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For hundreds of years, Christians have been participating in Lent. Lent has traditionally been a time to prepare our hearts for Easter by fasting, praying, and repenting of sin as we get ready to celebrate the death and resurrection of Jesus.

You've probably heard of Lent before—you may have even participated in it before. But it's not just an empty tradition or a meaningless ritual. Christians all over the world observe Lent as a way of removing clutter from our lives so that we can see Jesus more clearly during Easter. So, traditionally, people who practice Lent give something up in order to spend more time in prayer.

What you fast from could be just about anything—food, TV, social media, eating out, or even choosing to drink only water. As we remove physical things from our lives for this period of 40 days, it can help us focus on the deeper parts of ourselves that are redeemed and made whole by the truth of the gospel.

To help you focus on Jesus in this season of Lent, we are providing a devotional which includes a Scripture reading, a small devotional thought, and a daily challenge. Our hope is that by the end of these 40 days you will have a better understanding of Jesus' life, death, resurrection, and what He means for all of us.

Our hope is alive! Together, let's focus on that for the next 40 days and see what God will do to get our hearts ready to see Jesus clearly.

If you do not regularly attend worship, and would like a copy of the devotional, please contact Angie in the church office: 502-722-5246 ext. 106.

## Kingdom Life by Steve Boyd Receiving and Giving Grace the Way God Intended It

We need grace. We can't live without it, but we can't purchase it and we can't earn it. God's grace always comes as a gift, and we hope we realize that He is helping us. In a fallen world populated by selfish, lost, fearful, rebellious, and self-righteous people, grace is the one thing at everyone needs.

Grace reaches us where we are and takes us where God wants us to be. It is the power to do something that nothing else can do. Grace will transform us at the core of who we are - our heart. And you can only give grace to someone else when you realize that you have first been given it yourself, because you can't give away that which you don't have.

Grace is God extending His forgiveness, goodness, love, and mercy to us despite our sinful condition. God reaches out to us in our most challenging times. Whether you have caused or chosen the most challenging times, whether others have sinned against you, whether some inexplicable accident has happened, or whether Satan and his demons have attacked you, God loves you and gives you many opportunities to repent and run to Him for His grace.

God's grace not only forgives us, but also offers us acceptance and His presence. As fallen people, we say we forgive people, only to shun them for what they did or who they were. Sin offended us and we wrongly separate ourselves from others in revenge, fear, and pain. God doesn't run from us but runs to us. His arms are wide open to receive the prodigal son to come home. He comes to us to abide forever through the Holy Spirit when we believe and repent.

Our reality is remaining sin leaves us lame, weak, and incapable. God's grace intervenes to give us power and endurance. Grace gives us the ability to be who He has called us to be and to do what He's called us to do. He gives sanctifying grace to overcome, to be free, and to become more like Him! Sin turns us into addicts, slaves of sin, but God's grace breaks the bondage.

God's grace comes in many shapes and forms, but always includes His truth and love. Our greatest challenge in life exists inside you, not outside you. If you convince yourself that your greatest challenge is in your relationships or situations, you will likely miss God's offer of grace and you will struggle by trying to find your own way. But, if we admit that we need help, God will offer many opportunities of forgiveness and holiness through the grace of His Word, prayer, His church and through circumstances. As we become the recipients of His grace, we will become the greatest givers of His

(Excerpts taken from 4/28/2014 devotional by Paul Tripp)



Jesus teaches on fasting in the same passage he gives instruction concerning giving and praying. Many of us have somehow understood that giving and praying are pretty consistent disciplines, but somewhere we thought fasting was for super Christians. The teaching of Jesus implies that fasting should be a constant practice in our lives, much like giving and prayer are consistent practices. This shows us that it should be regularly incorporated into our lifestyle. Fasting is not just eating healthy food, or not eating at all, or making yourself drink more water. Reasons why fasting (and consistent fasting) is important in the life of a believer.

**Fasting is laying down the pleasures of earth so that we can take up the pleasures of heaven.** We don't fast to lose weight. We fast to grow closer to God. Fasting increases our "spiritual senses," tunes us into God's voice,

deepens our intimacy with Holy Spirit, and increases our awareness of His manifest presence and desire to partner with us.

