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LIGHT OF LIFE

MESSAGE FROM PASTOR



*John 8:12
Again Jesus spoke to them, saying, "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."*

From the moment man rebelled against God and sin entered the world in the Garden of Eden, mankind has struggled with the challenges of living in darkness. Blinded and polluted by sin, we experience dark circumstances, harbor dark thoughts, and practice dark deeds. In the resulting hurt and pain, we stumble

around blindly trying to figure out the meaning and purpose of life. We experiment with religion, meditation, and mystical experiences only to find them leading us deeper and deeper into the confusing maze of darkness. And if we continue on that path, one day we will end up in dreadful, eternal darkness – away from the presence of God.

But God always wanted us in the light. And He made a way for us to return to the light. In His simple, but profound statement, Jesus unveiled the secret of living in the light – living in a space of understanding, hope, joy and the will of our Heavenly Father - experiencing life as God intended. God opened the way for us by sending His Son Jesus Christ into the world as a human being to live a life of light among

us, and then to sacrifice Himself to deliver us from sin and darkness, and to bring us into the kingdom of light. Since Jesus is Himself the Light, people must choose to walk with Him. Jesus said whoever followed Him would not walk in darkness. Following Christ means living a life of intimacy with Him. We must first accept Him as our Savior and then invest time getting to know Him, love Him and obey Him. Whoever does this will enjoy the privilege of living as God intended – in the light.

This Christmas as we hang lights to decorate our spaces, may we also choose to “hang” our lives on Jesus – the Light of Life.

God bless you,

Pastor James

COME AND WORSHIP, COME AND WORSHIP



WHAT'S HAPPENING

CORPORATE PRAYER TUE @ 7 PM

Dec 11

Join us via Zoom video
Please contact Pastor James for log on information at rcantio@gmail.com

EVENING SERVICE 1st & 3rd SUN @ 6 PM

Jan 2 and 16

join us in-person at church.

CHRISTMAS WORSHIP SERVICE SUN @ 11 AM

Dec 26

In-person service & livestream.
Livestreaming only on Facebook and our church's website.

QUICK TIPS

Two ways to give your offering. Traditional with a check by mail or through our secured website online giving is now possible. 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!

YOUTH GROUP FRI @ 6:45 PM

Dec 24 and 31

Youth meetings are canceled due to Christmas eve and New Year's eve church services.

KIDZONE SUN @ 11 AM

Dec 26

Kidzone is available every Sunday during the morning service. for ages 4 – 12 yrs. old.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We wish you a Blessed & Joyful Christmas!
- **Join us Friday @ 6pm for our Christmas Eve service & join Sunday @ 11 am for our Christmas Service.**
- **Explore Mountain Stream Classes** for those interested in becoming members, or just finding out more about Mountain Stream **begin January 9th at 10 am.** Please sign up at the Information Center to attend.
- **BCM Peru is hosting their annual Christmas Pennies for Peru gospel outreach ministry.** The success of this outreach depends on donations from people like you. If you wish to donate, please go to: <https://bcmintl.org/give/> and mark your gift of love as **PENNIES FOR PERU**
- Please plan to join us for **our New Year's Eve service on December 31 @ 10:30 pm.**
- We need some church members to serve in our Nursery ministry. If you are interested, please contact Melissa Moritz.
- The Church's **Annual General Business Meeting will be January 8th @ 2 pm** at the church. Members, please plan to attend this important meeting.
- Bible Reading plans for 2022 are now available at the Information Center. Also, read Pastor Jimmie's daily blog on the readings through the link on our website.