



## Words from Our Pastor | Living as Jesus' Disciples



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### Greetings Everyone!

A few weeks ago, I got to take two of my daughters to Disneyland. They were excited. We left early in the morning to be there when the park opened. We were at the park all day, standing in lines to go on rides, eating food, purchasing souvenirs, and standing next to princesses and other costumed characters to get our photo taken. Thirteen hours later, we climbed in the car, and they all fell asleep within minutes (except for me - I had to drive us all home!). It was a wonderful day filled with smiles, laughs, and memories.

Within two days of that trip, we all came down with a stomach bug that had us all out for the count in quite unpleasant ways.



Whenever someone gets sick, we inevitably ask the question: how did you get sick? We want to investigate, to solve the mystery of who passed what onto whom. Now we all know where we got sick, and you do as well. You'd almost be surprised if we didn't get sick after spending a day surrounded by thousands of people

closely packed and touching similar objects.

Now, was it worth it? Was it worth getting sick to give my girls an unforgettable day? To me, the answer is yes. They will remember the day of joy and fun and forget the upset stomachs that came after it. I will remember

the fun and forget the day, sick in bed.

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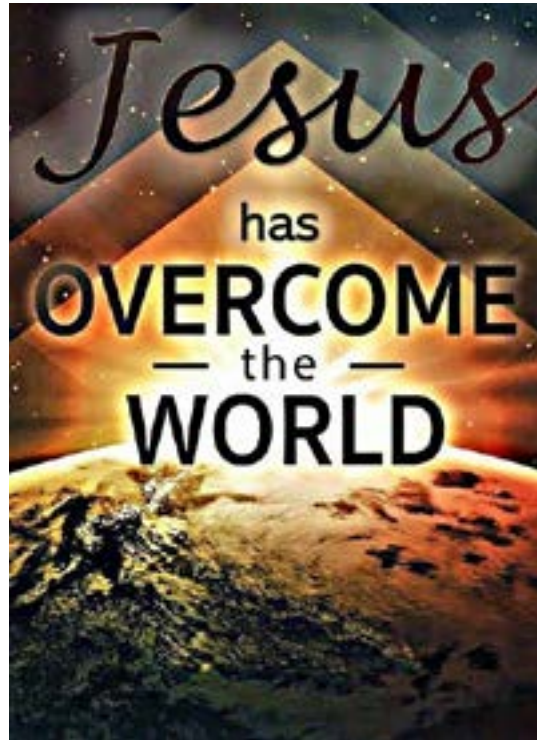
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In this life, as disciples of Jesus Christ, Jesus calls us to go out into the world. Jesus tells us that the world will give you grief and hardship.

*"I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world, you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world."*  
John 16:33

We know the risks of going out into the world to realize that the world will hurt us, mock us, cause us to fall ill, and reject us. However, this understanding should not stop us from stepping out into the world and living as God's children and disciples. We can do this because



Jesus, God's Son, has overcome the world. He has overcome the very things that give us trouble, that cause pain and turmoil in our lives.

So yes, we will fall ill and have troubles, but that alone should not cause us to run in fear, to stay inside and stop enjoying the world that God has made for us. We should focus and remember the truth that Jesus has overcome the world and bring to the cross the things of the world that burden us, that give us trouble.

May God bless you as you walk into the world and make disciples in Jesus' name.

Blessings,  
Pastor Brent Barclay

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## Missions Update | The Travis and Lydia Klingforth and Family

“Dear God. Thank you for Wednesday mornings. It’s really chill, and people are nice.” Roger’s voice rang out clearly. Travis and I (Lydia) realized we’d never heard him pray aloud before.

In newsletters last year, we told the story of local public high school student Roger (name changed), a new follower of Jesus. Recently, we stood around the classroom table with him and others and prayed aloud. We asked God to send a cohort of students for this semester’s discipleship Bible study which just started!

Pray with us for all the new believers to continue to be established in faith. Pray for the students who walked away or weren’t ready yet. And pray that God will make others eager to explore faith or grow deeper as they join us in Bible study.

Mentoring kids in this public high school is a great joy to Travis and me. Our two teenage sons attend the school, and it’s a joy to serve side-by-side with them in the club and Bible study.

In other news, I (Lydia) continue to serve alongside Linda Hensley and others in a childbirth class outreach for refugee families. We are all rejoicing that the newborn baby of one friend was miraculously healed in answer to months of prayer during her pregnancy. And we are praying that this family would come to know the One who healed their child.

Travis has also accepted a new role: San Diego Navigators City Director! He will coordinate missionaries and volunteers who do discipleship Bible studies on college campuses, military bases, churches, and homes across the county. Travis is grateful to have a team to support him as he leads. He asks you to pray for wisdom and time management as he balances new responsibilities. And I can see that this role beautifully utilizes his gifts of administration and encouragement.

**Lydia Klingforth**

*Navigator Missionary*

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# Trinity Christian School | The New Year is Off to a Great Start!

**H**appy New Year from all of us at Trinity Christian School (TCS)! We hope your year is off to a marvelous start. We are excited to share some of the extraordinary things happening at school as we grow in faith and community.

We are thrilled to welcome the Trimble family back to TCS. They attended school at TCS, and then five years ago, the Lord called them to spread the Good News of Jesus as missionaries. They are on furlough now, back in the United States. Their three children, Preston, Lilly, and Joleen, started back to school at TCS after Christmas break.

