

EASTER CELEBRATION

HE IS RISEN!

WELCOME FRIENDS...

We are here to make Jesus Christ known!
He is the everything that the Bible describes—Lord, Savior,
Comforter, Baptizer, Healer....on and on. May you know
Him in the power of His resurrection!

*Bible
Study Series*

DITCH
the BAGGAGE
CHANGE YOUR LIFE

BY NANCY ALCORN

*Tuesdays
@ 7:00 p.m.*

Heart
FOR THE CITY
release celebration and concert

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Friday
APRIL 08
@ 7PM

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

ORIGINAL

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE
APRIL 21-23, 2016

SPEAKERS



Charlotte Gambill



Nancy Alcorn



Andi Andrew

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CELEBRATING YEAR TEN OF ORIGINAL

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.

take heart
UNREGISTERED BY: _____
Date: _____
Small (please print): _____
Full name (print): _____
First name (print): _____
Last name (print): _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Phone: _____
Email: _____
I am a: Member Guest Other
I am interested in: Church membership Small group Other (please specify): _____
I would like to know more about: _____
I would like to be contacted at the end of the service by: _____

I ♥ MY

Feb 28 » The Power of an Invitation
 Mar 06 » Guest Speaker: Roger Simmons
 Mar 13 » Giving: The Preset for Blessing
 Mar 20 » **PALM SUNDAY** - Roger Simmons
 Mar 27 » **EASTER**: When the Rooster Crows

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 |
| Dale G. | ▶ Blood Clot |
| Patty L. | ▶ Loss of her mother |
| Persecuted Christians | ▶ Hostilities/Suffering |

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"God is not in love with some future version of you. It's not you tomorrow that He loves and delights in. It's not you when you get your act together... If you believe that Christ's love for you is a future love for you, then you dismiss the cross of Christ." -Matt Chandler

03/20/16

METRICS
THAT MATTER

49

ATTENDANCE

\$1,885

GIVING

5

GUESTS

10

VOLUNTEERS

0

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

EASTER SUNDAY

When the Rooster Crows

²⁷ Again Peter denied it, and at that moment a rooster began to crow. **John 18:27**



► UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- John 21 records some unfinished business at the end of Jesus' life. This chapter deals with one man—the disciple Simon Peter.
- If we look at Peter's life we see a lot of ourselves in it.
- Peter was in a world of hurt at the end of the story, and Jesus cared for him too much to leave him with his hurt unresolved.
- We need to back up in Peter's story to know why he's so miserable. _____

PROMISES, PROMISES ▼

- Strangely enough, when Peter made that promise to Jesus, Jesus basically said, "No you're not."
- Jesus wants us to understand our constant need for the extravagant grace of God.
- Jesus told Peter, "Actually, I can't count on you. In fact, you're going to deny me three times before the sun comes up and the rooster crows."
- Peter's life unfolded exactly as Jesus predicted it would. When Jesus was arrested Peter followed at a distance.

A ROOSTER CROWED ►

- What a moment that must have been. I can imagine Peter wanting to strangle that rooster.
- It was a moment where Peter was put face-to-face with his own frailties.
- He saw his own weaknesses up close. He saw his sin for what it was, and I don't know about you, but I feel a kinship to Peter then and now.
- Who knows, maybe you're the exception. Maybe you're squeaky clean. You've got perfect attendance certificates.

▶ A LONG NIGHT OF NOTHING

¹ Afterward Jesus appeared again to his disciples, by the Sea of Galilee. It happened this way: ² Simon Peter, Thomas (also known as Didymus), Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two other disciples were together. ³ “I’m going out to fish,” Simon Peter told them, and they said, “We’ll go with you.” So they went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. **John 21:1-3**

THE PETER PATTERN ▼

- An immediate enthusiastic response followed by a falling away.
- Joyful acceptance followed by shrinking back.
- Walking on the water
 - bid me to come
 - begins to falter
 - “Save me!”
- Confession at Caesaria Philippi
 - “Thou art the Christ!”
 - “Get behind me Satan.”
 - Simon bar Jonah (reluctant prophet/the sign of
 - Johah/the resurrection will be the final turnaround)

⁵ “I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing. ⁶ If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. ⁷ If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. **John 15:5-7**

TAKEAWAYS ▶

- It’s possible to understand Jesus’ identity but not his destiny. When that happens, we will repeatedly fail to follow Jesus in the way of the cross.
- When we come to terms with our flaws and His righteousness, we understand that we do not have to be perfect—we simply have to love Jesus supremely.

APR 2016 EVENTS

SUN
03 Praise Team *REHEARSAL / PRAYER*
Worship / Communion / Young Adults

Notes _____

TUE
05 Praise Team
REHEARSAL

Notes _____

SUN
10 Praise Team *REHEARSAL*
Prayer / Worship

Notes _____

TUE
12 Bible Study
Ditch the Baggage, Change Your Life

Notes _____

WED
13 THE BIBLE TOUR
Multi-Media / Music Event
Rosemont Theater

Notes _____

SUN
17 Praise Team *REHEARSAL / PRAYER / WORSHIP / NEW LIFE DRAMA*
OUTCRY / All State Arena / 7:00 pm Hillsong / Kari Jobe / Jesus Culture
Martin Smith / Elevation Worship / Pastor Brian Houston

Notes _____

TUE
19 Bible Study
TBA

Notes _____

THU-SAT
21-23 ORIGINAL / *The Women's Conference*
RockfordFirst

Notes _____

SUN
24 Praise Team *REHEARSAL*
Prayer / Worship

Notes _____

TUE
26 Bible Study
TBA

Notes _____

SAT
30 Love Elgin Day
The Churches of Elgin

Notes _____

