

# The Loco Newsletter

BECAUSE HE LIVES!



*One God, One Savior, One Family*

Job 19:25

Conqueror of Death

*I know that my redeemer lives,  
and that in the end he will stand on the earth.*

Matthew 28:5-6

The Empty Tomb

*The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay."*

Galatians 2:20

Because He Died for Us

*I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.*

He has RISEN!



DEATH COULD NOT HOLD HIM

Do you know that you worship a risen Savior?

When Jesus rose from the grave, He proved His power over death and ability to give eternal life to those who believe in Him.

We are also promised the following blessings:

**We don't have to live with loneliness of heart.** We have absolute assurance that Christ is alive and living within us just as He promised. He did not leave us as orphans. Instead, He sent the Holy Spirit, the third member of the Trinity, to indwell our hearts (John 14:16-18). Since Jesus now lives inside believers through His Spirit, we are never truly alone.

**We don't have to worry about whether God will provide for us.** Early in His ministry, Jesus told His followers that His Father, who takes care of birds, grass, and flowers, would also provide for their needs. This promise would have meant nothing if Jesus had been just a man, but because He is the Son of God who overcame death, we know we can trust His word. No situation or need is too large for His almighty, sovereign hands. In His perfect time and way, He will provide whatever we need.

**We can pray with confidence.** After His resurrection, Jesus ascended to the Father's right hand, where He intercedes for us. Knowing this assures us that He will answer our requests. And 1 John 5:14-15 says, "If we ask anything according to His will, He hears us" and will grant us our requests. Instead of doubting, we should wait expectantly and look for His answer.

**We can have a godly, powerful influence in others' lives.** In His Sermon on the Mount, Jesus told us that we are the salt of the earth and the light of the world (Matt. 5:13-16). Through the power of His Indwelling Spirit, we can be an influential light in this dark world and a preserving flavor in our society.

**We experience the Holy Spirit within us.** Although the disciples had been with Jesus for three years, they were not equipped to complete the work He'd given them until the Holy Spirit came to indwell and empower them. That's why Jesus told them to stay in Jerusalem until they received the promised Spirit (Acts 1:4). This same Spirit who came to them also lives within every person who has trusted Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. He's the one who opens our eyes, helping us understand that Jesus died in our place so our sins could be forgiven, and we could be saved. When we repent and believe in Christ, His Holy Spirit seals us as children of God, and no one can ever break that seal. Jesus' death and resurrection make our salvation certain, secure, and unbreakable.

**We can have peace in the midst of the most difficult times.** Before His crucifixion, Jesus told His disciples, "Peace I leave with you; My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Do not let your heart be troubled, nor let it be fearful" (John 14:27). Christ's peace is like an anchor that sustains us in life's storms. Although we may cry out to Him in confusion, He never forsakes us but sits at the Father's right hand working on our behalf. Jesus understands our weakness and is always with us to take us through our difficulties and help us become the people He desires us to be.

**We can face death courageously, boldly, and confidently.** Jesus is alive and is the source of our eternal life. If He is our Savior, we will enter immediately into His holy presence when we die (2 Cor. 5:8). Because Jesus lives, we never truly die but live forever with Him.

**We have many blessings to be thankful for as followers of Christ. Which of these benefits of having a risen Savior are the most precious to you? Let every reminder of Jesus' victory over the grave strengthen your faith in Him and His ability to provide for your every need.**

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## Upcoming Events

April 1<sup>st</sup>: Sunrise Service with Sunday School to follow. Breakfast served after Sunday School

April 16<sup>th</sup>: Church Conference after morning services

April 22<sup>nd</sup>: Brotherhood at 8:00am in the church fellowship hall.

## Birthdays and Anniversaries

4/6 Aaron/Melissa Parton (Anniversary) 4/14 Marty/Becky Pinion (Anniversary)

4/17 Bailyn Roberson

4/22 Scotty Roberson 4/25 George/Rebekah Remsen (Anniversary)

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Please visit and follow our Facebook pages: Search Loco Baptist Church and Loco Youth Group.

We are also on YouTube- search Loco Baptist Church and follow us. Our Sunday morning services are being webcasted Sunday mornings at 11:00. Please subscribe to our channel and watch our services if you are not able to join us on Sunday mornings.

*Please join us for services on Sunday morning, Sunday evening and Wednesday nights.*

# Easter Egg Hunt 2018

(held indoors because of the weather)

