



PROGRAM GUIDE



SERVING AND BUILDING GOD'S KINGDOM

For 89 years, Maranatha has served God's kingdom by providing spiritual renewal and recreation with a focus on Bible teaching and worldwide missions.

Maranatha is a vacation destination from June through Labor Day with unmatched recreation and great kids and Bible teaching programs. During the balance of the year, Maranatha is a conference and retreat center with stunning scenery, fun recreation, diverse conference facilities, lodging, and exceptional hospitality.



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Our MISSION:

To provide spiritual renewal in a recreational setting emphasizing Bible teaching and worldwide missions.

BOOK YOUR FALL, WINTER, & SPRING GETAWAY TODAY!

Enjoy Maranatha all year long! We provide an ideal environment for spiritual renewal. Unwind, relax, and spend time with God and others in a quiet setting along Lake Michigan. Our facilities cater to your budget and group size, whether it's just you or a big group.

RESERVE YOUR FAMILY SUMMER VACATION TODAY!

STEP 1:

Select a Week (p. 11-17)
Each week features two Bible teachers, mission focus, and a Saturday night concert with programming and recreational activities for the whole family.

STEP 2:

Choose Your Lodging Needs (p. 21-23)

We have many accommodations to meet your needs and budget. Among our beautiful lodge, cozy cottages, spacious apartments, and "first-rate" condos on Lake Michigan, you will be sure to find comfort and rest during your stay with us!

STEP 3:

Call Maranatha directly for reservations at 231.798.2161

ABIDE



JOHN 15:5

"I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever **ABIDES** in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing." **JOHN 15:5**

Dear friends,

With great excitement, gratitude, and anticipation, we step into Maranatha's 89th season! For nearly nine decades, Maranatha has flourished as a place where individuals and families encounter Christ, experience renewal, and are equipped to share His love with the world.

Our theme for 2025, "Abide," is drawn from John 15:5: *"I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."* This verse serves as a reminder and a calling to remain deeply rooted in Christ, finding our strength, purpose, and fruitfulness in Him. Every aspect of this year's ministry will encourage your walk with the Lord and help you abide more fully in Him.

We are thrilled to unveil some incredible updates to our campus this year. The renovated Tabernacle, a centerpiece of Maranatha for decades, has been beautifully refreshed to better serve as the heart of our worship and teaching. With enhanced seating, lighting, and sound, it promises to be a more welcoming and impactful space for gathering as a community to glorify God.

Another exciting development is the opening of our brand-new coffee shop and bookstore. This inviting new facility fosters community, offering a place for conversation, reflection, and spiritual growth. Whether you're looking for a good book, great Maranatha merchandise, a delicious coffee, or a quiet moment to connect with others, we know this addition will quickly become a favorite spot on campus.

As always, we are delighted to bring you an incredible lineup of Bible teachers, worship leaders, concert artists, and missionaries. With programming for all ages—from dynamic sports camps for kids to intergenerational events—there is something for everyone at Maranatha. We pray you will leave this place refreshed, renewed, and deeply abiding in Christ.

We are so grateful for the generosity and faithfulness of our Maranatha family, whose support has made these improvements possible. As we look ahead, we remain committed to strengthening our ministry, where the Gospel's transformative power will refresh and enable Christ's church.

Join us in prayer, participation, and support as we celebrate this exciting new season. Together, let us abide in Christ and bear fruit for His glory.

In His service,

Chris and Stacey Preuss



Retreats, Banquets, & Personal Getaways

MARANATHA YEAR-ROUND

Group packages and nightly rates are available from Labor Day through May. Maranatha is the place for your next event.

RETREATS

Maranatha is an unmatched venue to host your church, ministry organization, or family reunion. From day meetings to overnight retreats to week-long events, we can accommodate events of all sizes.

Maranatha features stunning grounds, complete conference facilities, meeting services, and an energized and experienced staff to make your next event a success. With a variety of meeting spaces, Maranatha can accommodate groups of up to 350 guests with lodging that includes hotel-style rooms in the Lodge and various cottages and apartments. In addition, our Lebanon Lodge is designed for youth retreats with its dorm-style upstairs and two meeting spaces downstairs.

Our culinary and dining service team provides outstanding meals with attentive service and a diverse range of menu options. With on-site staging and technical support staff, we are prepared to meet all of your meeting needs. Our retreat team looks forward to tailoring a program to meet your needs while providing expertise and guidance to help you realize the vision for your event!

For more information, call us or email retreats@maranathamichigan.org



OUR MINISTRY TO PASTORS

Pastors receive their first night of lodging free from Sept. through May with a two-night stay minimum. One free night per year. Call 231.798.2161 for more information.

(Exclusions: Cuba, Cambodia, Founders, & Ecuador)

BANQUETS

Our spacious dining room and beautiful Great Lakes room are perfect for banquets, holiday gatherings, and receptions. Our culinary staff has created a wide variety of menus at different price points to host groups of all sizes and budgets.

