

**“...DO NOT BE AFRAID.
FROM NOW ON YOU WILL
CATCH MEN.”**

Luke 5:10

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From The Pastor's Desk



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Greetings to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We thank God for each one of you and continually pray for God's protection and guidance on you and your loved ones. Sometimes we all get overwhelmed by the things that are going on in our lives and those around us. But we urge you to keep your eyes upon Jesus for only in Him we can find our hope. He is our refuge and fortress in times of trouble. God has promised to be with us, He will never leave or forsake us when we seek Him.

By God's grace all the services we had planned for last month went well. In order to comply with the govt guidelines and because of the rise in COVID cases in Orange County and other cities we have started to hold our services online. We will keep you informed when we resume services in the church, until then we request you to be safe and stay indoor as much as possible. Vacation bible school was held online too, we believe our children were blessed through these programs. Please visit our website to check for latest updates on all upcoming meetings <https://throneofgrace.us/> .

Apart from our regular conference prayers we have special conference prayer every Thursday through zoom for upcoming US elections at 6:30PM PST. We also have a conference prayer for COVID19 challenges by children and teens on Tuesdays at 6PM PST. Please join these prayers and encourage your children to participate in it.

If you have prayer requests for you or your family, please write to us at pastor.rajan@throneofgrace.us

‘... “Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.”’ – Luke 5:10

In His Service,

Pastor Abraham K Rajan & Indira Rajan
Throne of Grace Ministries



The GOODNESS of GOD

TEENS' PAGE - PRASHANT JOSEPH

News stations and media outlets are focused on the alarming coronavirus pandemic and even called its impending effects “The New Normal.” However, I want to point you to one of our favorite church expressions that says “God is good, all the time.....All the time, God is good.” As Christians we should reflect upon God’s goodness as Psalm 100:5 says "For the LORD is good; His loving kindness is everlasting And His faithfulness to all generations." Mediating on the goodness of God will help us navigate life on this earth, especially during uncertain times like the Coronavirus pandemic. God alone is perfect and hence He is worthy of praise and worship. As God’s creations, we were created to do good works in service to Jesus Christ.

Several Bible verses point to the goodness of God and how men and women can be secure in Him. Nahum 1:7 says “The Lord is good, a stronghold in the day of trouble; and He knows those who trust in Him.” King David said in Psalm 119:68 “You are good, and do good; teach me Your statutes.” Additionally, Psalm 34:8 says “Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good! Blessed is the man who takes refuge in Him!” When we focus on God’s goodness and worship Him, we will not be shaken. The world may put their hope, and trust in their riches, intelligence, status and even relationships. But those things are temporary and do not provide unshakeable safety like our eternal God, Jesus Christ. When we heavily focus on worldly events it may discourage and distract us. But fixing our eyes on God’s goodness will provide endurance, hope, and strength to carry on and accomplish the assignments that He has set before us.

God has commanded us to do good works so that it may bring Him glory and honor. In Genesis 1:28, God commanded Adam and Eve “to be fruitful and multiply.” He wants us to be productive in our endeavors and do it a manner that shows our worship and devotion to Him. Ephesians 2:10 says “For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do.” I want to encourage young people to serve God in the church by using their talents and abilities. The outflow of God's goodness in our lives should prompt us to do ministry and live a lifestyle in service to Him.

Even unbelievers can recognize that God's goodness and favor are upon those who carry a spirit of excellence in them. In the story of Joseph in the Old Testament, his master Potiphar and his jail warden could tell that he is different. They are unbelievers and even they could see that God was with him. Joseph was a good steward and caretaker of the Potiphar's house and later the prison. He was also kind to those he met in prison. Similarly, with the way we conduct ourselves and treat people, it can show unbelievers the goodness of God. Godly character is important as it shows it is God's goodness that is empowering us to do good works.

We don't have to be good in the manner that the world defines it but instead defer to what the Bible calls good. Sometimes worldly goodness may be in direct contraction to the Bible. The world may say wealth, power, status, achievements relationships are good and failure in those pursuits could mean that we are not good. Even though those things are beneficial to us, it is nothing in comparison to the security provided by Jesus Christ. We are good not because of worldly achievements; but because we are children of God, created in His image and rescued from sin through Jesus Christ's resurrection on the cross. The world and its pursuits may pass away but God will endure forever. Hence our goodness should be identified through our connection to Jesus Christ and not worldly pursuits and achievements, which are temporary.

