

DECLARATIONS

According to Ephesians 1:3,

I am blessed with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places in Christ.

According to Ephesians 1:4,

I am chosen in Christ before the foundation of the world
that I may be holy and blameless before the Father.

According to Ephesians 1:5,

I am predestined to adoption by the Father through Jesus Christ
according to the good pleasure of His will.

According to Ephesians 1:6,

The Father has accepted me in the beloved.

STATE OF THE CHURCH ADDRESS

“Appreciating Past Triumphs and Reaching Forward Together”

(Philippians 3:8-16)

FIVE SMOOTH STONES

Number One: A Biblically Defined and Empowered Family

Which is, The Centering Point for Human Relationships

Number Two: A Culturally Engaged and Influential Church

Which is, The Steward of Objective Truth

Number Three: Kingdom Citizens Scripturally Educated in Biblical Worldview

Which is, The People of God Applying Biblical Worldview to All of Life

Number Four: Principle-Based Public Policy for Cultural Transformation

Christian Activity in Communities and Making Political Choices Grounded in Biblical Principle

Number Five: Liberty Unleashed through Ground-Up Jurisdictional Government

Which Involves Self-Government, Family Government, Spiritual Government, Economic Government, Civil Government

Sunday morning sermons and teachings

Life Groups, Bible Studies, Specialized Gatherings, and Equipping Events

Monthly New Believer’s Class, a Baptism Class, and a New Member’s Class

CONNECT Ministry

Age-appropriate Ministry Designs for ...

Nursery, Preschool, Elementary, High School, Men’s, Women’s, Married’s, Sr. Adults

Married Couples Dinner in February

Men’s Retreat in March

Resurrection Season Celebration in April

Children's VBS in June

Youth Summer Camp in July

Fall Festival in October

Women's Retreat in November

Women's Christmas Breakfast in December

Men's Breakfast Fellowships throughout the Year

Celebratory Gatherings for the Thanksgiving and Christmas/Advent Season

GATE FOOD, CLOTHING, and HELPS MINISTRY have helped 2,545 families which equals 11,137 individuals. 921 of those over 65 have been helped, 205 have been veterans, and a countless number of homeless. 428 families were assisted for Thanksgiving.

BLESS EVERY HOME Outreach of Neighborhood Lights

26 neighborhoods covered where over 800 families have been prayed for, 311 have been cared for, 234 have been given the gospel, and 10 salvations have been recorded.

KINGDOM STRATEGIES INTERNATIONAL has seen over 1,200 church leaders trained, and 500 churches strengthened through conferences, seminars, and additional resources. We have supported 85 orphans in Africa and India by providing shelter, food, clothing, healthcare, and education.

❖ The Contrast Between Past Good with Future Best

"Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, so that I may gain Christ 9 and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, but that which comes through faith in Christ, the righteousness from God that depends on faith— " (Vs. 8-9)

"That I may know him and the power of his resurrection and may share his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, 11 that by any means possible I may attain the resurrection from the dead." (Vs. 10-11)

❖ The Contrast Between Perfect Goodness and Faithfully Becoming

"Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own because Christ Jesus has made me his own." (Vs 12)

"Brothers, I do not consider that I have made it my own. But one thing I do: forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, 14 I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus. 15 Let those of us who are mature think this way, and if in anything you think otherwise, God will reveal that also to you. 16 Only let us hold true to what we have attained." (Vs. 13-16)

- Forget What Lies Behind
- Strain Forward to What Lies Ahead
- Press Toward the Goal of What is Upward
- Think Maturely in the Ways of the Lord
- Hold True to What has Been Attained

How do we best prepare ourselves to be fruit-bearing vessels of honor for God? One of the answers to this question is our theme for 2024:

BE STILL AND KNOW: SPIRITUAL STRENGTH FROM SACRED SPACES

As the Psalmist says,

“The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want. He makes me lie down (be still) in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters (calm sacred spaces). He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name’s sake.” (Psalms 23)