

Family Life

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On the Road with Jesus: Resurrection, Witnessing and Waiting Luke 24:36-49 - Acts 1:3-5

Luke is in a hurry to end his Gospel account so he wraps things up fast leaving us with just one meal after the resurrection. This meal takes place immediately after Cleopas and his traveling companion return from Emmaus. They had traveled all day with a stranger who turned out in the end to actually be the resurrected LORD Jesus Christ. Cleopas and his friend leave Emmaus immediately and return to Jerusalem. They find the 11 Apostles to share what had just happened to them. As they are all talking, the LORD Jesus Christ appears in their midst. (Luke 24:13-36)

The 11 and those with them are troubled, full of doubt, full of joy and amazed! Can this really be Jesus returned or it is a ghost? Jesus makes a very strong point to show them that he is not a ghost or an illusion but that he is an actual physical person. To do this he has them touch him and see his wounded hands and feet (Luke 24.39). Then he eats some fish in their presence (Luke 24.41). He is not a ghost. He is not an illusion. This is not a body double or a pretender. This is not a counterfeit resurrection or tall tale but the real thing! Jesus is physically resurrected. The raised body is the same body that died. It bears the scars of the death he went thru!

After they touched him. *After* they saw his hands and feet. *After* they watched him eat. He reminds them that he had been telling about this the whole time (Luke 24.44). He tells them that all this was to fulfill what was written about him in the Law of Moses, the Prophets and the Psalms (Luke 24.44). The suffering, death and resurrection of the Christ/Messiah was not something new but part of God's plan the entire time.

At the end of this visit, Jesus does something interesting. First, He opens their mind so they can understand the Scriptures (Luke 24.45). Then he tells them that they will be witnesses and will go to preach repentance and forgiveness (Luke 24.46-47). Finally he tells them to wait (Luke 24.48). Instead of sending them out immediately to bear witness, He tells them that to wait till they are clothed with power from on high (Luke 24.49). They are waiting for

the Holy Spirit. They cannot be witnesses without God's power. They cannot preach without God's power. They must wait for the Holy Spirit to come and give them the power, courage and strength they need to be witnesses.

We are witnesses of Jesus too. Each of us has read the gospels, or been in a class about one of them, or listened to Mike preach out of Matthew. Thru all this we become witnesses too. We also have a commission to preach but we need the Holy Spirit to give us the strength, courage and power to be witnesses. We are witnesses to the life, death and resurrection of our LORD Jesus Christ!

GRACE + PEACE
John B. J.



**REPENTANCE &
FORGIVENESS
.....of SINS
will be PREACHED
in his NAME
to all nations...**

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Trip to the Nationals Faith Day, Sept. 6

The **Washington Nationals'** annual Faith Day is set for Sept. 6, and the team is offering specially discounted tickets for Christians. A FREE postgame concert featuring Lincoln Brewster and testimonials by Nationals player Adam LaRoche will be a special highlight.

The game will feature the Phillies against the Nats, and will start at 4:05 pm.

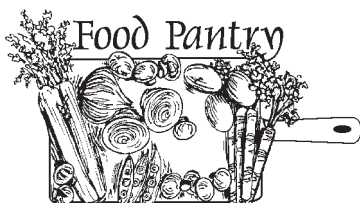
See the flyer on the bulletin board and/or contact **Mary Ann Kincaid** if you'd like to join a group of Falls Church members.



Adult Class Advisory Group to Meet Today



The **Adult Class Advisory Commttee** will meet next today in R. 120 (Elders Conference Room/Library) immediately following the morning assembly. Lunch will be provided. **John Waterston**, deacon for adult education, urges all members to attend.



The Food Pantry Needs Food - REALLY

The **Food Pantry** organizers **REALLY** do need selected items to restock the Food Pantry and hopefully to last until the Fall Food Harvest.

Keeping in mind that the next Harvest Festival won't take place until the end of November, you are urged to bring in the following:

Canned Fruit - **no sugar added**

Jellies - **no sugar added**

Cereals - **no sugar added**

Vegetables - **low sodium**

Soups - **low sodium**

Vegetable Oil

INSTANT Corn Flour (notice the **instant** part - one brand is Maseca)

Tortimasa

Milk that can be stored on the shelf;
individual units preferred

Crackers

Peanut Butter - **SMALL** size

Canned meats such as tuna, chicken, vienna sausages

[Please note that some of the items above - with no sugar added or low sodium, are part of an effort to provide healthier choices for our clients.]

Two of our Elders are available after the morning assembly, in room 221 on the main level, to meet with anyone who would like prayer for special concerns.