The goodness of God will give hope to the hopeless and strengthen the weak. Isaiah 40: 31 says “But they that wait upon the LORD shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint.” Many are discouraged during times of adversity because their hope is in not in an everlasting almighty savior. They have put their trust in their life savings and their riches hoping it can occupy the hole in their hearts and save them. The Coronavirus pandemic may have brought darkness into the world but it has also made the light of Jesus shine brighter as His goodness brings hope to those who seek Him.





Trust in the Lord

WOMEN'S PAGE - INDIRA RAJAN

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This month's promise is from the book of Psalms, we will meditate on the life of two people from the bible and understand how they trusted the Lord and what God did in their lives.

"...But he who trusts in the Lord, mercy shall surround him" Psalm 32:10

His mercy shall surround

David has written many psalms while he went through different circumstances. He was a man who sought the Lord in times of difficulties, pain and in times of Joy. There are Psalms written by Him as a cry for help and those that were songs of joy. This psalm is believed to be a contemplation. David trusted the Lord so he knew the Lord's heart. In many places we see David described God as someone who is merciful, kind and long suffering towards His people. There were times when David sinned and God's anger rose against him. One day David asked his commander to take a census in Israel. But soon after he had numbered the people, David knew he had done foolishly and prayed to God. The Lord sent His prophet Gad, giving David three options to choose from "seven years of famine in the land. Or David to flee three months before his enemies, while they pursue him. Or there be three days' plague in your land? And David said to Gad, "I am in great distress. Please let us fall into the hand of the Lord, for His mercies are great; but do not let me fall into the hand of man." 2 Samuel 24:14 David trusted in God's mercies. All the three options were difficult so he decided to fall into God's hands. The Lord sent a plague upon the people of Israel and seventy thousand men died. So, David cried for the people of Israel seeking His mercy upon them so the Lord answered David's cry and instructed him to build an altar and offer a burnt offering and peace offering for the Lord. As soon as David obeyed, God was mercifully and stopped the plague. Mercy of God surrounded David. Even when he did a mistake the Lord was merciful to him. Today when we trust in the Lord, His mercy will surround us. Maybe we had done

something wrong, that was not pleasing to God yet His mercy and loving kindness will surround us. He will forgive our inequities and accept us, so do not be discouraged.

“...Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!” Psalm 34:8

Be blessed



David experienced God’s blessing because he trusted the Lord. Not only David there have been several men and women in the bible who were blessed because they trusted in God. Ruth was one among them. She was not from Israel; she was from a gentile nation called Moab. Yet she was a woman who fully trusted in the Lord. After her husband had died, she

departed from her own land and traveled to Bethlehem with her mother in law. They did not have money or anything else for their survival. Their future looked bleak. Ruth did not put her trust in her mother in law but she trusted the Lord. This is why when Boaz met Ruth, he said “The Lord repay your work, and a full reward be given you by the Lord God of Israel, under whose wings you have come for refuge.” Ruth 2:12. According to these words, the Lord truly blessed her with a full reward and she married Boaz.

Even the elders and people blessed her saying “The Lord make the woman who is coming to your house like Rachel and Leah, the two who built the house of Israel” God blessed Ruth with a son named Obed who was the grandfather of David and many years later Jesus was born in the same family line. Because Ruth trusted the Lord, God made her fruitful. Even as we trust in the Lord, we will be blessed and made fruitful.



As we enter a new month, I encourage you to put your trust in the Lord and be blessed.



Promise Message

GOOD Changes

... “Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.” Luke 5:10

The Lord is the one who brings changes in our lives, the changes He brings will bring blessing ultimately. Even in this new month, God desires to bring a change in our lives and so He says “Do not be afraid..” In this promise message we will see what kind of changes the Lord will bring in our lives.

