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RUN TO WIN

The Philadelphia Eagles won Super Bowl LIX convincingly. In post-game interviews seen by millions, Eagles coach Nick Siriani remarked, "God blessed us very much. First and foremost, thanks goes to Him ... Thank God, thank You, Jesus." Quarterback Jalen Hurts gave glory to God. Hurts, the game's Most Valuable Player, said, "God is good. He's greater than all the highs and lows." Darius Slay, Eagles cornerback, gave glory to his "Lord and Savior". It was refreshing to hear these men boldly weave their faith into one of the greatest experiences in their lives.

The apostle Paul frequently used athletic metaphors to describe how to live for Jesus and combat the devil. Paul spoke of our earthly journey as a fight, a walk, and a race. In 1 Corinthians 9:24-25, Paul wrote, "Do you not know that those who run in a race all run, but one receives the prize? Run in such a way that you may obtain it. And everyone who competes for the prize is temperate in all things. Now they do it to obtain a perishable crown, but we for an imperishable crown."

If you are to "run that you may obtain" the prize, you must compete like a fully committed athlete in the Christian life. What is that prize? I really can't think of anything greater to have happened at the finish-line of the Christian life than to hear the Lord Jesus, the great Author and Finisher of our faith, say, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord" (Matthew 25:21). The greatest day of our lives will be that glorious day when we behold Jesus and enter into His own joy over our faithfulness. To be in His eternal pleasure on that day will be worth whatever it may have cost us in this world. It will be worth it to receive the imperishable wreath from the Lord Jesus Christ Himself. That was certainly Paul's attitude. By God's grace, let's run well and with purpose, keeping our eyes on Christ. As he ran his race in life, Paul wrote, "But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus". (Philippians 3:13-14).

LEADERSHIP CONFERENCE

Make plans to join us for our annual Pastors and Leaders Conference on March 28th and 29th, 2025. Pastors, invite your leaders, staff, and congregation to come and be blessed by our guest speaker, Pastor Tom Toney! Our location this year will be at Flint Glad Tidings. For more information on this event, visit *michpcg. com/leadershipconference*. There, you will find the schedule and hotel links.



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PRAYER REQUESTS

- · Candy Hubbard healing
- Dawn Hanson healing
- Judy Mason healing
- Danny Martineau healing
- Paul & Suzy Wise surgery recovering
- Dan & Barb Skirvin surgery recovery
- Joe Herr Sr. surgery recovery
- Steve Bringham surgery recovery
- Pat Markham surgery recovery
- Teresa Dennis surgery recovery
- Our Pastors, Ministers, Churches & Missionaries

OPEN CHURCHES FOR PASTORING

Full Gospel Assembly (Berrien Springs)
Hartford PCG (Hartford)
Harvest Time (Youth Pastor, Grand Blanc)

SinnerSaved (Youth Pastor, Fostoria)



IMPACT MI UPCOMING EVENTS



Impact Bible Quizzing 2025 is underway!

IMPACT GIVING DRIVE is still being collected! For years, the month of January has been Impact's dedicated month to raise money for the upcoming year's budget. Our goal is \$10,000! Please be in prayer with your church about what God is calling you to raise.

MARRIAGE RETREAT

FEBRUARY 21ST & 22ND



IMPACT YOUTH CONFERENCE

MARCH 7TH & 8TH



IBQ LEAGUE

MARCH 15TH



FINE ARTS

APRIL 5TH



RALLY TOUR

APRIL & MAY



CHURCH SPOTLIGHT

It's that time of the year for our Annual Local Church Report. Your church should have received the ALC Report form by mail from the PCG National Office in Bedford, Texas. Please submit the completed form online or by mail before March 31st. To report online, go to www.wearepcg.org and click on church reporting. The password is ALCR24.

MINISTER SPOTLIGHT

Congratulations to **Wayne** and **Debbie Jose!** Pastor Wayne was elected as the new pastor of Midland Faith Christian Assembly on January 19th!





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