

## Jennings Road Church of Christ 1124 Jennings Road, Van Wert, OH

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Pastor David Ray, Jr. March, 2017

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# Restoring the Rainbow, Pt 3 March 2017 Sermon Series

With the flood and the rainbow, God (through Noah) changed history as we know it. This month, we'll take a look at the historical impact it made on others to come in the Bible, like Isaiah, Peter, and even

Jesus himself!

March 5 God Remembers Isaiah 54:9-10

Isaiah, perhaps the greatest of all the Old Testament prophets, has a conversation with God about the relationship he has with his children, the Israelites. Imagine Isaiah's surprise when God makes it clear that his people are just as corrupt as the people in Noah's day! Would God decide to wipe everyone out again like before? Nope, because God remembers his promises.

March 12 God Redeems Matthew 24:36-44

Jesus is teaching about everyone's favorite topic: the end times. To paint a clear picture of the event, he likens it to life in Noah's day...and it's not pretty. However, like God always does, He provides a way out...by redeeming us.

March 19 God Resurrects 1 Peter 3:15-22

Peter, remembering all that Jesus taught, encourages his readers to live according to what God wants us to do. Then he brings up Noah in a way that no one ever has before; the flood symbolizes our baptism. Really? How? And how should that help us live the way God wants us to?

March 26 God Rescues 2 Peter 2:4-10

Peter again mentions Noah, this time about how God saved him from the judgment of the flood. All those times you wish God would rescue you from the chaos of your suffering?

Peter says he does! Then why doesn't it feel like it?



WinterJam coming March 23<sup>rd</sup>. Please make sure anyone who needs a ride getting to the concert sees Matt or Josh so they can figure out how we can help.



Mark your calendars for our Spaghetti Dinner coming again the first Sunday in May. More details coming so keep watching. The babysitting youth fundraiser/ Lock In was a great success. Thank you all who helped support the night. The kids had fun and we will be doing this again soon.

In March Children's Church we will be learning about kid heroes in the Bible. Many crafts will be coming home this year with the kids to encourage them to share what they are going to be learning. Please be on the look out for these.



Summer will be here before you know it and that means church camp! Make sure you sign up early and don't miss out. Many Youth activities coming this summer such as camp fires, Spirit Song Fest, movie nights and much more.



#### S.A.L.T.

In last month's newsletter, our local Pregnancy Life Center was highlighted as one of the ministries supported by JRCC. It's good that we are involved in a local ministry that involves itself in the lives of those we may directly contact, but our church's outreach extends way beyond our local community. This month, as part of our Ministry Spotlight, we're going to travel a little farther from home and share about another ministry we support – actually a LOT farther from home. If you take Mendon Road north to Lincoln Highway, take a right, then travel east/southeast for 8,553 miles as the crow flies, you will pass over North Africa and then India, and you will finally arrive in the southeastern Asian country of Thailand. Thailand has a population of about 66 million people. About 95% of its people practice Buddhism, and about 4% are Muslim. Christians represent less than 1% of the religion of all the Thai people. And in the midst of this country, in the village of Chiangmai, surrounded by the very active practice of Buddhism and Islam, you will find a cluster of buildings that is the center of an organization called S.A.L.T. - Sharing the Amazing Light In Thailand. This Christian ministry, led by the missionary family of Virgilio, Esther, James, Nerissa, and Hannah de los Santos, has worked for many years to evangelize the ethnic population of Thailand by faithfully sharing the Word of Christ and investing in the lives of the people there. S.A.L.T. publishes literature, trains leaders, and conducts worship services, as they attempt to raise up a new generation of Believers who will accept the challenge of continuing to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ in their country. We at JRCC have supported this missionary effort for many years, and even if only in a small way, we are part of those lives that have been converted to the Christian faith, despite the difficult circumstances. Pray for S.A.L.T. and the de los Santos family. Some go, and some support those who go. Both are a part of the Great Commission, and we should be faithful in that effort.

(Thank you to Keith Langdon for this "Ministry Spotlight"!)