**Fasting increases levels of individual and corporate anointing**. The Bible is clear that you gain power in the Holy Ghost through fasting. The Spirit of the Lord led Jesus into the desert to be tempted and to fast for 40 days. Luke 2:52 tells us that after this fast and time of temptation that Jesus returned 'in the power of the Spirit.'

**Fasting is also a time to gain direction.** When you fast, be specific. Fasting without a clear purpose is a quick way to break your fast early.

**Fasting is an opportunity to grow in prayer and the word**. If you're not reading and praying, you're just dieting. *There is a clear spiritual element that is involved in fasting.* Use the time you would be eating meals or watching to to eat the word. Be consistent and diligent to focus your mind on Jesus. Ask the Holy Spirit to renew your mind in the word and guide your thoughts through the day. At no point in time will you get MORE from the word than when you are in a time of fasting.

The last reason we fast is this; **we fast because Jesus told us to.** Simple obedience and simple devotion is our practice. If we love Jesus and believe His heart holds good things for us, then our hearts should desire to simply be obedient to his teachings. Heartfelt obedience to Jesus' teaching and direction is worth it every time.

Taken from https://discoverlifeatl.com/four-reasons-fast/



At FamilyLife, we understand there is a gap between the intention we have for our families and what we actually experience in life. Too often, our relationships fall short of what we desire them to be.

But this isn't what we were made for. Instead, we believe God made us to live in a perfect community with Him and each other. We believe God's word offers insight for us to bridge the gap — to make our intentions match the reality of our relationships. To that end, we create content and experiences to help families pursue what matters most and grow more fulfilling connections with God, each other, and their communities.

#### Why we exist

We exist to help families grow together and impact their corner of the world.

#### How we fulfill that purpose

Our mission is to effectively develop godly families who change the world one home at a time.

#### What we desire for the world

Our vision is that every home would be a godly home.

#### **Our History**

In 1975, a tearful Ney Bailey shared her heart with the team. Young couples on staff were fracturing. She longed to help. Sure, Campus Crusade for Christ (Cru) was helping thousands of people. But individual marriages mattered too, right?

So a tiny group of Cru staff set out to safeguard staff marriages. Their idea? Create a marriage and family ministry training couples to structure solid homes using God's blueprint.

More than 40 years later, we're still hard at work with that .... And a few other things. That single plea from one woman blossomed into today's FamilyLife, serving all shapes and sizes of families around the world.

#### MILLIONS EACH YEAR ENJOY

Events, like the Weekend to Remember® marriage getaway and the Love Like You Mean It® cruise Radio programs, like FamilyLife Today®

Video curriculum like The Art of Marriage® and FamilyLife's Art of Parenting™

Small group series like The Art of Marriage Connect Series®

Online resources, to the tune of thousands of articles, videos, posts, and podcasts.

We thank God for Ney Bailey and her mind-blowing plan to work out a few of Her goals—and a bit of Her heart—through FamilyLife ... And we're geared up for the next 40 years.

Mandy and I are working hard to share the vision of FamilyLife and talk about how we will be working locally to transform one home at a time. We would love to meet with you to share how FamilyLife transformed our marriage and how you can help impact marriages and families.

Ryan & Mandy Gossom



#### SBC Community Prayer Group

Wednesdays at 10am
Fellowship Hall
Led by
Marilyn Rhoads

#### Six Reasons To Participate in a Prayer Group Accountability

You will mature in your faith.
Your personal relationship with God will grow.
You will receive affirmation that God answers prayer.
You will receive and give fellowship and support.
You will learn to care about the needs of others.



BEFORE BED ON SATURDAY, MARCH 12.



# We will be taking a group to the REACH Evangelism Conference in Elizabethtown. March 14-15 Conference Speakers

Nik Ripkin, Danny Forshee, Shane Pruitt, George Ross, Fred Luter Jr., Bryant Wright, Elmer Towns

Women's Ministry Track
Our own Liz Encinia &
Sharon Beougher



SBC will pay your conference fee. Sign up in the foyer of the FLC.



## Why is Sunday School so important to the local church?

It **STILL** instructs, disciples, evangelizes, trains leaders and makes a difference in people's lives, regardless of age.

It **STILL** strengthens churches. Research says more than 80% of people who attend Sunday School today will still be involved in the church five years later.

