

## Andy Thoman – InterVarsity, UW-Oshkosh

This time every year brings both excitement and fears. Fears for the unknown when many of our student leaders graduate and we don't know in what ways we will be able to reach new students. At the same time, it is one of the most exciting times of the year because we have new student leaders stepping up and new opportunities for ministry in spaces we may not have had previously. This year is no different, a couple exciting opportunities to mention that you could continue to pray towards are our connections with athletes at UWO and new small group leaders at LTC. At UWO, we are currently placed in a very strategic space to reach athletes because of some of the student connections we've made. At LTC, we have some new students who have a growing heart to see new small groups started so other students who cannot make the other times have a space to study God's word and learn how to be disciples of Jesus on mission.

Our fall conference just happened, Catalyst, and it was amazing! About 500 students from different schools all around Wisconsin grew in their understanding of what it means to follow Jesus and gained valuable ministry tools to go back to their campuses and see the Kingdom of God grow! This was the first year we did this new conference, and I think it was a huge success seeing a large number of students making first-time decisions to follow Jesus, and current believers making plans to advance the mission back on their campuses and beyond!

As you know, I stepped into a new role with more responsibilities in InterVarsity this past summer. It has been a huge blessing to see God fill the gaps as I learn this role. At the same time, being a father is the most fun I've ever had! This year is full of new things, but God has not disappointed in fun or his leading!

Please Pray for...

- UWO is facing lots of transitions. New staff team and new student leaders. This has been an exciting moment for the chapter. Pray for the new leaders to know God's calling for them and for boldness and faith.
- Lakeshore Tech. feels like a new chapter every year because of the quick turnover of students in the short programs. This year is no different, new students all around in this chapter. It's been so exciting to see God grow a heart for mission in these students. Pray for the small groups being planted.
- One of my big goals currently is to start a self-sufficient volunteer team in the Fox Valley. Pray for wisdom as I develop a plan and guide the volunteers.
- God has continually shown me that He is the provider and sustainer of both my life and the ministry He has invited us into. Currently I'm trusting God to provide for a needed increase in my funding. With my new role and the greater responsibilities that I've taken, my ministry budget has increased this year, so I have some extra funds I need to raise.

Andy, Megan, & Audra



**Christmas Eve Service** - MBC will have a single worship service on Christmas Eve, December 24<sup>th</sup>, at 4 pm. Please plan on joining us!

We want to offer our sympathy to the Roy & Karie Nafzger family. Roy's brother, Fred Nafzger Jr., passed away on Friday, November 22. May God comfort & bless you with His peace.



Are you too busy to come to Pipeline? Then you need to come to this class! This class meets today, December 15<sup>th</sup>, and on January 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>. We'll be learning **how to build margin into your life**. Please join us at **Pipeline** in the Nehemiah Center at 9 am!

**Thank you** to those who organized and implemented the delightful Children's Christmas Skit honoring the birth of Jesus!

**Thank you** to all who donated and helped pack for the Backpack Buddies Winter Glove Drive!

**Interested in Becoming a Member of MBC? Next Steps – Step 2** "Our Core Beliefs" is two parts/sessions, and will be offered on **January 5<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00 am in the lower level old library. \*This step is required for membership. Sign up at the Welcome Center.

**2020 Guatemala Playground Mission Trip:** If you are interested in going on the 2020 mission trip and have not attended an informational meeting, please contact Crystal Zimmerman at 608-325-6793. Application deadline is Tuesday, December 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Perhaps you're considering a year-end donation** - If so, please consider our Event Center – 18 & 8<sup>th</sup>! Simply write your check to Monroe Bible Church and note "18 & 8<sup>th</sup>" on your check memo line. Thank you!

**Community-Wide Family New Year's Eve Party** ~ at 18 & 8<sup>th</sup> in the lower level, from 7:00 pm – Midnight. This is a family friendly open house night, and everyone is invited. We'll be playing board games and enjoying fellowship. Contact Randy & Lucy Whyte with any questions, 608-214-5525 or 608-234-8907.

**Thank you to the Krahenbuhl, Keegan & Holverson Ladies**  
**for the lovely "Gathering of Friends" evening.**



### Sunday, December 22

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am  
No Sunday School, Pipeline, or Ignite  
Fusion Christmas Caroling ~ 4:30 pm

### Monday, December 23

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

### Tuesday, December 24

No Library hours

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Office closed

**Christmas Eve Service ~ 4 pm**

### Wednesday, December 25th



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Office Closed

No Awana

### Thursday, December 26

Iglesia Prayer ~ 6 pm, NC

NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

### Friday, December 27

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

### Saturday, December 28

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

### Sunday, December 29

Lord's Table

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am

No Sunday School/Pipeline/Youth Events

Iglesia Biblica Worship ~ 2 pm, NC

### Monday, December 30

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

### Tuesday, December 31

Application Deadline for 2020 Guatemala

Playground Mission Trip

New Year's Eve Family Games Night ~ 7 pm – midnight at 18 & 8<sup>th</sup>, lower level

Week of Dec. 15 - 21

Prayer Focus – Elder Ministry  
Ministry Leader: Pastor Dan Krahenbuhl  
Please Pray:

- ❖ Knowledge of our people to better shepherd
- ❖ Wisdom for some reorganization under consideration
- ❖ God's leading as we look to the future

Today, Sunday, December 15

Children's Christmas Skit

The Gathering 9 am & Café 10:30 am  
Sunday School & Pipeline ~ 9 am, NC  
Iglesia Biblica Worship ~ 2 pm, NC  
Ignite (White Elephant) ~ 4-6 pm, LL #106  
Fusion (White Elephant) ~ 6-8 pm, LL #106