For more information e-mail banquets@maranathamichigan.org

PERSONAL GETAWAYS

We provide an ideal environment designed to bring spiritual renewal to our guests. Unwind, relax, and spend time with God and others in a quiet setting along the Lake Michigan shoreline.

See page 22 for Lodging rates September-May



Special Events

VALENTINE'S DINNER & CONCERT GETAWAY FEB. 14-15

Maranatha invites you to an unforgettable evening of romance, gourmet food, and passionate worship featuring **Justin Unger**. A Christian music artist and worship pastor, Justin is dedicated to uniting the Church in worship by bridging cultural and generational gaps just as Christ prayed in John 17:21. Join us for the dinner and concert package or stay overnight in our cozy lodge which includes breakfast and morning devotions.

Dinner & Concert: \$50 each

Dinner, Concert, & Lodging: \$130 each

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH MAY 11 | 11 AM – 3 PM

Maranatha brunches are legendary, featuring chef-carved prime rib, traditional breakfast favorites, seafood and salad bar, all of the fan-favorite entrees, and a wide assortment of desserts. This event fills up fast, so book early!

Adult (12+): \$35 | 5-11: \$19 | 4 and under: Free

Seatings: 11:00 AM | 12:30 PM | 2:00 PM

New! GAME ON! RETREAT MAY 19-22

This spring, join Maranatha and others at this action packed retreat. This 3-day retreat includes pickleball workshops and play for all skill levels. Not into pickleball? Enjoy pilates classes, golf options, rigorous hikes, group runs, a euchre tournament, and plenty of time to pray, rest, and enjoy.

Featuring Bible teaching with **Bill Crowder**, worship, fellowship, and a performance by **Jeremy Kluth**.

Single \$547 | Double \$485

WOMEN OF MARANATHA FUNDRAISING LUNCHEON JULY 9

FOR WOMEN AND GIRLS OF ALL AGES!

Join us for this annual event to hear an inspiring message from national Christian speaker and best-selling author, **Robyn Dykstra**. Author of the book inspired by her life events *"The Widow Wore Pink"*, Robyn is a Humorous Speech Champion and captivating story teller. She will have you laughing one minute and crying the next as you discover fresh truth from God's Word. For decades the Women of Maranatha have invested their time and resources on projects supporting Maranatha's children and teen ministries; the annual Women of Maranatha luncheon is an outreach ministry and special fundraising event to support these programs.

\$22 per person | \$160 for a table of 8

WOMEN'S SUMMER BREAKAWAY JULY 17

Maranatha welcomes author and Bible teacher **Jennifer Rothschild** for this year's Women's Breakaway in our newly renovated Tabernacle. At the age of 15, Jennifer was diagnosed with a rare, degenerative eye disease that would eventually steal her sight. It was more than a turning point for her. Jennifer is known for her substance, signature wit, and down-to-earth style. A unique mix of profound and playful, she weaves biblical truth with relatable stories, making God's Word accessible to those just starting out in Scripture and endearing to those who have walked with Christ for years. Lunch will be provided by Chick-fil-A! This is always a wonderful day of encouragement, challenging teaching, and worship!

\$50 per-person includes conference and lunch

FALL SENIORS' RETREAT SEPT. 21-24

Amidst the stunning colors of autumn, gather with adults 55+ for our 3-day Senior Retreat! Get ready for a weekend providing fun, fellowship, and rest. Our chef will prepare a wonderful menu, including a complete Thanksgiving dinner. Returning are Bible teacher **Knute Larson**, and worship leader **Burt Kettinger**.

Single \$538 | Double \$454

THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS DEC 5-7

On the weekend of December 5-7, Maranatha will be transformed into a winter wonderland celebrating the birth of our savior! "The Heart of Christmas" festival. Friday night will feature a top-name Christian concert (TBD), followed by Saturday and Sunday with the festival featuring a planned live nativity, Christmas Story Trail, crafts, bonfires/s'mores, games, caroling, and a wonderful Christmas market to support local ministries. We will have a special overnight concert and dinner packages if you are traveling. Concert tickets will be sold online or in the overnight package; the balance of the event is free to attend, and it is great for the whole family to experience the TRUE meaning of Christmas! Details will be updated through the season.

More details at unitychristianevents.com



2025 Summer Concert Series

SATURDAYS @ 7PM

Join us every Saturday for our summer concert series!
All concerts are FREE and open to the public.

ANDREW PETERSON
 JUNE 21

THE MARTINS
 JULY 26

SELAH
 JUNE 28

MICHAEL O'BRIEN
 AUGUST 2

SARA GROVES
 JULY 5

JUSTIN UNGER
 AUGUST 9

GREATER VISION
 JULY 12

THE SOUND
 AUGUST 30

JOSH WILSON
 JULY 19

Dinner & a Show!

Purchase Dinner before the concert & receive preferred concert seating!

Guarantee you'll have the best seats by purchasing tickets to our Saturday evening Italian buffet. Dinner begins at 5:00pm. Doors open for dinner guests at 6:30pm and at 6:45pm for the public.