It **STILL** leads people to Christ. Pastors say at least half of lost adults are saved within 12 months of attending Sunday School.

Kentucky Baptist Convention Thursday, March 10 6:30-8:45pm

Training is available for all preschool, children, student, and adult Sunday School and small group teachers, leaders, and workers.

Register at: KYBAPTIST.ORG/SSSM Cost:\$5 per person.

#### **Shelby Baptist Association Merger**

Our Association is in the middle of a significant change. The SBA has invited two other Associations to merge with them to form the North Central Baptist Network of Churches (NCBN). A flurry of work has begun since voting overwhelmingly to proceed with the merger. The Transitional Team is developing Policies and Procedures, a budget, an Employee Handbook, a new logo, and new signage for the building, In addition, a Search Team is moving forward to identify a full-time leader for the NCBN.



#### **DID YOU KNOW? International Missionary Facts:**

- \* In 2020, IMB missionaries and our Baptist partners engaged 1,400 people groups and places around the globe, 82% being unreached.
- \* 91% of IMB missionary teams work among the unreached peoples of the world, where the population is less than 2% born again Christian.
- \* In 2020, IMB engaged 55 formerly unengaged people groups, people who had no known born again Christians or churches.
- \* Our celebration is tempered by the fact that 3,000 people groups remain without a witness to Christ.



#### **Meadow Ridge Blessings Box**

The Blessings Box at Meadow Ridge is used every day of the week. Donation requests: cereal, oatmeal, cereal bars and PopTarts, canned meats, spaghetti and spaghetti sauce, dried black beans, soup mixes, white rice, sugar, corn meal, toilet paper, paper towels,



dish liquid, tuna helper-type products, vegetable oil, canned fruit and vegetables, bags of apples/potatoes.

Cereal and canned fruit are high priority items.

Donations of food can be dropped off at the church office or placed directly in the box. Monetary donations can be taken to the church office.



## United to Reach the Nations in our Neighborhoods

366 million people in North America 350 languages

275 million without the hope of the gospel

#### These are big numbers.

275 million people are estimated lost in North America. That's men, women, young adults and children. Among that population is more than 40 million people living in the United States who were born in another country. That's about 1/5th of the world's migrant population—more than any other country. Almost every nation in the world is represented in North America, making it one of the most complex mission fields. And immigrants continue to come here for a better life, even from countries closed to the gospel.

But these aren't just numbers. They represent people made in God's image—people in need of gospel hope. When we come together to reach the nations and our own neighborhoods, the Church becomes a beautiful representation of God's vision for every nation, tribe and tongue to be saved and united in praise to Him. Through all our differences, we can be transformed and united by the unchanging, life-giving gospel of Jesus.

Statistics from Pew Research and NAMB Missional Research

## UNITED

"Now may the God who gives endurance and encouragement grant you to live in harmony with one another, according to Christ Jesus, so that you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ with one mind and one voice."

Romans 15:5-6



#### **PRAY**

To have eyes open to see the people around you in need of the hope of the gospel.

For the thousands of missionaries across North America working to reach new people even in the most challenging circumstances.

Church Goal:\$3,500



**KENTUCKY CHANGERS** offers more than just a weeklong mission trip; we want to provide tools and training that equip your students for a lifetime of missional living. Participants engage in construction projects, times of worship and reflection designed to help them encounter and respond to God.

Shelbyville Dates July 9-15 Student Cost: \$200

Adult volunteers with construction skills are needed as well. Adult Cost: \$45

Register at: https://www.kywmu.org/changers.html for both adults and students.



#### **Updates from ALC in Shelbyville**

We recently had a client and her boyfriend, wanting pregnancy confirmation and an abortion, drive over 80 miles to seek our services. After meeting with peer counselors, confirming pregnancy and a very emotional ultrasound, they didn't speak much before they left. We had no idea where their hearts were or if we'd ever see them again, but we did know that we loved them well. After unsuccessful follow-up calls, our hearts were further burdened with the news



of the devastating tornadoes near their hometown. With one more attempt to reach out just to make sure they were safe and offer any support, we continued to pray. It would take her a week to respond, but she finally called back! They are safe, she is over 20 weeks pregnant and keeping her baby. We connected her with a local pregnancy center, provided support, and continued to lover her well...even from 80 miles away.

