

## NEW HAVEN CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

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**10:45 AM**

Announcements ~ Praises & Prayer Requests ~ Offering ~ Greeting

**10:57 AM**

Countdown to Live Streaming

(Please be mindful of the camera in the sound corner that will be recording starting at this time.)

Video

We Are The Church

Welcome

Worship Songs

*Living Hope*  
*In Christ Alone*  
*Shout to the Lord*

Video

Psalms 126

Message

**The Fear of Suffering**  
**2 Corinthians 12:1-10**

Closing Song

*Where I Belong*

Closing Prayer

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*We are a body of Believers whose purpose is to  
win lost souls and make disciples for Jesus Christ!*

## CALENDAR & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Wed., Oct. 28<sup>th</sup> Zoom Prayer Meeting 7:00 PM**  
Contact Denise Rossman at [dkrossman@casair.net](mailto:dkrossman@casair.net) to get added to the list to get the link and handouts for the meeting.

**Thurs., Oct. 29<sup>th</sup> Mission Outreach Sewing 9:00 AM**  
We will be taking a road trip to GR for fabric. Contact Janie if you have any questions.

**Mon., Nov. 9<sup>th</sup> MOPS 5:00-7:00 PM**

**Thurs., Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> Food Pantry ~ 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month**

**Wed., Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> Food Pantry (early due to Thanksgiving)**

**Volunteer Work Crew Needed ~ This is a great time for local mission work.** We are looking for a volunteer crew of 6-7. This crew is needed in the Sanford/Midland area to help with the flood damage. If you would like to put together a crew, or be a part of this crew, please contact someone on the witness committee: Terri Grubaugh, Cheri Wiseman or Gloria Detraz.

**TRUNK OR TREAT ~** Our annual Trunk or Treat will take place here at our church on **Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-7:00.** We are in hopes of having at least 15 trunks this year. Please let Jane Henry know if you can provide a trunk. We also need candy donations. You may leave your donations in the church kitchen. **If it is raining, this event will be cancelled.**

**SHOEBOXES ~** Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes will be collected on **November 15<sup>th</sup>.**

**It's getting closer---if you haven't taken a box to fill, take one today. Take two, three, or four! The need is so great and what a small act of kindness we can do for these children.**

**Suggested items to include:** Start with a quality "wow" item such as a stuffed animal, doll, soccer ball with pump, or clothing outfit that will capture the child's attention the instant he or she opens the box. Other items could include school supplies, art supplies, personal hygiene supplies and toys.

**Do Not Include:** Candy; toothpaste; gum; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; chocolate or food; seeds; fruit rolls or other fruit snacks; drink mixes (powdered or liquid); liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

### ~ Deacons ~

Mike & Jill Beach (517-242-5121) ~ Chris & Jessica Duflo (289-5310 / 506-1418)  
Betty Kellenberger (584-3484) ~ Jim & Carlene McGill ~ Dan & Denise Rossman (236-7686)  
**Lori Misenhelder** is doing the bulletins for the months of Aug-Oct. You may contact her by e-mail at [misenhelderlori@gmail.com](mailto:misenhelderlori@gmail.com) or by phone at 989-330-7400 before 3:00 PM Friday.



# What If It Happens to Me?

## The Fear of Suffering

### 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

"Why is there pain and \_\_\_\_\_ in the world?"

3 basic \_\_\_\_\_ that are common to everyone

- 1: Sickness,
- 2: Sorrow,
- 3: Suffering.

#### I. God \_\_\_\_\_ With Us In Our Suffering

2 Cor 12:7 To keep me from becoming conceited because of these surpassingly great revelations, there was given me a thorn in my flesh, a messenger of Satan, to torment me.

He balances blessings with \_\_\_\_\_.

First of all, God does give us \_\_\_\_\_.

Psalms 68:19

Praise be to the Lord, to God our Savior, who daily bears our burdens.

Psalms 68:19

Blessed be the Lord, Who daily loads us with benefits, NKJV

#### II. God \_\_\_\_\_ To Us Through Our Suffering

2 Cor 12:8

Three times I pleaded with the Lord to take it away from me.

verse 9 "But he said to me..."  
"My grace is sufficient for you..."

C. S. Lewis called suffering and pain, "God's megaphone".

#### III. God \_\_\_\_\_ Us By Our Suffering

"And then He told me my grace is enough; it is all you need.

My strength comes into its own in your weakness.

Once I heard that I was glad to let it happen.

I quit focusing on the handicap and began appreciating the gift.

It was a case of Christ' strength moving in on my weakness.

Now I take limitations in stride and with good cheer.

These limitations that cut me down to size - abuse, accidents, opposition, bad breaks, I just let Christ take over! And so, the weaker I get, the stronger I become."