easter Celebration, Children's Christmas Party, Family and Friends Game Nights, Skating Parties, Pool Party, Fall Party, etc. If you are a "behind the scenes" or a "detail" person who likes to organize or set up special events, volunteer to help with any one (or more) of these activities! *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Puppet Ministry

Our Puppet Team (grades 2 through 6) meets each Wednesday evening during the school year and provides puppet skits for our pre-school group. Additionally we work on producing skits to be performed for Kids Worship and other special events. Adults and teens with a dramatic or comedic flair who like working with kids would be a welcome addition to our ministry team. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Sign Language Interpreter

Do you know American Sign Language or are you interested in learning? Training is available to assist you in becoming an interpreter for a hearing

impaired child in our congregation. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Snack Preparation

Are you looking for a behind the scenes way to serve the Lord that also makes our kids very happy? Each Sunday morning and Wednesday evening we are in need of people to prepare snack trays, deliver, and clean up. Sunday morning snacks are served between 10:30-10:45 a.m. and Wednesday evening snacks are delivered to classrooms before 7:00 p.m. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Snack Provision

Food or monetary donations are always welcome to help feed the bellies of our children! We try to offer a variety of snacks including: fruit, veggies and dip, cookies, granola bars, pretzels, chips, etc. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Summer Wednesday Crew

We are always looking for adults or teens who would be interested in helping on a rotating schedule for our summer Wednesday evening programs. Each week we run two groups, pre-K and school age. Children have a devotional time followed by fun activities including: Wet Wednesday, kickball, Nerf baseball, lawn games, treasure hunts, crafts, etc. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Sunday Morning Troubleshooter

Are you one of those people who thrive on the dealing with the unexpected? Well we have a place for you! We are in need of individuals who can check in on classes and teachers, determine if they are in need of something, and do their best to take

care of the problem. Problems range from finding scissors to finding a last minute substitute! *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Vacation Bible School

This is an opportunity for children age three through sixth grade generally held during a week in the month of June. It is designed to connect kids to God, create change in their hearts, and to give them opportunities to share God's love with others. We need volunteers to provide registration, station leaders, decorating crews, small group leaders and helpers, nursery help, drama and song, snack prep and service, etc. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Children's Sunday School

Children's Sunday School classes are held every Sunday morning beginning at 9:45 a.m. Children learn biblical truths and how to apply them to their lives, as well as learn scripture memory verses. We need teachers and helpers to aid our children in learning what it means to be a follower of Jesus Christ. Refer to the age specific classes listed below.

Pre-School

This is a ministry that focuses on children ages 2, 3, 4, and some 5 year olds. We offer Bible stories and related life lessons, crafts, singing, and playtime all to enhance our children's growth in the knowledge and grace of Jesus Christ. Easy to follow materials are provided.

School Age

This ministry currently focuses on Kindergarten and 1st grade, 2nd grade, 3rd grade, 4th and 5th grades, and 6th grade. As

our children change and grow, so do the classes provided. Each class is specially designed to meet our children where they are and help them grow in their Christian faith. Age specific materials are provided.

KidsWorship

Kids Worship runs from 10:45 until noon every Sunday. Our children engage in a time of praise and worship through song, prayer, lessons, and activities all designed to bring honor and glory to God. The following are some of the ways you can be involved during this time:

Children's Missions

Have a heart for missions? Do you want to see our children develop sensitivity for the spiritual and physical wellbeing of those in other cultures? Consider getting involved in Children's Missions! Lessons are provided twice a month during the 11:00 service: 'Tween Time—second Sunday; KidsWorship—4th Sunday. You can assist with lessons, provide ethnic foods for the kids to sample, or share about other countries/cultures. *If interested contact Beth Courtney at 539-4070.*

Elementary KidsWorship Helper

This is a great way to “get your feet wet” in Children's Ministry and develop a relationship with our kids at the same time! Join our rotating schedule where you will help about 2 times every 3 months. Helpers assist with snack time, monitoring bathroom breaks, and encouraging and assisting children during the worship session. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

KidsWorship Leader

If you love to share your faith and grow with others, consider becoming part of our Kids Worship leader rotation. Easy to follow teaching materials are provided for each lesson where children learn biblical concepts and how to grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ at the same time. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Little KidsWorship

