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Reap the Harvest You Sow

It is the time of year that gardeners and farmers are reaping the harvest from their many months of preparing, planting, and tending their gardens or fields. *How bountiful our harvest will be depends on many factors, doesn't it?*

First we must clear the space we are going to plant and till the soil. Then we plant the seeds. The care we give these seeds early on is critical to help them germinate and develop a strong root system. We need to give them proper nutrients and water to help them grow. We have to watch over our plants to ensure they continue to receive proper hydration and we must remove weeds as they grow. Of course a wise gardener and farmer would also pray for God's favor and blessings over the coming harvest. Then we patiently wait, never giving up tending to the care and growth of our plants. We remain steadfast, we believe the harvest is coming in due time and that it will be plentiful as we carefully nurture our plants. We trust that God will provide in abundance and bless our efforts as we work to bring glory to His great name.

As summer winds down, we begin to reap the harvest which we have sown. The vegetables ripen and we can finally enjoy the fruits of our labor! The vegetables are rich in color and beautiful to take in. There is nothing that tastes so good or is quite as fulfilling as eating fresh produce from our own garden.

Our walk with Christ is much like this: our faith is the garden we tend to. We prepare our hearts to receive the love of Christ, we nurture our minds by reading God's Word, and we drink from the living water as we let the Holy Spirit refresh us daily. We believe in due time there will be a rich and bountiful harvest not only in our lives, but in those around us because we are faithful, and never become weary of doing good! Press on and into God! He is preparing a great harvest for your life!



Galatians 6:9

Let us not become weary in doing good, for at the proper time we will reap a harvest if we do not give up.

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Kids Corner

God Given Gift of Serving

God leads believers to understand the needs of those around them and how he is calling each believer to meet those needs **through** him. The motivational spiritual gifts that are provided by God, help foster a deeper level of perspective for believers and bring the word of God into action. Romans 12:6-8 reads “**6** We have different gifts, according to the grace given to each of us. If your gift is prophesying, then prophesy in accordance with your faith; **7** if it is serving, then serve; if it is teaching, then teach; **8** if it is to encourage, then give encouragement; if it is giving, then give generously; if it is to lead, do it diligently; if it is to show mercy, do it cheerfully.”

When we serve others, we are actually serving God. Within our Church we are able to witness many that are called to use their talents to serve and honor God. For example, we have multiple ministries as part of our Church including the children's ministry, hospitality ministry, missions team, technology team, our board of directors for the Church, and of course the Pastoral Ministry.

This month the focus for the Children's Ministry is understanding and utilizing talents to serve others. The children will be asked to look at the

talents others have and are using to serve. Furthermore, they will also delve into searching what their own gifts are and how those gifts can be used to serve others. Throughout the coming months you will see different children trying some of the areas of serving within the Church. If you have a stirring in your heart to help teach the children to serve in a particular area of service; please talk to Abra so that plans can be made.



As the children prepared to return to school for the 2023/2024 school year, they were asked to come forward to enable Pastor Karrie to speak a blessing over them.



1 Peter 4:10

Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in it's various forms.

Seek First His Kingdom- All Other Searching is Sinking Sand

Ladies, our annual conference is almost here! One month away! Join us Saturday, October 14th!

We are very much looking forward to hosting our seventh Dear Daughter of Mine Conference. We have great speakers lined up and fabulous worship. As always there will be a delicious lunch and amazing door prizes!

You want to attend this special day if you are able! The conference begins at 9 am and concludes at 2 pm. The doors will open at 8 am for some time of fellowship.

We hope most of you can join in this great day of celebrating and encouraging YOU and all of God's precious daughters. You are highly favored and loved by the King!

How You Can Help: please let us know if you can come. There is no charge for you, but we do need to know if you are attending.

- Tell Pastor Karrie or Michelle Rowe by October 8th.
- Invite your friends and family. Help us be an encouragement to others by inviting them to attend. *Remember young ladies are welcome too!*
- Share the event that is on our Living Gospel Church Facebook page or via our website.

If you have a creative talent that you would like to share and donate a door prize, please let Pastor Karrie or Gaylene Richardson know.

If you have not attended one of these conferences, please join us and experience how encouraging and fun they are. If you have attended, then you know how meaningful these days are, so please invite someone new to join you! Your family and friends can register quickly and easily on our website under events.

Men of Living Gospel Church— we could really use your help this day in serving. If you can be available, please come and help serve lunch. The ladies so appreciate this special touch and may God bless you abundantly as you bless others.



Matthew 6:33

But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

September Missions

World Harvest Offering

World Harvest Offering is a missions fund that is managed by the IMA Missions Department. Member Missionaries are encouraged to apply for these funds, which are distributed regularly throughout the year to the operating organizations that support and cover our Member Missionaries. Any undesignated funds that are received by the IMA Missions Department are put into the World Harvest Offering fund, to ensure that we are always able to keep up with our distributions to Missionaries. We are blessed to have one of the Missionary groups that are supported come on September 17th to provide an update on their mission. Vessels of Mercy, represented by Bob & Darlene McCoy.

Coming Events

Darlene and Bob McCoy with Vessels of Mercy Sept 17th

IMA National Conference Sept 18-21st PK traveling

Connect in a Small Group.

Wednesdays: 7 pm Adult Study and Fellowship— **Come and join the fun!** Do something different this summer. Get to know God in a new light. Wed's don't work? **Create your own small group—"Where 2 or 3 gather there I am"**

Seek Him and find He is always GOOD!

Encouragement with Pastor Karrie!

Let us be in the habit of meeting together.

Is there something troubling your heart? Could you use someone to talk to and pray with? Could you use some spiritual counsel on a matter?

I am here for you.

Email:

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Or via cell phone:

608 566-3936

May God Bless You and Make His Face Shine Upon You.

Celebrating August Birthdays

Kade Hessler	September 3
Sam Hawley	September 5
Susan Klaila	September 5
Dan Jennings	September 7
Isabella Brandner	September 7
Laurie Muench	September 14
Jamison Walker	September 19
Connor Richardson	September 20
Jane Biddle	September 21
Anna Benisch	September 23
Bob Dreifke	September 26
Daphne Hawley	September 30

Wedding Anniversaries

Marlene & Ed Spyros	September 17
Mary & Marty Martinez	September 24
Brittany & Al Sugden	September 29

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