

MINISTER'S MESSAGE

Spiritual growth is like physical growth! It takes time. There is effort involved, sometimes grueling effort! Many times "progress" seems a million miles away. It seems to take forever and occur in fits and starts, when it occurs at all. We have to step back and ponder to see if it is even happening at all! But we do grow physically. And I pray we are growing spiritually too!

Some of our growth hinges on us. Physically, it is no mystery in how it happens--it just takes doing some basic things and being patient! We must eat and rest, and eat some more (more wisely, hopefully!), get more rest, take care of ourselves, exercise, and etc. We know the drill! Spiritually, same thing. No mystery--doing it is the rub! Praying. Reading our Bibles. Praying and reading some more. Serving. Worshiping. Being patient, and faithful! Yes, of course, God does His part (just like He does with our physical bodies too!). His part is huge! And yet...He asks us to do our parts, too.

Praying intensely and in a focused way, even adding fasting to it, is a deep and powerful way we can grow spiritually. If you've never tried it, I encourage you to do so! I am asking our whole congregation to set aside every Monday from now till Easter week to fast and pray! Pray for your families, of course. Pray for your own personal

needs. (Confession of sin and thanksgiving for all God's blessings are always a part of prayer!) Pray for the needs of the World. But pray too for LCC! For God's guidance, grace, and power to be upon us! Pray for us to hear His voice. Be still and wait as you pray. Remember when you fast to not complain or brag about it; Jesus doesn't like it when we do that (check out Matthew 6:16-18!).

Our Sanctuary will be open for prayer on Mondays from 7-8 pm if you'd like to join us there. Thanks for your prayers! My love and prayers to all of you--

Tony



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SERMON SERIES

“Jesus Came to Serve” A Series from the Gospel of Mark

For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many. -Mark 10:45

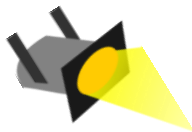
- March 1: “A Cross for Him and Me”,
Mark 8:27-38
- March 8: “The Faith that is Enough”,
Mark 9:14-29
- March 15: ”The Danger of Merely Looking
Good”, Mark 11:12-25
- March 22: “A Meal We Must Learn to Eat”,
Mark 14:12-26 Josh Cox,
preaching
- March 29: “Forsaken, For Us”,
Mark 15:33-39

Wednesday Menu

MARCH

- 4 Tacos
11 Roast Pork
18 Spaghetti
25 Hamburgers & Hot Dogs

Missions Spotlight



 **JESUS PLACE**
Inner City Mission

LCC has a new mission! Jesus Place Inner City Mission is located downtown at: 1076 Longley Ave. NW, Atlanta GA 30318. Their mission is to promote Christ and His Church in the City through evangelism, discipleship and a variety of outreach programs. Since 1970, Jesus Place Inner City Mission has ministered to families in poverty and the homeless.

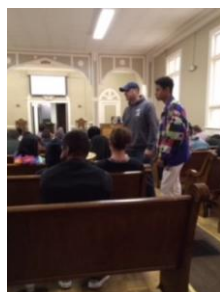
They offer several ministries that include:

- **Homeless Outreach-** Each Sunday, homeless people, many coming from the county shelter and the county jail, attend worship service and Bible study in NW Atlanta.
- **Fish House Recovery Program:** a 6-12 month program designed to encourage, equip and disciple homeless men with the goals of achieving quality employment, housing and restoration to family and active membership to a local church body. Their motto is “Fishing for Men, Equipping Men to Fish”.
- **Tri-Cities Food Cooperative Program:** In collaboration with Tri-Cities Church, Fulton Co. Schools social workers and the Atlanta Community Food Bank, Jesus Place offers a food security ministry weekly.
- **Camp Christy:** Inner-city kids are taken to North Georgia for a week of impacting teaching and activities in God’s creation. Camp Christy is named in memory of John’s sister, Jesus Place’s #1 volunteer who passed away in May 2004. Christy was an elementary school teacher and well respected by her colleagues and students. Sidewalk Bible School: They are willing as opportunities present, to partner with churches who agree to do a follow up work in doing outdoor Bible schools in needy areas throughout the city.
- **Internships:** Jesus Place invites Juniors and Seniors in college, as well as adults to participate in Summer, 8-12week, or year-long internships. Their goal is to expose and equip interns for future work in America’s cities. Due to current financial challenges, interns must raise 100% of their living expenses/stipend.