Individual classes are offered for toddlers, two, three, and 4/5 year olds. From 11:00 to 11:25 children join together to sing with the Wee Praise Choir. Bible lessons and activities follow in the individual classrooms. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Middler Chill Time

We are looking for a few individuals who enjoy hanging out and learning with meet the spiritual and social needs of our children at this age level. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

'Tween Time

Do you remember what it was like being 11 or 12? Too old to be with the "little kids," but not ready for the pressures of the teen years. 'Tween Time is discussion, and support for our students in grades 5 and 6. If you feel drawn to activities for them, we would love to have you as part of our leadership group. *If interested, contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028 ext. 223.*

Wee Praise Choir

Do you like to sing? Do you like pre-school age children? Then this might be the ministry for you. The Wee Praise Choir meets each Sunday from

11:00 to 11:25 when our pre-school children sing songs with motions or rhythm instruments to bring honor to the Lord. We need individuals to assist in teaching songs, motions, or playing the piano. *If interested contact Gail Kline at 374-2468.*

Communications

Information media is a powerful way to reach our church community and the community around us who may need a home church. If you have talents in writing, graphic design, photography and so on, prayerfully consider serving this area of ministry that is just beginning. *To get connected, please contact Heather Ryder at 850-0337.*

Communion Servers

The Lord's Supper is a holy time of worship when we corporately come together as one body to remember and celebrate what Christ did for us. We need some volunteers to help the pastors serve communion. Serving others is one of our most important Christian duties. *If interested, please contact Nancy Harris at 765-5292 or nancybrown27@hotmail.com or Ruth Ann Solomon at 539-8283 or ragsolomon@yahoo.com.*

Christmas Decorating

As we celebrate the birth of Christ together we provide you with an opportunity to share the love of Christ in our own church. Come join us as we have fun making the church look festive. This only requires a commitment of one or two days in the month of December. *If you would like to help out please contact Carol Hoffman at 374-0642 or Mary Carnathan at 374-9939.*

Church Library

Do you love books, especially Christian books, CD's and DVD's? Have you ever dreamed about being a librarian? Then this is the ministry for you! You can help in the purchasing of new materials, cataloguing materials, organizing shelves weekly, sending overdue slips and so on. This ministry is one that benefits having availability before and after services. *If interested, please contact Mary Carnathan at 374-9939 or Nancy Kuhn at 884-1071.*

Comforting Hands

The members of the Quilting Ministry create beautiful quilts that provide care, comfort and encouragement. If you like to quilt and would like a place to meet other women with the same passion please consider joining us. *Please contact Beverly Kissinger at 374-9153 or Catherine Meiser at 837-3890.*

Divorce Care

We are looking for friendly and caring people who will walk alongside individuals who are going or have gone through one of life's most difficult experiences. We want them to know that they don't have to go through this process alone. *If interested please contact Pastor Suellen Lewis at 374-0028.*

Drama Ministry

Our drama team provides a small group setting for sharing lives with other while developing skits for worship services and other special services. *If you enjoy acting, or writing skits, please contact Tim Cook at 374-4175.*

Funeral Ministry

This is a ministry provided to families in our congregation that have experienced a death in the family. This may include buying, preparing and serving a meal at the church or providing meals to the home of the family. If you enjoy preparing meals or you are organized, this ministry might be a fit for you. *If interested, please contact Mary Carnathan at 374-9939.*

Gardening Ministry

This ministry focuses on beautifying the church grounds. Our ministry caretakers will assist with a wide variety of activities to maintain a superior appearance of our landscaped surroundings. If you enjoy working with plants, gardens and grounds, please come join us in serving the Lord together as we beautify the exterior of our facility. *For more information on this ministry, contact Keane Scholl at 374-8097.*

Grounds

As Selinsgrove Church of the Nazarene continues to serve more people, the need for grounds work has increased such as raking leaves, and shoveling snow. *If interested please contact Doug Herrold at 374-1966.*

Hospitality Ministries

If you enjoy meeting new people, and you have the gift of hospitality, you will want to join one of these teams.

Fellowship Ministry

We serve coffee and other varied food items between the three Sunday morning worship services downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. We are looking for individuals that would like to help in setting up, preparing refreshments and tearing

down the area. *If interested please contact Rick and Debi Trumper at 966-7970.*

Gift Bag Ministry

Each visitor receives a gift bag with a mug, treats and informational items about our church.

