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Be sure to join us every Sunday evening at 5:30pm

Our students had an amazing Disciple Now Weekend! The theme of the weekend was focused on how Jesus is irreplaceable and how we should accept no substitutes. The guys slept in a tent and went fishing while the girls enjoyed a nice home in the country with face masks and movies. We had a student, Nico, give his life to Jesus and is desiring baptism! Thank you to all the parents for letting your students participate in our first ever DNOW. We are hoping to expand and refine the DNOW program for next year.



Keep our students in prayer as they return back to school. Pray that they would have the courage to talk to their friends about Jesus and that our church would establish a presence in the schools.

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Dear Church Family,

In the movement of seasons, months and weeks, it's coming around to Easter 2025. It's a beautiful time of year, more beautiful with some rain!

Some years ago, pastor Tony Evans told this story:

A young lady was speeding through a small Georgia town when the local police pulled her over. She had been going 70 mph in a 55 mph zone.

She didn't have the money to pay the \$100 fine and ended up in court.

In the courtroom, the judge said, "You were found guilty of going 70 mph in a 55 mph zone. You have to pay \$100."

The young lady said, "I'm guilty, but I can't pay it. I don't have \$100."

"Well, if you don't pay the ticket, we'll have to lock you up for the weekend," said the judge.

"Oh please," the young lady began to beg, "I don't want to sit in jail all weekend! Can you please just have mercy on me?"

Matter-of-factly, the judge replied, "I can't change the law. The law says that you've got to pay \$100, or, you'll be put in jail. As it happens, that means you'll be there till Monday. It's not my place to change the law. This court enforces the law."

In tears, the upset young lady blurted out, "Isn't there anything you can do? Please have mercy on me." The judge looked down at her and seemed to make up his mind. He pushed his chair back from the bench and stood and unzipped his judge's robe. Stepping to the side, he picked his jacket and put it on. Then, he walked down and stood beside the girl, reached into his wallet, and brought out a hundred-dollar bill. He put the \$100 bill on the bench, took off his jacket, then went over to his robe. He zipped the robe back up and returned to his chair behind the bench.

"Young lady," he announced, "you've been found guilty of speeding in the municipality and I sentence you to the fine of \$100. Without that, you will spend the weekend in our jail. Ah! But, I see that someone has already paid the fine."

God saw us speeding down the highway of sin. He zipped down the independent use of His Deity and put on the jacket of humanity. He came down, died on the cross, and paid the price that you and I could not pay. He picked up the tab, rose from the dead, zipped up his glorified body, and ascended up to heaven.

The Good News of the Gospel is that a bill we could not pay has already been paid. It has been paid by God Himself, in the person of Jesus Christ.*

That's the Good News of Easter and it has been known among humanity for some 2000 years. The Good News of Easter is good news for you and me. Amazingly enough, many people still don't know that good news. So we must tell it to them. Tell it until they all have heard.

Praising my Savior, all the day long!

Brother Jonathan

Giving report:

Scripture directs Christ-followers to give Money, but also Time, Affection, Service, Worship and Encouragement. Our Lord gave First and Best. And so we give.

Given in tithes and regular gifts in support of our local church ministry:

Budget needed for March: \$36,333.05 Received as of March 23rd: \$ 27,814.20

ACTS 1:8 For Missions

Extra giving in support of International missions, North American missions, state missions and local church mission trips

March: \$ 490.00







Thanks to our Servants This Month!

Ushers:

Apr o6 - C. Bullard, R. Chitty, J. Edgerley, A. Rodriguez, H. Munoz, D. Boone

Apr 13 - H. Castellanos Sr., G. Alvarado, G. Ramirez, J. Lumbreras, P. Embers, C. Fisher

Apr 20 - C. Bullard, M. Thompson, H. Munoz, G. Alvarado, J. Williamson, A. Rodriguez

Apr 27 - H. Castellanos Sr., J. Edgerley, D. Boone, E. Garcia, C. Fisher, P. Embers

Greeters:

Apr o6 - Danny Edrington & Elma Rivera

Apr 13 - Sonia G Perez & Robert Enriquez Apr 20 - Karen Ramirez & Elsa Castellanos

Apr 27 - Martha Segura & George Alvarado

Flowers provided by:

Apr o6 - Clyde & Jody Bullard

Apr 13 - Carl Fisher

Apr 20 - James & Esther Gibson

Apr 27 - Carol & Danny Edrington

Paul/Timothy Discipleship Dinner **Sunday Night April 13**

Dinner and meeting and prayer for P/T only

Long-term, this Paul/Timothy team work may be the most important thing our church is doing this year. We need to meet together Pastor and People, Pauls and Timothys, to affirm, strengthen and look to the future. Dinner will be at 6 pm. There will time with the Pauls and Timothys separately and together.



National Day of Prayer is May 1 at **Veterans Park**

Hamburgers and Prayer with our community at 6 pm Our church is providing the desserts

This year's National Day of Prayer theme is "Pour Out to the God of Hope and Be Filled," taken from Romans 15:13, "I pray that God, the source of hope, will fill you completely with joy and peace because you trust in him. Then you will overflow with confident hope through the power of the Holy Spirit."

We are a church that believes in united prayer. This one time a year we pray together with other churches. Bring a chair and plan to attend and pray!

Sponsor a Student To Summer Camp With a \$160 Gift

Bless students and their parents with your gift

Easter Sunday Schedule

7:30am **Sunrise Service**

8:00am **Breakfast in the fellowship hall**

8:30am **Deacons Mtg**

9:45am **Bible Study for all ages**

11:00am "He Is Risen" Morning Service

12:00pm **Easter Egg Hunt**

No Evening Service

Don't Miss the Extra Service on Good Friday at 7 pm in the Chapel We will focus on Jesus' arrest and crucifixion

Every year at Easter, we observe Good Friday, but this year we are moving it into the chapel. The whole event of Easter moves from Thursday's Last Supper to Sunday morning's victory. Good Friday recalls the seeming defeat of Jesus before He triumphed over the grave.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Deacon of Apr 06 - Erne Apr 13 - Gabe Apr 20 - Carl Apr 27 - Mike	e Ramirez Fisher	1	fellowship MEAL Hosted: Greeters 7pm Quarterly Business Mtg	3	4	5
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
12pm ER Mtg 5pm Church Council			7pm			
			Prayer & Worship		A Land Market	
13 12pm Finance	14	15	16	17	GOOD	19
6pm Paul's & Timothy's Supper			7pm Prayer & Worship		FRIDAY Service 7pm Office Closed	
Happy Easter	21	22	ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS Jay 7pm Prayer & Worship	24	25	Life Group 6pm Young Adults
27 12pm Greeter's Training	28	29	30 National Day of Prayer is tomorrow at Veterans Park 7pm Prayer & Worship			e Is Iseni
Apr 01 - Raymond Martinez Apr 10 - Sage Fis			Apr 21 - Frank Rutledge Apr 29 - Olga Diaz			lga Diaz

Apr 01 - Aracely Ruiz

Apr 03 - Mike Thompson

Apr 06 - Jon Box

Apr 07 - Nicholas Medina

Apr 08 - Becky Garcia

Apr 10 - Joselyn De Luna

Apr 11 - Juan Lumbreras Jr

Apr 13 - Irene Boling

Apr 19 - Jon Sanchez

Apr 20 - Bill Seelig

Apr 23 - Jill Briscoe

Apr 24 - Kathy Enriquez

Apr 25 - Irma Lira

Apr 28 - Donald Wetzig

Apr 28 - Homer Castellanos Jr

Apr 29 - Olga Diaz

