



# genesis church

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begin. believe. become.

Services held at Imagine School  
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## A Note from Pastor Derrick



### THE LEAGUE OF PARDONED REBELS

#### PART II: JAMES & THE GIANT GOSPEL EXCHANGE

The Bible is a book of "eithers." Sheep or goats? Light or darkness? Truth or deceit? Flesh or spirit? Lost or found? Follower or fan? What side of the biblical coin we happen to fall on depends a lot on what we prioritize as being foundational principles for our lives. Let me put it this way: would you give up an influential and profitable career - one where everyone speaks well of you and one that allows you to live comfortably - for one that would require you to sleep on gravel roads as you travel from town to town preaching the Kingdom of God while people hurl insults at you if God wanted you to? That's exactly what he asked James, the Son of Zebedee to do. He asked him to exchange the life James had planned for himself for the one Jesus had planned for him. He followed. How do we respond when He calls, regardless of the difficulty of the assignment? How we do says a lot about the biblical "either" we choose to live in.

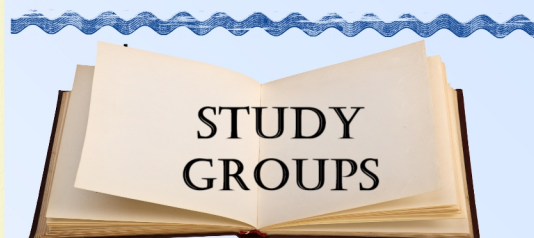


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#### THIS WEEK TUESDAY

There will be **NO** Pastor's Bible  
Study this week  
Gene & Kim Hurst  
Community Group  
@6:30 - Call Gene for Location

#### WEDNESDAY

Youth Group - 6:30 - 8:00 PM  
at 1276 44th Avenue, Vero  
Beach

#### THURSDAY

**NO** Ladies Bible Study  
this week  
Next Meeting Date  
November 1st at the home of  
Connie Poppell  
525 34th Ave SW, Vero  
Questions?? Call Gloria  
633-0209





October is  
**Pastor Appreciation**  
Month

Pastor Derrick was surprised this morning with a "Letter of Appreciation". While he may not always enjoy surprises, he was genuinely touched by the thoughtfulness of the Genesis Congregation.

For those that could not make church this

morning - a short excerpt from the letter: ... As Jeremiah 3:15 states "And I will give you pastors according to my heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding." We thank God that he has done that for us and we are grateful that you put so much importance in all that you do for the growth of your Genesis Flock.

We are thankful for your prayers, for your counsel and for your compelling messages that make us think and generates a desire in us to dig deeper into God's word so that we know more about his character and his genuine love for us.

We are also thankful for your sweet family and their willingness to share you with us...



Blessings

**YOU'RE  
INVITED!**



TO A FAMILY FUN DAY  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28TH AT

*Countryside*  
**CORN MAZE**

6325 81st Street  
Vero Beach

The entry fee of the attendees will  
be paid by the Church --BUT

**YOU MUST RSVP**

**PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH  
OFFICE TO LET THEM KNOW YOU  
PLAN TO ATTEND THIS  
FUN EVENT!**







## **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED -- PRAYER MINISTRY FOR TEACHERS & STAFF AT IMAGINE SCHOOL**

Teachers are a bright light in the lives of our children. They help mold their lives and hearts and they need our prayers. Libby has the names of all faculty and staff at Imagine School printed on Prayer Cards - organized by grade level. There are 12 groups - therefore, 12 volunteers are needed so that each group has someone praying for them.


## **A DUTY FREE LUNCH BREAK FOR TEACHERS AT IMAGINE SCHOOL**

If you love interacting with kids then this is the right ministry for you. Imagine isn't funded at the same level as public schools. Most of the teachers pull double duty in the cafeteria every day; thereby very seldom getting a "real" lunch break. Lending a hand during the week of Nov. 5 - 9 from 10:30 - 12:00 or 12:00 - 1:30 would be a precious gift to them. Please call Libby (910-985-0079) if you feel led to volunteer for either of these worthwhile ministries.

# **What's Happening**

**SAVE THESE DATES**

Men's Breakfast  
November 10th  
Call Larry 502-817-8348  
Operation Christmas Child  
November 12-19  
Ladies Christmas Luncheon  
December 15th  
Happy Birthday Jesus  
December 16th

*grow* 

## **YOUTH GROUP SHENANIGANS**



  
**celebrate**  
good times



### One More Thing...

It is a remarkable circumstance that the most brilliant colors of plants are to be seen on the highest mountains, in spots that are most exposed to the wildest weather. The brightest lichens and mosses, the loveliest gems of wild flowers, abound far up on the bleak, storm-scalped peak.

One of the richest displays of organic coloring I ever beheld was near the summit of Mount Chenebetta, a hill about 10,000 feet high, immediately above the great St. Bernard Hospice. The whole face of an extensive rock was covered with a most vivid yellow lichen which shone in the sunshine like the golden battlement of an enchanted castle. There, in that lofty region, amid the most frowning desolation, exposed to the fiercest tempest of the sky, this lichen exhibited a glory of color such as it never showed in the sheltered valley.

I have two specimens of the same lichen before me while I write these lines, one from the great St. Bernard, and the other from the wall of a Scottish castle, deeply embossed among sycamore trees; and the difference in point of form and coloring between them is most striking. The specimen nurtured amid the wild storms of the mountain peak is of a lovely primrose hue, and is smooth in texture and complete in outline, while the specimen nurtured amid the soft airs and the delicate showers of the lowland valley is of a dim rusty hue, and is scurfy in texture, and broken in outline.

And is it not so with the Christian who is afflicted, tempest-tossed, and not comforted? Till the storms and vicissitudes of God's providence beat upon him again and again, his character appears marred and clouded; but trials clear away the obscurity, perfect the outlines of his disposition, and give brightness and blessing to his life.

--Hugh Macmillan