



Newsletter

3508 E. Temple Way, West Covina, CA 91791

Calendar

Next Sunday there will be a Kingdom Kids lunch & orientation for all new teachers at 11:30 AM

Regional Day of Fasting - Sept. 4 for the fall.

Midweek Schedule FamilyLife - Faith Groups Singles Impact, Teens & Campus Tuesday 7:30 PM

Sept. 7 Divorce Care - 9:30-11:30 am Children's Ministry Wing call Mike Aceves @ (323)440-9944 or Betsy Cisneros @ (626)715-3063

Sept 8 Sunday Services 9:30 AM & 5:30 PM Lesson Series - 'Follow'

September 17 Regional Midweek Service 7:30 PM

Nov. 8-10 Southwest Conference, Long Beach, CA (see details below)

Follow: 'Jesus Says'



Prayer Requests

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

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

Jamie Slobodnik - That his heart condition will normalize.

Lori Campbell - Health problems

Our Brothers & Sisters in the Middle East - Particularly in Egypt.

Mason - Annabel's nephew had brain surgery this week. Very critical condition.

Amira Angulo - Her health - recovery

Jesus says to pray. Jesus says not to look over there. Jesus says to be nice. Jesus says to get up early and read your Bible. Lots of people think Christianity is all about doing what Jesus says. But what if doing what Jesus says isn't what Jesus says to do at all? Regardless of what you believe. Regardless of how you behave. Jesus invites you to . . . follow him.

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/>



The next Grief Recovery orientation & class will begin Sept. 15 from 5:30 - 7:30 PM. It is a 7 week program to repair emotional baggage using a

group dynamic. If you are interested please call Michelle Hollinshed for more information at (323)459-9265

Discussion Questions:

Read Matthew 9:9-13

1. Talk about one of your favorite bosses, coaches, or teachers. What made it easy for you to follow that person?
2. Did you grow up in a church that emphasized doing what Jesus says over following him? Or if you didn't grow up going to church, did you assume that's what Christianity was all about? How has the "Jesus says" mindset affected your spiritual journey so far?
3. In the message, Javier said this about his own spiritual journey: "When I got better at doing what Jesus says, it didn't make me more like Jesus. In fact, it made me more judgmental." How does that statement align with your own spiritual journey or with your experiences interacting with Christians?
4. How is the idea that Jesus wants everyone to follow him regardless of what they believe or how they behave comforting? How is it challenging?
5. What are some things that make it difficult for you to follow Jesus?
6. What is one thing you can do this week to begin to follow Jesus or to follow him more closely? What can this group do to support you?

MOVING FORWARD

At the end of the day, the question isn't how far along on your spiritual journey you are, but whether you're following Jesus. Begin tomorrow morning with this prayer:
 "Lord, where you lead, I will follow."

CHANGING YOUR MIND

Then he called the crowd to him along with his disciples and said: "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me."
 Mark 8:34

Lighthouse Recap July

Average Weekly Attendance (including Latins) = 743
 Avg. Weekly Giving Actual Budget +/-
 July \$18,680 \$17,500 +1,180
 Special Missions \$168,000 (16k was raised via Fundraiser)

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