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MINISTER'S MESSAGE

A group of high schoolers was supposed to be working on a research paper, but the teacher suspected one boy wasn't doing much work. Sure enough, on the due date, he lamely said, "My dog ate it"! The teacher glared at him like she wasn't buying it, but he stayed with it: "It's true. I had to force him to, but he ate it!" Excuses!

Well, I'd come to church, but there's a pandemic! I can't tell people any good news, I'm wearing a mask! I'd come help you, but, you know, social distancing! And so on. This coronavirus business could make us all more selfish. More disconnected from others. Perhaps even more disconnected from God!

Now that would be a tragedy, wouldn't it? It takes a little extra these days. Getting up a bit earlier to get into the Word. An extra call or text to stay up to date with friends and family. Extra thought and planning to do something kind for someone else.

Fortunately, God is always available! We need make no excuses about talking with Him. He doesn't require a certain amount of it; no,

it's more like we need it! We miss it when we don't get enough! Jesus said, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never go hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty", John 6:35. More, He told us He was always available: "Let anyone who is thirsty come to me and drink", John 7:37.

I don't know about you, but I get hungry and thirsty kind of often! I don't miss too many meals. Whatever we're having, I'm apt to say, "Good! That's my favorite!" I get just as spiritually hungry, too. We're taught that God's Words are "more precious than gold, than much pure gold; they are sweeter than honey, than honey from the honeycomb", Psalm 19:10.

I don't know about you, but I plan to take advantage of that! No excuses.

Thanks for your prayers for LCC! I look forward to worshiping with you, either In person or Online, this Sunday! Love to all--

Tony

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SERMON SERIES

Sunday Morning Message Series "The Wounds of God", Isaiah 53:2-7

Sept. 6 "A Jesus Sighting", Matthew 9:35-38

(Josh Cox preaching)

Sep 13: "My Substitute", 2 Corinthians 5:14-

15, 21

Sep 20: "My Lamb", John 1:29

Sep 27: "My Offense", 1 John 2:1-2; 4:10



- Sunday School: 9:30 am for Adults & Teens

- Sunday Worship: 10:45 am

Online Services:

- Sunday Worship: 10:45 am

- Wednesday Night Music and a Message:

7:00 pm.

Wednesday Menu

Suspended Temporarily

Wednesday Night Messages "Road Trip"

Aug 26: "Launching Pad", Acts 13:1-4

Sep 2: "A Meeting with the Devil",

Acts 13:4-12

Sep 9: "Not Everyone Wants to Hear

Good News", Acts 13:14-15,

48-50

Sep 16: "When Miracles Are Not

Enough", Acts 14:1-7

Sep 23: "Not Dead Yet", Acts 14:8-20

Sep 30: "Success, At Last!", Acts 14:20-28



en Vivo Salamanca



There have been a few changes over the past several months at en Vivo in Spain. Cody Spencer (tall guy on back row) who was the campus leader has left and is moving to Germany. He notified us early in the year of his plans and has been in constant communication with the missions team. His replacement is Chris Hylton (far left back row & his wife Lisa in front). Chris worked at en Vivo several years ago and now lives in Spain with his wife.

Chris has already reached out and appreciates our continued support of his ministry and providing updates. The mission team agreed to continued to supporting Chris in his ministry until the end of the year, and as with all our missions, we will evaluate continued support for the next year when we do the budget. We're excited to see Chris assume responsibility for this ministry at en Vivo and happy that he's there!

We're going to miss Cody. As many may know several of the missions team and others made a trip to Spain and spent several days working at en Vivo and meeting the students, so we got to know Cody pretty well. We wish him all the best and looking forward to getting to know Chris and his wife and pray God's blessings on him as he beings his ministry at en Vivo!

Many thanks to all who brought yard sale items, diapers, food, school supplies, etc., and to those who volunteered to sort, set up and clean up for our Free Yard Sale. It was a huge success.





































I'd like to say THANK YOU to everyone who participated in thesurvey I created last month. You were asked questions such as:

Has your child spent more time with God or less time with God during quarantine? Would your child benefit from a virtual youth group experience? If so, would you encourage your child to participate? If yes, which evenings work best for you?

Based on your responses, Mosaic is excited to announce "CHALLENGES WITH CHALLENGES!" Every Wednesday evening from 7:00-8:00 PM, we welcome your 6th-12th graders to join us on Zoom for this alternative youth group experience! One of the most challenging obstacles I've encountered with small groups on Zoom is finding a way to keep students engaged and committed. I hope "CHALLENGES WITH CHALLENGES" will be a creative solution. Each week, I will

teach a lesson, giving them a *spiritual challenge*. At the beginning, I will also present students with some sort *physical challenge* to attempt during the lesson. I hope this time will be both fun and meaningful, engaging and encouraging!

We also encourage your students to join us for Sunday School. We're back to meeting in-person (in the lower chapel), but we will continue to offer Zoom as a way for students to participate if they are unable to be physically present. Sunday School will begin at 9:30 (the Zoom meeting will begin at 9:45). We will practice social distancing, provide hand sanitizer, and encourage mask wearing.