PURCHASE TICKETS ONLINE AT:
MaranathaMichigan.org/Summer-Concert-Series



REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Registration for camps are \$60 per camper.

Register online at MaranathaMichigan.org/sports-camps

Sports Camps

Kids ages 7-17 can enjoy our sports camps offered Monday-Friday during select weeks of the summer.

All camps are led by trained Christian professionals. Your kids are sure to have an experience of a lifetime! Registration is required for all sports camps and should be completed as early as possible - space is limited.

Camp runs Monday- Friday from 9:30 AM- 12:00 PM

BASEBALL CAMP
 WEEK 1: JUN 23-27

SOCCER CAMP
 WEEK 3: JUL 7-11

YOUTH PICKLEBALL CAMP (AGES 10-15)
 WEEK 6: JUL 28- AUG 1

TENNIS CAMP
 WEEK 2: JUN 30 - JUL 4

FOOTBALL CAMP
 WEEK 5: JUL 21-25

BASKETBALL CAMP
 WEEK 7: AUG 4-8

ADULT PICKLEBALL CAMP (AGES 16+)
 WEEK 3: JUL 7-11

VOLLEYBALL CAMP
 WEEK 5: JUL 21-25

Summer Schedule

WK.	DATES	SATURDAY CONCERT	SUNDAY SPEAKER	M - F SPEAKER (AM)	M - TH SPEAKER (PM)	MISSION FOCUS
1	June 21-28	Andrew Peterson	Colin Smith	Daniel Batarseh	Colin Smith	CURE International
2	June 28-July 5	Selah	Dr. Joe Stowell	Dr. Jim Coakley	Bill Search	Moody Bible Institute
3	July 5-12	Sara Groves	Abdu Murray	Abdu Murray	Chris Brooks	Alpha Ministries
4	July 12-19	Greater Vision	Karl Clauson	Dr. Josh Stephens	Karl Clauson	West MI Youth for Christ
5	July 19-26	Josh Wilson	Mark Vroegop	Philip Miller	Mark Vroegop	International Needs & Living Threads
6	July 26-Aug 2	The Martins	Crawford Loritts	Bryndan Loritts	Crawford Loritts	T.A.C.T.I.C.A. Ministries
7	Aug 2-9	Michael O'Brien	Ron Zappia	Dr. Cisco Cotto	Ron Zappia	Jews for Jesus
8	Aug 9-16	Justin Unger	Dr. Erwin Lutzer	Tim Laniak	Dr. Erwin Lutzer	Our Daily Bread Ministries
SPECIAL DATES		DATES	SATURDAY CONCERT	BIBLE TEACHER	MISSION FOCUS	
Getaway Sunday		Aug 24	No Concert	Daniel Batarseh (Sunday AM)	No Programming	
Labor Day Weekend		Aug 29-Sept 1	The Sound	Greg Speck	Maranatha Bible & Missionary Conference	

SPORTS CAMPS

DATES	SPORTS CAMPS
June 23-27	Baseball Camp
June 30-July 4	Tennis Camp
July 7-11	Adult Pickleball Camp (16+)
July 7-11	Soccer Camp
July 21-25	Football Camp
July 21-25	Volleyball Camp
July 28-Aug 1	Youth Pickleball Camp (10-15)
Aug: 4-8	Basketball Camp

SPECIAL EVENTS

DATES	EVENTS
Feb 14-15	Valentine's Getaway
May 11	Mother's Day Brunch
May 19-22	Game On! Retreat
July 9	Women of Maranatha Luncheon
July 17	Women's Summer Breakaway
July 27	Heritage Sunday
Sept 21-24	Fall Seniors' Retreat
Dec 5-7	The Heart of Christmas



WEEK 1-7 WORSHIP LEADER: CHARLY SOMMERS

Charly Sommers has served as Summer Worship Director since 2007. He and his wife Christina live in Cincinnati, OH with their five children. Together they serve on staff with the Navigators in the collegiate work as Regional Directors. Charly has been a musician for most of his life and loves serving at Maranatha during the summer.

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WEEK ONE JUNE 21-28



COLIN SMITH

Colin Smith is the Senior Pastor of The Orchard Church, a multi-site congregation in the northwest suburbs of Chicago and serves as the teaching pastor for Open the Bible. He moved to the

United States in 1996, but he is originally from Edinburgh, Scotland. He was the Senior Pastor at Enfield Evangelical Free Church in London. He and his wife, Karen, are blessed with two married sons and five granddaughters.



DANIEL BATARSEH

Daniel Batarseh is the pastor-teacher at Maranatha Bible Church. After a transformative encounter with Christ while pursuing a degree in Creative Advertising in Canada, Daniel felt a strong call to ministry.

This calling led him to Chicago in 2015, where he served as a young adults' pastor while studying for his master's in biblical studies at Moody Bible Institute. In November 2021, Daniel, along with others, established Maranatha Bible Church, where he continues to lead and teach.

Featured Mission: CURE International

CURE provides the highest standard of surgical care to the world's most vulnerable children for the proclamation and demonstration of the gospel. Our Mission: to heal the sick and proclaim the Kingdom of God.