Assistance with this ministry does not require a lot of time and will help to advance God's kingdom! *If interested, contact Heather Ryder at 850-0337.*

Welcome and Information Team

The Welcome Team (greeters and ushers) warmly welcomes, guides and connects visitors and attendees. They help to provide an atmosphere through which the congregation can fully receive all that the worship service has to offer. Ushers and greeters greet and seat people, help individuals to their destination within the church, distribute visitor bags, provide information about service times, and ministry opportunities. Training is provided for everyone who would like to become involved in this vital ministry to the church. If you are a person who enjoys helping people feel "at home," this is a great place for you. *If interested, contact Yami Melton at 374-2563 or yamiof@yahoo.com.*

Kitchen Helpers

The responsibilities of this ministry include:

1. Purchasing supplies for the kitchen and submitting receipts.
2. House clean the kitchen once a year.
3. Discard food from the refrigerator and freezer as necessary.
4. Keep refrigerator, freezer and stoves clean.
5. Keep kitchen tidy.
6. Wash laundry left in kitchen.

If interested in helping to keep our church kitchen area clean please contact Mary Carnathan at 374-9939

Meals Ministry

This ministry serves our church family by providing meals for families of those in our church body who are in the hospital or experiencing some other difficulty. This ministry is a fun and practical way to love one another. *Please contact Crystal Smallwood at 374-9077*

Men's Ministry

We are looking for men who believe that it is essential for every man to have opportunities to come together with other men for true fellowship, to receive real encouragement, to challenge and be challenged and to pray and support one another. Volunteers who enjoy coordinating events and have a desire to be around other men who have a like desire for God are welcome to help move this ministry forward. *For more information on Men's Ministries, contact Pastor Jeremy Smallwood at 847-0999 or smallwood.jeremy@gmail.com.*

Mom and Kids' Playgroup

This is a ministry for mothers and children. It is a time for children to meet, have fun and learn to socialize while moms meet, interact and support one another through the good and hard times of motherhood. *If interested, please contact Yami Melton at 570-374-2563 or yamiof@yahoo.com.*

Network

Network is a dynamic class to help Christians understand who God has uniquely made them to be and guide them to a place of meaningful service in the local church. Participants are taught the biblical nature and purpose of the church as the body of Christ and the importance of each member's unique contribution. *If you would like to help others*

understand God's design for the church and their role within it then please contact Karen Melton at 570-374-8041.

Nursery Ministry

The nursery provides care for children from infancy up to 2 years of age during church services. At the same time, we minister to the parents of these children by blessing them with the opportunity to participate in the worship service and listened to the message with focus. The nursery is staffed every Sunday morning, Wednesday night, and during special services. *If interested in serving in this area please contact Tiffany Shaffer at 374-9502.*

Sports' Ministries

Sports' Ministries provides opportunities to share in fellowship with other Christians and to outreach to the un-churched souls in our community. If you enjoy softball, volleyball and other sports that encourage a competitive spirit, a healthy body and a total devotion to ourselves and our Lord, *please contact the church office at 374-0028.*

Student Ministries

Student ministries reaches out to touch the lives of students starting in 7th grade with the message of Christ's love and acceptance, to bring direction where there is confusion through Biblical concepts and to provide a safe place for people figuring out what it means to follow God and to build authentic friendships. This ministry walks beside students through college and beyond, or until they are comfortable and ready to move on to adult ministries. Individuals who have a heart for teaching youth to love God with all that they are and to prepare the youth to make disciples' of Christ should contact Pastor Evan Ryder at 765-5240 or any other NYI Council member (Ben Courtney, Doug Hoke, Teresa Swineford or Chris Sheaffer).

Connections

Students aged 18 and into the late 20s are encouraged to participate in a Sunday School class. They are welcome to attend any adult class held second or third service; or, they may attend Connections, which is a class with a high concentration of SU students and young adults. This class focuses on Scriptural application to every day living in the format of discussion and small group work, and it meets during second service Sunday mornings. *For more information, please contact Heather Ryder at 850-0337 or ehryder@verizon.net.*

College-Care Packages

This ministry is designed to remind college students, who are near and far, that we are interested in investing in their lives. If you have the gift of encouragement, the gift of organization and desire to shop or collect goodies, you will find much reward in this ministry. *Interested volunteers and recipients should contact Evan and Heather Ryder at 765-5240, ehryder@verizon.net or pastorevan@selinsgrovenazarene.org.*