1. Change to our destiny:

... “Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.” Luke 5:10

Fishermen were out in sea all night but hadn't caught any fish. Peter was one among them. While they were on the shore washing their nets, Jesus was at the same shore preaching the word of God to the people. When people started to press against Him trying to hear the word of God, He got into a boat that belonged to Peter and asked him to put out a little from the land. And He taught the multitudes from the boat. After He was done preaching, He told Peter to launch out into the deep to catch some fish and at His word Peter let down his net. But Peter was amazed to see the great number of fish that they caught, so many that their boats began to sink. Peter was astonished because they had toiled all night but could not catch any fish. Peter fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord!” (Luke 5:8). This encounter with Jesus brought a change in Peter's life, he realized who he was and felt unworthy of such a miracle. Jesus did not leave Peter and go away but He looked at him and said “Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men.” This was a day that brought a great change in Peter, his work and destiny was changed forever. Heeding to God's call, Peter forsook all and followed Jesus. As we all know later, He used mightily by God for His kingdom.

In our lives too, Jesus has a plan and He desires to bring changes in our lives according to His will for us.

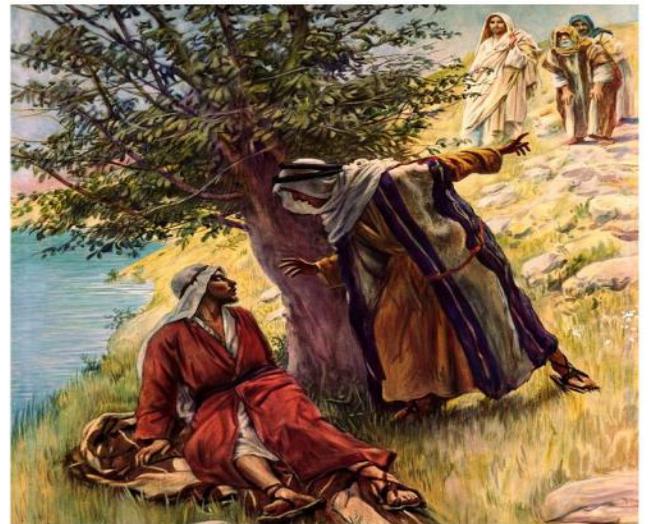
It's not God's will for those who are called to be fishers of men to be toiling in the seas catching fishes. Similar to what Jesus did in Peter's life, He desires to bring a change to our destiny as well. But as God's children when we receive His miracles, we should not stop there but go beyond that to know and fulfill God's plan for us.

2. Change to our spiritual life:

And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man. John 1:51"

These words were spoken by Jesus to Nathanael bringing a change in his spiritual life. Philip, one of the disciples of Jesus found Nathanael and told him about Jesus of Nazareth, claiming Him to be the Messiah. Nathanael wondered if Christ can come from a place like Nazareth. So Philip asked to him to come and see. He came to Jesus with questions in his heart. But when Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me? And Jesus responded him specifying the details of where he was before Philip met him. Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" (John 1:47-49). Here we can see how God brought a change in Nathanael's heart.

God revealed Himself to Nathanael and when he believed, Jesus said "...you will see greater things than these." Jesus brought a change in Nathanael's spiritual life. Jesus said "...hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man." Nathanael knew about the Messiah, he believed that the Messiah would come but he did not know Jesus Christ was the Messiah. He was religious but did not have a revelation of Jesus Christ. During this encounter with Jesus, God blessed him with a spiritual awakening. In our lives too, Jesus desires to give us new spiritual experiences.



"As you therefore have received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk in Him, rooted and built up in Him and established in the faith, as you have been taught, abounding in it with thanksgiving." - Colossians 2: 6-7

