



Living Faith
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Sunday, August 16, 2020

Covenant Renewal

Joshua 24:1-27

Prayer Requests

- **Terry Smith's sister-in-law Jamie** ~ healing
- **Joanne Raterman** ~ continued healing
- **All who are feeling isolated and lonely**
- **Bishop Ruben Saenz, Jr.** for his leadership and for modeling life in Christ
- **Transition for LF & All UMC's**
- **Protection from viruses and illnesses going around**
- **Shirley Morris** ~ healing, encouragement
- **Larry & Karen Lakeman** ~ healing & encouragement
- **Donna Chaney** ~ health & strength
- **Gloria Peterson** ~ health
- **Wava Jean Carl** ~ strength
- **Our nation, our leaders** ~ wisdom and discernment
- **Vernon Thomsen** ~ health, pain management
- **Elderly, shut ins**
- **Adeng , Annie, Julie Kristin, and Renson Michael Chen**
- **Pray for Marriages, Families, Relationships**
- **LFUMC, and all of God's churches**

There are clip boards with activities & colors for the children on the table as you walk into the Worship Center. Please feel free to grab one on your way into Worship!

We are happy to send out or add people to our prayers lists. Please know that we need to have the permission of the person that needs the prayers, otherwise we cannot send them out/or add them to our public list.

From The Pastor

RELEASING LEADERS FOR THE MISSION FIELD

One day as these men were worshiping the Lord and fasting, the Holy Spirit said, “Dedicate Barnabas and Saul for the special work to which I have called them.” So after more fasting and prayer, the men laid their hands on them and sent them on their way.” (Acts 13:2-3 NLT)

The mission field is out there, folks. The task God is calling us to do is huge and hard, but His grace and power will strengthen us. How, whom, and when God calls leaders to work in his mission field? The story on the books of Acts chapter 13 tells us about a local church in the apostolic age. That church was at Antioch of Syria and there were a few ordinary men being trained by the Holy Spirit. Among those leaders were Barnabas, Simeon, (called “the black man”), Lucius (from Cyrene), Manaen (the childhood companion of king Herod Antipas), and Saul.” (13:1)

God’s call comes through his Holy Spirit to those on church leadership. Those five prophets and teachers from Antioch were already trained in spiritual discernment and wisdom, as they were developing specific ministries at Antioch Church. It is the Holy Spirit the one who leads the church into the ministry by releasing new leaders into the mission field. Yet, the best way to become sensitive to the Holy Spirit guidance is through prayer, fasting, and worship spiritual disciplines. Those early believers were worshiping and fasting together when the Spirit call two among them. “Dedicate Barnabas and Saul for the special work to which I have called them,” so the Spirit said to the body of prophets and teachers.

It strikes me to see how the Church in Antioch did not have apostles, evangelists, or pastors. Neither the narrative tells us about bishops, elders, or deacons. However, it was through the Holy Spirit anointing, which was powerfully moving upon those men leading the local Church. Indeed, that was a significant characteristic of supernatural operation in the body of leaders in those days. They did not have a “Special Annual Conference” to find out to whom, and how they would be appointed for the new mission field either. Yet, the Holy Spirit spoke and revealed to those in leadership who were called, and what kind of mission they were called by the Lord to fulfill. The story tells us those five prophets and teachers were worshiping and fasting in prayer though. After they clearly heard the voice of the Spirit calling Barnabas and Saul, the other men in leadership laid their hands on them and sent them on their way.

We will be ready to discern God’s will for our congregation when those on leadership position start praying, fasting, and worshiping in the Spirit frequently. The Holy Spirit will speak to us and he will let us know to whom he is calling for the mission field. Then, we will be ready to release and to commission those called by the Holy Spirit. We will lay hands on them and they will go out into the mission field as well. Friends, let me ask you, do we really want to follow the Spirit guidance, get ready for the time when he is going to call us into the mission field in this area, and to release leaders into the mission field? Let us start praying and fasting, as we all keep worshiping our God faithfully every Sunday. That is the Spirit way to call new servants to work for our Lord Jesus Christ.

Pastor Jaime

REQUIREMENTS FOR CORPORATE WORSHIP

During Covid-19

1. MUST WEAR MASKS ~ AVAILABLE IF NEEDED
2. CHILDREN REMAIN WITH FAMILY
3. ENTER/EXIT MAIN DOOR ONLY
4. USHERS WILL SEAT & DISMISS CONGREGANTS BY ROWS
5. BIBLES NOT AVAILABLE, PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN
6. TITHES & OFFERINGS IN DESIGNATED BOX IN LOBBY
7. BULLETINS & ATTENDANCE SHEETS WILL BE PLACED AT SEATING AREAS
(Please place attendance sheets in box in the lobby.)
8. NO SINGING BY CONGREGANTS

FOR FULL PLAN SEE ATTACHED RETURN TO CORPORATE WORSHIP PLAN

COVID-19 INFORMATION

VOLUNTARY SELF QUARANTINE

In general, you need to have been in close contact with a person who has a confirmed case of COVID-19 to be at risk of getting the virus. If you have been in close contact with a person who has COVID-19, you may be asked to "voluntarily self-quarantine" for 14 days after last contact. This means you stay home as much as you can so you lower the risk of other people getting COVID-19 in case you have it. This means that you should do all of the things listed below.



