

Focused Prayer

As you pray this week, consider the general points below to help guide your requests and praises.

Health Needs

Praise God for the recent answers to prayer on behalf of those battling cancer, and other life-threatening illnesses—continue to keep all in your prayers

Praise God for sparing the lives of all whose depression has led them to thoughts of self-harm, and continue to lift them up in prayer

Thank God for those who live to bless others, and whose aim is to relieve suffering—such a focus brings health to those helped, as well as to those seeking to be of help

Community & Country

As natural disasters continue to increase in both frequency and intensity, remember to pray for the safety of the rescuers and the mental, emotional, physical, and spiritual recovery of the survivors

As the goodness of God is intended to lead us all to genuine repentance, pray for yourself and others to receive the grace to discern and yield to the Holy Spirit's influence

Pray for U.S. Senate Chaplain Barry Black, that God will preserve, protect, and empower him to be a modern day Daniel to those around him

As Thursday, May 2, was the national day of prayer, may we continue to pray for our nation every day

Our Church – Local and World-Wide

Praise the Lord for His mercy on our Indiana pastors and their families as they are safely reunited following important meetings this past week

Pray that the meekness and loneliness of heart that is the fruit of abiding in Christ be that which characterizes every church member

Please continue to pray for the providential leading, and safety, of those who are serving Christ in foreign and/or dangerous places

Pray that "Evangelizing" will precede, permeate, and punctuate all our church's Evangelism efforts (1 Thessalonians 2:4-13)

Other requests

Pray now for our upcoming Indiana Camp Meeting in every detail and all aspects of preparation, that the Lord will lead, guide, provide, protect, and send the Holy Spirit

Continue to pray for law enforcement personnel and their families, especially those that are grieving, that they be true to God

Jesus asks us to pray to the Lord of the Harvest that He will send forth laborers into His harvest, and reminds His disciples to look on the fields for they are white and ready to harvest

Financial Report through April 30, 2024

To financially support any of these ministries, please mark your tithe envelope accordingly. Any undesignated contributions turned in by tithe envelope will remain in the local church

	Yearly Budget	Monthly Budget	Rec. this month	Budget to date	YTD Rec.
Church Budget*	\$223,200	\$18,600	\$14,710	\$72,973	\$67,917
Media Ministry	\$20,500	\$1,708	\$395	\$6,715	\$8,997

*Church Budget consists of: Christian Education (41%), Church Expense (30%), Evangelism (3.5%), Building Maintenance (3%), Operating Reserves (Working Capital) (3%), Media Ministry (3%), Pathfinders (3%), Sabbath School (3%), Contingency (2%), Youth/YA (2%), Community Services (2%), Worthy Student (2%), Adventurers (1%), Personal Ministries (1%), and Social Committee (0.5%)



May 4, 2024

Happy Sabbath and Welcome to the Cicero SDA Church

Sabbath School – 9:30 a.m.

There are adult Sabbath School classes located in the church sanctuary and in the fellowship hall – please feel free to join either class. For the location of children, youth, and young adult classes, please ask the greeter for directions.

Worship Service – 11:00 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements	Jeff Sajdak
Praise through Singing	
Worship through the Written Word	Bob Bartlett
<i>1 Corinthians 9:24-26</i>	
Garden of Prayer	Bob Bartlett
Children's story	Kendra Knudson
Worship through Giving	Jeff Sajdak
<i>Church Budget</i>	
Music for Meditation	Battle Creek Academy
Worship through the Spoken Word	Pastor Aaron
<i>"A Crown To Win – Casting Crowns"</i>	
Hymn of Dedication	#213
<i>Jesus is Coming Again</i>	

Announcements

Quinquennial Delegates

This coming September, our Indiana Conference will hold a constituency meeting at the Cicero church Sunday, September 29th. Today, you have a list of our Cicero members in your bulletin. Please follow the instructions on the sheet of paper and vote for those you wish to represent your church at the constituency meetings.

Musical Concert

Battle Creek Academy is joining us today. They will be presenting a musical number for our worship service, and then this evening at 7:30 p.m. they will be providing a sacred musical concert here at Cicero. Please come join us and support the young people and gain a blessing through music.

Monthly Fellowship Meal

Our next fellowship meal together is scheduled for next Sabbath, May 11. Since this is mother's day weekend, the men will be taking care of the hosting duties for the meal in honor of the ladies in our lives. Please bring a dish and join us for a great time of food and fellowship.

Financial Aid Applications

It is time to be thinking ahead to the 2024-2025 school year already. If you anticipate needing some financial support to keep your kids in our elementary school or in Indiana Academy, please look for a financial aid application at the school. Those should be filled out and handed in by the end of May to Randy Griffin, church treasurer. You can hand them to him in person, put them in his box in the church office, or email/mail them to him (5378 E 225th St, Noblesville, IN 46062).

Something To Ponder

Not in freedom from trial, but in the midst of it, is Christian character developed. Exposure to rebuffs and opposition leads the follower of Christ to greater watchfulness and more earnest prayer to the mighty Helper. Severe trial endured by the grace of God develops patience, vigilance, fortitude, and a deep and abiding trust in God. It is the triumph of the Christian faith that it enables its followers to suffer and be strong; to submit, and thus to conquer; to be killed all the day long, and yet to live; to bear the cross, and thus to win the crown of glory. ~Acts of the Apostles, pg. 467