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



Bible Study:

Gospel of John

WEDNESDAYS

6/7 - 8/9

6:30-8pm | Room #202
Education Building

All are welcome to join us as we work through 7 key passages in the book of John. We will study the Deity of Jesus, Jesus' Personal Revelations, Jesus' Self Identification, and more. This study is great for beginners as well as seasoned believers. We'd love to have you join us for this interactive study of the book of John. If interested, contact jody.gras@erc.la.

CURRENT CHURCH PLANTS

Pat & Julie Dirkse | Arnoldo & 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 & Charisse 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

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VBS 2023!

STELLAR

SHINE JESUS' LIGHT

JULY 10 - 14
THIS SUMMER WILL BE
"OUT OF THIS WORLD"

CONTACT CATHY LEWIS FOR MORE INFO.
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English: 9am 10:30am 12pm 6pm | Spanish: 10:30am 12pm | Nepalese: 9:30am
(sanctuary) (activity center) (brick building)

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Additional Giving Opportunities
Leadership Development Fund offering June 4

Weekly Offering

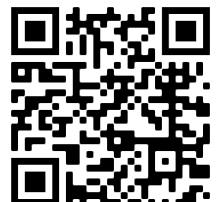
YTD Offering: \$1,248,378.12

YTD Budget: \$1,276,296.00

Last Week's Offering: \$34,706.12

2023 Weekly Budget: \$60,766.00

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JESUS CARES



Lysa Terkhurst story

Scripture Reading: John 11:1-45

Jesus loved them, waited and allowed for Lazarus to die (**John 11:4-6**)

- In hard times it is tempting to question whether God cares - be honest with God
- There is great danger in looking at our circumstances to prove God's love for us. Look at Jesus's life as a model, his circumstances were painful and led to death.

Jesus used a hard time to teach them a greater truth about himself. Often times it is in the hindsight that clarity comes (**John 11:14-15**)

When life doesn't go as planned how do we react? (**John 11:17-22**)

- In their grief Mary and Martha could have resented God. They could have coped with the things of the world. They could have turned their back on God and done life their way but they ran to him and were honest with him
- Mary and Martha's grief propelled them toward God in honesty not away from him

Will we all experience an earthly ending? Yes. But Jesus says that even though the believer dies on earth they will live with him in eternity and never die (**John 11:23-26**)

If you're falling off a cliff, strong faith in a weak branch is fatally inferior to weak faith in a strong branch. Salvation is not finally based on the strength of your faith, but on the object of your faith
- Tim Keller (1950-2023)

- The story of Lazarus shows us that God is not indifferent to our pain. **Jesus cares.**

Couldn't this pain have been avoided? We have all cried this! But if God had spared Lazarus, Mary and Martha the pain they would not have come to know him as "the resurrection and the life" (**John 11:37-39**)

"Did I not tell you that if you believe, you will see the glory of God?" (**John 11:40**)

"Time of Reflection"

- If you are a believer - take a moment during this next song to pray for someone who is not a christian. Pray they would commit their life to Jesus.
- If you're not yet a christian but want to become one today- pray with me

I'M SORRY God for my sins, please forgive me
THANK YOU Jesus for dying on the cross for me. I believe in you
PLEASE help me to follow you the rest of my life
