

28 UNFORGETTABLE DAYS BEFORE EASTER

HELP US MAKE THIS AN **EASTER** FOR PEOPLE WHO NEED TO CONNECT WITH GOD-
PLAN TO GET INVOLVED!

FEB

- > Prayer commitments for unchurched friends
- > Invite Cards available for distribution
- > Banners posted on JCC website/Facebook

- > E-vites ready to send to friends/family
- > Prayer for our intern

> EASTER PROJECT OFFERING

28

ROGER SIMMONS...

our Short-Term Intern, will be assisting us for the Double in One Day Easter Project. Let's give a great big welcome to our friend—**Roger Simmons!**

PASTORS...

Bob & Phylis will be on vacation March 1-8. For pastoral assistance during their absence, please contact Rob & Christy Huerta.

Bible Study Stuff

There will be a 2-week break: **March 1 and March 8. A new series launches on Tues 03/15 @ 7:00 p.m.**

DITCH the BAGGAGE
CHANGE YOUR LIFE
based on the book by NANCY ALCONO



Hearts FOR THE CITY
release celebration and concert

Friday APRIL 08 @ 7PM



Featuring gifted Hip-Hop Artist **Nehemiah**
Invite your friends...

CONNECTION CARD

Each week everyone will be asked to fill out a Connection Card in order to **"MEASURE"** our church in five key areas. There will be a summary report each week in the bulletin that identifies those five key metrics.

Please turn in your card each week. Members, leaders and guests will be asked to turn these in.



I ♥ MY

Feb 28 » ILMC - The Power of an Invitation
 Mar 06 » Guest Speaker: Roger Simmons
 Mar 13 » ILMC - The Power of Giving
 Mar 20 » **PALM SUNDAY** - Roger Simmons
 Mar 27 » **EASTER SUNDAY**

PRAYER REQUESTS

Breanna V.	▶ Health Issues
Lily M.	▶ Dementia
Anabelle G.	▶ Lung Cancer
Andrew H.	▶ Health Issues
Noe F.	▶ Health Issues
Elizabeth S.	▶ Health Issues
Kenny D.	▶ Skull Fracture
Trevor W.	▶ Deployed to Afghanistan
Danny L.	▶ Peace Corps Assignment
Ralph H.	▶ Fluid in the brain
Moe M.	▶ Lung Cancer
Ruth S.	▶ Undiagnosed Health Issues
Jim B.	▶ Eye Problems
Mary H.	▶ Mobility Issues
Suzie S.	▶ Health Issues
Elvira C.	▶ Breast Cancer
Peggy H.	▶ Rheumatoid Arthritis
Lotz Family	▶ Grief/Loss of Parents
Barb D.	▶ Bone Cancer
Barb S.	▶ Injury
Phyllis L.	▶ Health Issues
Marvin L.	▶ Health Issues
Greg S.	▶ Grief-stricken
Persecuted Christians	▶ Hostilities/Suffering

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"You're only one defining decision away from a totally different life."—Mark Batterson

02/21/16

METRICS
THAT MATTER

40

ATTENDANCE

\$749

GIVING

2

GUESTS

10

VOLUNTEERS

0

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord, to the temple of the God of Jacob. He will teach us his ways, so that we may walk in his paths. The law will go out from Zion, the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.” **Isaiah 2:3**

³Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In his great mercy he has given us new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ and into an inheritance that can never perish, spoil or fade. This inheritance is kept in heaven for you, ⁵ who through faith are shielded by God’s power until the coming of the salvation that is ready to be revealed in the last time. ⁶ In all this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. ⁷ These have come so that the proven genuineness of your faith—of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire—may result in praise, glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. **1 Peter 1:3-7**

The Invitation Principle

1. God invites sinners
Isa. 1:18-19
2. God invites the destitute **Isa. 55:1-3**
3. God invites the weary/heavy laden
Mt. 11:28-30
4. God invites the thirsty **Re. 22:17**

God
invites
the
broken!

God
pursues
the
lost!

Jesus Examines the Idea of Lostness

1. The Parable of the Lost Sheep
Lk. 15:3-7
2. The Parable of the Lost Coin
Lk. 15:8-10
3. The Parable of the Lost Son
Lk. 15:11-31

The Invitation in Practice

- Andrew invites Peter to meet Jesus. **Jn. 1:40-42**
- Philip invites Nathaniel to meet Jesus. **Jn. 1:43-46**
- Samaritan woman invites neighbors. **Jn. 4:28-30**
 - Matthew has a meet & greet. **Lk. 5:27-29**
- Cornelius invites family/friends. **Ac. 10:24,33**

Found people find people!

THE GREATEST INVITATION

He said to them, “Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation.” **Mark 16:15**

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age.” **Matthew 28:16-20**

OUR ASSIGNMENT

Our responsibility is to invite people to Jesus who can change them.

- We can make an eternal difference.
- Some of you are here because someone invited you.
 - Someone is simply waiting on your invitation!
- You have influence over others—use that influence for good.
 - Just a simple invitation. . .