

# PEOPLE OF HOPE

A COMMUNITY OF DISCIPLES ON MISSION

JESUS IS LORD!

"WHEN HE FINDS A  
PEARL OF GREAT  
PRICE, HE GOES  
AND SELLS ALL  
THAT HE HAS AND  
BUYS IT"

MATTHEW 13:46

879TH PRAYER MEETING

JULY 31, 2019



# "TRUE JOY IS BASED ON ME"

## **ALLOW THE JOY OF THE LORD EACH DAY TO BE YOUR STRENGTH**

In Nehemiah 8:10 you read, "The joy of the Lord is my strength". Truly the joy of the Lord is your strength. So, I would ask you my brothers and sisters, how's your strength? Feeling strong today; do you feel strong every day? How's your joy? Does your joy depend on a good report from the news, a good report about your sports team, a good report from your doctor, a good report on this or that, or does it depend on me? The joy of the Lord is your strength. True joy is based on me, on Jesus Christ, your savior and Lord who has forgiven your sins and set you on a firm rock and is preparing a place for you in Heaven and is answering every one of your prayers. That's where your joy lies. It doesn't depend on the day in and the day out successes of life. Your joy should always be firm and strong. Don't give it away. Allow the joy of the Lord each day to be your strength.

## **I AM CARING FOR YOU**

Your faith and hope are your strength. Challenges and crosses exercise (strengthen) your faith and hope to keep you strong and ready in the spiritual battles of this age.

Know that my love and care for you, including the crosses and the miracles, provide all that you need for victory. Rejoice with gratitude in knowing that I'm caring for you.

## **SIT AT MY FEET AND GO OUT TO SERVE**

Abraham ran out as the three men were passing by. He looked to dwell with them by serving them and giving them shade and a meal. And he experienced me in that moment.

Mary chose to sit at my feet and dwell with me, ignoring the busyness of what was going on. She chose to sit and listen and be just with me.

These stories are not in conflict with each other. When you serve others, you are dwelling with me. And there are times when I will call you to sit and be quiet with me so that you can later go out and serve. I need you to do both. I need you to dwell with me as you serve others. I need you to dwell with me in the quiet silence. And you will experience my love.

## LET US ENCOURAGE ONE ANOTHER

The Lord says beloved brothers and sisters the Church is in ordinary time. You may say, 'What shall I do in ordinary time? I'm not preparing for Christmas or Easter, I'm not going through Lent? What should I do in ordinary time?' And I tell you 'encourage one another and build each other up as indeed you are doing. Encourage one another and build each other up as indeed you are doing.'" (ref. 1Thessalonians 5:11)

### Exhortation:

So, in ordinary time let us tell one another the great works that God has done in our

lives, how we are serving Him, how He has blessed and encouraged us. We have an extraordinary opportunity in society to tell of the forgiveness available through the sacrifice of Jesus, to tell of the love of God available through Jesus, to share that peace is available, peace with God is available through Jesus. We have an extraordinary opportunity in our society, which desperately needs to hear the love of God and forgiveness through Jesus.

**July 21 Community  
Prayer Meeting Prophecies**

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INDEED YOU ARE DOING "**

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## JOHN PROVINSAL THANK YOU

After many years of dedicated service, John Provinsal has retired as coordinator. We will have an opportunity to honor and thank our brother at the September 8th community prayer meeting.

## PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR ALL THE SICK

Please continue to pray for all the sick, especially for Clara Bickel, Jack Bickel, Maria Bickel, Chuck & Jane Calarco, Genna Camiolo, John Camiolo, Peg Camiolo, Fr. Jim Carroll, Jonathan Caruso, Steve Clark, Lou Cirrotti, Mike Dalessio, Joe Fierro, Margaret Fierro, Eric Garcia, Paul Giegerich, Jr., Laura Greey, Mark Helfrich, Gloria Hoffman, Wendy Hoffman, Joseph McMullen, Rose Molnar, Danielle Neri,

Walt and Joanne Quense, Lizzie Quense, Lee Scarfone, Jack Spear, Lisa Yacone, Carol-Ann McCarthy, Joe Hoffman, Chris Birk from the Word of Life in Ann Arbor, Michigan, and Peter Smith from Triumph of the Cross in Maryland.

Let's also pray for all those serving in the military, especially our loved ones

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING AND CAMP HOPE CELEBRATION

**Sunday, August 11**

2:30pm

Koinonia Academy

### WOMEN'S NIGHT

**Wednesday, August 14th**

*(more details to follow)*

### MEN'S NIGHT

**Tuesday, August 20th.**

*(more details to follow)*

### SERVICE DAY

**Saturday, August 24th.**

*(more details to follow)*



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## MEN'S NIGHT, TUESDAY JULY 23RD

Come to our next Men's night! It will be a great time to be together! Think of guests you can invite to join and send them a text! We are richly blessed by the brothers around us - let's share that blessing!

WHEN: Tuesday, July 23rd

WHERE: Temple's backyard (5 Mary Street, Warren)

WHO: All men 18+

TIME: 7-9pm

WHAT: Fellowship, snacks, games! (eat dinner though beforehand lol)

COST: No Charge!

NOTE: BYOB - Please bring a drink to share!

If bad weather is anticipated we will send out an event update the morning of the event.

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**"...THAT THEY MAY BE BROUGHT TO PERFECTION AS ONE, THAT THE WORLD MAY KNOW THAT YOU SENT ME, AND THAT YOU LOVED THEM EVEN AS YOU LOVED ME"**



**LET'S PRAY** first and foremost for all our brothers and sisters across the world who are suffering for their faith. Let's pray for their perseverance in suffering. May God grant them grace and joy in the midst of their persecution, even unto death.

Let's pray for the Lord in the perfection of his plan to unite us more deeply through this mystery of persecution and bring the fullness of his kingdom to the "perfect unity" he spoke of in John 17.

## **PRAYER FOR ECUMENICAL UNITY**