

★ THE CHRISTMAS PLEDGE

1. To remember those people who truly need my gifts.
2. To express my love for family and friends in more direct ways than presents.
3. To dedicate myself to the spiritual growth of my family.
4. To examine my holiday activities in light of the true meaning of Christmas.
5. To initiate an act of peacemaking within my circle of family and friends.

★ From "Unplug the Christmas Machine" ★
Jo Robinson & Jeanne Coppock Staeheli

Missions

Pastor Phylis will soon travel to Ecuador to encourage pastors and leaders in Guayaquil and Quito.



BAPTISM

Sunday

Analisa Perez makes her profession of faith
Sunday, December 8



CELEBRATE RECOVERY

Instructor: Deb Perez

Next. Class: Thursday, December 12
7:00 p.m.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

GUEST SPEAKER
Sunday, December 29



From New Creation Church
Benjamin Muro

Great Joy

A CHRISTMAS SERIES

Dec 01 » Mary's Joy

Dec 08 » Zechariah's Joy

Dec 15 » The Shepherds' Joy

Dec 22 » Simeon's Joy

Dec 29 » Guest Speaker: Benjamin Muro.

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"/> Mandy W. » Cancer | <input type="checkbox"/> Clarence F. » Knee Rehab |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Merle » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Mike K. » Bone Cancer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carlos V. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Walter M. » Limited Mobility |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Angie & Family » Life Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Sophie T. » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camilla S. » Cancer/Leg | <input type="checkbox"/> Keith K. » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lucille S. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Kenzie S. » Seizures |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Augustin A. » Sobriety | <input type="checkbox"/> Hector S. » Healing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Yalda Samano » Cancer | <input type="checkbox"/> Angela A. » Hospice |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Walter Miner III. » Health Issues | <input type="checkbox"/> Vanessa » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Zach D. » Sobriety | <input type="checkbox"/> Jacob M. » Emotional Health |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Paitn » Return to God | <input type="checkbox"/> Noelle G. » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Meztti » Return to God | <input type="checkbox"/> Junior » Health Issues |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Jeffrey » Healing | <input type="checkbox"/> Charlie » Lung Cancer |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ivy » Healing | |



METRICS THAT MATTER (12/01/24)

ATTENDANCE ► 32

GIVING ► \$672

GUESTS ► 0

VOLUNTEERS ► 14

DECISIONS FOR CHRIST ► 0

Luke 1: 5 - 25 and Luke 1:57 - 80

1 Who were Zecharias and Elizabeth?



"They were both righteous (approved) in the sight of God, walking blamelessly in all the commandments and requirements of the Lord." v.6



2 What happened when Gabriel showed up?



"When Zecharias saw the angel, he was troubled and overcome with fear. But the angel said to him, 'Do not be afraid, Zecharias, because your petition [in prayer] was heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son and you will name him John. You will have great joy and delight, and many will rejoice over his birth.'" v.12-4



"And Zecharias said to the angel, 'How will I be certain of this? For I am an old man and my wife is advanced in age'. The angel replied and said to him, 'I am Gabriel; I stand and minister in the [very] presence of God, and I have been sent [by Him] to speak to you and bring you this good news. Listen carefully, you will be continually silent and unable to speak until the day when these things take place, because you did not believe what I told you; but my words will be fulfilled at their proper time.'" v.18 - 20



3 John's Birth...

"but his mother answered, 'No indeed; instead he will be called





John.’ And they said to her, ‘None of your relatives is called by that name.’ Then they made signs to his father, as to what he wanted him called. And he asked for a writing tablet and wrote as follows, ‘His name is John.’ And they were all astonished. At once Zecharias’ mouth was opened and his tongue freed, and e began speaking, praising and blessing and thanking God.” v. 60 - 64

4 Zecharias’ Prophecy!



67 Now Zecharia his father was filled with and controlled by the Holy Spirit and prophesied, saying, 68 Blessed (praised and extolled and thanked) be the Lord, the God of Israel, because He has come and brought deliverance and redemption to His people! 69 And He has raised up a Horn of salvation [a mighty and valiant Helper, the Author of salvation] for us in the house of David His servant— 70 This is as He promised by the mouth of His holy prophets from the most ancient times [in the memory of man]— 71 That we should have deliverance and be saved from our enemies and from the hand of all who detest and pursue us with hatred; 72 To make true and show the mercy and compassion and kindness [promised] to our forefathers and to remember and carry out His holy covenant [to bless, which is [a]all the more sacred because it is made by God Himself], 73 That covenant He sealed by oath to our forefather Abraham: 74 To grant us that we, being delivered from the hand of our foes, might serve Him fearlessly 75 In holiness (divine consecration) and righteousness [in accordance with the everlasting principles of right] within His presence all the days of our lives. 76 And you, little one, shall be called a prophet of the Most High; for you shall go on before the face of the Lord to make ready His ways, 77 To bring and give the knowledge of salvation to His people in the forgiveness and remission of their sins. 78 Because of and through the heart of tender mercy and loving-kindness of our God, a Light from on high will dawn upon us and visit [us] 79 To shine upon and give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to direct and guide our feet in a straight line into the way of peace.