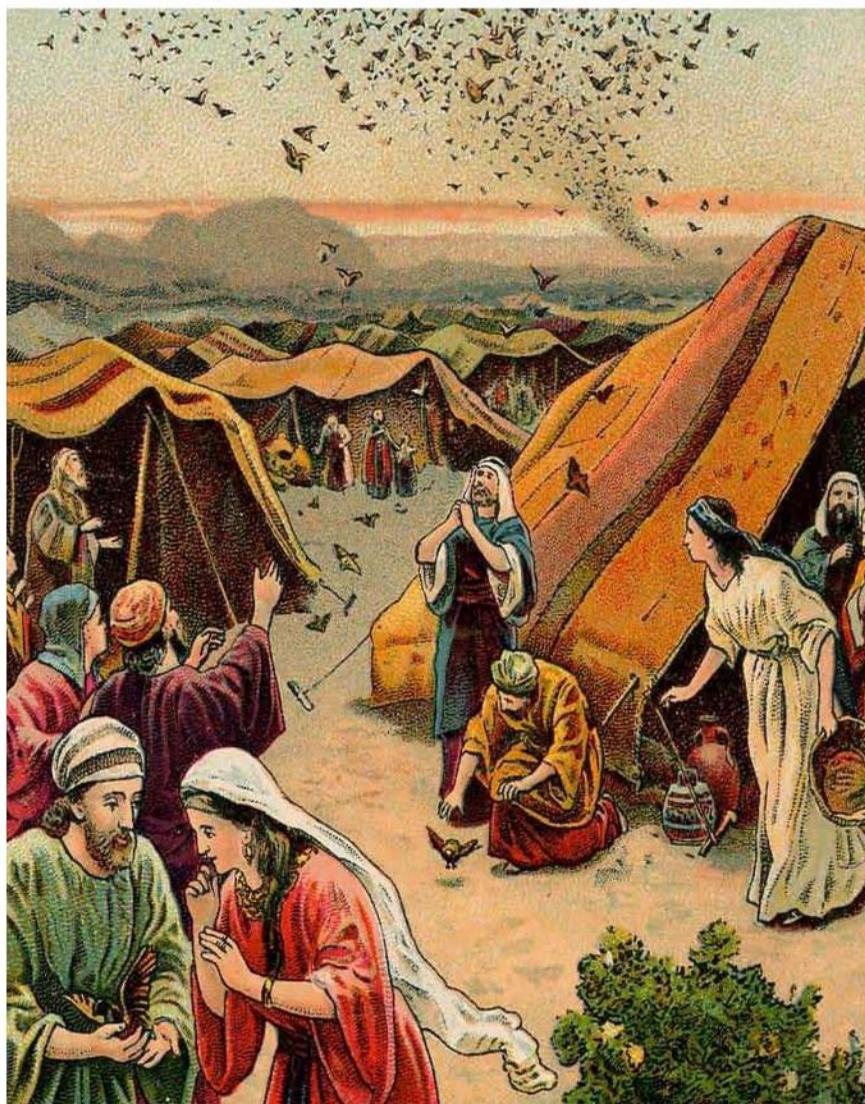
Here Paul speaks about abounding in our spiritual lives. John was one of the disciples of Jesus Christ. He was among those who had seen Jesus with his eyes, heard Him speak, touched Him with his hands (1 John 1:1-2). Yet this same John had a vision of Jesus in a new way during his time in the Island of Patmos. In the book of Revelations, John describes his vision. He saw Jesus as One who stood in midst of seven lamps, garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. His eyes were like a flame of fire; His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace, and His voice as the sound of many waters. (Revelation 1:12-17) It was so glorious that John says he fell as the feet of Jesus as dead. Although John previously knew Jesus, he received a new revelation of Jesus and His coming. God desires to bring changes in our spiritual life too by giving us new revelations of Him. God blessed Nathanael as he came to see Jesus. John was a man who lived for Jesus. In the same way we also should seek Jesus and live for Him so that Jesus will reveal Himself to us and take us into new spiritual experiences

3. Change in our circumstances:

And the Lord said to Moses, “Has the Lord’s arm been shortened? Now you shall see whether what I say will happen to you or not.” Numbers 11:23

When Moses led the people of Israel in the wilderness, there arose a challenge because of the people. People of God yielded to intense craving and wept and said: “who will give us meat to eat?” This became a great burden to Moses so he went and cried to the Lord saying “Why have You afflicted Your servant? And why have I not found favor in Your sight, that You have laid the burden of all these people on me? Did I conceive all these people? Did I beget them, that You should say to me, ‘Carry them in your bosom, as a guardian carries a nursing child,’ to the land which You swore to their fathers? Where am I to get meat to give to all these people?” (Numbers 11:11-13) We can see that Moses was not only weary of the complaints from people he was not sure how such a great need can be met in the wilderness. So, God promised Moses that He will provide meat for His people. Moses said, “The people whom I am among are six hundred thousand men on foot; yet You have said, ‘I will give them meat, that they may eat for a whole month.’ Shall flocks and herds be slaughtered for them, to provide enough for them?

