

SCHEDULE

In-person Gathering **Sun. 10:00 am**
Live-streaming **Sun. 10:00 am**
Prayer Event **Wed. 6:30 pm**

PROCLAIM HIS NAME

"Sing the praises of the LORD,
you His faithful people; praise His
holy name." Psalm 30:4

★★ **LABOR DAY WEEKEND** ★★

SEPTEMBER 5 / BYOL (BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH)

Lunch on the Patio after service—Enjoy some "together" time!
Bring your lunch or your fav fast food.

MIRACLE *sunday*

SEPTEMBER 12

JUBILEE CHRISTIAN CENTRE @ 10:00 AM



BISHOP *Mike Lane*

Pastor: Place of Praise, Lexington, North Carolina



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GOD LOVES YOU

Tour

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Hear a message of hope from Franklin Graham with music
by the NEWSBOYS, Marcos Witt, and Dennis Agajanian.

Sunday, September 19 @ 4:00 pm

Chicagoland Speedway / 500 Speedway Blvd. Joliet, IL 60433

This Verse

changed my life

Aug 01 » God Has a Good Plan for My Life > *Jeremiah 29:11*

Aug 08 » Hope > *Romans 8:24*

Aug 15 » Jehovah-Jireh
> *Genesis 22:7-8*

Aug 22 » Beauty for Ashes
> *Isaiah 61:1-3*

Aug 29 » When I'm Weak, I Am Strong in the Lord > *2 Corinthians 12:9*

PRAYER REQUESTS

► SALVATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Jason G. | <input type="checkbox"/> Ray H. | <input type="checkbox"/> Gearen Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Kirk Aricioglu |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Brian H. | <input type="checkbox"/> Karen W. | <input type="checkbox"/> Mike F. | <input type="checkbox"/> Dave S. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Benjamin G. | <input type="checkbox"/> Cheyenne W. | <input type="checkbox"/> Tom M. | <input type="checkbox"/> Bato R. |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ryan K. | <input type="checkbox"/> Tyler M. | <input type="checkbox"/> Stein Family | <input type="checkbox"/> Donald S. |

► HEALTH ISSUES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sam H. » Cardiac Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Randy F. » Immune disorder | <input type="checkbox"/> Armando L. » Back Injury |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ruth H. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Bill W. » Heart aneurysm | <input type="checkbox"/> Sergio P. » Needs kidney donor |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jean G. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Laura K. » Auto Immune | <input type="checkbox"/> David S. » Shoulder replacement |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Michael D. » MS | <input type="checkbox"/> Ozzie M. » Dialysis | <input type="checkbox"/> Dan B. » Liver transplant |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Art B. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Macario A. » Dialysis | <input type="checkbox"/> Nick B. & Christy B. » Pregnancy Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Don H. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Michael D. » Deliverance | <input type="checkbox"/> Debbie P. » Upper Respiratory |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tommy P. » Anxiety | <input type="checkbox"/> Eloisa » Severe diabetes | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Noe F. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Evie » Respiratory Issues | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Macario A. » Dialysis | <input type="checkbox"/> Carolyn » Stg. 3 Lung Cancer | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Juan A. » Health Issues | | |

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

“Don't worry about locating your purpose. If you're seeking after God, your purpose will locate you.” —*Tony Evans*

METRICS THAT MATTER (08/22/21)

ATTENDANCE ► 17

GIVING ► \$1,005

GUESTS ► 0


VOLUNTEERS ► 8

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ► 0



This
Verse
changed my life

When I'm Weak, I am Strong in the Lord



But he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." Therefore I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me. **2 Corinthians 12:9**

If dependence is the objective, then weakness is an advantage.

There aren't many societies that praise weakness. Ours is no different. Whether you're a pastor or a police officer, an on-the-go salesman or a stay-at-home mother, weakness is seen as a liability. **Nobody wants to be weak. Strong is the name of the game.**

Sadly, our obsession with strength blinds us to a key biblical truth: God uses the weak. It's so pervasive that you'd be hard-pressed to find a book of the Bible that can't be summarized this way. And yet

despite being hard-wired into the very DNA of Scripture, we don't really believe it. We still clamor after strength. **But God doesn't need our strength to deliver us. In fact, our strength is actually more of a liability than an asset.**

I'll go a step further: God is so single-minded in his preference for weakness, that when he wants to use us, he often begins by weakening us. Case in point: the Bible's most courageous coward, Gideon.

