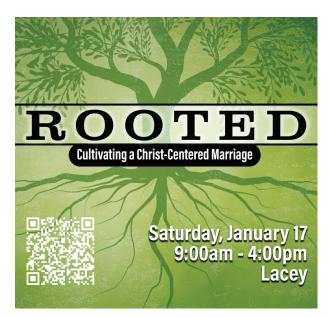
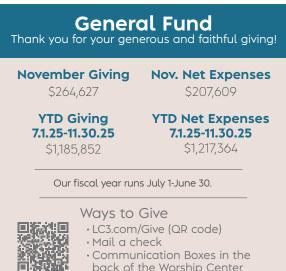
### WELCOME GUESTS!

We are so glad you joined us this weekend and hope you find your time here rejuvenating and encouraging. If you're joining us at our Lakewood campus, please visit our Welcome Center in the Gathering Area - we'd love to know you are here and help you find ways to connect. Below are some tips for our Lakewood campus to help you feel comfortable.

- There is a **Family Worship Room** in the rear of the Worship Center where your children are free to move about.
- · Please visit our self-serve **Library** in the Lower Lobby anytime the building is open.
- Join us for our next **Starting Point class Sunday, January 11, at 11am in the Olympic Room** to meet others looking for church community, hear the heart of our church, and meet pastors and staff.









## CONNECT. SERVE. GROW

\*Find more information and sign up to attend on Events on the app or website

#### **Every Man A Warrior\***

Mondays beg. Jan 5, 6-8:30pm | Worship Center Learn how to pursue a deeper relationship with the Lord and apply His truth to the everyday life marriage, parenting, work, money, and more..

#### Women's Winter Bible Study\*

Mondays, 6:15-8:30pm | Kids Main Wednesdays/Thursdays, 9:15-11am | Kids Main Beginning the week of January 12, A weekly women's Bible study leading you through Proverbs.

#### **Conquer Series\***

Tuesdays, Jan 6-Mar 10, 6:30-8:30pm, or Wednesdays, Jan 7-Mar 11 | Prayer Room A 12-week journey designed to help men break free from the grip of pornography.

#### 7 Pillars of Freedom\*

Fridays, Jan. 9-Oct. 30, 6:30-8:30pm | Cascade Rm. Saturdays, Jan. 10-Oct. 31, 7:30-9:30pm | Cascade Rm. Continue your recovery from unwanted sexual behavior with a trusted group of men on the same journey.

#### Perspectives\*

Sundays, January 18-May 31, 2026, 2-5:30pm Discover your role in God's global purpose through Perspectives, a powerful 15-lesson discipleship course that will shift how you view God's mission and your place in it.

### Flood Relief Work Trip

We're putting together a team to help with flood relief in the Lynden area. Get pre-approved by Samaritan's Purse.

### Women's Precept Bible Study

Tuesdays, beg. January 6, 6:30pm | Upper Gym Join us for an introduction to the Precept inductive Bible study method, followed by a 14-week study of the patriarchs in Genesis 12-50.

#### **Young Adults Gathering**

Friday, January 16, 7pm | Upper Gym Connect with other 18-28 year olds (single or married) for a night of community, worship, Biblical teaching, and great food.

#### **New! Young Women's Group**

Sundays beg. Jan 18, 6pm | The Wylie's House Grow in Christ, deepen confidence rooted in His Word, and walk together in authentic community. Each gathering offers space for friendship, encouragement, and honest conversation as we learn to follow Jesus side by side. Open to women ages 18–28.





### MISSION IN FOCUS: Makset Abrahamsson

Greetings, beloved Church of Jesus Christ and my dear beloved brothers and sisters. Your support opens opportunities for us to serve, and I am deeply grateful.

This summer we had a family retreat that was very helpful for our field partners because family relationships are a very important part of our ministry. We know the devil often tries to attack the family first, and if the family is destroyed, everything else can be affected. Many received encouragement, especially the wives who were inspired by this training.



