

BACK2SCHOOL

Bowling Night



JOIN US 4
Some Summertime fun!
TUES, 08/11 FROM 7:00 - 9:00 P.M.
Elgin Bowlway Lanes

MARK YOUR CALENDAR...

Pastor Mark Jordan, Calvary Christian Center, Las Cruces, N.M.
will be our Guest Speaker at JCC on Sunday 08/16/15
Come—be inspired, be encouraged with the Word of God!

Live LOVE Connect

It's a journal party for women!
Turn a simple composition book into your own unique personal piece of art. You choose—a gratitude journal; a back-to-school journal; a prayer journal or any theme you choose.

HAVE FUN WHILE BEING CREATIVE!

FRI, AUGUST 21 / 7:00 P.M.

MAX LUCADO before amen

THE POWER OF A SIMPLE PRAYER
09.15.2015

Join us for a four-session-video-based study where Max Lucado shows us how to let go of uncertainties about prayer, trust that God hears us, and embrace a prayer life that brings peace and rest.



women of faith loved

—THE FAREWELL TOUR—

Sears Centre Arena

September 25-26, 2015

More info: www.womenoffaith.com

A BIG SHOUT

to Jon Olvera for participating in the RaceWay 5K that benefits charities in the Dundee-Carpentersville area on Saturday, August 15. Way to go!

CONNECTION CARD

Please turn in your Connection Cards in each week. **Members, guests, and leaders** are asked to turn these in to help us track our progress.

YOU DRIVE ME CRAZY

Aug 02 / #YDMC / My Hot Button Boulevard
 Aug 09 / #YDMC / Conflict Alley
 Aug 16 / Pastor Mark Jordan - Las Cruces
 Aug 23 / #YDMC / People Pleaser Expressway
 Aug 30 / #YDMC / No More Abuse Freeway

PRAYER REQUESTS

Breanna V.	▶ Health Issues
Lily M.	▶ Dementia
Anabelle G.	▶ Lung Cancer
Andrew H.	▶ Health Issues
Noe F.	▶ Health Issues
Linda L.	▶ Health Issues
Elizabeth S.	▶ Health Issues
Kenny D.	▶ Skull Fracture
Trevor W.	▶ Deployed to Afghanistan
Paul S. III	▶ Complete Healing
Peggy K.	▶ Health Issues
Danny L.	▶ Awaiting Peace Corps Assignment
Ralph H.	▶ Fluid in the brain
Moe M.	▶ Lung Cancer
Ruth S.	▶ Undiagnosed Health Issues
Mark M.	▶ Cardiac Issues
Jim B.	▶ Eye Problems
Bonnie T.	▶ Post-Surgical Healing

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“God doesn’t love some future version of you. He loves you now.”
 –Matt Chandler

08/02/15

METRICS
 THAT MATTER

38

ATTENDANCE

\$3,210

GIVING

7

GUESTS

10

VOLUNTEERS

0

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST

THE ESAU-JACOB CONFLICT

This is a story about a fight for supremacy and blessing.

» TWO DIFFERENT BOYS

The LORD said to her, “Two nations are in your womb, and two peoples from within you will be separated; one people will be stronger than the other, and the older will serve the younger.” *Genesis 25:23*

» **Esau** – A tough rugged outdoorsman who loved to hunt and get his hands dirty.

» **Jacob** – He didn’t like to hunt or fish—or get his hands dirty. He was a homebody who loved to spend time with his mother.

» TWO BIG MISTAKES

²⁹ Once when Jacob was cooking some stew, Esau came in from the open country, famished. ³⁰ He said to Jacob, “Quick, let me have some of that red stew! I’m famished!” (That is why he was also called Edom.)

³¹ Jacob replied, “First sell me your birthright.” *Genesis 29:25-31*

» **Esau** – Undervalued and sold his *birthright* to Jacob for some Hebrew chili.

» **Jacob** – Schemed with his mother to obtain Isaac’s blessing.

» TWO PAINFUL EXPERIENCES

Esau said, “Isn’t he rightly named Jacob? This is the second time he has taken advantage of me: He took my birthright, and now he’s taken my blessing!” Then he asked, “Haven’t you reserved any blessing for me?” *Genesis 27:36*

¹ So Isaac called for Jacob and blessed him. Then he commanded him: “Do not marry a Canaanite woman. ² Go at once to Paddan Aram, to the house of your mother’s father Bethuel. Take a wife for yourself there, from among the daughters of Laban, your mother’s brother. *Genesis 28:1-2*

» **Esau** – Is crushed to learn that he has lost both the *birthright* and the *blessing*.

» **Esau** – Too, wants a *blessing*.

» **Jacob** – Is sent away to Paddan-Aram.

» He is exiled for 20 years and will reap the harvest of his deception.

» **TWO CAMPS**

¹⁰ I am unworthy of all the kindness and faithfulness you have shown your servant. I had only my staff when I crossed this Jordan, but now I have become two camps. ¹¹ Save me, I pray, from the hand of my brother Esau, for I am afraid he will come and attack me, and also the mothers with their children. *Genesis 32:10-11*

» **Jacob** – And his caravan continue to Canaan. At Manahaim, he is met by a band of angels.

» He prays that God would spare him from an attack from Esau that would take his life or the life of his family. He divides his group into two camps, in case one is attacked, the other can flee.

» He sends gifts ahead to Esau, hoping to appease him.

» **THE JABBOK: THE PLACE TO OVERCOME**

²² That night Jacob got up and took his two wives, his two female servants and his eleven sons and crossed the ford of the Jabbok. ²³ After he had sent them across the stream, he sent over all his possessions.

²⁴ So Jacob was left alone and a man wrestled with him till daybreak. *Genesis 32:22-24*

» There is a physical wrestling—but there is also a spiritual mano-a-mano.

» Jacob has a blessing, but it feels “artificial”—it was forced. Jabbok (or Peniel) is significant. It’s the end of the line.

³ He himself went on ahead and bowed down to the ground seven times as he approached his brother. ⁴ But Esau ran to meet Jacob and embraced him; he threw his arms around his neck and kissed him. And they wept.

Genesis 33:3-4