Monday, December 16

Prayer Meeting ~ 6:30 pm, LL #102

Tuesday, December 17

Library Open ~ 10 am - Noon  
Board of Deacons ~ 6:30 pm, LL #106

Wednesday, December 18

Awana Store  
Awana: Trek/Journey ~ 5:30 pm, &  
3 1/2 Yrs. – 6<sup>th</sup> grade ~ 6:15-7:50 pm

Thursday, December 19

Blood Drive ~ 12:30-6 pm, NC/K  
Iglesia Prayer ~ 6 pm, LL #103  
NA ~ 7 pm, LL #102

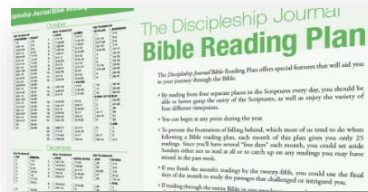
Friday, December 20

Primetimers Pizza Hut Lunch ~ 11:15 am  
Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

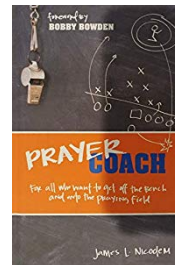
Saturday, December

Iglesia Worship Practice ~ 5:30 pm, NC

**Bible Reading Plans at the Welcome Center**  
Pick a plan up and start reading!



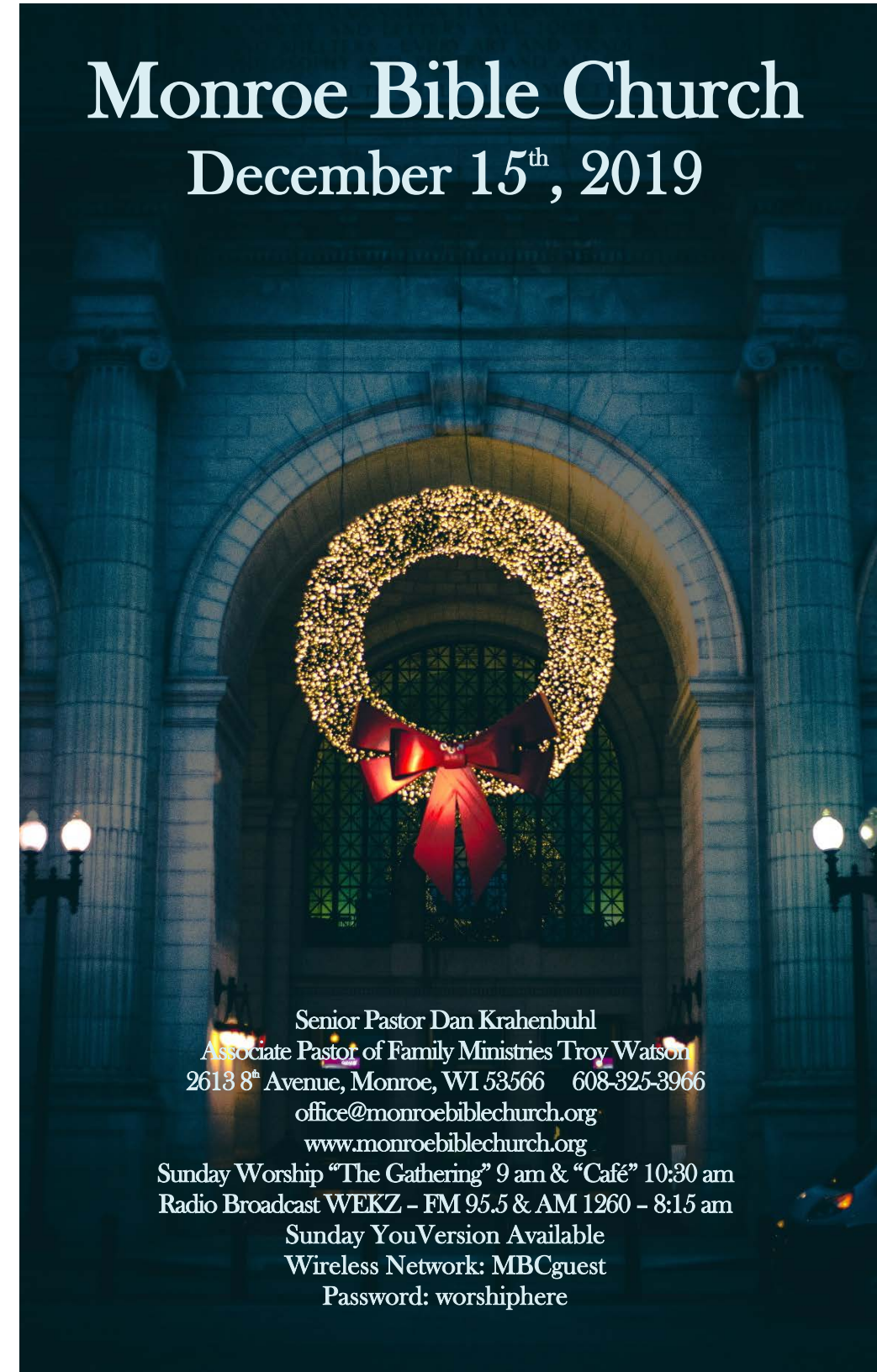
This Week  
New City Catechism:  
Part 3, Question 48



Need a good Christmas present idea? You could give a *Prayer Coach* book to someone. Only \$10. Contact Prayer Ministry Leader, Dan Keen, if interested: 608-897-6926.

# Monroe Bible Church

## December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019



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Sunday Worship "The Gathering" 9 am & "Café" 10:30 am  
Radio Broadcast WEKZ – FM 95.5 & AM 1260 – 8:15 am  
Sunday YouVersion Available  
Wireless Network: MBCguest  
Password: worshipping