

BNF People to Pray For This Week

August 10: Chris & Stan Schott

August 11: Seamus Sprow

August 12: James Burks

August 13: Hazel Peterson

August 14: Nick Pratt

August 15: Brennan Condry

Church Calendar This Week

Friday: Open AA Meeting, 7pm

Next Sunday, August 16

Next Sunday, August 16 at 10:00 am, the worship service will be at Island Park. This will be a joint service with other Elkhart Mennonite churches.

Announcements

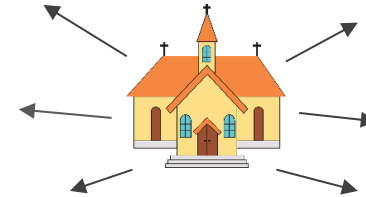
Uryna will be back in the office on Monday, August 10.

Belmont Neighborhood Fellowship

August 9, 2026

Witnessing to the Ends of the Earth

Outward Looking: Acts



Call to Worship and Opening Prayer: Vera

Songs of Worship: Vera

Offering and Greetings

Focus on Children

Scripture Reading: Acts 26:12-29

Meditation: "Outward Focused - A Story of Conversion" Kevin

Dialogue and Discussion

Song of Response: Vera

Blessings and Prayer Requests: Kevin

Announcements

Sending Song: Vera

Fellowship Time in the Gym with a Snack

Acts 26:12-29 (NIV)

¹²“On one of these journeys I was going to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests. ¹³About noon, King Agrippa, as I was on the road, I saw a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, blazing around me and my companions. ¹⁴We all fell to the ground, and I heard a voice saying to me in Aramaic,^[a] ‘Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against the goads.’

¹⁵“Then I asked, ‘Who are you, Lord?’

“ ‘I am Jesus, whom you are persecuting,’ the Lord replied. ¹⁶‘Now get up and stand on your feet. I have appeared to you to appoint you as a servant and as a witness of what you have seen and will see of me. ¹⁷I will rescue you from your own people and from the Gentiles. I am sending you to them ¹⁸to open their eyes and turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, so that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.’

¹⁹“So then, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the vision from heaven. ²⁰First to those in Damascus, then to those in Jerusalem and in all Judea, and then to the Gentiles, I preached that they should repent and turn to God and demonstrate their repentance by their deeds. ²¹That is why some Jews seized me in the temple courts and tried to kill me. ²²But God has helped me to this very day; so I stand here and testify to small and great alike. I am saying nothing beyond what the prophets and Moses said would happen— ²³that the Messiah would suffer and, as the first to rise from the dead, would bring the message of light to his own people and to the Gentiles.”

²⁴At this point Festus interrupted Paul’s defense. “You are out of your mind, Paul!” he shouted. “Your great learning is driving you insane.”

²⁵“I am not insane, most excellent Festus,” Paul replied. “What I am saying is true and reasonable. ²⁶The king is familiar with these things, and I can speak freely to him. I am convinced that none of this has escaped his notice, because it was not done in a corner. ²⁷King Agrippa, do you believe the prophets? I know you do.”

²⁸Then Agrippa said to Paul, “Do you think that in such a short time you can persuade me to be a Christian?”

²⁹Paul replied, “Short time or long—I pray to God that not only you but all who are listening to me today may become what I am, except for these chains.”