



Announcements

September 3, 2023

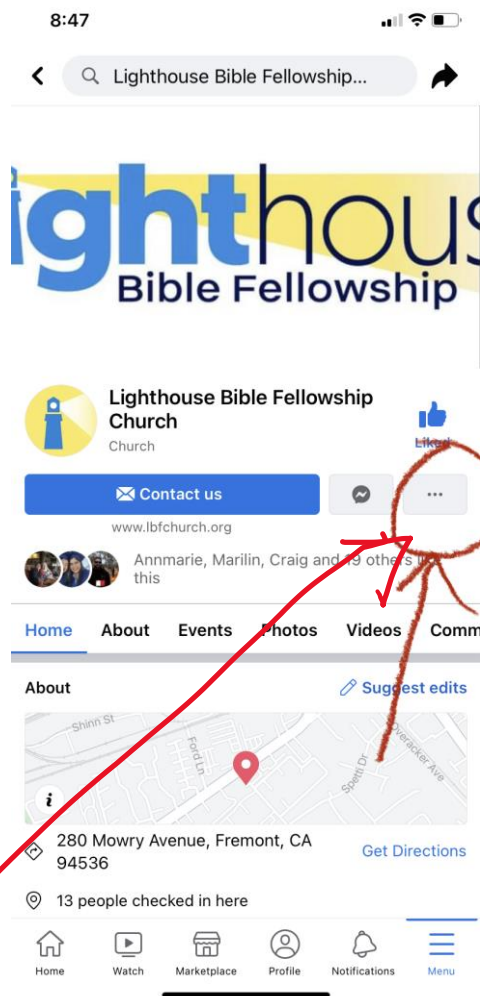
Welcome to Lighthouse!

Worship Registration Cards are located in the chair pockets in front of you. Please take time complete them and submit to a greeter or in the offering plate.

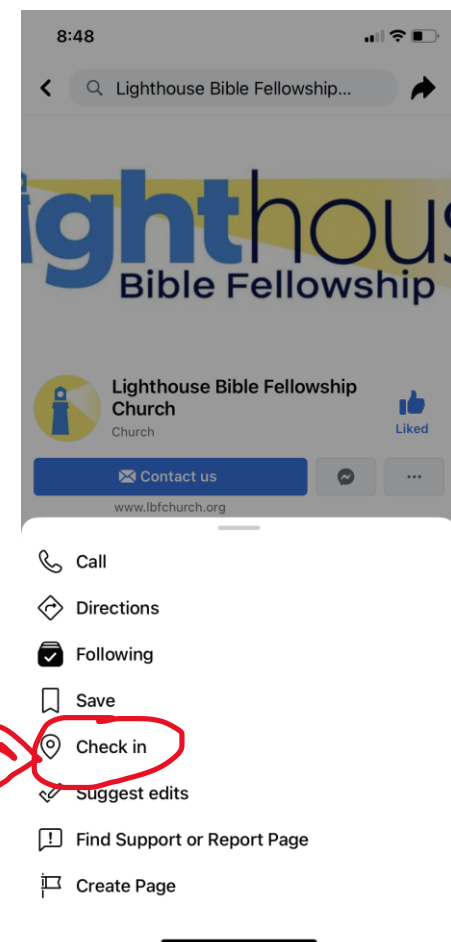
You can also go to our website at ***lbfchurch.org*** and complete a Connection Card online.

“Check-in” on Facebook!

Go to the Lighthouse Bible Fellowship page and click on the button with 3 dots...



Then go to “Check in”





Missional Community Party

September 6th, 2023


6-8pm

This week both MC's join together in celebration and to kick off the new ministry season. We will be in the Fellowship Hall. This is a great time to invite newcomers and guests. This will be potluck-style, so please sign up to bring a food item at the Welcome Center or online.

The background of the slide is a close-up, slightly blurred view of several open paint cans. The cans are arranged in a grid-like pattern, and each contains a different color of paint. The colors include shades of purple, blue, green, yellow, orange, red, and pink. The lighting is bright, highlighting the metallic rims of the cans and the smooth texture of the paint.

Ladies Paint Party

September 8th at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall
Join us as our sister, Natalee Hewitt, instructs us on painting. Cost is **\$10 per person**, and is **due TODAY**. This is for the supplies and materials, so we do need payment ahead. Also asking that everyone also bring an appetizer to share, if able. Sign up at the Welcome Center and see Karleen Densmore to make payment.



New Covenant Partner Installation

September 17, 2023

LBF is thankful for the ways in which the Lord is continuing to grow His church. Be here as we celebrate new covenant partners.



Worship Team Auditions

October 7th at 10am

If you play an instrument or sing, this is the time to audition for LBF's Worship Team. See Julian Haro for applications and more information.



BOOK OF
HEBREWS

Chapter 3:12-19;

The Evil of Unbelief to The Glory of God!



