



## The Compassion of the Church Acts 6:1-7

In those days when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenistic Jews among them complained against the Hebraic Jews because their widows were being overlooked in the daily distribution of food. So the Twelve gathered all the disciples together and said, “It would not be right for us to neglect the ministry of the word of God in order to wait on tables. Brothers and sisters, choose seven men from among you who are known to be full of the Spirit and wisdom. We will turn this responsibility over to them and will give our attention to prayer and the ministry of the word.”

This proposal pleased the whole group. They chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit; also Philip, Procorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas from Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these men to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

So the word of God spread. The number of disciples in Jerusalem increased rapidly, and a large number of priests became obedient to the faith.

### Upcoming Events at Coastline Covenant:

**We need volunteers!** This is your sign to help out at Coastline Covenant. [Sign up here to get involved](#)

**Coastline Communities meet this week! For more information, check out**

**Coastline Youth meets each Tuesday from 6:30-8:30 at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church. It's open to all 6th-12th graders in the South Bay.**

Thanks for joining us at Coastline Covenant this Sunday. We're a new covenant church in the South Bay, doing our best to create joyful and courageous followers of Jesus Christ. We're seeking to do this by being a community that is wholly worshipping, Spirit seeking, boldly Biblical, and fully family. To connect with us further, check out our [website](#) or [Instagram](#).

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We'll see you next week, and every week after that.