Saturday Concert, June 21: Andrew Peterson

Andrew Peterson is a singer-songwriter, author, and founder of the Rabbit Room. Over the past twenty years, he has released more than ten records, earning a reputation for creating music that connects with listeners through its powerful, poetic, and intimate style. As an author, Andrew has penned the award-winning *Wingfeather Saga*, released in collectible hardcover editions by Random House in 2020, and his creative memoir, *Adorning the Dark*, was published by B&H in 2019. In 2008, he founded the Rabbit Room, a Nashville-based nonprofit organization that fosters Christ-centered community and spiritual formation through music, story, and art.

WEEK TWO JUNE 28-JULY 5



JOE STOWELL

Joe Stowell has held pastorates in the Midwest and has served in presidential roles at Moody Bible Institute and Cornerstone University. He presently serves as Global Ambassador and Special Assistant to the

President at Moody. He and his wife Martie enjoy the privilege of three children and ten grandchildren.



BILL SEARCH

Bill Search serves as the Executive Pastor at Crossings Community Church, overseeing their largest campus and supervising pastor training and development. He has authored several books and

articles on small group ministry. He and his wife, Karyn, have been married for over 25 years and are blessed with three adult children.



JIM COAKLEY

After coming to faith during his senior year of high school, Jim Coakley pursued a theological education at Calvary Bible College and Grace Theological Seminary. He has served in various pastoral

roles before joining the faculty at Moody Bible Institute in 1999. Jim and his wife, Gayle, have two children and three grandchildren. Jim is an elder at 180 Chicago and frequently leads tours to Israel.

Featured Mission: Moody Bible Institute

Moody exists to equip people with the truth of God's Word to be maturing followers of Christ who are making disciples around the world.

Saturday Concert, June 28: Selah

Since the release of their debut album *Be Still My Soul*, Selah has become one of the most beloved groups in Christian music. With over 900 million streams and more than 4 million albums sold, their genre-spanning renditions of hymns and inspirational classics, as well as original music, have offered hope and healing for 26 years. Their iconic songs include "You Raise Me Up" and "You Amaze Us," among many others. The trio, comprised of Todd Smith, Allan Hall, and Amy Perry, has won 11 Dove Awards and two Gold-certified albums.

WEEK THREE JULY 5-12

(Women of Maranatha Fundraiser Luncheon, July 9)



CHRIS BROOKS

Chris Brooks is the Senior Pastor at Woodside Bible Church, a multi-campus congregation in Metro Detroit, and the host of the nationally syndicated radio program "Equipped with Chris Brooks."

Chris is deeply invested in the integration of faith and public life. He is the author of "Kingdom Dreaming," and "Urban Apologetics." Chris and his wife, Yodit, are the proud parents of six children.



ABDU MURRAY

Abdu Murray is a speaker, author, and attorney who engages with the intersection of religious faith and contemporary cultural trends. As the founder of Embrace the Truth, he has spent

decades exploring how different worldviews address modern challenges. Abdu has written four books, and is a seasoned debater, having spoken at prestigious universities and with global leaders. Abdu's insights have been featured in prominent media outlets, and he hosts several popular podcasts and YouTube shows. He lives in Metro Detroit with his wife and three children.

Featured Mission: Alpha Ministries

Alpha Ministries' mission is to make the Love of Christ known in places where people have never heard the Gospel by mobilizing national messengers to accomplish God's global agenda among the least-reached.

Saturday Concert, July 5: Sara Groves

With over 25 years of experience as a singer-songwriter and recording artist, Sara Groves has a deep passion for justice. Since 2005, she has served as an artist advocate with International Justice Mission, working to protect the poor from violence. In 2011, Sara and her husband, Troy, founded Art House North, a community art center in a restored 100-year-old church. Her 14th album, *What Makes It Through*, reflects on the stories we tell ourselves and their role in reconciliation. Sara and Troy live in St. Paul, Minnesota, with their three children, Kirby, Toby, and Ruby.

WEEK FOUR JULY 12-19

(Women's Summer Breakaway, July 17)



KARL CLAUSON

Karl Clauson is the host of Moody Radio's "Karl and Crew" and the Lead Pastor of 180 Chicago Church. Karl completed the 1,100-mile Iditarod in Alaska at 18 before

dedicating his life to ministry in 1984. His mission is to inspire a spiritual revolution within the church. Karl is a author of 2 books, where he explores the power of God over self-help. He and his wife, Junanne, have been married for 37 years and have two adult children.



DR. JOSH STEPHENS

Dr. Josh Stephens is the Lead Pastor of Cape Bible Chapel in Missouri and the Founder/Executive Director of the Biblical Counseling Alliance. With over 25 years of ministry experience, Josh holds

advanced degrees in Biblical Counseling and Divinity. He is a certified Biblical Counselor with a passion for discipleship and equipping others in the faith. Josh and his wife, Michelle, have been married for 26 years and are blessed with five children.