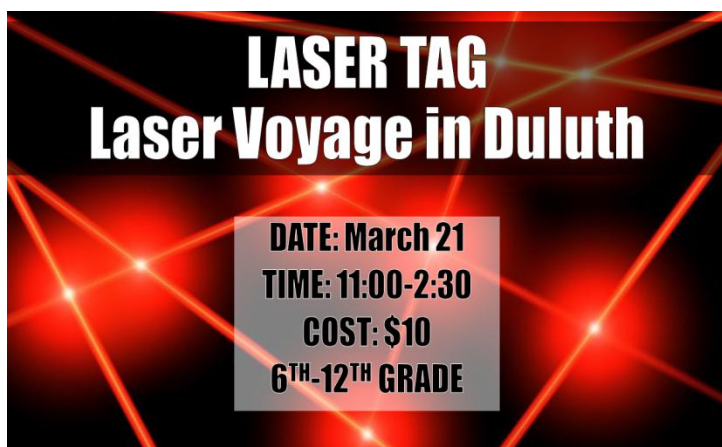
Please pray for our new partnership and the opportunity to serve those less fortunate in our community.



Recently, our church adopted JESUS PLACE (a homeless ministry in Atlanta) as one of our missions. On Feb. 16, Mosaic took a group of 25 students and 5 adults (THANKS ALEX ALEMAN, PAM STRAUGHAN, AND AUSTIN & FIORELLA MORGAN FOR YOUR HELP) to worship with and serve this congregation. In teaching on love, Doug (one of Jesus Place's ministers) reminded us that "there's always someone who has it worse than you;" but we were also reminded that there is but ONE body of Christ, and we all share in it together, regardless of our standing in this world. Below, you'll find a few pics from our trip. // Our big event in March is Laser Tag on the 21st. We'll meet at the church at 11am and return around 2:30 pm. If you need help with the \$10 (which includes lunch), let me know! // Also, don't forget to register for camp at www.christiancamp.net. I'm taking middle schoolers to Teener 1 and high schoolers to Senior 2! // As always, keep me informed of your kids' upcoming concerts, games, etc.. And remember, I'm here for you! Thanks! - Josh



Our next Wendy's Wednesday is March 11!
Our adult leaders will transport students to Wendy's at 7:30. Parents may pick up students at Wendy's by 8:25 or at the church after 8:30. If possible, send a little money with your student. (Regardless, we'll make sure everyone gets something.)

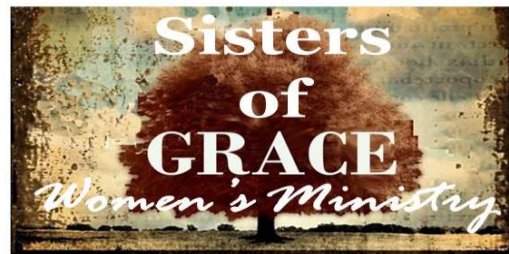




Upcoming Rehearsals & Programs



March 1	CTO Practice
March 15	CTO Practice
March 29	CTO Practice
April 5	Easter Program
April 12	Easter Service



The Sisters of Grace Leadership Team will be meeting soon to discuss our activities for this year, so watch for more information as it is finalized.

If you are interested in the Women's Ministries, or even if you're just curious, call:

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Children's Ministry of Lilburn Christian Church

February Recap

We had a parent's night out on February 15th. About 5 couples took the opportunity to go out and celebrate Valentine's Day, while 17 kids came to the church for food, games and a movie! We hope the parent's enjoyed their night out and look forward to the next Parent's night out in September.

Sundays and Wednesdays in the KUC

Our preschool to 2nd grade Sunday School class will continue learning Bible Basics. The children are learning the books of the bibles and doing a review of each book. For our Wednesday night and Sunday Worship hour, the preschool/Kindergarten class and the 1st /2nd grade classes will continue going through bible. Our Later Elementary Class (3rd to 5th grade) are focusing on having a relationship with God.

