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### **CELEBRATE RECOVERY**

Instructor: Deb Perez
Next. Class: Thursday, September 26
7:00 p.m.



#### MISSIONS TEAM

Join us in prayer for the Missions Team that is planning to deliver the children's clothes to Taisha, Ecuador (in the Amazon Jungle). They plan to travel at the end of September. They will be ministering in Taisha as well as Quito. The team consists of Rod Fitzgerald, Steven Skiba and Phylis Huerta.

#### **CHRISTMAS SHOEBOXES FOR QUITO**



We will target Shoeboxes for Quito. October 20 - November 18. We will receive a collection for Good News Ministry in Quito.

## GOD NEVER GIVES UP ON YOU

The Jacob Story

Sept 01 » Jacob: The Poster Boy for Shortcuts Sept 08 » Ladders from Heaven for a Man on the Run Sept 15 » Jacob at Jabbok: Facing the Past Shannon's Ordination Service Sept 22 » Don't Settle for Shechem When the Blessing is in Bethel Sept 29 » Lessons from the Life of Jacob

# Prayer REQUESTS

► SALVATION  Walter Miner III G	earen Family 70m N	1. Stein Family
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HEALTH ISSU	UES —	
Armando » Back Issues	Paitn » Return to God	Kenzie S. » Seizures
Mandy W. » Cancer	Meztti » Return to God	Laura S. » Healing
Merle » Health Issues	Jeffrey » Healing	Hector S. » Healing
Carlos V. » Health Issues	Ivy » Healing	Angela A. » Hospice
Angie & Family » Life Issues	Angela A. » Healing	Vanessa » Health Issu
Bob A. Healing/Kidney	M. Smith » Aortal Hernia	
Camilia S. » Cancer/Leg	Clarence F. » Knee Rehab	
Robert G. » Health Issues	Mike K. » Bone Cancer	
Lucille S. » Health Issues	Laura A. » Health Issues	`
Augustin A. » Sobriety	Walter M. » Limited Mobilit	y
Yalda Samano » Cancer	Sophie T. » Health Issues	
Walter Miner III. » Health Issues	Keith K. » Health Issues	
Zach D. » Sobriety	Kevin K. » Health Issues	((4))
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Bob A. » CDL License

**METRICS THAT MATTER** (09/15/24)

ATTENDANCE ▶ 34 GIVING ▶ \$2,603 GUESTS ▶ 0

VOLUNTEERS ▶ 14 DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ▶ 0



#### Don't Settle for Shechem When the Blessing is in Bethel

Our Path John 14:6 "I am the way, the truth and the life."

Our Guide Psalms 119:105 "They word is a lamp unto my feet and a light unto my path."

Are you a detailed and organized trip planner?
Do you rely completely on GPS or another device to lead you step by step?
Are you a free spirit who roams with no plan at all?



Proverbs 4:25-27 "Let your eyes look straight ahead; fix your gaze directly before you. Give careful thought to the paths for your feet and be steadfast in all of your ways. Do not turn to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil."

Hebrews 12:13 "Make level paths for your feet' so that the lame may not be disabled, but rather healed."

**Psalms 23:3** "He refreshes my soul. He guides me along the right paths for His name's sake."

Acts 2:28 "You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence."

Proverbs 4:11 "I will instruct you in the way of wisdom and lead you along straight paths."

The Jacob Story - He was given a new name but acted out of his old nature.

Genesis 31:13 "I am the God who appeared to you at Bethel, where you poured out olive oil on the stone that you set up on end and where

you made a promise to me. Now I want you to go back to the place that you were born."

Genesis 33:18-19 "Jacob left northwest Mesopotamia and arrived safely at the city of Shechem in the land of Canaan. Then he camped east of the city. He bought a part of the field where he had camped from the sons of Hamor the father of Shechem for one hundred pieces of silver."

- Gen 34:1 Dinah goes out to visit the women of the land
- Gen 34:2 Dinah is taken by the king's son and sexually abused
- · Gen 34:4 the king's son wants to marry her
- Gen 34:5 Jacob says nothing
- Gen 34:7 Her brothers are furious
- Gen 34:8-11 The king throws out an offer
- Gen 34:14 Jacob is silent/her brothers refuse the offer
- Gen 34:23 The brothers' plan involves greed/revenge
- Gen 34:24 All men were circumcised
- Gen 34:25 The brothers execute a surprise attack/slaughter
- Gen 34:30-31 Jacob becomes afraid and fights with his sons



There is no shortcut, detour or alternate route with God Staying in a place that God did not call you to leads to pain God does not accept substitutions to His plan.

His Promise Isaiah 42:6 "I will lead the blind by ways they have not known, along unfamiliar paths I will guide them: I will turn the darkness into light before them and make the rough places smooth. These are the things that I will do; I will not forsake them."

Our Responsibility Jeremiah 6:16 "This is what the Lord says: 'Stand at the crossroads and look; ask for the ancient paths, ask where the good way is, and walk in it, and you will find rest for your souls."

**Proverbs 3:5-6** "Trust in the Lord with of your heart and lean not to your own understanding. But in all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will direct your paths."