

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION

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10:45 AM

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Church of the
RESURRECTION
“Where People Come Alive!”

RIVERS of REVIVAL

Little springs of revival seem to be bubbling up by the Holy Spirit into little streams or tributaries that have the potential of being a mighty river of revival. As I pen these words, my family and I are on the threshold of a great river adventure. We'll be rafting the Colorado River from Phantom Ranch to Lake Meade. We're excited about this trip and I'm also excited about the rivers of revival coming to Christ's Church at Church of the Resurrection. The Colorado combines the placid waters of contemplation with the rapids cascading over boulders of opportunity. The energy one derives from the river is unforgettable and life-changing. Hold on to your seat. We have an adventure up ahead at Church of the Resurrection as we navigate the River of Revival.

Rivers and streams have a predictable appeal to the human imagination. They attract us. As a source of water they represent life-giving qualities. Their tranquil flow makes them an image of mystery and fascination. When in Psalm 46 the poet wants a tranquil contrast to the opening imagery of cataclysmic upheaval in nature, all he has to do is assert, "There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God" (Ps 46:4). The Christian Church has evocative hymns about God's people gathering at the river and about God's perfect love being like a glorious river. The more than 150 biblical references to rivers and streams provide beautiful imagery of life-giving divine-human encounters as God provides the "living water" for which God's children yearn.

Ezekiel 47 gives an inspiring vision of a river of revival and spiritual restoration issuing forth from under the Temple out into the hearts of the people. First ankle deep. Then knee deep. Then waist deep. And then a deep, deep river brings the restorative power of God's Spirit to the

people. What an image. What a mighty act of God. Our God wants to bring spiritual awakening and life-giving renewal to His people.

Historic revivals have usually begun in the heart and life of an unusual Christian leader or within a small group of committed Christians who gather to humble themselves, pray, repent of sin and who seek the Lord Jesus Christ and His righteousness.

Many of us have been praying for that kind of revival for some time. Our nation desperately needs such a manifestation of God's grace.

One of the great debates concerning revival is the place of God's sovereignty and our responsibility. There are those who believe that revivals are totally an act of God's sovereignty without any human responsibility. Others believe that God's Word clearly communicates principles of revival, and that He is simply waiting for His people to fulfill them in order for revival to take place. Many of us would admit that there is a wonderful mystery about revival in which both God's sovereignty and our obedience are very much involved. We are living in such a day.

By God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, our Lord has been moving in the hearts of hundreds and thousands of Christians in America to pray for revival. Let's join this Great Prayer Awakening. We are seeing encouraging signs of the stirring of the Holy Spirit in Flagstaff today. We'll be distributing *Prayers that Birth Revival* based on 2 Chronicles 7:14 "If my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven and will forgive their sin and will heal their land."

Praying for America is the truest form of patriotism. Let us humble ourselves and seek His best for our beloved country.



**Musical
Happenings**

Sunday, July 23rd
Bluegrass Sunday

Sunday, July 30th
Hymn & Praise Service

*Shout for joy to the Lord,
all the earth.*

*Worship the Lord with
gladness; come before
him with joyful songs.*

Psalm 100:1-2

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"The Band of Brothers"
MEN'S PRAYER GROUP

Saturday, July 22nd, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Come and enjoy a delicious breakfast and meaningful interaction on living the deeper Christian life. We are becoming men of prayer. The friendships are growing as we share from our lives. Always feel free to invite a friend.

Prayer Shawl Ministry Gathering
Saturday, July 22nd, 9:00 - 10:30 a.m. in the Upper Room

Breakfast included - complements of our gracious Band of Brothers! Everyone is welcome, whether you are a crafter or not. We can also teach you, if you would like to learn how to knit or crochet. Our handcrafted items are an expression of God's love for the sick and those who need extra comfort during life's highs and lows.