If there is anything I can do for you or your family, I am here for you. I've been praying for you, especially now that students have returned to school in some fashion. Also, if your middle and high schoolers are involved in any activities (band concerts, football games, etc.), I'd love to come support them— if that's an option. Please let me know! Thank you for loving our students and supporting our ministry! - Josh joshuarcox@gmail.com // 706-499-9773





Last month, we decided it was not yet safe for our children to return to the KUC classrooms. I heard from many parents that they were not ready to drop their children off in the KUC. Now that school is back in session, we are planning to re-evaluate. I will be sending out a survey soon to ask parents about their comfortability bringing their children to KUC services and activities, as well alternate options for meeting together (e.g. via zoom). Last Sunday, we did start a Family Sunday School in the FLC, and we will continue with that. If you were not able to make it, we hope to see you this month. See below for more information.

We also want to encourage families to attend in person worship when they are ready. Don't let the fact that we don't have separate children's services discourage you from coming. We will even have some sermon notes pages for kids with clipboards to help follow along during the service. We love seeing families worship together!

Please let me know if there is anything we can do for you. We will continue to pray for our families and your children!



Partnering with parents to nurture faith in our children and in our homes.

On August 30th, we began offering Family Sunday School – a new Sunday School class for parents and their children to worship and learn together! We have family activities, a lesson, worship, challenges and prizes and more! We hope and pray that all families with children will join us from 9:30-10:30 am in the FLC. We hope this will be a great opportunity for us to partner with parents to nurture faith in our children and in our homes.

*Each family will have their own table, and we will practice social distancing and safe practices to prevent the spread of COVID.

*Please note this is a Family Sunday School class and that parents are required to attend with their children. At this time, we will not be allowing parents to drop their children off. It will be a great experience for both the parents and the children.

Please be in prayer for this special opportunity!





SEPTEMBER

- □ 1. John 10-12
- □ 2. 11 Timothy 1-2
- □ 3. Numbers 13-16
- □ 4. 1 Chronicles 20-24
- □ 5. Psalms 105-107
- □ 6. Proverbs 22
- □ 7. Joel
- □ 8. John 13-15
- □ 9. 11 Timothy 3-4
- □ 10. Numbers 17-20
- □ 11. 1 Chronicles 25-29
- □ 12. Psalms 108-110
- □ 13. Proverbs 23-24
- □ 14. Amos 1-4
- □ 15. John 16-18
- □ 16. Titus
- □ 17. Numbers21-24
- □ 18. 11 Chronicles 1-5
- □ 19. Psalms 111-113
- \square 20. Proverbs 25
- □ 21. Amos 5-9
- □ 22. John 19-21
- □ 23. Philemon
- □ 24. Numbers 25-28
- □ 25. 11 Chronicles 6-10
- □ 26. Psalms 114-116
- □ 27. Proverbs 26-27
- □ 28. Obadiah
- □ 29. Acts 1-2
- □ 30. Hebrews 1-4

READ THE BIBLE IN THE NEW YEAR!

OCTOBER

- □ 1. Numbers 29-32
- □ 2. II Chronicles 11-15
- □ 3. Psalms 117-118
- □ 4. Proverbs 28
- \Box 5. Jonah
- □ 6. Acts 3-4
- □ 7. Hebrews 5-7
- □ 8. Numbers 33-36
- □ 9. II Chronicles 16-20
- □ 10. Psalms 119
- □ 11. Proverbs 29-30
- □ 12. Micah
- □ 13. Acts 5-6
- □ 14. Hebrews 8-10
- □ 15. Deuteronomy 1-3
- □ 16. II Chronicles 21-24
- □ 17. Psalms 120-121
- □ 18. Proverbs 31
- □ 19. Nahum
- □ 20. Acts 7-8
- □ 21. Hebrews 11-13
- □ 22. Deuteronomy 4-6
- □ 23. II Chronicles 25-28
- □ 24. Psalms 122-124
- □ 25. Ecclesiastes 1-2
- □ 26. Habakkuk
- □ 27. Acts 9-10
- □ 28. James 1-3
- □ 29. Deuteronomy 7-9
- □ 30. II Chronicles 29-32
- □ 31. Psalms 125-127



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

Who does the Hallelujah Chorus with 7 voices, and make it sound like a fully loaded professional choir?? Lilburn Christian Church does, and they did it very well! What an amazing way to start the morning, the week, and our series on Revelation! Well done LCC!





LCC Prayer Wall

We appreciate all of our prayer warriors who used the prayer beepers in the past. Since we have access to newer technology, we encourage you to use the Prayer Wall available on our website. To submit a prayer request, just click on the Create prayer request button. After you enter your information about the prayer request, you have the option to choose how you want the prayer request shared (Public Visibility}, as well as anonymity. Please take a moment to read the existing prayer requests and respond by clicking on the 'Praying Hands' icon. There is also an option to share the prayer request or email the person who submitted it.





On August 2nd, we recognized our 2020 high school and college graduates! Four of the nine were even able to join us in person! We want all of our graduates to know we are proud of them, we are praying for them, and we are here for them!



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