Because of you, this life-changing, life-saving ministry is not only surviving, but thriving. As the story indicates, our reach is every increasing and MORE THAN EVER we are grateful for your support! Some of the most amazing things happened this year and we want to share some of the blessings with you!

- Our Shelbyville location received much-needed renovations thanks to many hard-working volunteers.
- Our doors remained open to serve over 500 families with more than 2,500 center visits.
- We served over 70 families with Christmas help.
- We trained a new nurse volunteer for ultrasounds in Shepherdsville.

You can support ALC by going to their website: https://alckentucky.com/support-us or by donating these items:

- new and gently used baby items, clothes sizes newborn 5T
- Car seats, cribs, and bottles need to be new (still in package)



Next Step Training Program is about to start its third 16-week training session for young adults who have high functioning autism! We are excited to have another group of young adults to train and put to work! We are primarily funded by the Office of

Vocational Rehabilitation and we are looking to expand our services to service even more young people!

Our last session ended with a celebration of food and fun! Each of the students brought in a dish that they made from scratch and they each shared what the dish was and why it was special. They also had the opportunity to teach their families how to use the various OT equipment that they have mastered over the 16-week session.

One of our students was recently employed by a member here at SBC! What great connections have been made! One of our other students is working through an employment agency called Rangam that has a program only open to those on the autism spectrum. Another one of our students has been volunteering with Adopt Me Bluegrass to get a little bit more job experience before he gets a part-time job (one that involves animals would be great!) Suellen Barnes





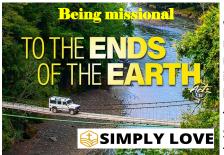
#### **MPIT Building Update**

Our trustees have signed a \$3.5M construction contract with Lichtefeld, Inc. as our General Contractor to build our new building. Our trustees have also closed on our loan for up to \$900,000 as approved by the church. Obviously, we will not draw on that loan (or begin payments) until after we have used all our building funds which currently still stands at about \$3M. The deposit has been paid for the steel package and that order is scheduled to arrive by September 2022. The planned construction schedule will begin in August 2022 with the demolition of the existing Fellowship Hall building and the anticipated construction of our new Multipurpose Education Building to be completed by April 2023.

In December's newsletter, I shared that we needed volunteers for a number of 'transition tasks' to be assigned, defined, developed, and completed before and during the construction period. Those ten tasks will now be grouped into three transition teams to make the necessary preparations and decisions in furnishing, equipping and 'finishing out' our new Multipurpose Education Building (inside and out).

There will be a BLUE TEAM assembled for technology, security and equipment, a GREEN TEAM assigned for furnishings, décor and landscaping, inside and out, and a GRAY TEAM to work on our parking areas, entrances/exits and drop-offs needed during and after construction. Obviously, our pastors will be working with these groups as well. Please consider where you would like to serve and let me know which area best suits your gifts.

The Building Team has reviewed the grouping of these three workgroups as needed to support Scott Sageser as he works as our church's project manager with Lichtefeld. Each of these teams would need to begin their work in March and work through the project. MPITeam Leader: Lowell Ashby (call: 502-777-2540; or email: lowellashby9@gmail.com)





#### Mijomboni Orphanage Update

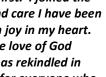
We are pleased to have two more orphans who were admitted to the rescue center. Khadija Muhammad is 13 yrs old and her single mom recently died of AIDS. She is in Grade level 3. Emmy Dama is also 13 and in grade level 6. Emmy's mother died in a road accident. They have been sponsored by Anita Hoops and Caroline O'Daniel.

There are two local schools in the area. One is a government-run School and the other is a public school. Shilla, the orphanage administrator, recently visited the public school and found that although there were many students, none of them had desks. The teachers were also without desks or blackboards. There are 1,380 students in the public school and regardless of age, all students sit on the floor. The large numbers of students combined with unsanitary conditions and lack of basic supplies has made it difficult for children to concentrate and learn effectively. Neither of these schools have been beneficiaries of Ultimate Wings ministries, and plans are underway to begin supplying the girls with sanitary supplies and to replace the existing toilets.

