

Jesus Loves Kzoo

2022 Information

Sharing the
Good News and Love of
Jesus Christ
Together!

Catalyst Week | July 10-15, 2022



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His Kingdom Come (in Kzoo) as it is in Heaven



Sharing the Good News and Love of Jesus Christ Together

Positioning the Church for Revival in the Kalamazoo Region for His Glory

(Luke 4:18-19, Phil 2:1-4, Psalm 133, Neh 4, John 17:20-23)

We believe God is calling JLK to...



Cultivate Unity among Christ-following churches and ministries...

- Pastor/Leader gatherings
- Community Worship & Prayer events
- Catalyst Week -- the Church comes together in a focused, strategic and visible way
- Racial Healing / Reconciliation events
- Building a network of Christ-following ministries; providing ways for the 'Body' to deepen relationships, love one another well, and partner in ministry (Phil 2:3-4)



Reveal God's Kingdom through acts of love and compassion done together in the name of Jesus Christ...

- Prayer & Grill Nights and other similar 'on the street' outreach events
- Partnering with other outreach ministries, including street ministry

Engage the Church in community outreach...



- Providing street ministry & lifestyle evangelism training equipping & activating the Church to effectively love others and witness in any setting
- Serving as a 'bridge', connecting churches and individuals with similar passions and callings for impacting the community

Connect seeking individuals to resources & discipleship...



- Developing JLK/365 -- Spirit-led, Kingdom-focused, compassionate follow-up
- Partnering with churches & non-profit ministries to connect those reached through JLK to the best ministry resources for their needs



The History of Jesus Loves Kzoo

Jesus Loves Kzoo (JLK) started out in 2008 as a small Vanguard Street Ministry outreach event to the north side of Kalamazoo with student volunteers from two local churches. Since that time, Jesus Loves Kzoo has grown to become not only an event but a 'movement' that has ignited and unified the Body of Christ to do the Great Commission together, sharing the love of Jesus throughout the Kalamazoo Region.

In 2016, JLK obtained 501c3 status under the name "Jesus Loves" so that the movement's core elements might be easily multiplied in other cities and regions. Today, *Jesus Loves* continues to press forward, equipping and empowering churches to join forces in leading people to Christ by sharing the Gospel in both word and deed.

Faith Statement

We believe in one God, Creator of the heavens and the earth, infinitely perfect and eternal existing in three persons, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The perfection with which God created everything was subjected to a curse through the disobedience of humankind and, as a result, a separation between God and creation was formed. With this separation came sin, sickness, disease, and death all of which were foreign to the perfection with which God created everything.

Jesus Christ is the solution to this problem. Being fully God and fully human, he was born, died on the cross, rose from the dead, ascended into heaven and lives forever as the mediator between God and humankind. Through faith in Jesus alone, the Holy Spirit can now indwell all who believe and provide the salvation Jesus paid for.

We believe that the Bible is the Holy Spirit inspired Word of God and the complete revelation of His will for the salvation of humankind. It has divine authority for all Christian life and faith.

We believe in the personal imminent return of Jesus Christ and that, until that return happens, his body (the community of believers) is to work diligently to spread the good news and work to see God's Kingdom come on earth as it is in heaven.



JLK Catalyst Week

July 10-15, 2022

**If Jesus Loves Kzoo is a movement, not an event...
what is the big deal about this one week in July?**

As we move toward a Kingdom vision of community revival, we believe it is vitally important for there to be at least one core event each year that is truly a “trumpet call” for the Church (Neh. 4:19-20).

Catalyst Week has become this core event.

When the trumpet sounds and the whole Body comes together under the banner of Jesus Christ, praying, loving and serving in a very visible way, God promises to use the Oneness of His bride to bring people to the saving knowledge of His Son (John 17:22-23).



“The work is extensive and spread out, and we are widely separated from each other along the wall.

**Wherever you hear the sound of the trumpet, join us there.
Our God will fight for us!” ~Neh 4:19-20**

A *catalyst* is defined as an agent that “provokes or speeds significant change or action”. As we DO the Great Commission together, (past denominational, ethnic and socio-economic lines), we believe God will use the obedience of the Church as a **CATALYST**, igniting something bigger than ourselves, paving the way for revival.



A Few Ways to Easily Engage Your Ministry with Catalyst Week...

Pray

Join the Force Multiply prayer effort before Catalyst Week
or intercessory prayer during Catalyst Week

Donate

Collect food, supplies, care packages or financial gifts

Rally

Promote the larger Community events to your congregation

Serve

Mobilize volunteers to serve at Prayer & Grill Sites

Co-Host a Grill Site

A way for your church to commit at a deeper level

What is needed for a Gospel Movement in our city to keep moving forward?