Memory Verses for March:

Preschool/Kindergarten: *"The Lord your God is with you, the Mighty Warrior who saves."* -**Zephaniah 3:17a**

1st/2nd grade: *"Let us then approach God's throne of grace with confidence, so that we may receive mercy and find grace to help us in our time of need."* -**Hebrews 4:16**

3rd to 5th: A new memory verse is given each week. Check with children to see if they know it!!

Parents, we hope that you will encourage your children to memorize scripture. To help incentivize, we will begin quarterly drawings for each age group. Each week your child can be entered into a drawing up to four times (one for reciting the verse, one for being here (preschool to 2nd graders only), one for bringing their bibles, and one for bringing a friend). We also encourage children to bring their bible every week, especially the 3rd to 5th grade class. If your child is in need of a bible, please see Allison.

Upcoming Events:

March 6th-7th: Heaven on Earth Retreat. Cost: \$20

April 11th: Easter Eggstravagansa (10 AM to noon)

May 31- June 3rd: Vacation Bible School

June 18-20: Beginner 1 Camp @ NGCC with Ashley Cox (2nd to 4th grade)- Cost-\$80*

July 5-9: Middler 3 Camp @ NGCC (3rd to 5th graders)- Cost-\$190*

*To save with early bird pricing, register now at www.christiancamp.net . We want everyone to be able to participate regardless of cost. Please see Allison if you need assistance.





MARCH

- ☐ 1. Job 17-18
- ☐ 2. Isaiah 45-50
- ☐ 3. Matthew 23-25
- ☐ 4. 1 Corinthians 1-2
- ☐ 5. Genesis 36-39
- ☐ 6. Ruth
- ☐ 7. Psalms 27-29
- ☐ 8. Job 19-20
- ☐ 9. Isaiah 51-55
- ☐ 10. Matthew 26-28
- ☐ 11. 1 Corinthians 3-4
- ☐ 12. Genesis 40-43
- ☐ 13. 1 Samuel 1-5
- ☐ 14. Psalms 30-32
- ☐ 15. Job 21-22
- ☐ 16. Isaiah 56-61
- ☐ 17. Mark 1-2
- ☐ 18. 1 Corinthians 5-6
- ☐ 19. Genesis 44-47
- ☐ 20. 1 Samuel 6-10
- ☐ 21. Psalms 33-35
- ☐ 22. Job 23-24
- ☐ 23. Isaiah 62-66
- ☐ 24. Mark 3-4
- ☐ 25. 1 Corinthians 7-8
- ☐ 26. Genesis 48-50
- ☐ 27. 1 Samuel 11-15
- ☐ 28. Psalms 36-38
- ☐ 29. Job 25-26
- ☐ 30. Jeremiah 1-6
- ☐ 31. Mark 5-6



APRIL

- ☐ 1. 1 Corinthians 9-10
- ☐ 2. Exodus 1-4
- ☐ 3. 1 Samuel 16-20
- ☐ 4. Psalms 39-41
- ☐ 5. Job 27-28
- ☐ 6. Jeremiah 7-11
- ☐ 7. Mark 7-8
- ☐ 8. 1 Corinthians 11-12
- ☐ 9. Exodus 5-8
- ☐ 10. 1 Samuel 21-25
- ☐ 11. Psalms 42-44
- ☐ 12. Job 29-30
- ☐ 13. Jeremiah 12-16
- ☐ 14. Mark 9-10
- ☐ 15. 1 Corinthians 13-14
- ☐ 16. Exodus 9-12
- ☐ 17. 1 Samuel 26-31
- ☐ 18. Psalms 45-47
- ☐ 19. Job 31-32
- ☐ 20. Jeremiah 17-21
- ☐ 21. Mark 11-12
- ☐ 22. 1 Corinthians 15-16
- ☐ 23. Exodus 13-16
- ☐ 24. II Samuel 1-4
- ☐ 25. Psalms 48-50
- ☐ 26. Job 33-34
- ☐ 27. Jeremiah 22-26
- ☐ 28. Mark 13-14
- ☐ 29. II Corinthians 1-3
- ☐ 30. Exodus 17-20

