

The Oaks Community Church
Worship Guide



April 21, 2024

I. Worship, Praise, & Thanksgiving

But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” Acts 1:8 (ESV)

II. Family Confession & Greeting

Armor of God #3

We are more than conquerors in Christ. Today we clothe ourselves in the full armor of God. We put on our shoes to carry the peace of the Gospel. This peace restores people into a right relationship with God, who reconciled himself to us through Christ.

Ephesians 6:10-18; II Corinthians 5:18

III.

To the End of the Earth!

Acts 1:8

Pastor Jose L. Doniz & Family

Sunday 4/21/24

⁶ So when they had come together, they asked him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” ⁷ He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons that the Father has fixed by his own authority. ⁸ But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth.” Acts 1:6-8 ESV

Overview:

Acts 1:8 is the key-verse of the book of Acts. We will learn:

- **Power of the Church** – why we need it?
- Meaning of a “**witness**” Geographical & Sequential scope of gospel spread.

SINGLE SENTENCE SUMMARY = Christianity spread from Jerusalem to Rome and from Jews to Gentiles, by the power of the Holy Spirit, who worked in a special way through Peter and Paul.

- **Power** = the Spirit as a permanent guide, teacher, seal of salvation and comforter for believers.

- Why? - help His followers to spread the message of the gospel around the world
- The ministry of the Holy Spirit is not a luxury; it is an absolute necessity.
- **Witness:** somebody who says what he has seen and heard (What you know!)
- Acts 1:8 gives geographical & sequential spread of the gospel:
 - Chapters 1-7: from Jerusalem.
 - Chapters 8-9: to Judea and Samaria.
 - Chapters 10-28: to the Gentiles and to the end of the earth.

Doniz Family Call:

- Mexico was founded with **combination of different beliefs, religions and cultures** influence. Caused a warped understanding of who God is.
- Life in Mexico manifest with **brokenness** = anger, substance abuse, domestic violence, bitterness, depression.
- **Circle of Silence** = 6-state region (Jalisco, Guanajuato, Michoacán, Zacatecas, Queretaro, and Aguascalientes) in central Mexico with 26 million people.
- **5 Indigenous peoples** in remote areas with own language and cultures.

Vision:

1. Restore family relationships (spouses, parents).
2. Create a training center for unemployed & uneducated Mexicans.

Strategy:

- **Plan 5-5-25:** Plant 5 churches & Guadalajara + 5 churches in other states.
- **Aliento de Vida (5 campus already):** consistent beliefs, ministries, and preaching team - Build communities of faith.
- **Reach out to 5 indigenous people** with the Gospel.

Doniz Family Involvement:

- **Co-Pastor 1 church** in Guadalajara (**Campus Solares**).
- **Launch Evangelism Ministries – ESL & Acts of Kindness.**
- Launch **Children Ministries** & Local **Leadership development.**
- Support **4 trip/year to Indigenous peoples.**
- **Reinforce** already ongoing Plan 5-5-25 initiatives.

“You are the light of the world., let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.”

Matthew 5:14a,16 ESV

How do we engage locally and remotely?

- PRAY (Luke 10:2)
- GIVE (2 Cor 9:7-8)
- SEND (Rom 10:15)
- GO (Mat 28:19)

Is God calling you to Partner with the Doniz Family in His work with the People in the Circle of Silence?

IV. Worshipping God through Our Offerings

Stewardship Principle #2

We are managers not owners of
the resources God entrusts to us.

“So if you have not been trustworthy in handling worldly wealth, who will trust you with true riches? And if you have not been trustworthy with someone else’s property, who will give you property of your own?”

Luke 16:11, 12 (NIV)

4Ways to Give:

1. Online at www.theoaksweb.com or download our app (The Oaks Bakersfield)
2. Mail Check/Drop Off Cash to: 10200 Campus Park Drive, Bakersfield, CA 93311
3. In person through the worship service offering or using the offering boxes
4. At the mobile giving station in the back of the Sanctuary

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