Featured Mission: West Michigan Youth For Christ

YFC is a movement that reaches young people everywhere with the hope of Christ.

Saturday Concert, July 12: Greater Vision

Since 1990, Greater Vision has inspired audiences worldwide with their rich vocal harmonies and effective communication of the gospel message. As the most awarded trio in Gospel music history, they are led by Gerald Wolfe, who serves as pianist and emcee. Rodney Griffin, a multi-award-winning songwriter, sings lead, while Chris Allman, the group's tenor, is also a prolific songwriter. Jon Epley, the baritone, joined the group in 2017. Greater Vision performs more than 160 concerts annually, touching hearts across the globe.

WEEK FIVE JULY 19-26

(Founder's Day, July 20)



MARK VROEGOP

Mark Vroegop is the lead pastor of College Park Church in Indianapolis and the author of four books, including "Dark Clouds, Deep Mercy", which won the ECPA 2020 Christian Book of the Year. Mark is

known for his insightful teaching on the grace of lament and trusting God in uncertainty. He is a frequent conference speaker and serves on the board of The Gospel Coalition. Mark is married to Sarah, and they have three married sons, a daughter, and two grandchildren.



PHILIP MILLER

Philip Miller is the 17th Senior Pastor of The Moody Church in Chicago. He and his wife, Krista, are graduates of Cedarville University and Dallas Theological Seminary. Philip is dedicated

to proclaiming God's Word and developing future leaders. He enjoys cycling on the Chicago lakefront and indulging in local culinary favorites. Philip and Krista have four children and reside in Chicago, where he can be heard on the weekly "Moody Church Hour" radio broadcast.

Featured Mission: International Needs & Living Threads

International Needs and Living Threads support homegrown missionaries with the resources and support to evangelize to their own people in some of the hardest-to-reach areas of the world.

Saturday Concert, July 19: Josh Wilson

Texas-native Josh Wilson began his musical journey at the age of nine, mastering piano, guitar, and drums before falling in love with songwriting at Nashville's Belmont University. Since signing with Sparrow Records in 2006, Wilson has amassed numerous top 10 Billboard hits, including "Savior, Please" and "Revolutionary." A self-described introvert, he never imagined being the one behind the mic, but God had other plans. Wilson has toured with major acts like Third Day and Casting Crowns, and continues to write, record, and perform. Known for his live-looping performances, Wilson often plays and records up to 20 instruments during his shows.

WEEK SIX JULY 26-AUGUST 2



CRAWFORD LORITTS

Crawford Loritts is a veteran pastor, author, and speaker who has traveled extensively, sharing the Gospel and equipping Christian leaders. He served for 27 years with Cru and 15 years as Senior

Pastor of Fellowship Bible Church in Roswell, GA. Crawford is the author of nine books and the host of two national radio programs. He and his wife, Karen, have been married for over 50 years and have four children and eleven grandchildren. Crawford is committed to mentoring the next generation of Christian leaders through his organization, Beyond Our Generation.



BRYNDAN LORITTS

Bryndan Loritts, son of Dr. Crawford and Karen Loritts, is the Lead Pastor of Woodside Bible Church's Pontiac Campus. Bryndan has served in various pastoral roles across the U.S. He holds a master's degree

from Trinity Evangelical Divinity School and is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Biblical Preaching. Bryndan is passionate about preaching the Word of God and fulfilling God's purpose in his generation. He is married to Lucretia, and they have three daughters.

Featured Mission: T.A.C.T.I.C.A. Ministries

The mission of TACTICA is to fulfill the Great Commission by investing into the lives of Central American authorities and their families, through high-quality police training, evangelism, and discipleship.

Saturday Concert, July 26: The Martins

Siblings Joyce, Jonathan, and Judy, known as The Martins, have captivated audiences worldwide with their stunning and distinctive harmonies. Rising to prominence in the 1990s, The Martins have performed at concert halls, arenas, and churches around the globe, including notable venues like the White House and Carnegie Hall. They are well-known from Bill Gaither's award-winning Homecoming series. The trio has garnered eight Dove Awards and a Grammy nomination over the years, solidifying their place in Christian music.

WEEK SEVEN AUGUST 2-9



RON ZAPPIA

Ron Zappia is the founding and senior pastor of Highpoint Church, a multi-site congregation in the Chicagoland area, and the leader of the Highpoint Send Network, which focuses on

church planting and revitalization worldwide. With a background in business and theology, Ron has dedicated his life to pastoral ministry and leadership development. He is an author and speaker, deeply invested in mentoring other pastors. Ron and his wife, Jody, have three daughters and live in Wheaton, IL.



CISCO COTTO

Dr. Cisco Cotto is a professor of Pastoral Studies at Moody Bible Institute and a seasoned pastor with over a decade of experience in churches across Illinois. He is also the morning host on WBBM Newsradio

in Chicago. Cisco holds advanced degrees from Moody Theological Seminary and Talbot School of Theology. He and his wife, Anna, have been married for over 20 years and enjoy spending summers at Maranatha with their three children.