HEAT. AND Sweets

Our annual chili cook-off, renamed 'Heats & Sweets!', was a heat wave of success. Our best guess was about 100 in attendance. We had 16 assorted pots of chili - from youth created to blazing hot and everything in-between. Many people sampled the various chili recipes and voted on their favorites in 3 categories. We had several folks coming back around the serving table to re-identify which ones they tasted! After the votes were tallied, Faith Alewine announced the winners. In the Youth category, the Cox children (Jenson, Memphis and Judson) took the prize as a family. In the Hottest category, Jasmine Coleman and Lee Samples were a fiery couple. The remaining chili's were judged as a group and Carrie Aleman won Best Overall. The winners of the 3 categories received \$25 gift cards to...wait for it...Chili's!!

There were many games set up in the Family Life Center for everyone to enjoy. Children and adults played card games, board games, and dice games including Candy Lane, Sorry, Uno, Phase 10, Trouble, Go Fish, Battleship, Old Maid, Crazy Eights, Checkers, Chess and many more. There was also a Photo Booth for everyone to capture some special moments. Our thanks to Faith Alewine and her helpers for creating such a wonderful family event.



Prayer Requests

Bob Collier
Jim Gurr
Jamila Coleman
Jasmine Coleman
Barbara Johnson
Diane Shelton
Betty Hubbard
Sandra Amrhein
Gensie McDonald
Teresa Herring
Scott Phillips
Jason Newman
Marcia Heinz
Glenda Middleton
Wayne Starling
Robert Humphrey

Augustus & Mary Lakpor
Jeff Truitt
Cathy Wade
Jeff Denney
Janet Curtiss
Annie Zirkle
Shirley Blair
Steve Simon
Phillip Sudduth
Terri Randall
Sharon Keyes & Family
Jamie Renshaw & Family
Pat Ferguson & Family
Debbie Harris & Family
Debra Adkins

If any of these listed on our prayer list need to be taken off, please contact the church office. We appreciate your help.

Every Week

Sunday:

9:30 am Sunday School Classes, Bell Choir Practice

10:15 am Coffee & Fellowship

10:45 am Worship Service

Monday:

7:00 pm Men's Bible Study

Tuesday:

9:45 am Ladies Bible Study

Wednesday:

6:30 pm KUC, Youth, Choir, Tech & Orchestra

7:00 pm Adult Bible Study

Thursday:

7:30 pm Five Forks AA Meeting in Chapel

Friday:

7:30 pm Five Forks AA Meeting in Chapel



Prayer Beepers:

We currently have 1 prayer beeper out. We have updated the messages as follows:

Jamila Coleman - prayer beeper number is 770-929-5157

Here is the message you will hear – Hello, you have reached the prayer beeper for Jamila Coleman. Please pray for improved circulation and complete healing in her right leg. Also, she has a follow-up appointment with the plastic surgeon in January. Thank you for your prayers on Jamila's behalf. Please press 1 and the # sign. Your prayer beeper will be sent to her. Thank you.

UPCOMING EVENTS

March

- 1 Spanish Breakfast at 10:15 am; CTO practice, 1:00 – 2:30 pm
- 6-7 KUC Heaven on Earth Retreat in FLC & Chapel
- 8 Bell Choir Performance during Worship Service; Glory Gal's Luncheon in Chapel
- 11 Mosiac's Wendy's Wednesday
- 15 CTO practice, 1:00 – 2:30 pm
- 21 Church wide Work Day 9:00 am – Noon; Mosiac – Laser Tag 11 am – 2:30 pm
- 24 Primary Election
- 29 CTO practice, 1:00 – 2:30 pm
- 30 Begins Spring Break

April

- 3 Spring Break Ends
- 5 Easter Program
- 8 Mosiac's Wendy's Wednesday
- 9 Disciples Service at 7:00 pm
- 11 Easter Egg Event
- 12 Easter Breakfast @ 9:15 am; Worship @ 10:30 am; Directory Photos
- 19 Directory Photos
- 24 Gwinnett College Graduation
- 24 Mosiac Leadership Retreat/Service Project @ NGCC
- 28 Berkmar Awards Ceremony

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