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NVESTORS MEETING

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



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2 Timothy 2:2 And what you have heard from me in the presence of many witnesses entrust to faithful men, who will be able to teach others also.

The group of about ten gath-Lered around the oblong table after exchanging warm greetings. It was clear that they

genuinely appreciated each other and enjoyed being together, but it had been a long time since they were able to gather like this and they couldn't wait to exchange notes and to see how each other was doing. It wasn't long before the conversation turned to investments. But they weren't discussing financial strategies, goals, or accomplishments. They were reminiscing about the way God had used them to impact each other's lives. It was clear that this was a

spiritual investments summit. And the returns were exciting to behold. The group included older mentors, and peers bonded together by the mutual support they had given and received over many years. Even though there wasn't active regular mentoring still occurring, the attachments were still strong. They had helped each other remain faithful to God over the years.

This gathering was an embodiment of the principle espoused in 2 Timothy 2:2. This group of primarily women had invested in each other's lives and had done their part to perpetuate the succession of gospel living that impacts generation after generation. Paul writing to his protégé Timothy whom he had mentored and established in ministry encouraged him to repeat the process he had experienced and strive to make it reproducible. The genius of this approach is that it rescues mentoring from degenerating into a formal, distant process entailing only the transfer of impersonal (even if beneficial)

information. To the contrary, it fosters deep personal connections that can endure time and distance.

Are you part of a spiritual investment group? Who is helping to mentor and encourage you in your Christian walk? Who are you helping to nurture in their walk? If you are connected to a spiritual investment group, thank God for your partners. Participate actively in the group and grow. If you are not connected to a such a group yet, pray for God to lead you to one. Maybe He will guide you to start a group with some of your friends. What a joy if one day you can have an investment summit like the group we mentioned earlier. You can reflect and reminisce and celebrate God's visible working in your lives over the years. May God make this a reality in your life.

God bless you,

Pastor James



CORPORATE PRAYER TUE @ 7 PM

MAY 30

Join us via Zoom video

Please contact Pastor James for log on information at rcantio@gmail.com

> **EVENING SERVICE** 1st & 3rd **SUN @ 6 PM**

> > JUN 4

Join us in-person at church

GROWTH GROUPS THU & FRI @ 7 PM Begin

JUN 8 & JUN 9

In-person at church.

YOUTH GROUP FRI @ 6:45 PM

JUN 2

In-person at church.

For teens ages 13 and over

KIDZONE & NURSERY SUN @ 11 AM

JUN 4

These ministries are available every Sunday during the morning service

> Kidzone for ages 6-12 yrs. old

WORSHIP SERVICE SUN @ 11 AM

JUN 4

In-person service and Livestreaming on Facebook, Youtube and our webpage.

- Vacation Bible School is July 17-21.
 - A) Members may sign up to serve at the Information Center. B) Students can be registered online.
- Explore Mountain Stream Class for folks interested in becoming members or just finding out what our church believes begins June 4 at 10 am. Sign up at the Information Counter to attend.
- Heather Murzyn and Jilean Pink are to be received into membership soon. If you have any comments, please contact Pastor James.
- Growth Groups begin Thursday and Friday June 8 & 9. Please sign up online or at the Information Counter to attend one convenient to you.
- Summit University's Lyfe Women's Conference is June 2-3. Contact Sherrill or Becky for more information.
- Join us for our Father's Day picnic following the morning service on June 18. The church will provide the burgers and hotdogs and you may bring sides and/or desserts.
- Join us on 1^{st} and 3^{rd} Wednesday at 3:15 at the Garden at Stroud as we sing and share the gospel with the residents. Contact Tom for more information.
- Bible Reading plans for 2023 are available at the Information Center. Also, read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings via the link on our website.



QUICK TIPS ON WAYS TO GIVE YOUR OFFERING

Traditional during the Sunday morning service, with a check by mail or through our secured website. Please remember to hit "SAVE" after you give if you did not set up an account so the church can have a record of who gave for tax purposes. Thank you!