
Upcoming Events

Two-Day Revival Meeting, Nov 20-21 (Fri-Sat) at Metro

Week of Fasting Dec 25 - 31 at Metro

Weekly Schedule

Fri, Nov 6th (Mesquite) Fasting Prayer @ Parsonage (10 AM)

Fri, Nov 6th (Metro) Impact Meeting @ Metro (7 PM)

Sat, Nov 7th (Garland) City Wide Fellowship @ Philadelphia IPC
2915 Broadway Blvd, Garland, TX (6:45 PM)

Words of Wisdom: Influencing Others

"It is a serious thing to live in a society of possible gods and goddesses, to remember that the dullest and most uninteresting person you talk to may one day be a creature which, if you saw it now, you would be strongly tempted to worship, or else a horror and a corruption such as you now meet, if at all, only in a nightmare. All day long we are, in some degree, helping each other to one or the other of these destinations". -*(C.S. Lewis The Weight of Glory, p. 14-15)*

"Shawn Boskie, pitcher for the Baltimore Orioles, came and spoke to a youth group. It was refreshing to see his Christian testimony among the unsaved. Shawn was previously with the California (now Anaheim) Angels and had many opportunities to witness to former pitcher Jim Abbott. But one of the greatest things I heard during his message to us was when he was called by the Orioles when the trade was imminent, and the trade actually had very little to do with his pitching. The Baltimore executive said, "We have a need for a moral force in our locker room. We know you are a Christian. We have some players who need some guidance. We want you to come and be an example."

Wow! Can you believe it? A team desiring a positive Christian influence first of all?" -*Unknown*

Prayer for the Nations: Sao Tome and Principe (Africa)*

- Two larger islands of Sao Tome and Principe and several other tiny islands lie off the west coast of Africa near Gabon.
- The Portuguese first settled here in 1470 and brought thousands of slaves across from Africa to work on cocoa and sugar plantations. Most of the population are descendants from these African slaves and although most of the Portuguese left in 1975, when the islands gained independence, the presence of Portuguese culture is still strong.
- The island decided to make some cash by selling off some of their internet space - with a '.st' address.
- Pray that missionaries and churches on the islands can reach people who have never heard about Jesus, particularly on the island of Principe. Pray also that they can train and encourage local islanders to plant churches and be released into leadership.

* http://operationworld.24-7prayer.com/country.php?country_id=92

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Blessed is the people that know the joyful sound: they shall walk, O LORD, in the light of thy countenance. In thy name shall they rejoice all the day: and in thy righteousness shall they be exalted. (Ps 89:15,16)

Welcome

Sermon Notes

“...Stay...until you are clothed with power from on high” (Luke 24: 49)

Praise the Lord and welcome to the house of the Lord for a time of rejoicing and gladness.

Have you got the fuel? As drivers we make it sure that when the needle of our gas tank hovers around “E” we get motivated to get fuel. If we fail to do that we may find ourselves stranded on the highway or byway. Many Christians today are in a similar situation. They are stranded in their spiritual life. They want to live a spiritually significant life but are not getting their ‘tanks’ filled with the fuel of God’s power.

Jesus knew this well and hence gave this solemn advice and command to his disciples to get their lives filled with the heavenly fuel which alone can carry them to the great distance to fulfill the Great Commission. It was such a pivotal issue for the Lord that he put the grand plan of the establishment of the church on hold until they get the fuel from above. A writer puts it beautifully like this: “Picture it: coming on the heels of His exhilarating defeat of death on the cross and electrifying charge to take the good news to the ends of the earth, Jesus final words was, “Do nothing. Wait until I deliver the fuel to empower you.” Christ indeed put a premium on this empowerment to carry the gospel to the ends of the earth. We are carrying the gospel to all walks of our lives once we got attached to it.

What could be more significant for us who are living a life of toil and troubles. Many a times we are overwhelmed and confused. Many a times we feel stranded on purpose and meaning of life. We are running short on the fuel of God which is the empowerment of the Holy Spirit. It is time that we pay close attention to what the Lord has to speak to us. It is time that we “stay” until we are clothed with power from on high. We must choose between Christ’ words or meaningless self-existence. What would you choose today? Have you got the fuel? Are you living a Christ empowered, Spirit filled life? Have you found the reason of your existence? Are you living in the perfect will of God for your life? For all of these questions of life we need the ‘fuel’ of the Holy Spirit.

In Christ Alone,
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