New Sermon Series for July "Pray the Price to Make America Truly Great"

We love our country and most of us aspire to true patriotism. God's Word teaches a love for God and Country which calls us to become a people of prayer. During July we will be discovering how God has been at work in American history and how He will act in our behalf in the future as we trust Him and humble ourselves to seek His will for America. During the Civil War a group of clergymen sought a meeting with President Lincoln. They said to the President, "Mr. President, isn't great that God is on our side?" Lincoln responded, "It is more important to me that we are on God's side!" Together, let's seek the face of God (Psalm 27:8) in this month of celebrating our freedom and destiny as a people. Our new series will look like the following:

Sunday, July 2nd - "The American Miracle"
based on Psalm 27 and Galatians 5:1

(Celebrating the Lord's Supper and Unfurling the Flag/
Singing God Bless America)

Sunday, July 9th - "Streams of Living Water"
based on John 7:37-44

(Call to Prayer and Distribution of
Prayers that Birth Revival)

Sunday, July 16th - "Rivers of Revival"
based on Ezekiel 47:1-12

(Prayers for Healing and Wholeness)

Sunday, July 23rd - "A Defining Moment"
based on Joshua 3

(Receiving New Members into our COR Church Family)

Sunday, July 30th - "Music Sunday"
(Celebrating Our Faith through Song and Story)

We are praying that a *spirit of invitation* would permeate our congregation. Invite your friends and neighbors to join you for worship and prayer. May our love for our neighbors grow to the point at which they discover the redeeming love of the Lord.

Spiritual Gifts Discovery Workshop Thursday Evening, July 20th, at 6:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Each participant will be invited to take a Spiritual Gifts Discovery Questionnaire. Then we'll explore the opportunities at Church of the Resurrection to develop and use your spiritual gift mix for the glory of God. This represents a breakthrough for many Christians as they start intentionally employing their God-given gifts. We'll be using a wonderful tool which elucidates 23 spiritual gifts. Also, our personality type will help us find our ministries. Sign up for this discovery workshop using the Ministry Board in the Fellowship Hall or call the Church Office at 928.699.2715.

New Study Group Forming "Resolving Everyday Conflict" BIBLICAL ANSWERS FOR A COMMON PROBLEM Tuesday Evenings 6:30-8:30 p.m., Fellowship Hall Starting Tuesday July 11th

Our own Mark Ford will be facilitating this exciting new discovery group. Mark has had extensive training and consulting experience with PeaceMaker Ministries. Sign up today on the Ministry Board in the Fellowship Hall. You'll be glad you did. "Blessed are the peacemakers for they shall be called the sons and daughters of God." (Matthew 5:9). Join with Mark in this dynamic series in practical Christian living:

Tuesday, July 11th - "Facing the Flames of Conflict" &
"A New Way of Thinking"

Tuesday, July 18th - "Go to Higher Ground" &
"Get Real About Yourself"

Tuesday, July 25th - "Accepting Responsibility" &
"Gently Engage Others"

Tuesday, August 1st - "Get Together on Lasting Solutions"
& "Overcome Evil with Good"

LIFE Explored Wednesday Evenings at 6:30 p.m. in the Homes of Our People

We are having a great time exploring the character of God and purpose for living. Each evening begins with a lite supper and great table fellowship. Then we view a provocative film clip followed by purposeful discussion. Then, we see a more in-depth film clip and discuss Scripture passages connected to the evening's theme. In July we will focus on the following themes:

July 5th - "The LIBERATING God"
at the Fremont House

July 12th - "The FULFILLING God" (TBD)

July 19th - "The LIFE-GIVING God" (TBD)

July 26th - "The JOYFUL God" (TBD)

You Are Invited to Our FOREST HIGHLANDS HOME BIBLE STUDY

Thursday Evenings in July, 13th and 27th,
6:30 p.m. at Lu and Fae Warner's Home,
3114 Bear Howard

We're studying the New Testament book of Hebrews building a bridge between Judaism and Christianity. The theme for Hebrews is "The Supremacy of Christ". Come and enjoy rich fellowship and an inductive/discussion approach to



Bible study. Enjoy the hospitality of heart and home so beautifully demonstrated by the Warners. We're going deeper in our faith in Christ. Come and join with us.