Congregational Prayer Request for the week of August 24:

Pray for all of our students who are returning to school that they will have a successful year and that the love of God and the name of Jesus will be exhibited in their daily lives.

Wednesday Night Speakers For 3rd Quarter 2014

August 27 – John Waterston – Jesus as an Enabler

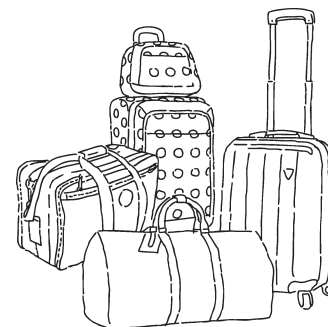
September 3 – Barry Bryson – Jesus and the Opposite Sex

September 10 – Josh Ray (Springfield)

September 17 – Kurt Norton – Jesus and Ministry Interruptions

September 24 – Clayton Tune – Jesus as a Teacher

Trip Notice



It's Not Too Late to Join the Congregational Retreat in Williamsburg Sept. 19-21

Space is still available for last-minute registrations - until September 7 - for the **Falls Church Congregational Retreat** scheduled for Sept. 19-21 at the Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center.

The center is about 140 miles (usually about 2 1/2 hours) from Falls Church. It is less than 20 miles from Colonial Williamsburg, the restored city which served as the capital of Virginia in Colonial America.

The theme this year is "One Another: Love, Serve, Teach, Encourage." Since the emphasis will be on this congregation, the speakers will be members here instead of from somewhere else.

For details about the tentative schedule, or for registration forms, please check the board in the lobby.

NOTE: Full payment is due by Sept. 7, which also is the deadline for medical release forms for any of the special challenge activities.


*But the wisdom
that comes from heaven
is first of all pure;
then peace loving,
considerate,
submissive,
full of mercy
& good fruit,
impartial & sincere.*
James 3:17

Ladies Bible Class Resumes Next Month with Max Lucado's "Life Lessons on Ezra and Nehemiah"

The **Ladies Bible Class** will resume September 16, and this year will include women from the Arlington Congregation, according to **Diana Kuhn**, class facilitator.

Max Lucado's book, "Life Lessons on Ezra and Nehemiah" will be the text for the class. Diana explained that the twelve lessons examine the lives of the two men who were key leaders of the Jewish population which left Babylon for the reconstruction of Jerusalem.

She added that the course will include scripture, inspirational readings, questions to answer, discussions, space for journaling and prayer.

All women are invited to join the class which meets on Tuesday at 10:15 am in R. 123. Child care is provided, and the class follows the Fairfax County School schedule for holidays and closings.



Women's Bible Study

4th Annual School Supply Collection Ends Today

If you have forgotten to purchase school supplies for the children at Bailey's Elementary School, you have until the end of today to correct that omission.

If you don't have the time to go to any store to make the purchase, you may contribute cash or a check. Checks should be made payable to "Church of Christ," and should be given to **Lynda Eubank**.

There are children in our congregation who need help. To donate supplies or money, contact **Sandra Espinoza**.

Please take this list with you when you shop.

- ◆ large glue sticks
- ◆ Elmer's liquid glue
- ◆ Large pink erasers
- ◆ Box of 10 or 12 Black "Papermate" flair finepoint felt tip pens (no ball point)
- ◆ Box of "Crayola" classic markers, 8 ct. washable broad tip
- ◆ Box of "Crayola" classic markers, 8 ct. washable thin tip
- ◆ yellow highlighters
- ◆ Expo dry erase markers
- ◆ "Crayola" crayons, 24 count
- ◆ "Crayola" color pencils, 12 count
- ◆ #2 pencils - **presharpened**
- ◆ Pencil sharpener, hand held
- ◆ Fiskars scissors 5" blunt cut
- ◆ Fiskars scissors 5" pointed tip
- ◆ black and white marble composition book - wide-ruled
- ◆ multi-colored 3x3 Post It notes
- ◆ 3-prong folders -green, red, yellow, blue, purple, orange
- ◆ Pocket folders - solid colors
- ◆ leaf notebook paper - wide-rule
- ◆ 3x5 index cards (100 count)
- ◆ 5x7 index cards, lined
- ◆ set of headphones or ear buds - any type
- ◆ watercolor set - 8 colors
- ◆ Play-Doh, any color/size
- ◆ box of tissue
- ◆ hand sanitizer
- ◆ baby wipes
- ◆ disinfectant wipes
- ◆ box of 20 count heavy duty gallon size Ziploc bags
- ◆ box of 50 count snack size Ziploc bags
- ◆ Reusable water bottle (12 to 16 oz size)

**Children's Worship is on break during
August, but will resume September 7.
To learn more about this program
or to volunteer your service,
contact Gayla Keller.**

Henry Gutierrez, Nicaragua

Henry Gutierrez has preached for the congregation in Juigalpa, Nicaragua (about 100 miles east of Managua) since 1989. In addition to his ministerial duties, he conducts evangelistic campaigns, and works with various other congregations in the area of Juigalpa. He and his wife, Rosa, have been married since 1991 and have three daughters Kimberly, Eunice & Aurisol.