#### **Prayer Requests & Praises**

Pastor Dave - health
Rosie Miracle - health
Jerry Miracle - health
Jerry Smith - health
Christian Niece - cancer
Jenny Glaze - health
Ralph Jessee - health
Donna Klinger - Lupus
Wilma Peterson - Parkinson's disease
Marie Ray - healing from surgery
Walt Kuhlhorst - health
Carol Thomas - Parkinson's disease
Codie Ramos & family - waiting on test results
All cancer Patients
Unspoken prayers...

Jeffrey Kinner – Navy – San Diego, CA Josh Ray – Marines – Camp Lejeune, NC Ryan Munoz – Marines – San Diego, CA Please remember all military men, women, Veterans and their families!



Please let Anita Searl know of any changes needed to the prayer request list. Thank you!



## **Birthdays**

- 1 Jeffery Kinner
- 5 Keith Langdon
- **6** Kaitlin Roberts
- 15 Mike Springer
- 18 Mason Young
- 24 Denae Bishop
- 31 Alexis Dowdy



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### Pregnancy Life Center Health Clinic - Upcoming Events

March 5<sup>th</sup> – Annual Banquet @ Willow Bend Country Club March 24<sup>th</sup> – Knights of Columbus Lenten Fish Fry Benefit from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. (\$1 of every meal will go to the Pregnancy Life Center Health Clinic



## Spring Cleaning!!

Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup> starting at 9:00 AM
All volunteers needed to help clean the church! See you then!
"Many hands make light work." ~John Heywood

### Jennings Road Church of Christ 1124 Jennings Road - Van Wert, OH 45891 {419} 238-2138 Sunday School 9:00 a.m. / Worship 10:00 a.m.

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Pastor: David Ray, Jr.

Elders: Keith Langdon Earl Bledsoe Matt Langdon

**Ministry Leaders:** 

*Music/Worship:* Matt Langdon

**Administrative:** Anita Searl

Maintenance/Servers: Greg Roberts

**Financials:** Johnna Roberts

Hospitality: Jamie Ramos

Deb Bledsoe

#### We Believe...

...that Jesus Christ is the one and only Son of God, who died for our sins and rose from the dead.

1 Corinthians 15:1-8; John 3:16

...that the Bible is the inspired Word of God - a lamp unto our feet and light unto our path.

2 Timothy 3:16; Psalm 119:105

...that every person has worth in God's eyes, and that all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God. **Romans 3:23** 

...that forgiveness of sins and the promise of eternal life are available to those who trust in Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord.

John 3:16

...that those accepting Christ should repent of sin, confess their faith, and be baptized by immersion into Him.

Romans 10:9; Acts 2:38

...that the church is the body of Christ on earth, empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring the lost to Christ and the saved into a nurturing relationship with Jesus.

#### **Ephesians 4:1-16**

The Jennings Road Church of Christ exists to glorify God by turning unchurched people into fully devoted followers of Christ.

## **March Serving Schedule**

<u>Commui</u>	<u>nion Meditation</u>	<u>Prayer Room</u>		
3/5	Dave Ray	3/5	Belinda	
3/12	Matt Mills	3/12	Marie	
3/19	Matt Langdon	3/19	Lisa / Rick	
3/26	Stuart Ramos	3/26	Bernie	

	<u>Cleani</u>	<u>ing</u>
Ramon & Rosie	3/5	Dave / Deanna
Rick & Lisa	3/12	Dave / Deanna
Lorraine & Brenda	3/19	Bianca / Johnathan
Stuart & Jamie	3/26	SPRING CLEANING
	Rick & Lisa Lorraine & Brenda	Ramon & Rosie 3/5 Rick & Lisa 3/12 Lorraine & Brenda 3/19

Nursery: Sunday School/Worship Service	<u>Toddle</u>	<u>er Room</u>
Fully equipped nursery available.	3/5	Danielle Ray
Staffed as needed.	3/12	Candy Clay
For questions, please see Deanna Ray.	3/19	Danielle
	3/26	Tracy / Travis

**Brunch/Communion Prep for March:** Belinda & Mike Springer

<u>Servers for March:</u> Brenda, Ramon, Travis & Greg

## <u>Helpers</u>:

Candy Clay, Dalton Hines, Rick Hines, Drake Hitchcock, Derrin Kuhn, Chad Kraner, Johnathon Young