Shilla has asked us to share her testimony with you: "I am thankful for the space Ultimate Wings has given me. I know that am not the best,but with a lot of humility I can say God brought me to this organization with a purpose. Indeed this is truly a rescue centre, as we rescue the children, but it was I who was rescued first. I joined the organization while in depression, which had toiled my life. With love and care I have been guided to the right and Godly path and now depression is replaced with joy in my heart. At first, I saw everyone against me, but as I walked in, I experienced the love of God through the children and the other staff members. Behold a new light has rekindled in me, determined to serve God through the rescue centre. I am thankful for everyone who is praying for us and I really covet your prayers."

#### Global Prayer Needs for March

- Syria: Pray for the few Christians living in the Kurdish Qamishli area.
- Vietnam: Pray that church leaders will minister well and remain strong in faith.
- 3 Bhutan: Pray that God will continue to raise up more women for ministry.
- 4 Afghanistan: Pray for believers who gather in small groups for prayer, encouragement, training, and worship.
- 5 Tajikistan: Pray for the courage and protection of those translating the Bible into local languages.
- 6 Mauritania: Pray that persecuted Christians will persevere and retain their eternal hope in Christ.
- 7 Brunei: Pray that underground churches will grow in boldness as they share the gospel.
- 8 Burkina Faso: Pray for stability in the region so pastors can continue to reach out and serve their churches.
- China: Pray for the wisdom of believers confronted by police. 9
- Cameroon: Pray for Christians among the Hdi tribe whose villages in the north are routinely attacked.
- Eritrea: Pray for the availability of more Christian resources in the Tigrinya language.
- 12 Kyrgyzstan: Pray for President Sadyr Japarov and the government.
- 13 Maldives: Pray for creative ways to minister in this hard-to-reach country.
- 14 Mexico: Pray for the protection of workers in areas of Marxist influence in southern Mexico.
- 15 Uzbekistan: Pray that those who lost employment because of their faith in Christ will find new jobs.
- 16 Tunisia: Pray for the unity and collaboration of Tunisan churches.
- 17 Bahrain: Pray for those who received a strict Muslim education and are now persecuting believers.
- 18 Yemen: Pray for Ahmed and his family as they seek asylum in a foreign country because of persecution.
- **Qatar: Pray for more Christian workers to share the gospel with Qataris.**
- 20 Iran: Pray that new Farsi resources will reach children.
- 21 Saudi Arabia: Pray for Christian women, who often must worship in isolation and secrecy.
- 22 Somalia: Pray for media ministries reaching Somali people around the world.
- 23 Djibouti: Pray for unity among front-line workers in the country.
- 24 Tanzania: Pray for pastors on Mafia Island who have been forced to move or had homes destroyed.
- 25 Bangladesh: Pray for teams working to plant house churches in Dhaka.
- 26 Sudan: Pray that Christian converts from Islam will have peace with their families and communities.
- 27 Laos: Pray for the 200 ethnic subgroups in Laos.
- 28 Egypt: Pray the Egyptian believers will forgive and bless their persecutors.
- 29 Lebanon: Pray that churches become more united and cooperative for the sake of the gospel.
- 30 United Arab Emirates: Pray that Christian media will become more effective through use of the internet and satellite TV.
- Ethiopia: Pray for members of churches that have been destroyed.







#### MARCH

- Ezekiel 31-32
- Ezekiel 33-34
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- 21. Hosea 11-12
- 22. Hosea 13-14
- 23. Joel 1-3
- 24. Amos 1-2
- 25. Amos 3-4
- 26. Amos 5-6
- 27. Amos 7-9
- 28. Obadiah 1, Jonah 1
- 29. Jonah 2-4
- 30. Micah 1-3
- 31. Micah 4-7



week we have new players who are trying out the sport for the first time! We have had between 17 and 28 players each week which gives players lots of opportunities to play lots of games with various partners at various

levels. The camaraderie is fantastic as new relationships have been forged. We

have people of all age levels, from 13 to 81 and everything in between!

We do a short devotion each week which has led to some wonderful conversations about the Lord and how He is working in our lives:)

If you have been wanting to try out the crazy game of pickleball, this is your chance! It's never too late to join in and there will always be someone there to teach you the ropes.



Pickleball is on Mondays at 6pm. \$2 per person per night.

#### **Adult Open Play Volleyball**

Thursdays at 6:30pm.







