



Freedom In Christ Church

Newsletter

Fear Not

As believers, we have been given authority over the devil! We have this directly from Jesus Himself: "Behold! I have given you authority and power to trample upon serpents and scorpions, and (physical and mental strength and ability) over all the power that the enemy [possesses], and nothing shall in any way harm you" (Luke 10:19). Further reinforcement of this is found in Colossians 1:12-13: "...the Father...has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son." There is no question whether you, as a believer, have authority over the devil. Through His death, burial and resurrection, Jesus destroyed the works of the devil (see Ephesians 4:8; Colossians 2:15). Jesus gave authority to those who believe in His Name to cast out the devil: "And these signs shall follow them that believe; In My name shall they cast out devils..." (Mark 16:17). Notice He said, "In My name..." You have at your disposal Jesus' Name to combat the devil: "That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth" (Philippians 2:10). The power of God stands behind the Name of Jesus to deliver you from the power of Satan. So, take courage in the fact that you have been given authority over the devil! God doesn't want you to have fear over anything because He promised to never leave or abandon you (Hebrews 13:5). In fact, the phrase "Fear not" appears in more than 60 verses of the Bible! So, what do we do if fear is tormenting us? The fastest way to remove fear from our lives is to focus on God's love for us. As we think on the love of God, we will see fear and worry go away. First John 4:18 says, "Love has no fear, because perfect love expels all fear. If we are afraid, it is for fear of punishment, and this shows that we

have not fully experienced His perfect love.” As challenging as the torment of fear and worry can be, it is no match for God’s love. It has to take a back seat when your focus is on God as a loving Father who cares for you and wants you to prosper. Thoughts of fear that come into your mind can be knocked down simply by speaking God’s Word out of your mouth. The Word of God is not just helpful for pulling down strongholds—it is mighty when it comes to pulling down Satan’s strongholds (2 Corinthians 10:4-5). Here are some examples of how you can speak God’s Word by faith: • “God is on my side!” (Psalm 118:6; Hebrews 13:6). • “Since God is for me, who can be against me?” (Romans 8:31). • “No weapon turned against me will succeed” (Isaiah 54:17). • “My God will supply all my needs!” (Philippians 4:19). • “The Holy Spirit is guiding me toward the truth” (John 16:13). • “Greater is He that is in me than he who is in the world!” (1 John 4:4). When you know that God loves you, and you allow that love to fill every area of your life, fear cannot stay. It has no other option. Anxiety, fear and worry must leave.

-Pastor John Pogue



The Essence of Growth

Driving home from the market one afternoon, I drove past a pasture where hundreds of plump beef cattle grazed something caught my eye. The cattle nonchalantly roamed about eating their fill, as they do most days when I pass by. But this day, something was different. On the posts that steadied the fence sat four gnarly, haggard vultures, side by side, peering out into the pasture. The imagery was stifling. You see, vultures have a sense for weakness. They can smell the sick. So, they sit and wait patiently for their opportunity to pick off the feeble and feast. As the vultures sat perched in wait, chills began to consume my body as the Lord began to parallel the scene I was taking in to that of the spiritual realm. The demonic forces in this world can sense weakness. As the vultures, they stalk and lurk about, taking in the

stench of vulnerability. When the opportunity presents itself ripe, like the vultures, they swoop in and feast. That is what Satan has unleashed his demonic forces to do in America. They sniffed out where we were weakest and found their way in through the break of unity and fear. This is why it is so important to renew ourselves daily in the Word of God. This is why it is so important study to show ourselves approved. This is why it is so important to remain strong in the Lord and to never lose faith, to never lose hope and to never, not even for a second, fail to love. There is power in unity, there is strength in numbers. The Lord orchestrated the Church for such reason as this. Find your home base. Let your pastor raise you up in the Lord and feed you so that you won't grow weary. I believe now, more than ever, it is dire to immerse yourself into the church, that is where God is conditioning his Army. Though one may be overpowered by another, two can withstand him. And a threefold cord is not quickly broken. - Ecclesiastes 4:12 NKJV



The Pantry of Hope

Matthew 25:40 - The King will reply, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me."

Greetings to all my Freedom In Christ Church family and all who are reading our Newsletter! What an honor to share with all of you about The Pantry of Hope. For those who are not familiar with who I am, I am Sister Alma, Director of the Pantry of Hope. My team members are; Sister Bert, Sister Loni, Sister Julia, and Sister Pat! What a wonderful team that God chose to help with the food pantry.

I wanted to share a little bit about our food pantry! God placed a desire and vision on my heart about helping those in need. I care so much about people and I feel for others and what they go through. God gave me a vision about opening a food pantry. To help people with food to eat, to encourage people to give them hope! To show them love and that someone cares about what they are going through. But besides all of those things, God wanted these people to be ministered to. To tell them how God loves and cares so much

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about them. He wanted the people who came to the food pantry to first receive spiritual food and also food to eat.

How would I ever open a food pantry, how could I ever do this on my own and where would I ever open a food pantry and where would the food come from? I had a will and an open heart to do this. One day, I met with our Pastor, Pastor John and his wife, Sister Leslie and we were talking, and they asked me what the desires of my heart were, (God was setting the stage, little did I know when I met with them that day) and I told them. I wanted to start a food pantry. I don't know how, but God placed that vision and desire in my heart. I told them how God wanted the spiritual food given first and then the food to eat! I told them God gave the name for the food pantry and the name is "The Pantry of Hope"! A place where HOPE and LOVE and ENCOURAGEMENT is given! Our Pastor John is so loving and caring, so giving that he shared that same desire! He loved the idea! That sure wasn't a coincidence. Did you know that God can place you at the right time with the right people?! That's our God! That's what God did! That's just how awesome our God is!!!

