

## Neshaminy Valley Baptist Church

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May 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.

*“We are the aroma of Christ”*

### May 24, Sun

Prov 2: 21

#### Anniv.: Becky & Bruce Mason

“... the upright will inhabit the land ...”

### May 25, Mon

2 Cor 4: 7-15

#### We praise God for a strong Pastor Candidate!

“We always carry the death of Jesus in our body ...” (vs 10). Do you? How does that look like? Ans: vs 7-9. Our lives is a combination of life and death at work simultaneously.

### May 26, Tues

2 Cor 4: 16-18

#### Birthday: Jennifer Fender, Andy Yotko

So (see above) we don't give up! (vs 16). If we have a “focus” on the “unseen”, i.e. the eternal, the spiritual, etc. then we realize that our struggles are “momentary light affliction” (vs 17). If your focus is on earthly things then the spiritual is out of focus and not a priority; vice versa.

5: 1-2

There is internal struggle / groaning ... a desire for the heavenly

### May 27, Wed

2 Cor. 5: 3-10

#### Pray for the next few steps of his coming, discerning.

[The “tent” is a reference to our physical bodies] Notice the repetition of the word / sentiment “confident”. How come? Because of a “down payment” made to us – the Holy Spirit

### May 28, Thur

2 Cor. 5: 11-15

#### Pray for NVBC to be of one mind and united

Why do we share the Gospel, or ‘Why should we share Jesus with others?’ Firstly, because “we know the fear of the Lord” (vs 11; notice the verse starts with “Therefore”). Secondly, “the love of Christ compels us” (vs 14). Q: do you have either or both? That's the key to whether you are motivated or not.

### May 29, Fri

2 Cor. 5: 16-21

#### Pray for the Candidate and his wife as they plan the visit

[In chp 3 we were “letters” to everyone] We are “ambassadors for Christ” (vs 20). How well then does the Christian population represent Jesus and his Kingdom?

### May 30, Sat

2 Cor. 6: 1-10

#### Pray for the Veteran's Gathering this morning

Read the list (vs 4b-10) of hardship and revile that Paul says that we “commend ourselves ... by great endurance”. If that is what Christians are expected and commended to endure, then why are we often thin skinned and grumbling of the attacks?

### May 31, Sun

Prov 3: 1-8

2 Corinthians 2:9-17

## What's That Smell?

A.W. Tozer said, “Christians carry with them the scent of another world.”

### Introduction: What scent are you giving off?

- Everyone who sincerely puts their faith in Jesus is like a walking, talking, living \_\_\_\_\_.

#### #1 - The Aroma of \_\_\_\_\_.

- In the Bible, \_\_\_\_\_ was often associated with prayer.

#### #2 - The Aroma of \_\_\_\_\_.

- The sweet-smelling aroma of incense turned \_\_\_\_\_ when it was offered in disobedience.

#### #3 - The Aroma of \_\_\_\_\_.

- \_\_\_\_\_ happens when the church gets serious about repentance.

#### #4 - The Aroma of \_\_\_\_\_.

- To non-Christians, those on the wide road to destruction, Christians are the smell of \_\_\_\_\_.

#### #5 - The Aroma of \_\_\_\_\_.

- The ultimate expression of love is to \_\_\_\_\_ yourself for others.

Conclusion: **People may forget our words, but they remember the \_\_\_\_\_ we leave behind.**

### Action Step

Each morning this week as you apply your perfume, cologne or deodorant, say a short prayer and ask God to help someone to notice the aroma of Christ on you that day.

### Digging Deeper

1. There's a real phenomenon called “olfactory fatigue” where people can't smell their own stench. How would we know if that happened to us spiritually and what can we do to solve the problem?
2. How does sincere repentance versus going through the motions of religion look different?
3. Which aroma do you feel is lacking in the church in general these days - prayer, obedience, repentance, witness, or love – and what can we do to change it?



If you are visiting with us for the first time, we want to warmly welcome you! Please fill out the visitor's card and put it in the offering plate. Thank you!

**Pastoral Candidate Visit on June 7<sup>th</sup>:**

- 9-10 a.m. Candidate's Testimony
- 10 a.m Service Candidate Preaches
- 12 – 1:30 p.m. Church Luncheon with Candidate and Wife
- 1:30 p.m. Special Business Mtg

**Kindly plan to attend these.** Also, feel free to ask questions of the candidate, process, etc from either the *Search Committee* members or the *Deacon Board* – they have all the answers to your questions!

**Art & Science Camp - Child Safety Training:** May 31<sup>st</sup> after church in the trailers. If you work with children at NVBC please plan to attend. Sandwiches will be provided; bring a side to share. After the training we will review Art and Science camp information for those helping. Questions? Ask Julia Browne

**This Week**

- Sunday 10:00 am WORSHIP
- 7:00 pm Youth Group
- Tuesday 10:00 am Ladies Bible Study (Goetz' Home)
- 6:30 & 7:30 pm Karate for Christ
- 7:00 pm Small Group (Corbetts)
- Wednesday 7:00 pm Women's AA mtg
- Saturday 10:30 am Veterans Appreciation Day

Dates To Remember

- May 31<sup>st</sup> (Sun) 12:00 pm Child Safety Training [Trailer CR]
- June 22-26<sup>th</sup> Art & Science Camp
- Sept 20<sup>th</sup> (Sun) Worship on the Mound
- Nov 14<sup>th</sup> (Sat) 11:00 am Gratitude Celebration of the Thomas'

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