Or shall all the fish of the sea be gathered together for them, to provide enough for them?” (Numbers 11:21-22) Moses had all these questions because the situation was too difficult for him. He was overwhelmed by the needs before him, he was burdened and confused. Even though the Lord had promised him, Moses was unable to see how this could happen. During this time, the Lord spoke to Moses saying “Has the Lord’s arm been shortened? Now you shall see whether what I say will happen to you or not.” (Numbers 11:23) According to the word of the Lord, He sent a wind out from His own presence that brought quail from sea and left them fluttering near the camp. (Numbers 11:31) In our lives when we are with questions, burdens, confusions because the needs are too great for us to handle, believe that God is able to change the circumstances. From His presence God will send a favorable wind to heal your lives, meet your needs and change our circumstances. Do not be discouraged.



During this month God desires to bring good changes in our lives. He desires to change our destiny, our spiritual life and our circumstances. All things are possible with God so do not be discouraged. God will perfect all things that concern us. Have a blessed month.

OBEY & TRUST IN GOD

We have friends from different social background and belief in our school, sports team and in neighbourhood. In that circle, we might often be offered to do something which is not pleasing in God's eyes. In Bible, in the book of Daniel, God shows us how exactly we should Obey & Trust in him.

When Daniel and his friends (Shadrach Meshach and Abednego) were offered King's food with meat and wine, they politely declined to do so and asked for food which is not unclean in God's eyes. Later in his days, God blessed Daniel to be the head of all the wise men of Babylon.

Likewise, when Shadrach Meshach and Abednego were asked to worship the golden statue made by the King. They declined to do so and King Nebuchadnezzar threw them into the fiery furnace, only to find them protected by God's angel - not a piece of their clothes were burnt.

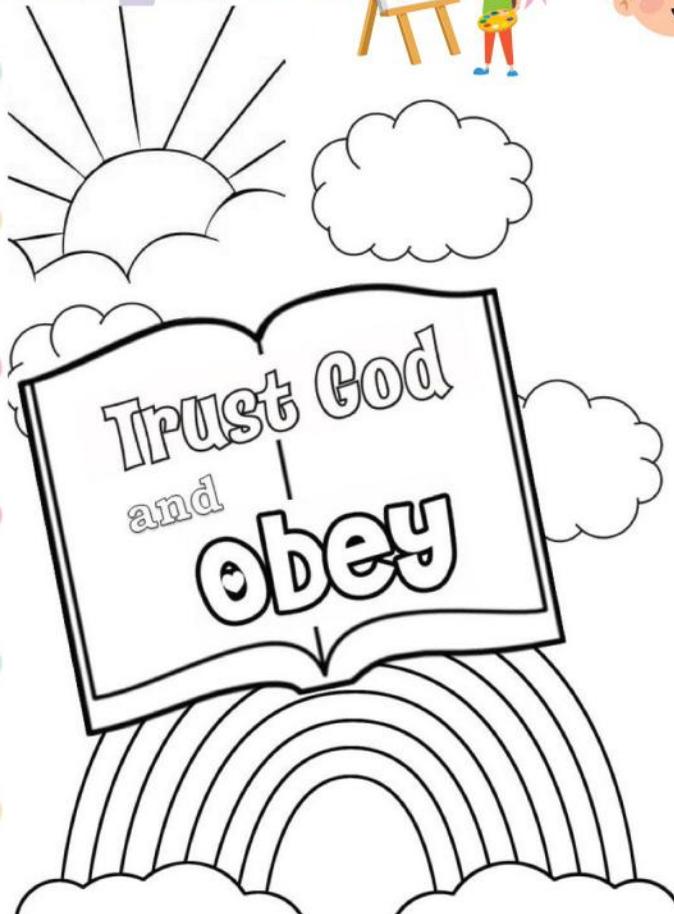
In all of this, God is asking us to obey what He has commanded and trust in His promise so that when the time is right - He'll surely reward us with His blessings. Amen!!



