



# Newsletter

3508 E. Temple Way, West Covina, CA 91791

### Calendar

**FamilyLife Ministry Leaders Meeting today at 11:30 AM in the Cafeteria**

**Oct. 12 Divorce Care - 9:30-11:30 am**  
Children's Ministry Wing call **Mike Aceves**  
@**(323)440-9944** or **Betsy Cisneros**  
@**(626)715-3063**

**Oct. 6-20 Sunday Services 9:30 AM & 5:30 PM Lesson Series - 'Follow'**

**Oct. 15 Regional Midweek Service 7:30 PM - All ministries meet**

**Oct. 20 Singles Parent's Lunch 11:30 AM - in the cafeteria.**

**Nov. 8-10 Southwest Conference, Long Beach, CA** (see details next page)

## Follow: 'What I Want to Want'



### Prayer Requests

**Maria**- Foster child we are praying for this month - Adoption

**Rosie Gastalum's Mother**- suffered a car accident this week.

**Linda Harrison** - Serious health challenges - pray for recovery.

**Dmitri Bystritski** - Bren's son who is having serious health challenges.

**David Lamb** - Roger Lamb's who directs Disciples Today - his son has cancer and is receiving chemo.

**Jamie Slobodnik** - Continued improvement of heart condition...

**Lori Campbell** - Health problems

**Our Brothers & Sisters in the Middle East**-Protection & opportunity

**Amira Angulo** - Her health - recovery

**Most of us don't become Christians with the intent of following Jesus. We become Christians because we are told obedience pays and disobedience doesn't. We become Christians hoping that spirituality will fill the holes in our souls. We become Christians hoping God will fix us. Eventually, our agendas clash with Jesus' agenda, and we have to decide whether we'll abandon him or follow.**

### Southwest Conference - Nov. 8-9 Long Beach, CA

With great anticipation, preparations have begun for the 2013 Southwest Christian Conference "BREAKTHROUGH" in Long Beach, California. The conference will begin at 1pm on Friday and we are asking everyone to take the day off of work and arrive early. Friday will be an important part of the conference that you won't want to miss. Register @ <https://swcc.laicc.net/>



**Discussion Questions:**

Read Matthew 26:10-16, 27:1-5

- 1.) Talk about something you really wanted in life, whether during adulthood or when you were a child. What did you do to try to get it? Did you succeed?
- 2.) Have you ever seen someone put aside his or her wants in order to follow God's will? How did that person's actions influence your own faith?
- 3.) Talk about a time when you felt a tension between God's will and your own. What did you do?
- 4.) In the message, Peter said, "God's hand can't be forced. His will can't be thwarted. That god doesn't exist." How does that statement challenge the way you think about God? What comfort do you find in it?
- 5.) Have you ever had to give something up—a dream, an ambition, money, career advancement—in order to follow Jesus? Explain.
- 6.) What is one area of your life that you need to say no to yourself and follow Jesus? What can this group do to support you?

**MOVING FORWARD**

It's better to follow God's will than to try to impose our own. Following God's will means wanting what he wants more than what we want. For most of us, that begins with wanting to want what he wants more than what we want. So, before you turn your back on God, before you dismiss him, before you allow your disappointment with him to drive you to a decision you most certainly will regret later, pray: "Heavenly Father, I want to want what you want more than what I want."

**CHANGING YOUR MIND**

"Father, if you are willing, take this cup from me; yet not my will, but yours be done."  
Luke 22:42

**Lighthouse Recap August**

Average Weekly Attendance (including Latins) = 765

Avg. Weekly Giving	Actual	Budget	+/-
August	\$18,790	\$17,500	+1,290

Special Missions \$168,000 (16k was raised via Fundraiser)

Lighthouse Region Website: [www.lighthousecoc.com](http://www.lighthousecoc.com)

Podcast: Lighthouse Church of Christ

LA Church Website: [www.laicc.net](http://www.laicc.net)

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