From October 24 to November 1, we held a field partner meeting in Almaty with 30 of our partners for "Partner Care." It was an important and necessary training course because many have recently been facing major challenges - financial, relational, and cultural. One of the important topics was burnout - what the symptoms are, what it can lead to, how to survive during and pull out of burnout. This was very helpful for all of us, especially for me.

#### **Prayer Requests**

- · For growth, spiritual fruit, and protection for our ministry among the Turko-Russian & Persian peoples.
- Pray for strong, committed teams in 2026 as we pursue evangelism in unreached locations.
- · Pray for the sending of two to three new missionaries to Ingushetia, Uzbekistan, and Kazakhstan.
- · Personal requests: spiritual strength, family, future provision, and continued growth in English to serve more effectively.

# Ask About Jesus!





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### PRAYER

Pray for our Missionaries: Family Health: healthy, God-honoring marriage; Godly shepherding of children; parents, other family back home

### Pray with our prayer groups (Lakewood):

- Pray for our services: Saturdays, 5:30pm & Sundays, 8:30am | Worship Center, or gam | Prayer Room
- Ignite Hope Prayer Time: Second Saturdays, 7:30pm | Prayer Room
- Turko-Russian Prayer Team: Third Sundays, 8-9am | Cascade Room
- Niger Prayer Gathering: Sunday January 11, 9am | Cascade Room

We are a praying church! Please let us know how we can pray for you, updates to prayer requests, and to be added to the prayer chain by filling out a Connect Card or by emailing Prayer@LC3.com. If you would like someone to pray with you after services, stop by the Welcome Center (Lakewood). Do you have a deployed family member? Find out how we support families of deployed soldiers by emailing Info@LC3.com.



#### CONNECT

E-mail: Info@LC3.com Phone: 253-582-8040 Office Hours: Mon-Fri gam-2pm (Lakewood Campus) Wifi: LC3 Guest - No password

#### **LOCATIONS & SERVICE TIMES**

**Lakewood Campus** 

Saturday 6pm | Sunday 9 & 11am 8810 Lawndale Ave. SW Lakewood, WA 98498

Lacey Campus Sunday 11am 3211 Eagle Dr NE Olympia, WA 98516

#### **'LC3 FAMILY TALK' PODCAST**

Find teaching, discipling, and discussion. Available on your favorite podcast platforms.



#### ■個別型 CONNECT CARD

New to LC3? Have a prayer request? Submit prayer requests and

contact information on our digital connect card.



Want to ask questions and learn more about faith and Christianity?

Join us at Alpha in January! (Lakewood Campus).



#### **STORIES**

Discover how God is moving at LC3 on our blog at LC3.com/Blog.

### December 27 & 28

## FINDING A PLACE TO BELONG MIGUEL & JENNY SIERRA

"The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." James 5:16

Earlier this year, when my family and I were introduced to the military community small group, we came in both nervous and hopeful. For years, my wife and I had been praying for the Lord to lead us to a group where there would be true fruit—where we could pour into others and be poured into in return. For nearly four years, we searched for a place where we could truly be ourselves. This year, God finally brought us home—to a family.



A few weeks ago, our group talked about the idea of belonging What does it really look like to belong? That question stirred a memory from years ago when my wife and I attended a young adult gathering. We stood in the doorway with our children and quickly realized we didn't fit in—both practically and spiritually. Our small children made us feel out of place, but we refused to let that moment stop us from continuing the search for community.

As we reflected on that question around the table—What does belonging look like?—I looked at the faces around me and said, "This is belonging." A place where we can be fully ourselves, without fear of judgment, ridicule, or being misunderstood. A place where differences don't divide us, but instead draw us closer together.

What stood out most in this group was our shared willingness to show up and look out for one another. What began as a small group became something far more—it became family. We see one another as brothers and sisters in Christ. When someone is sick, hurting, or in need, we don't hesitate; we step in immediately, just as family does.

I know our prayers were answered, because for the first time I watched my wife step fully into the woman God created her to be. As her husband, I couldn't be prouder. She found friends she can trust, sisters who walk with her in faith. Through this community, God has transformed us, reminding us that He hears the prayers of the righteous and faithfully leads His people into belonging.