### Friday, March 18 6:30pm

#### Fellowship Hall

Bring your favorite board games, Rook, dominoes, etc. and an appetizer or dessert. Hosted by Bobbie Erlandson.

## Dial My Calls...

We have secured Dial My Calls on a trial basis to keep you informed regarding church

closings. If you attend worship, your name, email, and phone number have been included in the listing. If you are unsure whether we have the correct contact information for you, or desire to opt out, please contact Angie in the church office at 722.5246 ext 106 or angie@simpsonvillebaptist.com.

#### WE GATHER TOGETHER MINISTRY

We Gather Together has had a great start! Many families have joined in the fun and we have six host families opening their homes in the area! The evenings have had a difficult time navigating busy schedules and bad weather, but it is worth the struggle as new relationships are being built!

If you would like to be a part of the dinners in March, please reach out and we will get you plugged into a group to share a meal and have lots of great fellowship!

www.wegathertogethersbc@gmail.com

#### Personnel Team

The Personnel Team would like to thank you for your prayers and affirming Jesse Wright to serve as our new Family Pastor. We are thrilled to welcome Jesse, Rachel, James, Ella and Hannah to Simpsonville Baptist Church. Please be praying for them as they transition from their current ministry to Simpsonville.

#### Their first Sunday with us will be March 13th.

Also, please continue to pray for the team as we are currently accepting resumes for the Grow & Disciple Pastor. We are meeting regularly and covet your prayers for wisdom and discernment as we seek the man God has set aside for our church.

\*\*Denise Miller\*\*





#### **Ministry Need**

We occasionally have to cancel children's church or Sunday School due to not having substitute teachers. If you would enjoy teaching during worship or Sunday School, on an as needed basis, please contact Angie in the church office at 722-5246 ext. 106. We have a curriculum for all ages and both groups.

Parents, please note that Children's Church is for preschoolers and K-3rd grade only. Our 4-5th graders are asked to remain in worship with their parents.

On 5th Sundays we will offer Children's Church to preschool only and elementary-aged children will worship with their families.





The family of Frankie Jewell Boyd thanks you for your many expressions of sympathy, cards, food, and the bereavement meal. Special thanks to Matt Garner for singing during the funeral service.

Susan, Marshall, and Steven Boyd

Dear church family:

We are so grateful for your many kindnesses and prayers during Brian's recent illness.

Brian & Valerie Hebdige

#### March Birthdays

- 1 Gerry Davis, Leslie Tindall
- Veda Brown, Joy Casey, Randall Childers, Andy McDonald, Robbie Moore
- 3 Joyce Crawford
- 6 Danna Sailings
- 9 Vickie Moore
- 10 Lowell Ashby, Rosemary Lumbatis
- 12 Gina Sageser
- 15 Cindy Childers, John Royse
- 16 Masha Miller, Angie White
- 17 Betty Moore
- 19 Nathanael Sangster
- 20 Digna Kovaka
- 21 Doris Cissell, Maggie & Allie Renfro, Allan Ruble
- 23 James McLeroy
- 24 Maddie Twyman
- 25 Lisa McDonald, Jacob Miller
- 27 Debbie Dupont, Lucas Frazier, Josiah Stein
- 29 Brian Marchesseault, Maggie Nicholson, Shirley Vessels



Saturday, March 5 7:30am

Cracker Barrel in Shelbyville



It's official...
Adventure Club is on
Facebook and Instagram
now! Be sure to follow us
and/or like our page to
keep up with all the fun
things our kiddos are doing each day, upcoming
events, and more!



#### Women's Bunco Thursday, March 3 at 6:30pm

Please sign up in the foyer of the FLC.

Ladies, this month bring a dish that celebrates your heritage!









Our Bunco ladies collected a month's worth of food for our Blessing Box at Meadow Ridge.

## Women's SONrise Community Bible Study

Begins Tuesday March 1st
Tuesdays at 9:30am
Held at the Warehouse
Led by Linda Otterback

Light refreshments provided.



### **Goodtime Travelers Adult Day Trips**

In February our Goodtime Travelers enjoyed a wonderful brunch at 934 Main St in Shelbyville. The atmosphere was warm and welcoming and all those that attended enjoyed good fellowship.









<u>Classic Worship</u> Thursday, March 3 at 10am

**Guest Speaker** 

Jon Caranna, pastor Burks Branch Baptist Church Please join us at 9:30am for snacks and fellowship.