Hebrews 3:¹² **Take care**, brothers, lest there be in any of you an **evil, unbelieving** heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. ¹³ But **exhort one another every day**, as long as it is called “**today**,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. ¹⁴ For we have come to share in Christ, **if** indeed we **hold** our original confidence **firm** to the end. ¹⁵ As it is said,

*“**Today**, if you hear his voice,
do not harden your hearts as in the rebellion.”*

¹⁶ For who were those who heard and yet rebelled? Was it not all those who left Egypt led by Moses? ¹⁷ And with

whom was he provoked for forty years? Was it not with those who sinned, whose bodies fell in the wilderness?¹⁸ And to whom did he swear that they would not enter his rest, but to those who were disobedient?¹⁹ So we see that **they were unable to enter because of unbelief.**

The purposed redundancy of our text this morning is to focus our attention on the obvious parallels with the Israelites wandering in the wilderness.

The emphasis on prioritizing our deliberation by a contrast with evil serves as an implacable warning to all of us.

Fallen human beings are, by definition, prone to wander away from God.

Only in Christ, are we assured of our salvation and thereby enabled to fix our gaze upon Him.

Hebrews 2:¹ For this reason we must pay much closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it.

Hebrews 3:⁶ We are his house, if we hold fast our confidence and the boast of our hope firm until the end.

Hebrews 3:¹⁴ For we have become partakers of Christ, if we hold fast the beginning of our assurance firm until the end . . .

Hebrews 6:¹¹ And we desire that each one of you show the same diligence so as to realize the full assurance of hope until the end,

Hebrews 10:²³ Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful . . .

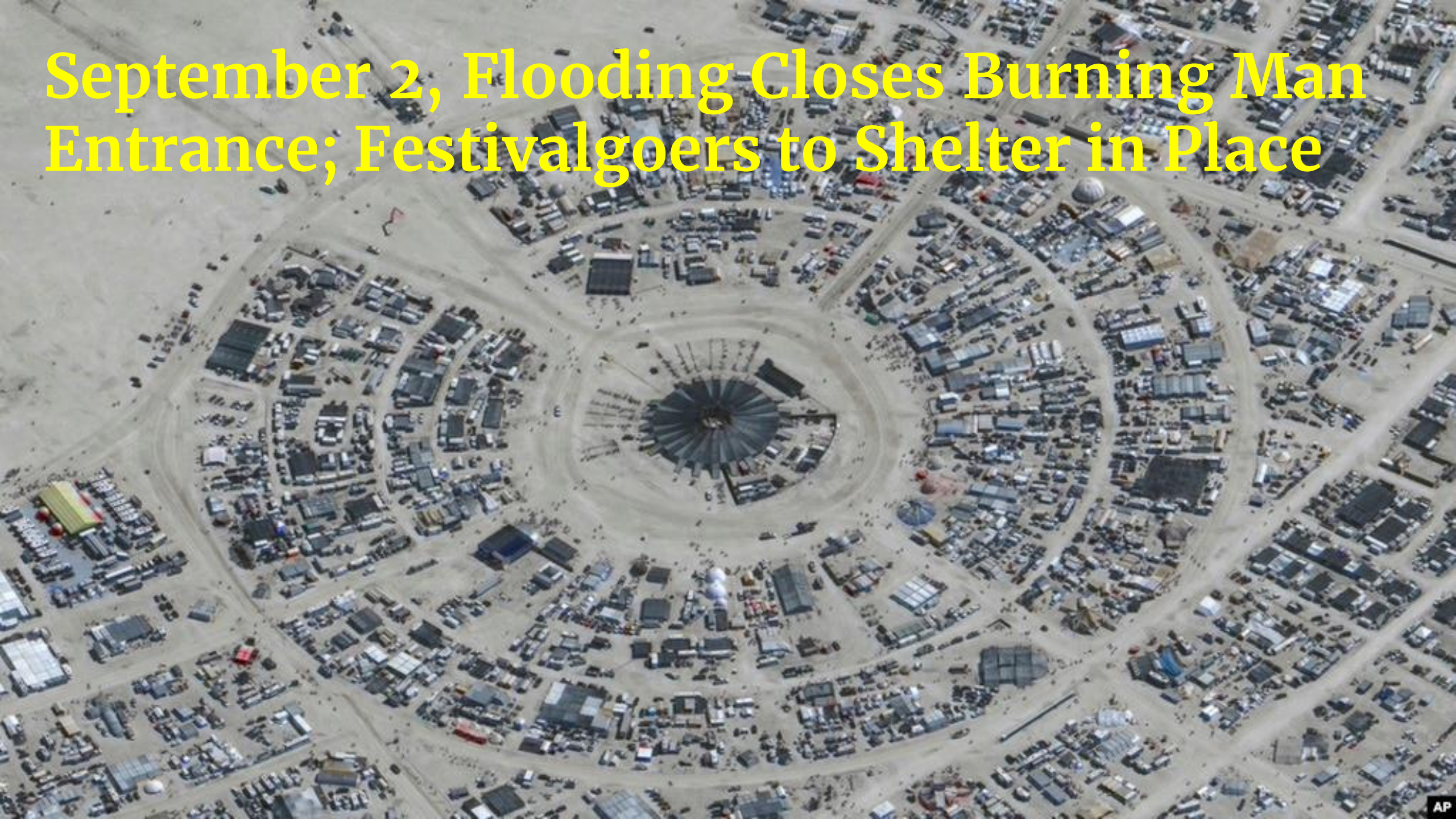
Hebrews 10:³⁵ Therefore, do not throw away your confidence, which has a great reward.