- **Eyes Fixed on Jesus and the Gospel Message**
"As sin abounds, Grace much more abounds." As the world churns with turmoil, the Church in Kalamazoo must rise up, standing firm in the unwavering message that Jesus Christ has paid the price in full and His finished work is the answer to every issue.
- **Christ-Focused Grace, Honor & Love for One Another**
We (the Church) will need to have repentant, non-offendable, humble hearts toward one another, and a willingness to be stretched and refined. (Phil 2:1-15)
- **Pastors & Leaders Willing to Pray Together**
Corporate intercession and deep relationship building is key to this Gospel Movement.
- **Communication**
Every church needs a great Point Person (or Point Team). The Point Person is the central communication link and means to mobilize the individual churches.
- **Churches willing to provide...**
 - ✓ **Servants with a Kingdom-Mindset** -- As we seek to be conduits of Christ's love there is a role for everyone and for every gift. Servants are needed who understand it is about building God's Kingdom rather than our own churches.
 - ✓ **Support** -- Although the core of the JLK movement will always function primarily by volunteers, there are real costs behind every event. We ask the participating churches to consider contributing financially or by gathering needed supplies.
 - ✓ **Ministry Resources & Connections** – We need to know what ministry resources are available in the community so we can effectively connect individuals with needs.

WHEN THE 'CHURCH'...
(KNOWING HER IDENTITY AND WALKING IN HIS AUTHORITY)
IS MOBILIZED...



WE BELIEVE OUR REGION WILL BE...
HEALED, REVIVED AND TRANSFORMED FOR HIS GLORY!

Pastor/Leader Prayer Luncheons

--Noon-1:15 PM--

May 19 @ YFC Ministry Trailer (Colonial Acres)

June 16 @ Tree of Life School

Catalyst Week Main Events

- OneWorship @ Arcadia–SUNDAY, July 10 (3-6 PM)
- Prayer & Grill Nights – July 11-14 (5-8:30 PM)
Grill Site locations on website
- KZOO Special Outreach - July 15 (*donations for teachers*)

Catalyst Week Prayer Strategy

- June 1 – “Force Multiply” Begins! *Forty Days of Prayer before CWeek*
- Catalyst Week Intercessory Team – *Air Support for the Ground Troops. (Pray from home opportunity)*

Catalyst Week Mobilizing Info

Contact Us with Questions: Jesusloveskzoo@gmail.com

Catalyst Week Point Person Communication

Each church/ministry needs an effective Point Person to mobilize effectively.

- “New” Point Persons: *Meet one-on-one (or Zoom) by appointment*
- ALL Churches – Point Person Meeting Options:
In-Person: April 30 (9 am)
Zoom: May 1 (7:30 pm) --or-- May 2 (7:30 pm)

Catalyst Week Grill-Site Hosting Coordination

For churches partnering to host one of the grill-sites during Catalyst Week.

- April-June: *We will be communicating with you on an individual basis*

Catalyst Week Volunteer Equipping

- Spring: *Go Out with Experienced Teams! We’ll connect you – contact us*
- All-Volunteer Open House – June 23 (6-8 pm) – ALL-Volunteer and Grill Site Host Leaders Information and Special Training Breakouts

JLK365

NEVER STOP REACHING LIVES

JLK/365 is the follow-up strategy for Jesus Loves Kzoo.



The goal of **JLK/365** is to extend JLK's mission by helping the individuals reached during Catalyst week and other ministry outreach efforts continue on their journey until they are fully thriving in a faith community. This can only happen with the full engagement of the Body of Christ. This is a Kingdom effort and there is not one person or one church following Jesus that is not needed for some aspect of **JLK/365**.

JLK/365 is continually seeking new and creative strategies for building relationships and improving the follow-up process. Our past and ongoing events include a Connections Brunch in the fall, Holiday Food Basket, a Family Christmas Celebration and weekly discipleship groups for men and women.

JLK/365 reaches individuals by meeting them where they are at both geographically and spiritually.

There are volunteer opportunities for every church and every gift-set!

JLK/365 operates with a core leadership team and the following ministry teams:

- Connectors
- Prayer Team
- Special Events Teams
- Discipleship Group Teams



**Contact us for more information:
Jesusloveskzoo365@gmail.com**

Street Ministry Equipping

Jesus Loves Kzoo partners with local Street Ministers to provide ways you can feel prepared and equipped.

“Get Your Feet Wet” Jesus Loves Kzoo volunteers of all ages are encouraged to take advantage of these hands-on training opportunities with experienced street ministry teams. **Contact us as an individual or group and we will connect you to the local street teams!**



All Volunteer Open House (July 23, 6-8 pm @ Centerpoint City Church) We encourage all volunteers to make this meeting a priority so they can feel equipped and prepared to hit the streets running. This year we will be holding this meeting open house style and it will include a time of corporate prayer over the sites, and break-out training sessions.

CATALYST WEEK PRAYER EFFORTS

40 Days of Prayer Before Catalyst Week

FORCE MULTIPLY

Verb. A factor that dramatically increases
the power of a group

“Force Multiply” is an effort to unify and rally God’s Church [Ekklesia] in Kalamazoo through 40 Days of Prayer and Fasting leading up to Catalyst Week. Church prayer teams as well as individuals are encouraged to join the Force!

