



MICHIGAN REGION

News and Notes

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The Michigan Region of the Missionary Church

Upcoming Events

Jan. 10 • New Life, Bay City
*Family and Children Ministry
Team Meeting*

Jan. 12-13 • Utica
Metro LEAD Team Meeting

Jan. 17 • Resource Center
Youth Ministry Team Mtg.

Jan. 29-Feb. 12 • East Africa
Regional Missions Trip

Feb. 15 • Resource Center
*Strengthening the Local
Church Team Mtg.*

Feb. 17-18 • Battle Creek
Hispanic LEAD Team Mtg.

Feb. 17-19 • Gull Lake
*Converge Youth Leadership
Conference*

Feb. 29 • Resource Center
Ministry Multiplication Team

March 3 • Mancelona Camp
Mancelona Camp Board

March 16-17 • Bay City
Pastors & Spouses' Retreat

May 1 • First, Clarkston
Regional Conference

May 19 • Faith, Flint
Leadership Academy

June 11-15 • Brown City
Camp Work Fellowship

June 18-22 • Brown City
Happy Time Children's Camp

July 9-14 • SEND Youth Mission
Detroit/Dearborn area

July 15-21 • Mancelona
Mancelona Family Camp

August 2-12 • Brown City
Brown City Family Camp

CHURCH PLANTING MOVES AHEAD IN 2012

Church Multiplication Coordinator, Tom Blaylock, and the Ministry Multiplication Team are giving oversight to the Region's priority to make disciples and plant churches and districts in Michigan. Michigan's latest two church planting projects continue to develop. We invite you to faithfully pray for these strategic ministries that are reaching men and women with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

The Aramaic Bible Church (ABC), led by Pastor Bassim and Haifa Gorial, is holding weekly meetings in a metro Detroit area restaurant. The work is sponsored by the Tri-County LEAD churches and is ministering to the Chaldean community.



Recent Gathering of ABC

Pursuit Church (downriver Detroit area) is now holding pre-launch services on Sunday nights at 6 PM at Northline Baptist Church (23695 Northline Road, Taylor). This Metro LEAD Team project is pastored by Adam (Carrie) Lockhart. The group plans a public launch later in 2012.



Carrie and Adam Lockhart give leadership to the Pursuit.

Michigan Region Vision Statement

*Every Church
mobilizing believers to
intentionally reach and
disciple those
without Christ.
Matthew 28:18-20*

Bethel, Yale, was able to provide Christmas packages to seven local families.
(Rev. Brent Kriesch)

Bliss, Levering, welcomes Rev. Jim (Lois) Jordan, who is serving as interim pastor at the church.

Colonial Woods, Port Huron, praises God for His blessing on their Christmas weekend ministry. Over 2,500 people attended three services that weekend.
(Rev. Phil Whetstone)

Crossroads, China, thanks the Lord for those students and sponsors who attended Replica (3DYC) in Fort Wayne December 28-30.
(Dr. Michael Cadrette)

Davison sponsored its 2nd Annual Journey to Bethlehem December 2-4. Over 1,300 people “traveled back in time” to relive Jesus’ birth.
(Rev. Allen Sudmann)

Fellowship Bible Church, Brown City, extended a call in November to Rev. Rich (Diana) Kriesch to serve as their permanent pastor.

New Faith Chapel, Romulus, will hold an Installation Service for their new pastor, Rev. Paul Schultz, January 8.

New Hope, Lapeer, requests prayer for their pastor, Rev. Gerald Sims, who was recently diagnosed with a brain tumor.

Nueva Vida, Lansing, praises God for two recent salvation decisions. Three new members joined the fellowship in December.
(Rev. Margarito Mandragon)

Mizpah, Cass City, welcomes their new pastor, Dale (Fay) Bullock. An Installation Service for Dale takes place Jan. 15.

Trinity, Yale, now has a search committee in place to begin the process of seeking the church’s next pastor. Associate Pastor, Ron Boggia, is helping to oversee the daily operations at the church.

Michigan Missionary Loans & Investments

*“Helping Churches
Grow”*

MMLI currently offers 2.5% interest on investments to members of Michigan Region churches.

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East Africa Mission Team

A team of Regional pastors will be serving in East Africa Jan. 27 – Feb. 12. The group will provide Bible and theological training, pastoral care and prayer support for national pastors in Kenya and Uganda. Team members are:

Doug Connelly
Jim Jordan
Rick Ferguson
Al Yerke

Pray for travel safety, good health and a fruitful ministry.

Pastors & Spouses’ Retreat

Our Annual Retreat for pastors and their spouses is scheduled for March 16-17 at the DoubleTree by Hilton on the riverfront of Bay City. Worship will be led by Phil and Darlene Burkett from Cass City. This year’s guest speaker is Bethel College professor Dr. Terry Linhart.



Terry & Kelly Linhart

The retreat provides ministry couples with an opportunity for refreshment and renewal. Churches are urged to cover the cost for their pastoral staff. For more details, visit the Region’s website at:
www.mcmichigan.org