Featured Mission: Jews for Jesus

Jews for Jesus exist to relentlessly pursue God's plan for the salvation of the Jewish people.

Saturday Concert, August 2: Michael O'Brien

Michael O'Brien has spent 30 years in full-time ministry as a singer-songwriter. After signing with Benson Records in the 1990s, he achieved three number-one radio singles. He later found success as the lead singer of NewSong, contributing to hits like "When God Made You" and "Before the Day." Michael has performed at over 2,300 events, sharing a powerful message of God's mercy and grace. As he celebrates his 30th year in ministry, O'Brien continues to inspire audiences with his faith-driven music and powerful vocals.

WEEK EIGHT AUGUST 9-16



ERWIN LUTZER

Dr. Erwin W. Lutzer is Pastor Emeritus of The Moody Church in Chicago, where he served as Senior Pastor for 36 years. A prolific author, Dr. Lutzer has written over 70 books, including "Hitler's

Cross" and "We Will Not Be Silenced." He is the featured speaker on the radio programs "Running to Win" and "Songs in the Night", which are broadcast internationally. Dr. Lutzer holds degrees in theology and philosophy and has received several honorary doctorates. He and his wife, Rebecca, live in the Chicago area and have three grown children and eight grandchildren.



TIM LANIAK

Tim Laniak's twin passions of Scripture and cross-cultural ministry have overlapped since his sense of calling in high school. Tim pursued a Bible and culture focus at Wheaton College, Gordon-

Conwell Seminary, Jerusalem University College, and Harvard University. He and his wife Maureen served in short term missions in numerous countries and worked with international students and immigrants in the US. Prior to joining ODB Ministries he served at Gordon-Conwell Seminary as Bible professor and Dean. In 2022, Tim became the SVP of Global Content at Our Daily Bread Ministries where he oversees the Center for Bible Engagement and an online non-formal university with about 65,000 learners.

Featured Mission: Our Daily Bread Ministries

Our Daily Bread Ministries' mission is to make the life-changing wisdom of the Bible understandable and accessible to all.

Saturday Concert, August 9: Justin Unger

For over 17 years, Justin Unger has written songs, performed, and led worship for churches across the country. His songwriting landed him a record deal with Warner Bros./Word Records in the Christian pop-rock duo "Across The Sky." Justin is passionate about bridging the cultural and generational gap in worship to foster unity in the church. His recent Americana-style music project blends bluegrass and gospel. Justin's mission is to share the hope of Jesus through music, reaching people from all walks of life.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND
AUGUST 29-SEPT. 1



GREG SPECK

Greg Speck is a dynamic youth and family communicator who has dedicated his life to ministering to teenagers and their families around the world. A graduate of Bethel University, Greg has served

in various roles, including Youth Pastor, Youth Specialist at Moody Bible Institute, and President of Youth Ministries International. He is the founder of Greg Speck Ministries and has led mission trips across Europe for over 20 years. Greg's passion for impacting the next generation is evident in his energetic and engaging presentations.

Featured Mission:

Maranatha Bible & Missionary Conference

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Saturday Concert, August 30: The Sound

The Sound is a Dove Award-winning band comprised of Levi, Jacob, and Rob Mills. Their unique blend of country-pop and Christian music has captured the hearts of fans around the world. Since 2019, The Sound has achieved four consecutive chart-topping songs and five Dove Award nominations. Their latest album, God Is Real, incorporates Nashville country-pop and worship and won a Dove Award for Country Album of the Year. The band's mission is to bring people to the life-changing touch of Jesus Christ through creative and impactful music.



Activities & Recreation



Experience the beauty of a Lake Michigan sunset, pray in the prayer tower, and explore scenic trails at Maranatha during your vacation or retreat. With 88 acres of recreation, enjoy an adventure area, kayaks, paddleboards, tennis, mini golf, and more! There's something fun for everyone!

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| AXE THROWING | INDOOR GYMNASIUM* | ROPES COURSE |
| BEACH VOLLEYBALL | KAYAKING | SAND CASTLE CONTESTS |
| BONFIRES* | LARGE OUTDOOR GAMES | SATURDAY EVENING CONCERTS |
| CANOEING | MINIATURE GOLF* | SHUFFLE-BOARD & GA-GA PIT |
| CLIMBING WALL | PICKLE BALL* | SPORTS CAMPS |
| CRAFT ROOM | PLAYGROUND* | WORSHIP AND BIBLE TEACHING |
| FULLY-EQUIPPED EXERCISE ROOM* | TALENT SHOWS | ZIP LINE |
| HEATED POOL ON THE BEACH | TENNIS* | |
| | TIE DYE | |

*Denotes year-round activities, weather permitting

NOT STAYING ON CAMPUS?

YOU'RE STILL WELCOME TO JOIN THE FUN!

DAILY/WEEKLY PASSES

RATES	Day	Week
Single	\$15	\$100
Couple	\$29	\$199
Child	\$10	\$66
Family	\$47	\$329

VISIT THE FRONT DESK TO PURCHASE PASSES





Children + Teen Programs

THERE'S SOMETHING FOR EVERYONE AT MARANATHA.