Hebrews 12:¹ Therefore, since we have so great a cloud of witnesses surrounding us, let us also lay aside every encumbrance, and the sin which so easily entangles us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us.

August 16th, Jaranwala, Pakistan Muslim Mob Attacks Christian Churches, Property over Blasphemy Charges



September 2, Flooding Closes Burning Man Entrance; Festivalgoers to Shelter in Place





Guinness Book of World Records – 5' 8" mullet after 33 years without a haircut

Jeremiah 2:⁴ Hear the word of the Lord, O house of Jacob, and all the clans of the house of Israel. ⁵ Thus says the Lord: “What wrong did your fathers find in me that they went far from me, and went after worthlessness, and became worthless?
⁶ They did not say, ‘Where is the Lord who brought us up from the land of Egypt, who led us in the wilderness, in a land of deserts and pits, in a land of drought and deep darkness, in a land that none passes through, where no man dwells?’

7 And I brought you into a plentiful land to enjoy its fruits and its good things.

But when you came in, you defiled my land and made my heritage an abomination.

8 The priests did not say, 'Where is the Lord?' Those who handle the law did not know me; the shepherds transgressed against me; the prophets prophesied by Baal and went after things that do not profit.

9 "Therefore I still contend with you, declares the Lord, and with your children's children I will contend.

10 For cross to the coasts of Cyprus and see,
or send to Kedar and examine with care;
see if there has been such a thing.

11 Has a nation changed its gods,
even though they are no gods?
But my people have changed their glory
for that which does not profit.

12 Be appalled, O heavens, at this;
be shocked, be utterly desolate,
declares the Lord,

13 for my people have committed two evils:
they have forsaken me,
the fountain of living waters,
and hewed out cisterns for themselves,
broken cisterns that can hold no water.

The problems we see are never really the problems we have.

But the solution is ALWAYS Jesus Christ.

Our **circumstances** are NOT our **Certainty!**

Our **determinations** are NOT our **Destiny!**

Our **habitat** is NOT our **Hope!**

CHRIST IS!

12 Take care, brothers, lest there be in any of you an **evil, unbelieving** heart, leading you to fall away from the living God. **13 But exhort one another every day**, as long as it is called “**today**,” that none of you may be hardened by the deceitfulness of sin. **14 For we have come to share in Christ, if indeed we hold** our original confidence **firm** to the end.

Take Care = Be Vigilant

Brothers = Recipients of Heavenly Calling

Evil = Unbelieving

Unbelieving = Falling Away

Exhort one another every day,

Exhort = strongly encourage along side/with

Not to behavior first, but to Jesus Christ

The deceitfulness of sin

Sin is a lie that hardens hearts

A hardened heart seeks relief from sources apart from God

1 Timothy 4:¹ Now the Spirit expressly says that in later times some will depart from the faith by devoting themselves to deceitful spirits and teachings of demons,² through the insincerity of liars whose consciences are seared,³ who forbid marriage and require abstinence from foods that God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and know the truth.

2 Peter 1:³ His divine power has granted to us **all things** that pertain to life and godliness, through **the knowledge of him** who called us to his own glory and excellence,⁴ by which he has granted to us his precious and very great promises, so that through them you may become partakers of the divine nature, having escaped from the corruption that is in the world because of sinful desire.⁵ For this very reason, make every effort to supplement your faith with virtue, and virtue with knowledge,⁶ and knowledge with self-control, and self-control with steadfastness, and steadfastness with godliness,⁷ and godliness with brotherly affection, and brotherly affection

with love. ⁸ For if these qualities are yours and are increasing, they keep you from being ineffective or unfruitful in the knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ For whoever lacks these qualities is so nearsighted that he is blind, having forgotten that he was cleansed from his former sins. ¹⁰ Therefore, brothers, be all the more diligent to confirm your calling and election, for if you practice these qualities you will never fall. ¹¹ For in this way there will be richly provided for you an entrance into the eternal kingdom of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

.Persisting in sin both a symptom and a result of an unbelieving heart.

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For the Church, today is everyday until Christ's coming.

For the believer, today is everyday of his own life.

The grace of God is shown to us by the result of His wrath.

The denial of the Promised Land to wandering Israelites serves as an example and warning to us.

It also served as a means of demonstrating God's purpose for the cross.

The glory of God is revealed to us in that we know that we have gone astray and return to take hold of Him. We return to take hold of Him because He is working in us to do so, through His Spirit and His Word.