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connecting people to Jesus, people, and God's mission

Tax return season is over, but there are tax-saving opportunities to consider between now and the end of the year. Here is an IRA strategy to review and consider.

Qualified charitable distributions (QCDs). If you're over age 70', have a traditional IRA, and make charitable contributions, you could be making those charitable contributions using QCDs.

You direct the IRA custodian to make a distribution to a charity. The distribution isn't included in your gross income, but it counts toward your required minimum distribution (RMD) for the year, if you have one.

As school starts consider joining the **AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAM!**

Students will receive homework help, recreation, and snacks in a safe environment Monday through Thursday from 2:45-5:30. Contact Mayte at mayte.hernandez@erc.la for more info.

Kids Klub, Edge, and Rock are all kicking off this week!

On **Tuesdays from 6-8pm** Kids Klub (kindergarten-5th) and Edge (6th-8th) get together in the Activity Center parking lot! See you this Tuesday!

This **Wednesday, from 6-8pm**, all high schoolers are welcome to join Rock in the Activity Center parking lot!

FAMILY
Nights

Tonight @ 8:30pm

With Pastor Klarc & Bobbie

Topic: MONEY
Join them on ZOOM!!!
Get the link from christie.palmer@erc.la

Our Christian sympathy to Gil and Denise Alvarez and family on the unexpected passing of Denise's brother, Duane Dale Costa, on Tuesday, April 11th, in Idaho, at the age of 55.

Celebration of Life Service will take place at 11am, on Saturday, August 26th, at Emmanuel Reformed Church. Reception immediately following at Paramount Elks Lodge #1804 (8108 E Alondra Blvd, Paramount, CA).

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

Vision Fund offering Aug 20

Weekly Offering

YTD Offering: \$1,986,443.47

YTD Budget: \$2,005,608.00

Last Week's Offering: \$34,206.99

2023 Weekly Budget: \$60,766.00

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THE EXAMPLE OF JESUS FOR THE SPIRITUAL WAR

Scripture Reading Matthew 3:16-4:11

THE SON OF GOD (and our) IDENTITY... For the Fight with the Devil

- Jesus identity – Mt 3:17 And a voice from heaven said, "This is **my Son**, whom **I love**; with him I am **well pleased**."
- Our identity – John 1:12, 1 John 3:1-2
- Countering the "if if if" of Satan

THE SPIRIT OF GOD... For the Fight with the Devil

- Mt 3:16 As soon as Jesus was baptized, he went up out of the water. At that moment heaven was opened, and he saw the **Spirit of God descending** like a dove and lighting on him.
- Mt 4:1 Then Jesus **was led by the Spirit** into the desert to be tempted by the devil.

THE SECRET OF GOD... For the Fight with the Devil

- Mt 4:2 After **fasting forty days** and **forty nights**, he was hungry.

THE SWORD OF GOD... For the Fight with the Devil

- Mt 4:4 Jesus answered, "**It is written**: 'Man does not live on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.' "
- Mt 4:7 Jesus answered him, "**It is also written**:'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.' "
- Mt 4:10 Jesus said to him, "**Away from me, Satan! For it is written**: 'Worship the Lord your God, and serve him only.' "

The Results?

- Mt 4:11 Then the **devil left him**, and angels came and attended him.
- This corresponds with James 4:7 "**Submit** yourselves, then, to God. **Resist the devil**, and he will flee from you."

Closing Song

O Happy Day – when Jesus washed my sins away.
He taught me how to **watch**, **fight**, and **pray** and live rejoicing everyday.