While mom and dad are soaking in the rich teaching and presentations of our featured speakers and missions organizations each day, kids and teens ages 0-17 can participate in programming designed specifically for them. Our staff is passionate about helping kids meet God in new and fresh ways through VBS and youth camp-style programs that include group teaching sessions, small group discussions, age-appropriate worship times, and fun on-campus activities.

NURSERY/TODDLERS:
BIRTH - 3 YRS

PRE-SCHOOL:
3 YRS - YOUNG FIVES
(Must be potty-trained)

LOWER ELEMENTARY:
ENTERING K - 2ND GRADE

UPPER ELEMENTARY:
ENTERING 3RD - 5TH GRADE

***MIDDLE SCHOOL:**
ENTERING 6TH - 8TH

***HIGH SCHOOL:**
ENTERING 9TH - GRADUATE

*Large-group activities all together, small groups divided by middle school and high school





Accommodations

MAIN LODGE

Stay in the center of campus! These spacious hotel-style rooms feature 2 queen beds and 1 bath. Limited adjoining rooms (suites) are available for families. (Max. 4)

DUNESIDE APARTMENTS

These comfortable, 1-bedroom apartments are located in the center of campus. Each suite has 2 queen beds, 1 bath, a living area with a sofa sleeper, and a fully equipped kitchen. (Max. 6)

KENYA & SOMALIA APARTMENTS

Park right outside the door of these newly renovated 1-bedroom apartments. Each unit has 2 queen beds, 1 bath, a living area with a sofa sleeper, and a fully equipped kitchen. (Max. 6)

ISRAEL & JORDAN APARTMENTS

These popular 2-bedroom, 2-bath apartments are great for larger families that want a little more privacy. Each has a fully equipped kitchen, dining room, and living room with a sofa sleeper. Each bedroom has a queen bed. (Max. 6)

LAKESIDE CONDOMINIUMS

These premier waterfront condominiums overlook Lake Michigan, each with 2 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms, dining room, and living area with a sofa sleeper, laundry facilities, a fully equipped kitchen, fireplace and deck. (Max. 8)

HONDURAS

This newly renovated 2-bedroom, 2-bath cottage is perfect for young families, with parking right outside the door and immediate access to the main recreation area. (Max. 7)

CHINA APARTMENTS

Each has 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms and a porch in the front and back. The kitchen and living room (with sleeper sofa) make each unit comfortable for your family. (Max. 8)

ECUADOR EAST & WEST

These townhouses are ideal for families. Each has 3 bedrooms: two with one queen bed and one "bunk room." Both have 3 bathrooms, a kitchen, dining room, living room with a sofa sleeper, fireplace and laundry facilities. These units are just a short walk from the beach. (Max. 10)

MARANATHA COTTAGES

These cottages are family favorites because of their uniqueness, space, and location. Each layout presents options for families large and small.

BOLIVIA (Max. 8)

KOREA (Max. 9)

INDONESIA (Max. 9)

MEXICO (Max. 10)

PARAGUAY (Max. 10)

URUGUAY (Max. 10)

FOUNDERS (Max. 14)

CAMBODIA (Max. 14)

CUBA (Max. 14)

2025 NIGHTLY RATES LABOR DAY - MAY

Maranatha is open all year! Discounted nightly rates are available **Labor Day** through **May**!

Unit	Rate Per Night (tax not included)
Duneside (Max. 6)	\$102
Kenya & Somalia (Max. 6)	\$102
Main Lodge (Max. 4)	\$102
Honduras (Max. 7)	\$120
Israel & Jordan (Max. 6)	\$125
Bolivia (Max. 8)	\$150
China Main & Upper (Max. 8)	\$170
Indonesia (Max. 9)	\$200
Mexico (Max. 10)	\$200
Korea (Max. 9)	\$220
Lakeside Condo (Max. 8)	\$220
Ecuador (Max. 10)	\$250
Cambodia (Max. 14)	\$340
Cuba (Max. 14)	\$340
Founders (Max. 14)	\$340

SUMMER REFERRALS & DISCOUNTS

20% OFF LODGING
FULL-TIME PASTORS, MISSIONARY
& ACTIVE-DUTY MILITARY*

10% OFF LODGING
Return for a second full week,
or Labor Day Weekend.

\$100 OFF LODGING
Register a new family and receive
\$100 off the weekly cost for both
you and your guest! Full week
reservations only.

*Discount applies to full-time active clergy,
military, missionaries, and immediate families
paying for the full amount of their stay. Verification
is required. Discount must be applied prior to
check-in (exclusions: Cambodia, Cuba, Founders,
Condos, and Ecuador.) No multiple discounts.
Full week only.

30% Non-refundable deposit
is required upon booking.

Make Your Reservation:
call 231-798-2161 or email
reservations@maranathamichigan.org

OUR MINISTRY TO PASTORS

FIRST NIGHT FREE
Pastors receive their first night of
lodging free from September through
May with a two-night minimum stay.
One free night per year.

