PENTECOSTAL Church of God

🔿 MICHIGAN DISTRICT

LEAD LIKE JESUS

What do you look for in a leader? For generations, God's people hoped for a leader to take them into battle. They wanted a problem-solver, winner-take-all, charismatic leader. Instead, God gave someone they did not expect...His Son Jesus. In direct contrast to the characteristics of popular leaders then (and now), Jesus was known for humility.

In Philippians 2, Paul focuses on the need for the Philippians to complete his joy by being united. Paul knew that if Christians were to live a worthy life (1:27–30), they had to turn from "selfish ambition or vain conceit" (2:3) and be unified through having the same mind, same love, and being one in spirit and purpose (v. 2). This is a leadership task easier said than done! Ask any coach, CEO, or mother about the challenges of getting everyone on the same page and united with one another. Paul's solution was learned from Jesus: Lead through humility. We know that humility means considering others above ourselves (v. 4). But humility is easier to define than to do.

Paul points to the ultimate example of humility, the Lord Jesus Himself (vv. 5–11). Many scholars label these verses as the "Hymn of Christ." Experts believe early Christians sang or recited these words during worship gatherings. The poem touches on Christ's preexistence, incarnation, death, resurrection, and ascension. These verses are rich in theology, but we should not miss Paul's purpose in penning these words. He wants the Philippians to be united, and the only way they will ever accomplish that is to model their lives after Jesus.

As we examine the lives of godly leaders in Scripture, you will find that they all exhibit humility. As we put interests of others before ourselves, we too can be an influential leader for Christ. God wants you to be His representative as you unite the people you work with and live alongside them. Lead like Jesus through humility.

FAMILY CAMP

Make plans to attend Family Camp this summer! Family Camp dates are July 24th - 29th. We are excited to have Rev. Jimmy and Melissa Patillo,

pastors at New Life Church of Frankfort, KY, as our guest speakers. Pastor Jimmy also serves as the National Kingsmen Director of the Pentecostal Church of God. Melissa will be our morning speaker, and Jimmy will be our evening speaker. Bring both your church and family to Crystal Creek for a weekend to grow closer to God!



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PRAYER REQUEST

- Chuck Kincaid surgery on April 10th
- Dawn Hansen heart issues
- Healing for Barb Skirvin
- Candy Hubbard
- Easter Weekend services
- Up-coming events
- Our Churches & Missionaries

OPEN CHURCHES FOR PASTORING

Faith Christian Assembly (Midland) Hartford PCG (Hartford) Victory Tabernacle (Dowagiac) Ypsilanti PCG (Ypsilanti) Harvest Time (Youth Pastor, Grand Blanc)

EMPOWERED WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

Empowered Women's Conference will be held on April 19th & 20th at Glad Tidings of Flint, MI. We are excited to announce that our guest speaker will be Rev. Lynnea Martinez. Lynnea currently serves as

campus pastor at Messenger College and a worship leader at her local church in DFW, TX. Also creditialed with the PCG, Lynnea is a powerful anointed minister. She will also be doing a special session for our young ladies Saturday morning (April 20th).





APRIL 13 | MAY 3 + 4 | MAY 17 + 18

IMPACT MI UPCOMING EVENTS



Impact Youth Conference 2024 - Powerful Move of God.

IMPACT YOUTH CAMPS are open for registration! Pre registration ends on June 1st for Elementary and High School Camps. Junior High pre registration ends on July 1st. Pre registration and more information can be found on impactmi.com/camp. **IBQ LEAGUES FINALS** MARCH 9TH

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FINE ARTS WEEKEND APRIL 6TH

> RALLY TOUR MONTH OF MAY



SUMMERFEST JUNE 18TH - 21ST



ELEMENTARY CAMP JUNE 26TH - 29TH



MISSIONS SPOTLIGHT

Missionaries Ryan and Anna Warren will be in Michigan the months of April and May. Please contact our Missions Director, Paul Wise, to schedule them at your church! **231.675.9529**



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