At right is a photo of Neysis Oporta Zequaira, who was baptized on July 6 in Juigalpa.



Above and at right are photos of an event on July 26. A doctor from Managua came to provide free medicine and free consultations to the locals as part of a mission work organized by the local church.



General Information

For Children:

- ❖ An attended nursery and a nursing mother's room - located adjacent to the Assembly Center - are available during our assembly.
- ❖ For ages 2 through Pre-Kindergarten, Children's Worship is conducted in rooms 223 & 221. Children are dismissed following communion.

Recordings:

Recordings of sermons at Falls Church are available for no charge on our website after about four days.

Assistive Listening System:

Personal sound receivers are available for hearing enhancement in our Assembly Center. Our ushers will be happy to supply one of these aids for your convenience upon request.

Nursery Attendants

August 24, 2014

Morning

Tek Lim Chea,
Any Saxton

Evening

Levenie Hughes

August 31, 2014

Morning

Melissa Collins
Calanthia Tucker

Evening

Levenie Hughes

Worship

August 24, 2014

2/3 CHILDREN'S WORSHIP IS ON
P-K BREAK DURING AUGUST

August 31, 2014

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Worship Today, August 24, 2014

Hymn #103

He Has Made Me Glad

Hymn #535

The Glory-land Way

Hymn #448

The Greatest Commands

Prayer

Jim Lane

Hymn #176

Lamb of God

Communion/Collection

Ben Bohannon

Hymn #490

It Is Well with My Soul

Children ages 2 through Pre-K dismissed to Children's Worship

Bible Reading (*Ephesians 6:16-18*)

Andrew McDaniel

Bible Lesson

Mike Tune

Hymn #662

All to Jesus I Surrender

Announcements

Steve Dasher

Introduction of Visitors

Robert Spiess

Closing Prayer

Robert Spiess

Song Leader

Andre McMillian

Ushers

Jose Arevalo, Grant Smith



Joseph Tucker will lead singing this evening;
Jerry Williams & Ken Yeatman will lead prayers.

August servers: Joe Bohannon, Bill Furr,
Calvin Lockhart, Clark Richardson, Mark Shannon

Schedule of Services

Sunday

Bible Classes 9:30 am
Morning Assembly 10:30 am
Evening Assembly 6:00 pm

Tuesday

Ladies Bible Class 10:15 am
(October through April)

Wednesday

7:15 pm

Office Hours

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

Contact Information

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Elders

Steve Dasher Wayne Doran
Bill Kincaid Jim Lane
Oliver McDaniel Joseph Tucker

Deacons

Roberto Alvarez Jose Arevalo
Ben Bohannon Brian Collins
Ignacio Espinoza Perry May
Joshua McKay John Reagan
Saul Reyes Wilfredo Reyes
Hal Swetnam Jonah Shumate
Kevin Thie John Waterston
Ken Yeatman Habtu Zemech

Missionaries

Kevin & Deanna Amores, Concepción, Chile
Gary & Sue Babcock, Kent County, RI
Pedro & Mireya Batres, Nicaragua
Henry & Rosa Gutierrez, Nicaragua
Gene & Janice Luna, WBI/Guatemala
Recardo & Monica Reyes, Cuemavaca, MX
Don & Esther Roarabaugh, Torrington, CT
Mike Tune, Amazing Grace International
Jay & Piera Young, Italy & Ukraine
Habtu Zemech, My Neighbors, Ethiopia

Staff

Mike Tune, *Pulpit Minister*
Josh Byrd, *Youth Minister*
Mary Ann Kincaid, *Secretary*
Gina Tune, *Secretary*

Statistics

Sunday, August 17, 2014

Bible Study 188
Morning Assembly 282
Evening Assembly 88
Contribution \$10,416
YTD Average \$12,379
Budget Goal \$12,709

Wednesday, August 20, 2014

Classes & Online 70

Wednesday, August 27, 2014

Prayer - Daniel Williams

Song Leader - Bill Kincaid