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EMMANUEL

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March 26, 2023
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connecting people to Jesus, people, and God's mission

CURRENT CHURCH PLANTS

Pat & Julie Dirkse | Amoldo & Viviana Escobar
City Church of Compton | Compton - est.2009

Larry & Carol Barber
Church of Grace Garden Grove - est.2011

Samuel Alvarado
Iglesia La Nueva Familia South LA - est.2012

Navin & Pabitra Bhandari
US Nepalese Christian Church Paramount - est.2012

Javier & Jenni Alcaraz
La Roca, Panorama City, CA- 2013

Cristobal & Virginia Caro
Iglesia Cristiana Evangelica Elohim, Mexico est.2007

Rudy & Edna Rubio
Reformed Church of Los Angeles Lynwood est.2018

Jonathan & Charrise Mathew
Compton est.2018

CHURCH PLANTS SUPPORTED

Tommy & Fatimah Forester
Epiphany Fellowship South LA - est.2016

NEW PLANTS OF OUR CLASSIS

Chris Marquez
Reformed Church Of LA, Wilmington est.2020

If you'd like to donate lilies for the Easter service in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please complete the form by scanning the ERC Hub QR code.

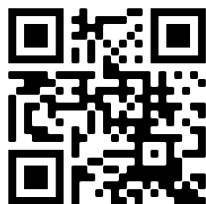


Enjoy a fantastic Friday night of vocal and instrumental music by The Pat Morvan Jazz Group and Emmanuel talent. \$20 ticket includes dessert and a specialty coffee drink! Tickets must be purchased in advance on March 26th, April 2nd, or April 9th. Space is limited. Doors open at 6:30pm.

DATE NIGHT 1st and 3rd Saturday from 4-8pm in the Education Building. Parents, we encourage you to date your spouse! Go out to dinner and a movie or just stay home and eat pizza! Your kiddos will have fun playing at church and making new friends! We'll feed them dinner! Date Night is \$12/child for 4 hours. Contact: jessica.higgins@erc.la or 562-272-4994.

English: 9am 10:30am 12pm 6pm | Spanish: 10:30am 12pm | Nepalese: 9:30am
(sanctuary) (activity center) (brick building)

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ERC's Hub!



Additional Giving Opportunities

Easter offering April 9

Weekly Offering

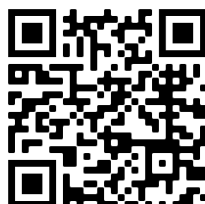
YTD Offering: \$667,525.45

YTD Budget: \$729,312.00

Last Week's Offering: \$44,301.83

2023 Weekly Budget: \$60,766.00

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SABBATH RESISTANCE



Pharaoh and slavery

- The system in Egypt was designed to produce more and more surplus (see Gen. 47:13-26), there is always more need for storage units that in turn generate more bricks that need to be constructed
- The spirit of Egypt became the Spirit of Babylon, Persia, Greece, Rome etc. It is a spirit that demands BUY, MORE, NOW, FASTER!
- U.S. storage business \$40 billion dollars
- There are 2.3 billion square feet of storage space in the U.S. That is the equivalent to the city Seattle, WA
- Clothes hangers exercise

People are tired, weary and exhausted - we'll do whatever you say God! (Exodus 19:8)

Don't be Pharaoh to others (Exodus 22:21-27)

Blessed be to God for the day of rest and religious occupation wherein earthly things assume their true size. Ambition is stunted.

- William Wilberforce, British politician and leader to abolish slave trade movement

There are 50 million slaves in the world today. 28 million of them are in forced labor

- International Labour Organization

- Let those around you rest just as you do (Deuteronomy 5:12-14)

- Warning: Prosperity breeds amnesia (Deuteronomy 5:15; 8:11-14)

Byron Jones, Pro-Bowl NFL player quote

- What is God calling me to do? Join the resistance and keep Sabbath (Isaiah 56)

Jesus's teaching

- Is gaining the whole world worth losing your soul? (Mark 8:34-37)
- You can't serve two masters (Matthew 6:24)

In our anxious society, to cite a case in point, one of the great "seductions of Pharaoh" is the fact that "soccer practice" invades the rest of the day. Families, largely contained in market ideology, think of themselves as helpless before the requirements of such commitment.

- Walter Brueggemann from Sabbath Resistance

Time of Reflection

- 1 - What in your life is causing you stress, anxiety and hurry sickness?
 - 2 - How is God calling you to "Sabbath Resistance" with your time, energy and money?
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