

### NEWSLETTER

#### **News & Events**

#### Meet Me at the Park

We invite caregivers and kids to join us for playtime at the park every 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> (if applicable) Wednesday of the month. Meeting time is at 9:30AM. Visit our website for details!

### **Ladies Night Out**

Ladies, you are invited to enjoy dinner, a time of fellowship, encouragement, and fun with other women within our church body! Join us Friday, June 24th at 6:30PM at Dragon Hibachi & Sushi Buffet.

# **Zoomerang VBS**

Children entering Kindergarten through completed 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to join us this summer for our VBS program. At Zoomerang, the kids will marvel at the unforgettable wildlife, culture, and beauty of Australia while exploring the wonder and value of life, from the lives of pre-born babies to eternal life in the kingdom of God. The program runs from July 10-14, 6-8:30PM.

## A Privilege of Praise

Is it not a wonderful blessing and honor that we have the privilege to praise our Lord, not just that we should, not just that we want to, but we get to. And what better a place to learn about praising the Lord than by reading through the Psalms. Reading and studying the Psalms can be a wonderful journey that can take one down many different paths. One of these paths is encouragement. We can be encouraged when we read what David writes in Psalm 23; that no matter what happens, where- ever we are in our walk with the Lord, no matter the circumstances, the Lord walks with us, protecting us, guiding us, and providing for us.

A read through the Psalms may take us down a path of blessing, as when the Psalmist writes blessed is the man who walks not in the counsel of the wicked...but his delight is in the law of the Lord. We receive blessings from God when we are obedient to the Word of God and seek to follow His statutes.

A read through the Psalms gives us confidence, knowing, and trusting that one day Jesus will return to reclaim His kingdom; the Psalmist declares that the Messiah will triumph that God will set His King, on the holy hill of Zion. Jesus will return and reign in Jerusalem as King.

A read through the Psalms will tell us that our God is the Creator God, and holds all things together; nothing happens without His knowledge or will. The heavens declare God's glory, and anyone who has stood out on a mountain top on a clear summer's night can completely relate to what David says in this Psalm. Or when gazing into the heavens David asks God, who is man that you even think about him; Your glory is above the heavens and Your name is excellent above all. And yet David also tells us that the Lord knows every detail about us that He formed us just so, and David continues, saying that he will praise the Lord for we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

All throughout the Psalms, we read the phrases "praise the Lord" and "bless the Lord;" we get to praise the Lord for His marvelous works in creation, for His forgiveness, for His blessings, for His comfort, and the strength that He gives us. And nothing sums it up better than the concluding Psalm.

Praise the Lord!

Praise God in His sanctuary; Praise Him in His mighty firmament!

Growing the Family of God for the Glory of God.

Praise Him for His mighty acts;

Praise Him according to His excellent greatness!

Praise Him with the sound of the trumpet;

Praise Him with the lute and harp!

Praise Him with the timbrel and dance;

Praise Him with stringed instruments and flutes!

Praise Him with loud cymbals;

Praise Him with clashing cymbals!

Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.

Praise the Lord!

What a privilege we have, what an honor we have, and what a blessing it is to praise the Lord. Let us not let today, or any day go by without lifting up our Lord in praise, for He is worthy. He is worthy!

-Pastor Neil Franklin

# Ladies Spring Breakfast

On Saturday, May 14th, ladies of FBFC and friends from the community had the opportunity to gather together for fellowship in the FLC. There were about 100 ladies in attendance. Enck's Catering served a delicious breakfast from scrambled eggs, hashbrowns, donuts, and more! We then had the privilege to watch a performance of



"Ruth" from Piercing Word. This organization engages their audience with live Scripture performances, giving everyone the opportunity to memorize God's Word, and equips the Church with resources for Bible memorization and study. Taken directly from the show, Ruth shows the beauty of



God's redemptive plan in the midst of hopelessness and pain. It shows how God uses the faithfulness of Ruth and Boaz to reverse the curses of Genesis 3 and continue the line of David, ultimately leading to the birth of Christ. We are grateful for Piercing Word and the time they put into sharing Scripture with all the ladies in attendance.