NEW TESTAMENT STUDIES The BETHEL BIBLE SERIES Beginning Thursday, August 10th from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. The Fellowship Hall

Our Bethel Bible Series class has completed their twenty weeks of study in the Old Testament and now invite **you** to join them in twenty weeks of the New Testament. The Bethel Bible Series teaches concepts using beautiful teaching pictures as mnemonic devices to help us remember the basics of biblical truth. The corresponding narrative helps you go deeper and discover the bridges of relevance between understanding the biblical world of the Bible and then applying the truths in our contemporary world. Those who study using this Bethel discipline for the New Testament will complete at the end of 2017. The cost of the curriculum will be passed on to the students. Sign up today! Don't miss this golden opportunity to become well-versed in biblical truth.

Coming in September The Mosaic Course Study Seven World Religions from a Christian Perspective

If we are to effectively communicate the Christian faith to persons embracing other faith, then we need to understand their religious views and their understanding of the Person and Work of Jesus Christ. This new course will break new ground. Let's study to ably defend the Christian faith (1 Peter 3:15). More details to follow in the coming weeks.

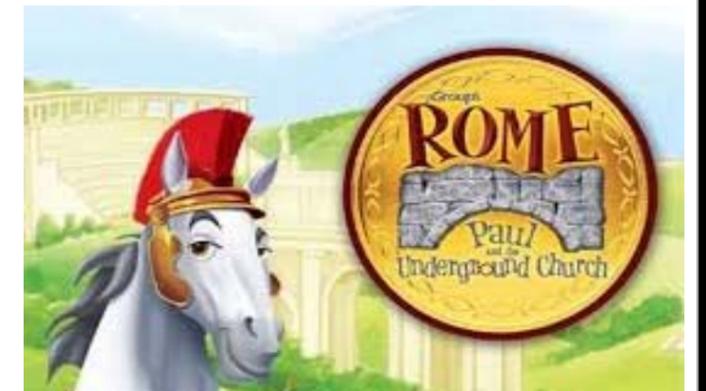
The Truth Project Adult Small Group Study Thursdays 6:30-8:30PM

We're wrapping up our study on July 25th! This study has been a thought-provoking and engaging way to consider the major claims of the Bible over against prevailing cultural opinions and to grow in

our faith together. Thank you to Bill and Dorane King for their hospitality in hosting this group in their home the past few months!

Youth & Family Group Every Wednesday, 5:30-8:00 PM In The Fellowship Hall

Summer time is officially here and the Youth & Family group is having a blast! Don't you want to join in? Youth & Family Group is for everyone grades 6-12 and their families, and 5th grade graduates are invited to participate! It's a wonderful time of a shared meal and fellowship, Bible study, prayer, and worship. Be a part of our group as we dig into God's Word and share a great time together.



Rome VBS is Almost Here! July 31-August 4 9:00AM-12:00PM

Register your kids on weekdays from 9-12 in the front office! Also, we still need volunteers who are excited to be a part of God's work in the lives of children in our church and community. Be part of a first century Roman experience where kids can learn about the love of Jesus and have a great time singing God's praise, growing in faith, and experiencing a real life Roman Marketplace! If you have any questions, talk with Pastor Wes (760) 715-3896.

The COR College Group Alternating Sunday Evenings 6:00-8:00PM

Join us on July 10th and 25th for dinner, book study and fellowship. If you are college age, you are invited to come hang out at Pastor Wes and Julia's house for a good time sharing a meal, discussing our faith and digging into what knowing Christ means for our lives. We would love to see you there! Call Pastor Wes to RSVP, phone # (760) 715-3896.