Staying connected to friends, family, and small groups has never been easier. Watch content together on RightNow Media with our new groups feature. One person can play, pause, and rewind videos for the entire group. Everyone can use the chat window as the video plays. Use the groups feature to learn, encourage one another, and grow in your faith.

New Feature: See your whole group and discuss the series with the new built-in video chat function! Also, you can connect all of your devices to RightNow Media?

Go to https://help.rightnowmedia.org/hc/en-us/articles/4415483863821-Connect-Your-Devices to connect to FireTV, Roku, Apple, Chromecast, Android or PC.



In the person of Jesus, God calls all people not to simply know about Him, but to follow Him with all that we are. Following Jesus daily is more like a habit than it is a moment. Habits are things we do often and regularly, without consciously thinking we have to do them. This 6-week course will explore life-giving habits to establish us in the new life that Jesus gives. Find out more at https://www.followlifegivinghabits.com



Have you ever thought about the central role the table plays in the lives of Christians? The Bible is full of references about food, drink, eating, and fellowship. Jesus knew the power of the table and used it to teach and embody truth about himself. And

when we sit down for a meal with others, we get to know them better while we nourish our bodies and souls. In this seven-session series, complete with simple yet delicious recipes, Bianca Juárez Olthoff leads us through Jesus's interactions around the table, inspiring us to invite people into our homes, open the Word of God, and break bread together.

### **Men's Conference 2021**

DERWIN GRA

#### Description

Welcome to RightNow Media's 2021 Men's Conference. This event featured teaching from Derwin Gray, Joby Martin, Larry Osborne, and Scott Drew. Check out the sessions and be challenged to grow in your relationship with God in all areas of life.

Featuring









Watch the entire livestreamed conference or the individual sessions. The full conference program is downloadable.



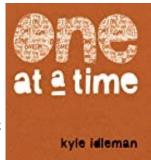
Many students fear what people would think if they stood up for Truth. It is tempting for students to blend in with the crowd and keep silent. The risk of being rejected or alone for speaking

up seems far too great.
In these four sessions of this youth study, Francis Chan opens up the Scriptures and shows students how their faith in Christ can give them the ability to live lives defined by courage. Students share real-life stories regarding their struggles and successes in the face of adversity.

Post Christian visits America's leastchurched cities interviewing effective Christian leaders on the frontlines of the country's most intense spiritual battlegrounds. This series is a resource for people looking to understand how



to maintain orthodoxy in an age of increasing moral fluidity, and for those eager to engage the culture in a Christian way. Nobody grows up dreaming of waking up, going to work, heading home, watching Netflix, scrolling through social media, and then doing it all over again the next day until their last breath. We all want to be used to change the world. We don't want to spend our lives being time-wasters, or space-takers, or binge-watchers, or game-players, or even book -readers. We want to be difference-makers. But it's easy to get caught up in the everyday stuff of life until the years slowly go by, and



with each passing year, the question seems to get louder: Am I making any difference in this world? We want to make a difference, but there are so many opinions on the way to do that. Maybe there's a different way to make a difference, and we're just missing it. Without a doubt, Jesus is the person who has made the biggest difference in all of history. So, how did Jesus make such a difference in this world? If we study the story of his life as recorded in the Gospels, there are a number of answers we could highlight, but there's one particular phrase that captures how Jesus had such an impact, and this phrase is how he wants to use us to make a difference: one at a time. Making a difference isn't measured by a viral post or a name on a building. It isn't determined by a following or a fan base. Making a difference isn't dependent on what's in your bank account or who's in your contacts. Want to make a difference? Focus on the one. That's it. That's the secret of the way of Jesus. One at a time.



## Widows Ministry <u>Kentucky Joy in the</u> <u>Mourning Meet & Greet</u>

Friday March 25th at 10am at the Warehouse on US 60 (across the railroad tracks)

After this meeting for widows, we will meet the third Friday of each month from 10-11:30 am. The first meeting will be a meet and greet to find out the interest of each widow.

Based on interest, we will be planning day trips and some overnight trips.

We anticipate having guest speakers, playing games, and generally having good fellowship.

We look forward to getting to know each of you and developing new friendships.

Coffee and snacks will be provided.



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