

# Garage SALE

491 RIVER BLUFF RD

FRI, MAY 5 / 9AM-5PM

SAT, MAY 6 / 9AM-3PM

to benefit orphanages in **Tupelo and Guatemala.**  
See Rod, Kenny, or Emma

MOTHER'S DAY AT JCC!

Lattes   
For Ladies **Sunday**  
**May 14**

Help us honor the ladies in our lives!

## JESUS REIGNS



**MARCH**  
**JESUS**

**MAY 20, 2023 @ 10:00 AM**

A procession through the streets of Elgin.



Volunteers needed each Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. for VBS Event that starts July 5 – August 2. You will be incredibly **BLESSED!** See Debbie Perez.

MAY TEACHING SERIES

# When Life Doesn't Go As Planned



May 07 » Joseph  
May 14 » Mother's Day  
May 21 » Esther  
May 28 » Moses

## Prayer REQUESTS

### ▶ SALVATION

- Walter Miner III     Gearen Family     Tom M.     Stein Family
- Ryan K.     Tyler M.     Mandy W.     Dave. O

### ▶ HEALTH ISSUES

- Art B. » Health Issues
  - Armando » Back Issues
  - Jean G. » Health Issues
  - Karla D. » Cancer Recovery
  - Mandy W. » Cancer
  - Maggie B. » Chemotherapy
  - Merle » Health Issues
  - Carlos V. » Health Issues
  - Angie & Family » Life Issues
  - Samantha B. » Health Issues
  - Christine P. » Bone Cancer
  - Howard P. » Cancer
- Bob A. Healing/Kidney
  - Camilia S. » Cancer/Leg
  - Mike P. » Health Issues
  - Mickey N. » Stroke
  - Robert G. » Health Issues
  - Kevin K. » Health Issues
  - Angela A. » Health Issues
  - Michelle H. » Leukemia
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### METRICS THAT MATTER (04/30/23)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 44    GIVING ▶ \$3,515    GUESTS ▶ 0  
 VOLUNTEERS ▶ 15    DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0

# When Life Doesn't Go As Planned



## The Joseph Story



*As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today.* **Genesis 50:2**

### Jacob in Canaan

Joseph was born to Jacob & Rachel. He was the favored son. Jacob made Joseph a coat of many colors. Joseph had dreams that became the source of conflict. They plotted to kill him, but instead put him in a pit. His brothers sell him to Midianites going to Egypt. His brothers dip his coat in goat's blood to make it appear Joseph has vanished.

### Jacob in Egypt



Midianite traders sell him as a slave to Potiphar. Joseph prospers in Potiphar's house. He attracts the attention of Mrs. Potiphar. She tries to seduce him but fails. She accuses him of rape which lands him in prison. He is in prison thirteen years. In prison he interprets dreams for the butler and baker. Later, Pharaoh has some disturbing dreams which none of his wise men can interpret. These dreams bring him to Pharaoh's attention. He interprets Pharaoh's dreams. He predicts famine and prepares storehouses. He is made Prime Minister of Egypt.

## Life did not go as planned

- He was sold by his brothers to a caravan of traders.
- He went to Egypt—had to learn a new language and customs.
- He was separated from his family at a young age.
- He was sold as a common slave in Egypt.
- He was falsely accused of sexually violating Potiphar's wife.
- He served a prison sentence of thirteen years.



## God has a better plan

*For my thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, declares the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways and my thoughts than your thoughts.*

**Isaiah 55:8-9**

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*All the paths of the Lord are steadfast love and faithfulness, for those who keep his covenant and his testimonies.* **Psalms 25:10**

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*You have multiplied, O Lord my God, your wondrous deeds and your thoughts toward us; none can compare with you! I will proclaim and tell of them, yet they are more than can be told.* **Psalms 40:5**

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*Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways!*

**Romans 11:33**

## Joseph saw through a different lens

**Each stage of the journey was a necessary part of the end. But in the middle of it all, Joseph couldn't see that. It wasn't until the very end that he could see it!**

*When Joseph's brothers saw that their father was dead, they said, "It may be that Joseph will hate us and pay us back for all the evil that we did to him." But Joseph said to them, "Do not fear, for am I in the place of God? As for you, you meant evil against me, but God meant it for good, to bring it about that many people should be kept alive, as they are today. So do not fear; I will provide for you and your little ones." Thus he comforted them and spoke kindly to them. "You meant it for evil, but God meant it for good."* **Genesis 50:15-21**

*Joseph's story has unexpected twists and turns... but above all*

 **GOD IS**   
 **FAITHFUL!** 



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— 5-WEEK VBS —

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WEDNESDAYS JULY 5 / AUGUST 2  
10:00 A.M. – 2:00 P.M.



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