MEMORY VERSE:

"...FOR HE IS THE LIVING GOD,
AND STEADFAST FOREVER.."
- DANIEL 6:26

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Daniel Facts

Directions: Read the sentences. Cut, paste and sort into the correct boxes

True

False



God sent an angel to protect Daniel



Other men really liked Daniel



The lions' mouths were closed and they didn't harm Daniel



Daniel obeyed God



The King wanted to put Daniel in the den

CALIFORNIA FOR CHRIST

Ask of Me, and I will give You The nations for Your inheritance, .. - Psalm 2:8

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Let us pray together and inherit this land for Jesus

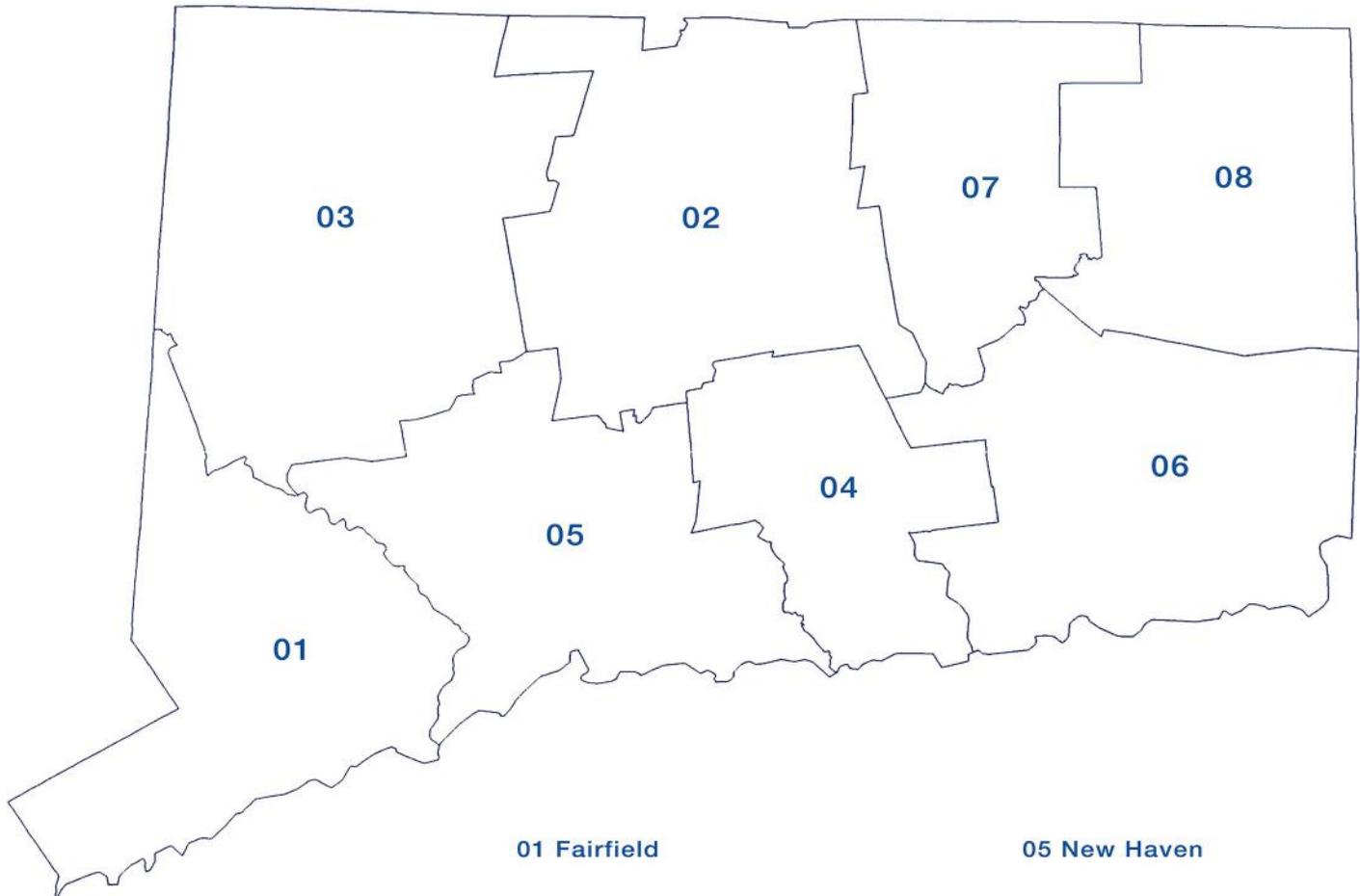


*... come boldly to the throne of grace... Hebrews 4:16

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AUGUST 2020 - PROMISE

“ .. Do not be afraid. From now on you will catch men”
 Luke 5:10

NEVER GIVE UP

EVENTS FOR AUGUST 2020

S	30 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am	2 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am Inland Empire Worship Service @ 5:00 pm	9 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am	16 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am	23 Irvine Worship Service @ 10:30 am San Fernando Valley Worship Service @ 5:30 pm
M	31	3	10	17	24
T		4 Children's/Teens Prayer in Zoom @ 6:00 pm	11 Children's/Teens Prayer in Zoom @ 6:00 pm	18 Children's/Teens Prayer in Zoom @ 6:00 pm	25 Children's/Teens Prayer in Zoom @ 6:00 pm
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T		6 USA Elections Prayer @ 6:30 pm	13 USA Elections Prayer @ 6:30 pm	20 USA Elections Prayer @ 6:30 pm	27 USA Elections Prayer @ 6:30 pm
F		7 San Fernando Valley Prayer @ 7:30 pm	14 Connecticut Worship Service @ 7:30 pm EST Las Vegas Monthly Prayer @ 7:30 pm	21 KP Family Prayer @ 10:00 am	28 Connecticut Monthly Prayer @ 7:30 pm EST San Jose Worship Service @ 7:00 pm
S	1 Promise Service @ 7:30 am Fasting & Prayer @ 10:00 am	8 Santa Maria Worship Service @ 5:00 pm San Jose Monthly Prayer @ 7:30 pm	15 Las Vegas Worship Service @ 6:30 pm	22 Santa Maria County Prayer @ 5:30 pm	29