Gideon's Tests *Gideon's*

Just before heading into battle with the mighty Midianite army, Gideon hears from God: "The people with you are too many for me to give the Midianites into their hand, lest Israel boast over me, saying, 'My own hand has saved me'"

Test 1

is to send all the fearful people home. It turns out that's a decent number, and 22,000 of Gideon's 32,000 leave. (I wonder if Gideon tried to sneak off with them?) Now, that might not have been a foolish decision. Fear is contagious, so 10,000 brave soldiers are better than three times that many if 70% of them are wimps. (Judges 7:2). So God gives Gideon a couple of tests, designed to trim the ranks.

Test 2

But if Test 1 was designed to create a braver army, Test 2 was only designed to create a smaller and weaker one. God tells Gideon to have his men drink from a stream, and all of the men who "lap like dogs" (who does that?) are the ones that should stay. It's an arbitrary test, but an effective one: only 300 men remain.

God was teaching Gideon what he wants to teach us today: when he wants to use us, he often begins by weakening us. That doesn't mean God delights in bringing us pain, or that every instance of weakness in our lives is caused directly by God. But periodically, God will step into our lives and reduce the size of our army, because he wants us to trust him—and that's often the only way we will.

So when we hear a tragic diagnosis from our doctor...or when we suddenly find ourselves out of a job...or when our marriage is on the rocks...we should see those as our "army" being reduced. Those are moments of decision: will we rage against God, or lean into him like never before? We are so obsessed with grasping at strength that pain becomes something to avoid, not an opportunity to learn from. But what if dependence is more important than strength?

If dependence is the objective, then weakness is an advantage.



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Dear Friend,

So many people across America are living far from God—in fact, surveys suggest this number may be larger than at any other time in our history. Many are also grieving the loss of loved ones or struggling financially due to the pandemic, and they're asking, "Does God even love me?" The field is ripe for believers to come together and answer this question head-on.

Through the upcoming Route 66 God Loves You Tour, you and your church can be part of an eight-city effort to reach men and women with the life-changing power of Jesus Christ.

After postponing large in-person events for the past year, I'm looking forward to joining with believers like you at these free, one-night evangelistic events along this historic highway through the heart of our nation. I want to tell people about the hope they can find through repentance and faith in Christ alone. Each event will also feature live music by the Newsboys, Marcos Witt, and my friend Dennis Agajanian.

Will you be part of this tour and encourage your church members to invite and bring their friends and family who need to hear about God's love? Let's come together to proclaim the message Jesus Christ Himself shared: ***"I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me"*** (John 14:6, NKJV).

May God bless you—and may God heal our communities and nation!

Sincerely,

Franklin Graham

President

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Bring your family and friends to an exciting evening featuring live music by the Newsboys, Marcos Witt, and Dennis Agajanian and a message of hope from Franklin Graham.



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SEPT. 19 | 4PM
CHICAGOLAND SPEEDWAY

ST·LOUIS
SEPT. 21 | 7PM
WORLD WIDE TECHNOLOGY RACEWAY

SPRINGFIELD
SEPT. 23 | 7PM
OZARK EMPIRE FAIRGROUNDS

OKLAHOMA CITY
SEPT. 25 | 7PM
STATE CAPITOL SOUTH LAWN

AMARILLO
SEPT. 26 | 4PM
JOHN STIFF MEMORIAL PARK

ALBUQUERQUE
SEPT. 28 | 7PM
EXPO NEW MEXICO

FLAGSTAFF
SEPT. 30 | 7PM
FORT TUTHILL COUNTY PARK FAIRGROUNDS

San Bernardino
OCT. 02 | 7PM
NATIONAL ORANGE SHOW EVENT CENTER



*"For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son,
that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life."*

—JOHN 3:16, ESV