



# Newsletter

3508 E. Temple Way, West Covina, CA 91791

## 'Really'

### Calendar

No Midweek Services Dec 23-31

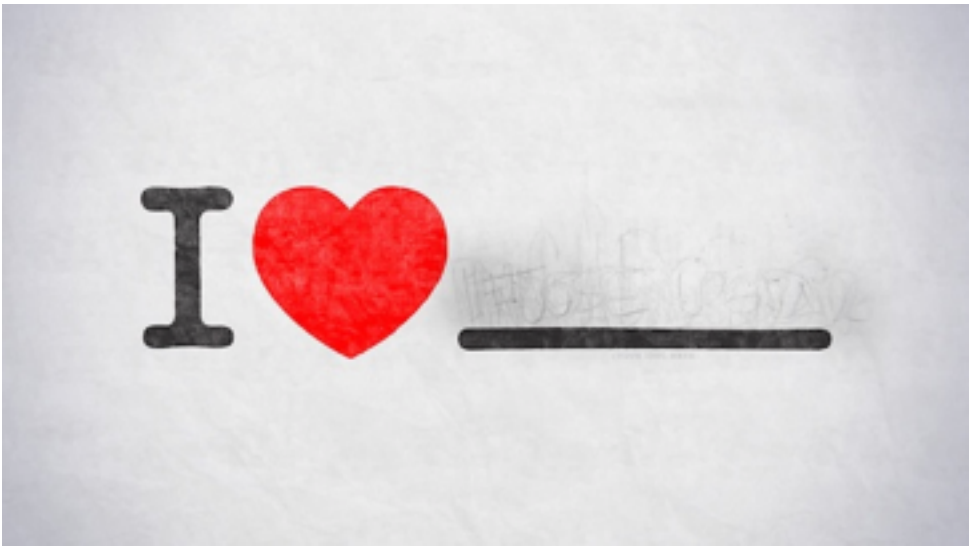
Jan. 5 Services 9:30 PM & 5:30 PM

Jan. 11 Small Group leaders workshop at the Temple All Ministries 3-7 PM diner included.

Jan. 11 Pre-teen talent show fundraiser at the Temple 7:30 PM. Refreshments will be sold to support summer camp.

2014 Kick-off Services Jan. 12 9:30 AM and 5:30 PM at the Temple.

Jan. 18 Day on Hope - Community Service Day



### Prayer Requests

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

Affected people in the Philippines affected by the Typhoon - the relief effort. Pray for MJ Saltz who is volunteering on site.

Middle East Churches - they suffered a terrible loss of their leader, Maher Alhinn last weekend in a car accident.

Todd Kurosaka - Recovery from surgery

The Needy & Hurting People - During this season there is a much joy but there are others who are hurting. Pray for them and help those you can.

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

Lori Campbell - Health problems

Amira Angulo - Her health - recovery

**Break up or press on? Explore new job opportunities or stay put? Say something or stay silent? Our hearts are all faced with decisions that we never anticipated having to make. So what do we do? In this message, Mike Meade reveals an important question we need to ask ourselves as we're deciding.**



In the month of December consider how we as followers of Jesus can let our light shine in the community. We have a food bank that can be filled for the families in need during this season. We also are having a toy drive for the families who are unable to give their children gifts for Christmas.

Also, random acts of kindness help people in the community to know that God exists and inspires His people to help others. If you know of a family who needs help please contact our Deacon of benevolence - Will Neel at (909)305-0124.

**WRONG CHOICES SOMETIMES OFFER IMMEDIATE REWARDS, BUT THE REWARDS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS ARE GREATER.** (Family Devotional from [josh.org](http://josh.org))

**Bible Reading of the Day:** Read Romans 8:12-14, 17.

**Verse of the Day:** “For our light and momentary troubles are achieving for us an eternal glory that far outweighs them all” (2 Corinthians 4:17, NIV).

Isaiah walked through the giant arena with his grandfather. Booth after booth was filled with sports memorabilia and collectors’ items. “Pop,” Isaiah said, using the name he had always called his grandfather, “can I buy some of that candy?” Pop shrugged. “It’s your money,” he said. “I’ll wait right here for you.” Isaiah walked over to a counter filled with all kinds of candy. Isaiah made his purchase and counted his change as he walked away from the counter. The cashier had given him too much change! He returned to the counter, explained what had happened, and returned the overpayment to the cashier. When Isaiah explained what had happened, Pop’s eyes sparkled with pride. “You did the right thing, Isaiah,” he said. “I’m right proud of you.”

Isaiah smiled. “I wish I could have kept it. I could’ve gotten a Wad-o-Gum too.”

Pop nodded. “I suppose,” he said. “Sometimes it’s tempting to do wrong, because the right choice doesn’t seem to have as many benefits, at least not right away.” He suddenly spied a booth displaying an assortment of baseball cards. He led Isaiah over to the booth. “You see those cards?” he asked. He pointed to cards bearing pictures of Jackie Robinson, Willie Mays, and other great baseball players. “I had every one of those cards when I was your age. Some of them are worth hundreds of dollars now.”

“Why didn’t you keep ‘em, Pop?” Pop peered intently into Isaiah’s eyes. “I traded my whole card collection to Tyrone Harris. He had two tickets to the fair, and I wanted to go so bad, nothing else mattered to me. So my friend Sticks Benjamin and I went to the fair.”

“Wow,” Isaiah said. “Just think what your card collection would be worth now!” Pop rested a hand on Isaiah’s shoulder. “I was sorry almost as soon as I got home from the fair, because I knew I’d given away something worth a lot more to me than two fair tickets. It’s the same way when we do wrong, Son. The wrong choice may look real good right now, but in the long run, it’s worth a lot more to do the right thing. I hope you’ll always remember that.” “I’ll try, Pop,” Isaiah said.

“Now, how ’bout I go buy you a Wad-o-Gum for being so honest?” “All right!” Isaiah said.

**TO DISCUSS:** Think of a time when you were tempted to do wrong. What happened? If you didn’t give in, how did you feel? If you did give in to temptation, what do you know now that you wish you had known then?

**TO PRAY:** “Father God, sometimes the wrong choice does look good to us, which is why we’re so tempted at times. Help us always to remember that, in your own way and in your own time, you will reward us for making right choices.”

**Lighthouse Recap October**

Average Weekly Attendance (including Latins) = 761

Avg. Weekly Giving	Actual	Budget	+/-
October	\$21,061	\$17,500	+3,561

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