

STAR FORCE ACADEMY

A Five-Week VBS Session

Thursdays / June 27 - August 2

(no class on Thursday, July 4)

10:00 am — 2:00 pm

Pre-school through 6th grade

Register at dperez0609@gmail.com



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Instructor: Deb Perez

Next. Class: Thursday, August 8
7:00 p.m.

OPERATION TAISHA

For the next 30-45 days, we will gather used clothing for needy children in Taisha, Ecuador (Amazon Jungle), sizes 4-12. You can help by collecting clothes, or if you want to help pay for shipping mark your donation, "Taisha", online or in person.



TRANSFORMATION

Join us as we host Pastors
Antonio Wells & Claire Wells OF CEDAR FALLS, IOWA.

Sunday **AUGUST 25** 10:00 AM



Messy People

Life lessons from Imperfect Biblical Heroes

Aug 04 » Rahab: Changing Your Messy Story

Aug 11 » The Prodigal Son: Restoring Messy Relationships

Aug 18 » Josiah: Breaking Messy Family Cycles

Aug 25 » Daniel: Thriving in Messy Circumstances

Prayer REQUESTS

► SALVATION

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

► HEALTH ISSUES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Armando » Back Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Zach D. » Sobriety |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mandy W. » Cancer | <input type="checkbox"/> Paitn » Return to God |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merle » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Meztti » Return to God |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carlos V. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Jeffrey » Healing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Angie & Family » Life Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Ivy » Healing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bob A. Healing/Kidney | <input type="checkbox"/> Angela A. » Healing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camilia S. » Cancer/Leg | <input type="checkbox"/> M. Smith » Aortal Hernia |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Robert G. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarence F. » Knee Rehab |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lucille S. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Mike K. » Bone Cancer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Augustin A. » Sobriety | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yalda Samano » Cancer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walter Miner III. » Health Issues | |

METRICS THAT MATTER (07/28/24)

ATTENDANCE ► 31

GIVING ► \$753

GUESTS ► 0

VOLUNTEERS ► 14

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ► 0

- Rahab was not a likely candidate for a hero of the faith. She was a prostitute in a corrupt, pagan city that was under God's condemnation. Spiritually, Rahab was not in an ideal circumstance to come to faith in God. However, Rahab had heard that Israelites were God's chosen people. Her actions to save the spies and align with God's people saved her and her family. _____

Rahab hoped for mere survival but gained salvation on the basis of her faith **Joshua 2:8-11**

All of this began with Rahab's faith in a God she had come to know secondhand through nearly unbelievable stories of his great works. She placed her hope in a God greater than those fashioned by human beings. Here's what she did:

- Formed an accurate understanding of God.
- Trusted those who had experienced God's power.
- Served him by helping the spies escape.
- Followed the instructions of those who had already learned God's ways.

*Behold, when we come into the land, you shall tie this scarlet cord in the window through which you let us down, and you shall gather into your house your father and mother, your brothers, and all your father's household. **Joshua 2:18***

Rahab changes her messy story

1

Rahab became a woman of faith

She believed the reports of Yahweh giving victory to the Israelites and she knew the destruction of her city was days away.

2

Rahab demonstrated risky hospitality

She risked her life and the life of her family to conceal and protect the spies that were sent.

3

The Spies demonstrated reciprocal appreciation

They made a covenant to spare her and her family when they attacked the city.

4

Rahab displayed exact obedience to a small matter

She hung the same red rope from the same window again.

5

The Red Rope was both historic and prophetic

It referred to the blood on the door post in Exodus. It was a type of the saving blood of Jesus.

By faith the prostitute Rahab, because she welcomed the spies, was not killed with those who were disobedient. Hebrews 11:31

OPERATION *Taisha*

This is a **SUMMER ALERT** for Taisha, Ecuador [in the Amazon Jungle]. **The monthly average income for Taisha is \$90 per month.** This is an extremely poor area. Some of the children have **NO CLOTHES...they run around naked.**



Here's what we want to do. We want to send a small shipment of used lightweight children's clothing, T-shirts and shorts, children's sizes small/medium/large or sizes 4-12.

Over the next 45 days, there will be a collection box in the foyer to help us receive these items. Your help with this project will mean a lot to these families and will let them know that we care for them as our brothers and sisters. If you want to help pay for the container and shipping, you may donate online—mark it “Taisha” or write your check to JCC and indicate “Taisha” in the memo section.

Thanks for your help!

Pastor Bob



Dear Friends—

As we near summer's end, we are honored to have a remarkable minister as a guest speaker. Pastors Antonio and Claire Wells lead Faith Walkers Church of the Cedar Valley in Cedar Falls, Iowa. They are doing an amazing work in Cedar Falls. He weekly shares God's Word to high school and college students believing that we have a need for "more of Jesus." I am inviting you to a

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Sunday **AUGUST 25**

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**FAITH WALKERS CHURCH
OF THE CEDAR VALLEY**