Conference Prayer

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TOG (Mondays)
9:30 pm - 10:15 pm

Las Vegas (Tuesdays)
8:00 pm - 8:30 pm

San Jose (Tuesdays)
9:00 pm - 9:30 pm

Connecticut (Thursdays)
9:00 pm - 9:30 pm EST

USA Elections (Thursdays)
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

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Worship Service:

Every 1st of the month – Promise Service

Every Sunday - 10:30 AM to 12:30 PM

Monthly Prayer – 3rd Wednesday – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

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INLAND EMPIRE, CA

Worship Service – 1st Sunday – 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Monthly Prayer – 3rd Friday – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Redeemer Lutheran Church

920 W 6th St

Ontario, CA 91762

LAS VEGAS, NV

Worship Service - 3rd Saturday – 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Monthly Prayer – 2nd Friday – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Trinity Life Center

1000 E St. Louis

Las Vegas NV 89104

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, CA

Worship Service - 4th Sunday – 5:30 PM to 7:30 PM

Monthly Prayer – 1st Friday – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Canoga Park Lutheran Church

7357 Jordan Ave

Canoga Park CA 91303

MANCHESTER, CT

Worship Service – 2nd Friday – 7:30 PM to 9:30 PM EST

Monthly Prayer – 4th Friday – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM EST

New River Community Church

314 Woodbridge St

Manchester, CT 06042

SAN JOSE, CA

Worship Service – 4th Friday – 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Monthly Prayer – 2nd Saturday – 7:30 PM to 9:00 PM

Church of the Living Rock

675 E Taylor Ave

Sunnyvale, CA 94085

SANTA MARIA, CA

Worship Service – 2nd Saturday – 5:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Monthly Prayer – 4th Saturday – 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM

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