1. Do not go to work or school and avoid all public places



2. If you must go out in public, do not use public transportation (bus, taxi, ride-share services)



3. Separate yourself from other people in your home and stay in one specific room



4. If you can, use a separate bathroom



5. Clean your hands often by washing with soap and water for 20 seconds



6. Seek medical help right away if your symptoms get worse and call ahead before going to the clinic

Who is at higher risk?



Older adults



People who
have serious
chronic medical
conditions

Heart Disease
Diabetes
Lung Disease



Supplies to have at home:

- Necessary medication – ask healthcare provider about obtaining extra
 - If extra is not possible – consider using mail order
- Be sure to have over the counter medicines and medical supplies to treat fever and other symptoms
- Have enough household items and groceries on hand
 - Grocery stores with 'at-risk' hours
 - Consider ways of getting food brought to your house



Everyday Precautions

- Wash your hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds
 - If soap and water is not available – use a hand sanitizer that contains at least 60% alcohol
- Avoid touching high touch surfaces in public places (elevator buttons, door handles, handrails, handshaking, etc)
- Avoid touching your face, nose, eyes, etc.
- Clean and disinfect your home to remove germs
- Stay home as much as possible



Symptoms and emergency warning signs:

- Pay attention to COVID-19 symptoms (fever, cough, and shortness of breath)
- Emergency warning signs:
 - Difficulty breathing or shortness of breath
 - Persistent pain or pressure in chest
 - New confusion or inability to arouse
 - Bluish lips or face



If you get sick

- Stay home and call your doctor
- Consult with your health care provider for more information
- Stay in touch with others by phone or email
- Determine who can care for you if your caregiver gets sick
- Know when to get emergency help

Need more information?

Douglas County Health Department
COVID-19 Information Line
(402) 444-3400
www.douglascountyhealth.com

United Way
Resource Hotline
211

Nebraska Department of Health and
Human Services Information Line
(402) 552-6645

Scripture and Sermon Titles

You are invited to read the Scriptures prior to Worship Services.

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***We are returning to in-person meetings ~ see schedule below
(Zoom will be available for every meeting)***

A Look Ahead

Aug 15 ~ Scout Eagle Scout Project ~ FH 9-4 p.m.

Aug 18 ~ Church Council 7:00 p.m. ~ Everyone is welcome!

Aug 23 ~ Youth Sunday

Sept 4 ~ Ring Facility Rental

Sept 8 ~ del PEO

Sept 20 ~ Back to Church Sunday



**Church Council Meeting
Tuesday, August 18th at 7:00 p.m.
All Welcome!
Zoom also available**

Cleaning Teams will move to cleaning every other week as we are not having as many classes & people in the building at this time.

Aug 16 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Aug 17 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Aug 18 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Church Council ~ WC
Aug 19 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Aug 23 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Aug 24 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Aug 25 Tues	7:00 p.m.	SPRC ~ Room D
Aug 26 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Aug 30 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Aug 31 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Sept 1 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting
Sept 2 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Sept 4 Fri	4—8 p.m.	Ring Rehearsal Dinner
Sept 6 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Sept 8 Tues	9:30—2 6:30 p.m.	Office Closed PEO ~ del Finance Team Meeting
Sept 9 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Sept 13 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Sept 14 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Sept 15 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Church Council ~ WC
Sept 16 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Sept 20 Sun	10:10 a.m.	BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY Worship
Sept 21 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH

Sept 23 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Sept 27 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Sept 28 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Sept 30 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Oct 4 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Oct 5 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
Oct 6 Tues	7:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting
Oct 7 Wed	6:30 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	Men's Bible Study ~ Vidlaks Women's Bible Study ~ Room D
Oct 11 Sun	10:10 a.m.	Worship
Oct 12 Mon	6:30 p.m.	Boy Scouts Troop 405 ~ FH
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OUR MISSION

To make disciples for Jesus Christ
to transform the world

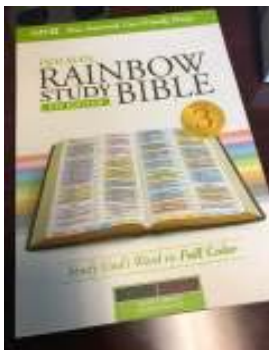
OUR VISION

- 1) To be disciples for Christ
- 2) To bring others to Christ

OUR GOALS

- 1) Become & remain Spiritually Strong
 - a) Attend Worship Regularly
 - b) Be Part of a small group
 - c) Pray faithfully
- 2) Share God with our Community & the world
 - a) Mission Shares
 - b) Service to others
 - c) Reaching out
- 3) Interact with The Holy Bible Daily
 - a) Educate & guide our children & youth
 - b) Christian Education for all ages

We had a very nice bible donated to the church. We would like to give it to someone who needs one. If you would like it please contact Tracy in the Office. 402-393-2321



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