In 2007, "The Pantry of Hope" came into existence, and continues to help people out! God is so good! People have been helped, people have been saved, the Word is ministered and they are shown how much our church cares about them!

Every 1st Sunday of each month we set out a money jar for loose change or any amount that people want to give, we accept gift cards of any amount for grocery stores. We accept canned goods, boxed and bagged goods. We do ask that no outdated foods be brought into the pantry, also no dented cans, torn boxes and bags. When we give, we give as if we are giving to the Lord!!!

You can give to the food pantry at any time, not just the 1st of each month. You can also place money or gift cards into the offering boxes and label the envelope with "The Pantry of Hope". You can bring food in and place it under the coat rack by the entrance of the church. Also, if you don't come to our church and would like to contribute, you can send a check or gift cards to our church or give the church a call. We always appreciate everything people do for our food pantry. Thank you from the bottom of my heart for everything you do for "The Pantry of Hope"! Also pray for our ministry! Prayers are always welcomed! God loves a cheerful giver!!! God bless all of you!

Love you, Sister Alma



Kidz Korner

At Freedom in Christ Church, we completely understand and accept that our children are the most precious commodity that we have. They are the most valuable and most protected. We understand, being parents ourselves, that the world we are raising our children in is changing, and can at times seem terrifying. The Holy Spirit has directed our vision to the children, and has tasked us with the mission of providing a safe, spiritual, loving, structured family safe haven from the darkness consuming our world. We teach our children how to be the light of the world, like Jesus called us. While the world is breeding hate, we teach our children how to love. Never compromise who they are in exchange for the approval of man. We teach them how to grow the Fruit of the Spirit in their lives and benefit from its sweet nectar. Most importantly, we teach that one day in a relationship with God can bless you more than a lifetime of religion. Our children are the most valuable among us, so we teach them the most valuable truth. In Philippians chapter 3, Paul lists off all of his impressive accomplishments. In his time, Paul had achieved success that had lifted him up in the public's eye. Paul was the man. He persecuted followers of Christ...before they met. What Paul found in his relationship with Jesus is the secret to everything. Paul goes on to tell us, after finishing his list of earthly accomplishments, that all of those accomplishments have the same value as a dirty rag compared to the "infinite value" in knowing Jesus. Knowing God, is the single most valuable thing in the universe. If knowing God, as a friend, as a Father, as our Creator, is the glorious destination, then relationship is the vehicle we use to get there. Every week during our Kidz Igniting service, or our Passion Youth Group, we are learning how to know God through a personal relationship. We have seen firsthand that the children have responded tremendously to this teaching because they are having legitimate tangible experiences with God. He is alive and He desperately desires that we involve Him in our lives so He can give us the most abundant life. We recently finished another successful summer of Freedom Camp! Freedom Camp has become one of our main focuses over the past few years. Sister Inayah Pogue is the creator and director of Freedom Camp, and she has done a phenomenal job. Camp is open Monday - Friday from 7:30am - 4pm throughout the summer. At Freedom Camp we put a large emphasis on spiritual growth and knowing God through a relationship with Him. Every morning we have a Bible lesson, using the incredible Kids Nation platform. The lesson always comes with slides, videos, fun and rewards. After Bible lesson, we all worship God together, then we find our own area to be alone and do Chat and Check. Chat and Check is time

we give to God every day to talk to Him, spend time in His presence, and check for His guidance. The rest of the day is filled with, outside free time, arts, crafts, group games, projects, and contests. Creek days are a camp favorite, especially Fridays when we get the grill out and munch of some yummy burgers and dogs before catching crawdads in the creek! We desire to work with the parents in raising their children. We are here to support and to work on things together with the parents pertaining to their children. We help to teach manners, following directions, working as a team, kindness, forgiveness, patience, encouragement, responsibility, respect, and love. As our church continues to grow, we plan for Freedom Camp to grow along with it. We envision serving 75-100 kids at Freedom Camp every summer in the future. We need the collective support of the body of Christ to make this happen. If we all work together, we can accomplish great things through the power and love of God. We look forward to updating you on the amazing things our Father God is doing in the lives of our precious children!

-Pastor Dane Pogue

As Freedom In Christ Church continues to grow, so does Kidz Igniting, praise the Lord! We are building a team of Support Staff for both Kidz Igniting and our Baby Sparkz. If you are interested in joining this incredible team, contact Pastor Dane or Sister Inayah.




Test Your Knowledge

1. Who baptized Jesus?

2. Who wrote the book of Revelations?

3. Complete this verse; For God has not given us a spirit of __, but of __ and of __ and of a __ mind. II Timothy 1:7 (NKJV)

Answers at the end



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Upcoming Events

On the Wall Prayer

Every Saturday from 8AM-9AM

First Friday Fellowship

Sept 4th @ 7 PM

Speakers Craig & Lisa Daywalt

Picnic

Aug 30th 10 AM

(Creek baptism and baby dedication)

Pantry of Hope

Alma Walter director

Loose change Sunday

1st Sunday of every month

Church Yard sale and Chicken Barbeque

Sept. 5th 8AM

Food served at 8AM

Rain or Shine

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GIVE, AND YOU WILL RECEIVE. YOUR GIFT WILL RETURN TO YOU IN FULL-PRESSED DOWN, SHAKEN TOGETHER TO MAKE ROOM FOR MORE, RUNNING OVER, AND POURED INTO YOUR LAP. THE AMOUNT YOU GIVE WILL DETERMINE THE AMOUNT YOU GET BACK. LUKE 6:38

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Answers:

1. John the Baptist
2. John
3. Fear, Power, Love, Sound

“Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.” Hebrews 12:1-2 NKJV

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