We also welcomed back our beloved fourth-grade teacher, Mrs. Mandy Dhaliwal. She was on maternity leave. The students missed their teacher and were

eager to reconnect with her after her time away. The start of the new year felt even more special with her presence back in the classroom!

It has been wonderful to have our school dog on campus, Biscuit! Biscuit, a seven-month-old Golden Retriever, is already bringing joy and comfort to our students and staff. She quickly became a beloved member of our school family. Students and staff love spending time with Biscuit during breaks, and she is helping create a welcoming, calm environment for everyone.

Our students continue to enjoy weekly chapel services, where we gather to worship, learn, and grow together. Chapel is an integral part of our spiritual life, providing a special time to gather



The Trimble Children



Mrs. Mandy Dhaliwal

Biscuit, our service dog



Our fabulous potato bar from the PTF

each week, and our students are always eager to participate and share in the experience. We are excited to have a worship team made up of some of our middle school students and led by our talented music teacher, Mr. Dailey. Beginning in January, they have been leading our students and faculty in a time of praise and worship each week at chapel.

Our campus is alive with the energy that comes with the start of a new year as students explore, learn, and create. Exciting things happen all the time through outdoor activities, classroom projects, or spontaneous moments of joy. Our students looked forward to Spirit Week at the end of January. Each day, the students can dress up in the following ways: Monday - Comfy Clothes; Tuesday - Sports Day; Wednesday - Book and Video Game Character; Thursday - Animals and Dinosaurs; Friday - Class Color Day Competition.



Our worship team made up of middle school students and led by our talented music teacher, Mr. Dailey.

Our incredible Parent Teacher Fellowship (PTF) blessed the TCS staff with a special lunch. On January 14th, Outback Steakhouse generously donated delicious baked potatoes with various toppings, allowing our PTF to host a fantastic Baked Potato Bar. Everyone truly appreciated this thoughtful and mouthwatering treat!

We look forward to an incredible year ahead! As an outreach ministry of Trinity Church, we are grateful for your support and partnership. Together, we nurture hearts, minds, and spirits to love and serve the Lord!

*Train up a child in the way he should go,  
And when he is old he will not depart from it.*  
Proverbs 22:6

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## Clippers



Ahoy mates!

The upcoming meeting of Clippers on February 15th will feature John Barry and Friends doing Valentine's Day music.

A potluck meal is served at 12:45 p.m., followed by the program. Join us for this fun afternoon of song and fellowship.

Sock Sunday is February 23rd. Please bring new socks and underwear for all ages. Gently used clothing is also greatly appreciated. The weather is still chilly so clean jackets and other warm clothing is especially helpful.

Yer trusty first mate,  
Melanie Plett

## Staff Update | Meet Eydie Chapman!

**E**ydie Chapman just joined the staff at Trinity Church as our Financial Administrator. She comes with all the skills necessary to keep Trinity Church's finances on track. Eydie has lived in San Diego since 1985. After returning from the East Coast, she received her Bachelor's degree from Point Loma Nazarene University and her Master's from Bethel Seminary. She is married with a daughter who attended Trinity Christian School from preschool through eighth grade and is now in college on the East Coast. Eydie has served her home church as a bookkeeper for over 15 years and is happy to do the same here at Trinity Church. The staff at the school and church have held a very special place in her heart for many years.







Dear Trinity Church Family,

I hope this letter finds you well and filled with the joy and peace that comes from knowing God's faithfulness in our lives. It is with a humble heart and a deep sense of gratitude that I write to you today, as I share an important update.

As you know, accreditation is vital in ensuring the long-term success and continued growth of our beloved school. Trinity Christian School is accredited with Association of Christian Schools International (A.C.S.I.) and Western Association of Schools and Colleges (W.A.S.C.) The 2025-26 school year will require an extensive self-study to be written coordinating all stakeholders. The writing of the self-study in the 2025-26 school year will be in preparation for a four day full accreditation visit by a team of educators from A.C.S.I. and W.A.S.C. in the spring of 2027. Leading the accreditation self-study and visit is a task that requires full dedication and attention, and I believe that God is calling me to serve the school in this way, so that we may continue to provide a Christ-centered, high-quality education for generations to come. Therefore, after much prayer and thoughtful consideration, I have made the decision to step away from my position as Principal at the end of the school year (June 2025) to focus on the very important endeavor of coordinating and leading the accreditation self-study in the 2025-26 school year. I will stay in place as the Principal for the remainder of this school year as will Mrs. Fontenot as the Associate Principal.

I want to take this opportunity to express my deepest thanks for your support, trust, and partnership in the ministry of education over the years. I have been so blessed to witness the growth of our students, the flourishing of our community, and the ways in which God has worked in and through this school as I have been on staff, serving in various capacities, for the past 26 years. The Lord has faithfully guided and provided for Trinity Christian School for over 55 years and I have no doubt that He will continue to do so in the days ahead.

As I step into this new role beginning in September of the 2025-26 school year, please know that I will remain fully committed to the mission of our school and will continue to support its growth in any way that I can. I am confident that God will raise up the right leadership to carry the torch forward, and I ask for your continued prayers and support. There is a policy in place for the hiring of a Principal and the school board will be leading this endeavor. More information will be forthcoming.

Thank you once again for the privilege of continuing to serve alongside you in this beautiful ministry. I trust that the Lord has wonderful plans for Trinity Christian School and I look forward to seeing how He will continue to lead us forward in faith.

With gratitude and blessings,

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