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This newsletter is dedicated to the memory of  
**Nathan Niemeier**  
1989-2009



Nathan Niemeier loved music. His life was a song written by the Author of salvation, and though he went home to be with Jesus on June 12, 2009, his song lives on. Nathan is part of the heavenly choir praising the Lord with sound of trumpet, tambourine, and rocking guitar riffs, and his face is shining with the light of the glory of God in the face of Christ. Nathan went home to the arms of Jesus when another car ran a blinking red light and collided with his vehicle.

Nathan was gifted to work with his hands and he put his talents to use in many different ways. Along with his brothers, Jeffrey, Matthew, Jordan, and Micah, Nathan was always curious to find out how things worked. Luckily the boys have parents who

are more than happy to let them take things apart or put things back together! Nathan built a utility trailer using an old pop-up, and also built computers for his father, Greg, to use for work. Nathan did everything you can imagine with computers, from building new ones, upgrading old ones, cleaning out viruses, and making them run more efficiently.

Luckily for friends, Nathan was also generous not only with his computer know-how, but also with his talents in the automotive area. Nathan studied automotive technology at Kent ISD. He did several complete engine swaps and exchanged an automatic transmission for a manual along with the manual clutch. If someone was having difficulty with a car, Nathan was always happy to pop the hood and see what he could do. And he could usually do things that were nothing short of miraculous to those for whom cars remain a mystery.

Nathan and his family have been active in Pebbles and Stones for many years. Nathan developed Power Points for P&S; and along with his brothers, Nathan was part of the Pebbles and Stones worship team at their church. Young children who knew Nathan remembered him by saying simply: "He loved me." And he did.

Cheri Niemeier, Nathan's mother and longtime teacher of Pebbles and Stones, had this to say about her son's death: "Even through our broken hearts we are seeing Jesus." Her words of hope are a testimony of the power of prayer and the word of Christ to transform lives. Though we wish Nathan's time with us could have been longer, we celebrate the song of his life, that he was and is held in the arms of One who is mighty to save. We rejoice that Nathan's song lives on with Jesus, who rose and conquered the grave, who leads little children to listen and understand his love, whose own hands were busy on earth touching the lives of others, who can move mountains, even a mountain of grief. It is in that Jesus we find hope, and it is through His transforming love, through the church, and through the great crowd of witnesses touched by Nathan in life and death, that his song lives on.

Amen, Alleluia, Amen!

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## Upcoming Events

During the next few months we have the following opportunities. Please join us in praying that our Father's will and purposes will be done, and He will be glorified through them.

- \***July 27-31:** Pebbles and Stones will be making a DVD training video in Florida.
- \***Mid August:** Pine Ridge Native American Reservation, South Dakota (date is being finalized)
- \***August 29:** Pebbles and Stones training in West Michigan.
- \***September 8-12:** UN Prayer Initiative
- \***September 19:** Pebbles and Stones training in Wisconsin
- \*We are sensing that the Lord is calling us into a season of increased prayer and fasting. Please consider joining us as we seek our Father's face for His purposes and will for Pebbles and Stones.

## News from Clancy Street:

*"This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, He hears us...." 1 John 5:14*

Our family claims this verse to be true because we are witnesses of it. Yesterday at Clancy Street an unlikely gathering took place. A gathering that has been prayed for, planned for and long hoped for. It was between Somali Muslim families, Christian Pebbles and Stones volunteers and caring staff from a neighboring school. They shared a common goal of working together to enrich all of our lives. We emphasized education for Muslim children who are tossed into a culture totally different from their own. Those gathered reached for positive reinforcements to encourage children to succeed in this place. The children, this meeting would affect, sat among all the concerned. They saw the principal of the school speak of his desire to help their families every way possible. They listened as their own parents shared their concerns and dreams for their children. They watched as decisions were made to put into place people who would help their families navigate their way through this American "maze" successfully.

Some there may not recognize how this meeting came about. But those of us who have prayed, acknowledge where the glory belongs. We praise God for His presence and help in bringing what seemed impossible to being. We wait expectantly to see where He will lead next, as we pray and plan the next gathering. Serving Jesus with you, The Boone Family

## *Pebbles and Stones Training: Michigan*

**Saturday, August 29, 2009**

8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

**LifeQuest**

400 – 136<sup>th</sup> Building 600

Holland, MI

For additional information call: 616-283-9806

## *Pebbles and Stones Training: Wisconsin*

**Saturday, September 19, 2009**

8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

**Faith Community Church**

W 5949 Hackbarth Rd, Fort Atkinson, WI 53538

For additional information please contact:

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## News from Liberia:

We been so grateful to Almighty God for our Pebbles and Stones Ministry. The Kids Love to Pray Too! curriculum that you sent is presently being taught in the orphanage home and the community we are occupying in Liberia. We are very thankful for the support you have given us for the orphans. We are renting a house and also feeding them. The Kids are very happy and praying for the Ministry.

Sister Dorothy  
Leader of Pebbles and Stones Liberia

## News from India:

Greetings in the sweet name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. I will be hosting a Pastor's seminar on July 25th. 17 Pastors and their families are expected to attend along with local believers and their families. We will be sharing about Pebbles and Stones there. Friday prayers are going smoothly and we are praying for your ministry every week. I am eager to visit USA once again to see all of you and to share the good things that the Lord has done. Sunday worship is still going on. We got permission to conduct it in a home. The family members are very much receptive. Thanks for your support! With lots of love and heartfelt gratitude.

Yours in Christ Jesus, (name withheld)