

Saturday

Please review the sermon notes and devotions. Pray for this weekend's Palm Sunday services as we dip back into our Proverbs series for a week before Easter! Thanks!

VISION DAY

Whatever It Takes

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Why do we do what we do?

I pray that you . . . may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how **wide** and **long** and **high** and **deep** is the love of Christ . . .

Ephesians 3:18

How can we reflect the love of Christ at TLC?

1. _____ **wide**

We want to communicate:

- Nobody's _____
- Everyone's _____
- Anything's _____

2. _____ **long**

The influence equation:

_____ + _____ = Influence

3. _____ **high**

Big, God-sized goals!

4. _____ **deep**

Message never "try harder" — but about the grace of God available to all through Jesus Christ! Includes classes, small groups, projects...



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What do we need to do now?

The key to changing our community for Christ in a wide, long, deep, high way: _____

Teach these things to your **children** and to their **children** after them...
Deuteronomy 4:9

He **commanded** our ancestors to **teach** their **children**. *Psalms 78:5*

[Jesus said] "Let the little **children** come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." *Luke 18:16*

Jesus called his disciples to him and **chose twelve** of them, whom he also designated apostles. *Luke 6:13*

OUR 2020 VISION:

Provide permanent homes on church campus for school-age children, youth, and college students to enable focused, effective ministry:

- Elementary-Age Children's Building
- Remodel Gym Building for Youth
- College Meeting Space/Coffee House
- Chapel

GOAL: Finish these projects by the year 2020!

What do we need to make this happen?

A " _____ " attitude!

... Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to His power that is at work within us... *Ephesians 3:20*

Please pray for God's will to be done!

Daily Meditations

Monday

Read Ephesians 3:14–21. This is one of my favorite passages of Scripture! It's interesting to me that Paul prays this — of all the things he could have prayed for the Ephesians, he prays that they may know the immense love of Christ! Why is this the most important thing?

Today, simply read through this verse and pray that you — and our whole church — would be filled with Christ's love in this way.

Tuesday

Read Deuteronomy 4:9–10. Twice in this passage Moses reminds the people to teach their children all the things they have experienced and come to know about God. Note that he doesn't just ask them to teach some sort of curriculum — he says to tell what you saw and heard.

You may not have children and grandchildren of your own, but you certainly know some children. How would you rate yourself, on a scale from 1 to 10, on the subject of teaching children about your experiences with God?

How can you better accomplish this goal? How have you seen it done effectively?

Ask God to give you opportunity this week to share some of your faith experiences with a child.

Wednesday

Read Psalm 78:1–8. Several times in this passage, the psalmist says to teach the next generation. Name five things he specifically says to teach them:

Read verses 32–29. What do you learn about human nature? What do you learn about God's nature?

Today pray that your heart — and the next generation's heart — would not be like the people the psalmist describes!

Thursday

Read Luke 18:15–17. Why do you think the disciples rebuked these people?

What does this story show about Jesus?

What message should this send to us as a church, and individuals?

What kind of character trait do you think children have that Jesus wants us all to have?

Ask God to help you receive the kingdom of God like a little child, with trust and faith and eagerness!

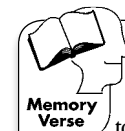
Friday

Read Luke 6:12–16. Most scholars believe the disciples were all in their teens and 20s. Does this surprise you? Why do you think Jesus chose such young men?

What does this imply for our church?

What changes do you think we need to make to ensure that young people will be disciple and empowered to lead the church in the next generation?

Pray that our church will more effectively reach the youth! Pray for the youth you know, that they will stand firm for Christ!



Memory Verse

I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the Lord's holy people, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ.
Ephesians 3:17b, 18