Ignite

We strive to ignite a flame in the heart of our students (grades 7-12) to be reaching their world with the love and grace that Jesus bestowed upon us. It is our hope that our students can ignite their community for Christ as we gather to fan the flame Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. *For more information, please contact Evan Ryder, the teacher, at 765-5240 or pastorevan@selinsgrovenazarene.org.*

Events

Throughout the year there are events planned for youth, young adults and youth and young adults in order to build the community of student believers, develop positive friendships, serve others around us and/or reach the un-churched through evangelism. Past events have included mission trips, Festival of Life, Winter Jam, a barn party, paintball, retreats, bowling, serving at Grayson View and Elijah's Bowl, photo scavenger hunts and much more. Information about events are published in the bulletin, posted on the church website calendar, handed out as flyers in Sunday School and shared through email. *If you are not on the email list, please email Evan Ryder at pastorevan@selinsgrovenazarene.org.*

Plugged-In

A worship service designed to meet the worship and learning styles of today's youth and young adults. This worship service takes place every 2nd and 4th Sunday of the month. *For more information, please contact Evan Ryder at 765-5240 or Nick Seip at seip@susqu.edu.*

Saturate

We currently offer a Junior High (grades 7-9) and a Senior High (10-12) Sunday School class during second service. *For more information, please contact Karen Carnathan (Jr. High SS teacher) at 374-3911, Jeff Edmunds (Sr. High SS teacher) at 374-2732 or Evan Ryder at 765-5240.*

Women's Ministry

Share in the fellowship of other women by attending events such as the women's retreat, Christmas party, and Mother's Day banquet. *If interested in planning or helping with events, contact Crystal Smallwood at 374-9077.*

Worship Ministries

Each worship service provides several opportunities to serve the Lord on Sunday mornings.

Audio-Visual

If you have any experience with sound boards and/or lighting equipment, please consider serving in this manner Sunday mornings. *Questions about this area should be directed to Andy Rich, 374-4132.*

Contemporary Worship Band

Second and Third services for Sunday mornings provide a contemporary style of music to draw people into fellowship with God. *If you feel called and gifted to lead musical worship, vocally or instrumentally, please contact Evan Ryder at 765-5240.*

Media Shout Technicians

If you are comfortable with computers, consider helping with Media Shout, the program that projects the sermon for Sunday mornings. *If interested, contact Jeremy Smallwood at 374-0028, 847-0999 or smallwood.jeremy@gmail.com.*

Music

If you have been gifted to sing, or play an instrument, your talents may benefit the church at large in special music, offertories or in special productions. *If interested, contact Jeremy Smallwood at 374-0028, 847-0999 or smallwood.jeremy@gmail.com.*

New Ministry Guidelines

The following will provide the steps necessary to start a new ministry at Selinsgrove Church of the Nazarene.

- 1. Write down your purpose or vision.** Some questions you should try to answer are:
 - What is my vision?
 - How will the ministry function?
 - Who will I be ministering to? (target audience)
 - How often would we meet?
 - What are my training needs prior to kick off?
- 2. Schedule a ministry interview by calling Pastor Chuck Melton at 374-0028.**
- 3. Prepare the following prior to your meeting with the pastor.**
 - Ministry description (from vision/purpose document)
 - Ministry leader's job description
 - Ministry participant's job description
 - Short ministry description for publications

If you need help in documenting your ministry, you may contact Pastor Chuck Melton at 374-0028. He will be more than happy to help you with your ministry idea.

Our Beliefs

- ◆ The Holy Trinity
- ◆ God, the Creator of the Universe
- ◆ The Divinity of Jesus Christ
- ◆ The Personality of the Holy Spirit
- ◆ The Authority of the Holy Bible
- ◆ The Atonement of the Cross for Man's Sinful Acts and Sinful Nature
- ◆ Salvation by Grace through Faith
- ◆ Repentance, Justification, Regeneration and Adoption of the Saved Free Will
- ◆ Entire Sanctification or Baptism of the Holy Spirit for Believers
- ◆ The Church as the covenant Community
- ◆ The Sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion
- ◆ Divine Healing
- ◆ The Return of Jesus Christ
- ◆ Resurrection, Judgment and Eternal Destiny for All Mankind