“Five of you will chase a hundred, and a hundred of you will chase ten thousand, and your enemies will fall by the sword before you.” Leviticus 26:8

During Catalyst Week – Pray from Home

INTERCESSORY TEAM

We are looking for individuals to intercede with prayer – providing “air support” for the troops on the ground during Catalyst Week. Volunteers will commit to two hour time slots to pray. Contact Melissa at Jesusloveskzoo@gmail.com for details.



“For we are not fighting flesh-and-blood enemies, but against... evil spirits in the heavenly places.” (Ephesians 6:12)

Many Opportunities to Serve!

Before Catalyst Week:

- *Planning Leaders* (children's and games, donations, equipment, and more!)
- *Muscles* (moving supplies during Catalyst Week)
- *Prep of supplies* (cleaning, counting, organizing, shopping, etc)

During Catalyst Week:

OneWorship Service @ Arcadia Festival Site – July 10

Set up/Clean up	Children's Activities	Greeters	Worship Team
Food Area	Security	Tee Shirt Sales	

Prayer & Grill Site Outreaches – July 11-14

Off-Site Volunteer Areas:

- *Prep / Load* (1-3 pm)
- *Unload / Clean-up* (8:30-10 pm)
- *Runners* -- (timing varies)
- *Intercessory Prayer* from home

On-Site Volunteer Areas: (Monday-Friday: 5-8:30 PM)

- *Street Ministry/Prayer Teams*
- *Grill & Food*
- *On-Site Ministry at Grill Sites*
- *Children's Activities*
- *Prayer Team at Grill Sites*



Just After Catalyst Week:

- *Clean up / Organizing Supplies*
- *Admin Help* (thank you notes)
- *JLK/365* (see page 7)

WAYS TO SERVE: YEAR-ROUND

JLK/365 (follow-up team)

(see page 7)

Street Ministry Support

Whether you want to serve on the street or help provide supplies such as water or chili, we can help connect you to experienced teams on the front lines!

JLK Behind the Scenes

Help is needed in a variety of areas including...

- Website Design / Graphic Design / Social Media
- Fundraising
- Administrative support
- Ministry Internships
- Non-profit Board Positions

**Contact us
for more info!**
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What is Needed for Catalyst Week?

Monetary Donations

We will use these gifts for administration and rental costs, and to purchase any food or supplies that are needed.

- Tax-deductible checks can be written to "Jesus Loves Kzoo"
- Please mail all financial contributions to:

Jesus Loves Kzoo, 536 E. Michigan, Kalamazoo, MI 49007

Food & Supplies Such As...

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|---------------------|----------------|
| - Hamburgers & Buns | - Drink Mix |
| - Hot Dogs & Buns | - Plates |
| - Bottled water | - Cups |
| - Cookies | - Napkins |
| - Watermelons | - Freezer Pops |
| - Chips | - Ice |



General Care Package Items

- **Toothbrushes / Toothpaste**
- **Travel –Size Personal Care Items** (such as deodorant, soap, lotion, Kleenex, etc)



2022 Special Care Packages for Teachers Outreach
*****Check website for items we will be collecting***

Bibles / Children's Supplies and More...

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| - Bibles | - Devotionals /Bookmarks | - Small Counseling booklets |
| - Balls / Yard Games | - Craft supplies | |

Rolling Coolers / Trucks / Trailers and More...

- **Over 40 rolling coolers** are needed for the street ministry teams.
These will be returned!



- **Many trucks & trailers** are needed to transport equipment & supplies to sites.
Please let us know if you have one available (and if you have a driver to come with it)!
- **Other items we seek to borrow:** canopies, tables, chairs, generators, etc!

Office / Mailing Address.....

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(Alphabetical)

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Philip Edmonds *(JLK Board, Worship Pastor – Centerpoint City Church)*

James Harris *(JLK Board, Pastor- Trenches, Outreach Dir. – Urban Alliance)*

Julie Kieser *(JLK Board President)*

Lynda Haskins *(JLK Board)*

Paul Naumann *(JLK Board, Pastor- St. Michael Lutheran Church)*

Jill Stephayn *(JLK Board Secretary, Program Lead- JLK/365)*

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Kalamazoo Area Ministry Events Calendar

- Accessible from the web site:

Jesusloveskzoo.org/events/calendar/

- **As the Body of Christ in Kalamazoo, let's remember we are on the same Team!** This calendar is used to list outreach, worship/prayer and equipping opportunities that are going on within "The Church" and encourage believers to serve and support as led!
Email us if you would like to add an event.

Please Contact Us:

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Continued Prayer Points for the Kalamazoo Region

- May unity in the body of Christ open the eyes of our region to know Jesus as Lord and Savior! (John 17:23)
- May the Lord send workers into the harvest fields of our region. (Matt 9:37)
- May the personal revival of our lives lead to a city-wide transformation. (2 Chron 7:14)

Jesus Loves Kzoo:

It's not an event, it's a movement.



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