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UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

OUTREACH TEAM MEETING — this evening, 7:00 pm at the Link Residence

For directions to the Link residence, call Valerie at (605) 431-5164. Weather permitting, the group will meet outside around a bonfire. So if you have a lawn chair, please bring it.

HANDS AND FEET, HAMMER AND NAILS PROJECT — every Monday from 5:30 to 7:30 pm

The church has purchased materials to replace the trim around the office building windows, place window screens, install basement window covers, and replace damaged siding and broken blinds. Starting **in August**, we have a couple of volunteers working **every Monday** from **5:30 to 7:30 pm.** Painters and helpers for other tasks are also needed. We hope to finish up on two consecutive Saturdays, **September 10 and 17**, from **8:00 am to 2:00 pm.** If you have any questions, contact Dan Link at 209-0668 or linkdaniel42@gmail.com.

HELPING WITHOUT HURTING CLASS — Tuesday, August 9, 23, 30, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm

What if there's a better way for believers, and the church, to help people in poverty? The bestselling book "When Helping Hurts" has changed how thousands of churches and believers approach poverty. Designed to equip you to begin effectively helping low-income people and articulate a biblical framework for poverty alleviation. Learn how to walk with the materially poor in humble relationships instead of just providing temporary handouts.

NIGHT OF WORSHIP (WORSHIP WEDNESDAY) — this Wednesday, August 10, 6:30 pm

Join us for this month's night of worship. We gather in the office building.

MEN'S ADVENTURE PRAYER WALK — Saturday, August 20, 9:00 am

This is an excellent opportunity to engage with God and our community in praying for our city as we walk the streets. Men will meet at the Destiny offices and will use strategic resources to guide us in praying.

HONDURAS MISSIONS: GO TEAM — Apply Now to Join the Team

Applications are ready! Pick them up here or submit online — and get more information — at <u>mydestiny.family/</u><u>honduras</u>. A \$100 deposit and applications are due in by **Sunday, August 21**.

FALL LIFE INC CLASSES — Tuesday evenings, 5:30 p.m. starting September 13

Life INC classes are offered free to anyone who registers. Hot meals are offered. And transportation help is also provided. It is a golden opportunity to welcome several new faces into our facilities. **3 areas we are looking to fill:** #1) There are several volunteer roles and duties available for the program: greeters, resource booth attendants, children's ministry, nursery, pantry, and set up / tear down. #2) We are also looking for people who will attend.

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DOES THE BIBLE CONTRADICT ITSELF?

Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world. **James 1:27 ESV**

You see that a person is JUSTIFIED by works and not by faith alone. James 2:24 ESV

For we hold that one is JUSTIFIED by faith apart from works of the law. ROMANS 3:28 ESV

How are you made right with God? Are you made right by faith? Or are you made right by works? Are you made right because of what Jesus did? Or are you made right because of what you do?

In these two texts, we're seeing a ______justification, and a "_____" justification.

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. **ROMANS 3:21-28 ESV**

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. **ROMANS 5:1 ESV**

Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. **ROMANS 5:20-21 ESV**

What shall we say then? Are we to continue in sin that grace may abound? By no means! How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. **ROMANS 6:1-4 ESV**

CONTINUE IN SIN AND LET GRACE COVER IT?

What good is it, my brothers, if someone says he has faith but does not have works? Can that faith save him? JAMES 2:14

But someone will say, 'You have faith and I have works.' Show me your faith apart from your works, and I will show you my faith by my works. **JAMES 2:18**

For as the body apart from the spirit is dead, so also faith apart from works is dead. **JAMES 2:26 ESV**

The Spirit himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, and if children, then heirs —heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, provided we suffer with him in order that we may also be glorified with him. For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us. **ROMANS 8:16-18 ESV**

For freedom Christ has set us free... ...For you were called to freedom, brothers. Only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another. GALATIANS 5:1a, 13 ESV

For by grace you have been saved through faith. And this is not your own doing; it is the gift of God, not a result of works, so that no one may boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them. EPHESIANS 2:8-10 ESV

WORKING OUT OUR FAITH

Therefore, my beloved, as you have always obeyed, so now, not only as in my presence but much more in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling... **PHILIPPIANS 2:12 ESV**

Whatever God did _____ you, Paul wants you to be about letting God work that _____ of you.

And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him, if indeed you continue in the faith, stable and steadfast, not shifting from the hope of the gospel that you heard, which has been proclaimed in all creation under heaven, and of which I, Paul, became a minister. **COLOSSIANS 1:21-23 ESV**

Do not be deceived, my beloved brothers. Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. Of his own will he brought us forth by the word of truth, that we should be a kind of firstfruits of his creatures. JAMES 1:16-18 ESV

Listen, my beloved brothers, has not God chosen those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom, which he has promised to those who love him? **JAMES 2:5 ESV**

A new ______ results in new ______.

And he believed the Lord , and he counted it to him as righteousness. GENESIS 15:6 ESV

And the Scripture was fulfilled that says, "Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness"—and he was called a friend of God. **JAMES 2:23 ESV**

A person's faith is shown to be legitimate when their outward ______ display the inward

True faith is never found by itself. It is always found with ______ on its branches.

You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder! JAMES 2:19 ESV