(Exclusions: Cambodia, Cuba, Founders,
and Ecuador)



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2025 SUMMER RATES

Lodge (includes meals)	Week 1-7 (Jun 21-Aug 9)	Week 8 (Aug 9-16)	Getaway (Aug 16-20)	Labor Day Weekend (Aug 29-Sept 1)
Single	\$1,159	\$1,078	No Lodge Rooms Available	\$514
Couple	\$1,810	\$1,700		\$1,028
Family Suite (additional room)	\$619	\$557		\$265
Additional Adult	\$924	\$867		\$514
Child 12-18	\$322	\$322		\$166
Child 5-11	\$185	\$185		\$84
Premium	Week 1-7	Week 8	Getaway	Labor Day Weekend
Lakeside Condominium, Cuba, Ecuador, Cambodia, Founders	\$4,400	\$3,985	\$443 Nightly	\$1,899
Cottages	Week 1-7	Week 8	Getaway	Labor Day Weekend
Bolivia; Paraguay; Uruguay	\$2,900	\$2,634	\$293 Nightly	\$1,255
Cottages	Week 1-7	Week 8	Getaway	Labor Day Weekend
Mexico; Korea; Indonesia	\$3,315	\$3,008	\$334 Nightly	\$1,432
One Bedroom Suites	Week 1-7	Week 8	Getaway	Labor Day Weekend
Duneside; Kenya; Somalia	\$2,250	\$2,050	\$229 Nightly	Lodge Rates
Two Bedroom Apartments	Week 1-7	Week 8	Getaway	Labor Day Weekend
Israel; Jordan; Honduras	\$2,565	\$2,330	\$262 Nightly	\$1,122
Three Bedroom Apartments	Week 1-7	Week 8	Getaway	Labor Day Weekend
China Upper & Main	\$2,900	\$2,634	\$293 Nightly	\$1,255

All accommodation rates include room tax.



Packages	Adults(12+)	5-11	4 & under
Saturday Pancake Breakfast	\$13.75	\$7.00	Free*
Sunday Continental Breakfast	\$11.75	\$6.00	Free*
Sunday Brunch	\$33.75	\$16.50	Free*
Sunday Evening Sandwich Buffet	\$18.00	\$9.00	Free*
Weekday Breakfast	\$14.75	\$7.50	Free*
Dinner (Monday-Saturday)	\$22.00	\$11.00	Free*
Full 15 Meal Package	\$259.00	\$129.00	Free*
Brunch & Dinner Package (7 meals)	\$160.00	\$80.00	Free*
Labor Day Weekend (9 meals)	\$155.00	\$77.50	Free*

*Children 4 and under are free with a paying adult

REGISTRATION INFORMATION

Reservations can be made by calling Maranatha at 231-798-2161 or email reservations@maranathamichigan.org

Cancellations before May 15 will forfeit 50% of your deposit. After May 15, 100% of your deposit will be forfeited.

Maranatha will rent living units and/or facilities to individuals 18 years of age or older. Guests are encouraged to participate in the full summer programming. Maranatha is a tobacco and alcohol-free conference center. Pets are not allowed.



THIS IS OUR TIME TO RISE.

As the culture weighs and the servants of the Lord persevere, they need renewal, recreation, Bible teaching, and the support of worldwide missions.

This campaign will position Maranatha to meet the church's growing needs at a time when it matters most. We all stand on the shoulders of the many saints who have poured their time, talent, and treasure into this great ministry for nearly nine decades. We intend to faithfully continue our work until the Lord returns.

We hope you will prayerfully consider partnering with us on this most exciting journey!

TO MAKE A DONATION:



5 YEARS
3 PHASES
\$20M*

PHASE 1

PREPARE +
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TEEN + OFFICE CENTER
TABERNACLE RENOVATION

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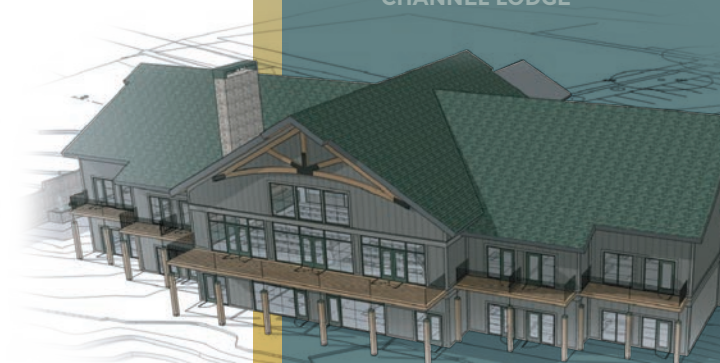
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KITCHEN EXPANSION
COFFEE SHOP +
BOOK STORE

PHASE 3

BUILT TO
ENDURE

CHANNEL LODGE



Our VISION: To provide encouragement toward a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Our programming, recreation, and year-round conference facilities aim to renew and equip our guests and resident community toward greater service for Him.

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