

FAMILY NEWS



Upcoming Events

3.4.18 LCOC Church Business Meeting, 2:00p.m. Budget and Emergency Protocols will be presented.

3.10.18 Brian and Krysten Devereaux Reception. Please RSVP by March 1st to office@lexingtonchurch.net

3.11.18 Christie Gaskins' baby shower, 2:00p.m... Christie is having a boy and is registered at Buy Buy Baby

3.24.18 Philine Mattingly's baby shower, 10:30a.m... Philine is having a boy and is registered at Amazon.

Prayer Requests

- Missions: Mike, Kris and Kaylee Bridges
- AIM: Hannah Baker & Donnie Guill (Mission UpReach)
- Grayson Carter- Ft. Riley, Kansas; Deployed to Germany
- Nathaniel and Alexis Goodley, Hawaii- Wheeler Army Airfield
- Steve Izard
- Patrick Hutto
- Robin Smith
- Lisa Smith- Karen Oliver's Sister
- Heath Hartwell-Brian Devereaux's Friend
- Kimberly Craig and Mollie Carr, Kathy Upton's daughter and niece
- Gene Lowe-Vern Lowe's Father
- Laurie Bleux's Farther
- Marcello Assenza-Christine Stewart's Father
- David Dowdy
- Tom Dominick
- Chester Warren
- Harriett Betterson and Family
- Mark Black, Kris Black's Father
- Kensington Martin, 14yr old young lady at PHS with stage 4 Throat Cancer

THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE “”

Jesus introduced us to the phrase “the truth will set you free.” This phrase has gathered momentum and become an everyday part of our dialogue. So what truth is Jesus talking about? It seems like people use this phrase to take hope in self-discovery. It's kind of like Jesus words give us the clues that help us self-discover.

An example would be “for from within, out of the heart of men come evil thoughts, fornications, thefts, murders, adulteries, deeds of coveting and wickedness, as well as deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride and foolishness. All these things come from within and defile the man Mark 7:21.” The idea is that Jesus reveals all the clues about what is really true about ourselves, and if we stick with it in the end we will know the truth and that truth will set us free.

A similar thought is that, in relationships we should “tell the truth, the whole truth, and damn the results because this truth telling leads to “freedom.”

Another line of thought is that by diligent ravaging New Testament verses we can discover what true worship is and by so doing we can become free of our sins, and live free because we worship in truth. In this way we discover the true church, the true salvation, the true forms of assembly, the true doctrine, etc. and by so doing we will be free.

Jesus said to those Jews who believed in him if you continue in My word, then you are truly my disciples; and you will know the truth and the truth will make you free.”

If one follows the teaching of Jesus, about himself, one will discover Him. He is the Truth, The Way to the father, and way to life, now and then. We become free when we internalize the meaning of this idea. The plain facts are that every human journey of making sense of his or her own life is nothing but a form of narcissism. Knowing yourself is not “following His teachings.” Continuing in His teachings does NOT look like a deep introspective analysis of what makes you tick, with others or otherwise.

Knowing the truth in regard to yourself will, for sure, only make you aware of how enslaved you are. You will never be free when you are the center of your life. Only knowing the truth about Jesus can fulfill the promise and make you free.

Jesus came to tell us that the Father knows you can never be free of all the webs you weave. Your doctrine can never be “right” enough to save you in the end. Your heart can never be “clean enough” to get you through. Your deeds are never sufficient. The highest form of slavery might be thinking you somehow can free yourself. To be free we have to lay it down and trust Him and what He has done; for “when the sons set you free you are free indeed John 8:35.”

We've got to recognize and release the ways we try to save ourselves; let them go and come rest in Jesus. This is the freedom He wants us to know.

Lay your dirty doing down, down at Jesus feet.

Rest in Him and Him alone, gloriously complete.

Take a breather.

Your Shepherds

Assembly Times

Sunday Worship 9:30AM
Sunday Class 11 AM
AWANA, Sunday 10 AM
Wednesday, 7 PM Bible Study

Weekly Stats

AM Bible Class 92
AM Bible Class Average 88

AM Assembly 146
AM Assembly Avg. 122

Contribution \$5,763.00
YTD Average Weekly \$4,525.24
Weekly Budget \$7,918.62

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GENERAL INFORMATION

Congratulations!
 Please congratulate **Stephen and Amanda Wood** on the birth of their daughter **Charlotte Evangeline Wood**. Charlotte was born on **Feb. 21st at 4:40a.m...** 6lb 10oz, 18.5 inches long.

Anniversaries:
3.2 Sid & Kathy Upton
Cliff & Carol Brown
Jack & Janice Holt

Birthdays:
2.28 Keke Brooks
2.29 Jack Holt
3.1 Steve Izard
3.8 Nicholas Joy

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Online Giving!

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**Opportunities to Serve
March 4, 2018**

Worship: Connor Watkins

Sound Room:

Cliff Brown

Ruben Macedo

Lord's Supper:

Brian Devereaux

Servers in March:

Dave Hill

Corey Wisniewski

John Turner

Kris Amaral

Chris Black

Door Greeters in March.:

Juan & Lucy Ortiz

Nursery:

Earline White

Krysten Devereaux

Toddler:

Mary Joy

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AIM Hannah Baker, Donnie Guill, Mission UpReach in Honduras: Mike, Kris, Kaylee Bridges

YOUTH NEWS

MEN'S NEWS

A couple of weeks ago, Rob and I had the privilege of chaperoning Winterfest. We didn't know what to expect but I know for sure that we were so blessed by being there.

Every speaker and every session brought the Word of God to life for both the teens and the adults in the room. The most impactful speaker to me presented spoken word, Spoken Gospel as he calls it. He took the passage from Romans 8 and broke it down in a beautiful way that I've never heard before. The theme of the weekend was "If". More specifically, "if Christ". I kept finding myself thinking about our children's ministry and how badly I want to convey this message to our children, even the youngest ones. Nothing that we can do will save us. Nothing that we can do for ourselves will lead to joy. But if Christ is Lord of our lives, then we are adopted by the Father, co-heirs to the inheritance of the Son who paid the price for us, and the Spirit lives in us to give us this assurance.

Who is leading my life? Who is filling me up?
"If I" am in charge it'll only lead us to disappoint and ultimately to death — "If Christ" is leading then we'll have joy, abundant life on earth, and a celebration in heaven.

"And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you."
Romans 8:11

Blessings,

Lauren Brannan

What if God designed marriage to make us holy more than to make us happy???

We are beginning our marriage study and we'd love to have you on Wednesday nights @ 7pm. We'll be walking through Sacred Marriage as the content for our study.

Not married? Not engaged? Great! There are lots of gems to pull from the material that I wish I had been hungry for long before I got married.

Married and already have it all figured out? Great! I'd love to hear about your successes.

I need all the help I can get!

We'll go through chapter 1 tonight and if you need a copy of the book let me know. I have several free copies available.

I'm looking forward to recharging my batteries with your help through this study.

What a great opportunity we have to learn from each other each week!

It's a great day to be alive in Christ.

-Justin