

October 29, 2023 • 10:00 AM

Today's Message:
Now, to the
Hardest Place
Ephesians 5
Pastor Travis Deans

10:00 AM WORSHIP SERVICE

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Call to Worship

Victory in Jesus

Friendship Greeting

Announcements

Offering Living Hope

Mighty to Save No Longer Slaves

Praise & Petition

Message
Now, to the Hardest Place

A Thousand Hallelujahs

Benediction



EXPLORING EPHESIANS: THE SERIES Week #7: Now, to the Hardest Place – October 29th, 2023 – Travis Deans

Enhesians Chanters 1 to 5 focus on our relationships with

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| , and with the _ | It's r | not til the second |
| part of chapter 5 that we ge | t to relationships w | ith our |
| ! | | |
| That's significant because A | LL of those things | in Ephesians 1-5 help |
| prepare us to have the best | relationship that w | e can possibly have |
| with a | | |
| WHY? | are the | e instructions for marriage. |
| 1) Marriage is a | | |
| 2) Marriage has a | | |
| 3) Marriage is | | |
| The key to marriage (and al | I relationships) is _ | and |
| The most important children what it's like to be | | |
| We must our ch | ildren to love and l | nonor |
| by loving and honoring then | n. | |

Fall Church Work Day

Saturday, **November 4th** at 8:00 AM Donuts, Coffee & Lunch Provided

We will be concentrating on trimming trees & shrubs and getting the outside ready for the cooler months ahead.

If you have any tools that would be helpful, please bring them. Pick-up trucks needed as well.

If you'd like to help, please contact Bob Dennis or Joe Thomas.

Please note: Daylight Saving Time ends soon! Don't forget to turn clocks back one hour before going to sleep this Saturday, November 4th!



Soul

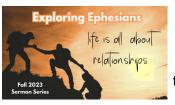
Soul Sisters

Our next meeting of Soul Sisters will be held on Thursday, **November 9th** at 6:30 PM, and will be hosted by the Bruderhof sisters at 100 Spring Valley Road in Farmington. Eileen Campbell Knapp will be

sharing the message. Please plan to bring your Bible, a snack to share, and arrive on time. All ladies 18 and older are welcome to attend and bring a friend. See Tracey Dillon or Luann Schaefer with questions.

Men's Small Group

Our next men's small group meeting will be held here at Cherry Tree Alliance on Saturday, **November 11th.**The meeting is from 8:00 - 10:00 AM and will include breakfast and a time of study based on the book *Beautiful Outlaw* by John Eldredge. Please sign up at the bulletin board in the foyer.



We need YOUR help with our sermon series! Have you experienced the transformative working of God in your relationships with... family? friends? the church? your employer? your enemy? yourself? If so, we would love to meet

with you to record a 1-2 minute video testimony for use during this series! Please reach out to Andrea in the church office or Pastor Travis.

Andrea: ctallch@verizon.net Pastor Travis: tdeans@nnym.org



SUNDAY DECEMBER 3RD AT 7PM

SAVE THE DATE!

ALL AGES ARE WELCOME TO

PARTIPATE IN THE PROGRAM.

Sign-up starts TODAY! Look for the "light up" Clipboard in the foyer. Practice for the program will be: Sunday Nov. 12th Sunday Nov. 19th 2pm to 4pm

Financial Summary - September 2023 Operating Fund

September Income: \$17,750 (budget: \$27,737) September Expenses: \$14,634 (budget: \$26,861)

Monthly Gain/Loss: \$3,115

Year-to-Date Income: \$203,445 (budget: \$249,627) Year-to-Date Expenses: \$173,173 (budget: \$255,376)

Year-to-Date Net Gain/Loss: \$30,272

Great Commission Income

Total Goal for 2023: \$30,000

September Income: \$1,313 (goal: \$2,500) 2023 Income: \$16,853 (goal: \$30,000)

A more detailed finance summary is posted on our church bulletin board.



GOD DID MORE!

When our Envision team was preparing for a youth camp, I was worried we didn't have enough signups after we announced the event in our Aroma Church in Taipei, Taiwan. Initially, there were so few registrations that I was almost embarrassed the only kid who registered was mine! I thought we would have to cancel the event, which was scheduled for July 3-7. But people started praying, and the registrations poured in. We were hoping for 10 kids, and we had 40 students ages 7-16. That's four times what we were expecting-more than we could have asked for or imagined (see Eph. 3:20.)! We are also grateful for 14 members of Agape Church in San Diego, California, who joined us.

This event was key to launching our youth ministry. We are currently planning for youth nights, youth study space, and an online presence to reach and help this age group as they navigate these difficult life seasons. Pray for those who attended the camp and that their experience will impact the Kingdom for generations to come. Pray also for the success of our youth ministry.

by Chris, an Alliance international worker serving with Envision

DEVASTATING ACCIDENT AFFECTS TWO FAMILIES

Our hearts are heavy after a multi-car accident involving two families from the San Sebastian campus of Breath of Life church while returning from ministering in a drug rehab center. At this writing, one member is fighting for his life after saying
"Yes" to Jesus just four weeks before the
accident. A mother remains hospitalized
with a collapsed lung. Her six- and
10-year-old sons were also injured, one
of whom suffered two fractured legs. The
children and two adults were released
and are recovering at home.

The driver who caused the accident was drunk, and paramedics pronounced him dead at the scene. He was laid on the side of the road and covered with a sheet. The first news crews to arrive reported his death. Sometime later, the coroner discovered the driver was still alive. We do not know yet what has happened to him but are praying for his healing.

Following the accident, the family of one of the injured adults attended church with two daughters; they are not believers but are amazed at how our church family has responded with month-long love offerings and round-the-clock hospital shifts (in state hospitals, family members must stay with the patient because of limited nursing care).

Despite the challenges our church faces in the local community (including curses and other forms of opposition), the small congregation is growing and for the first time surpassed 50 attendees last month. Pray for the full recovery of all involved and that one day this community will see God glorified through this calamity.

by Bob and Cheryl, Alliance international workers serving in Mexico



Moms in Prayer - Mondays at 6:00 PM Please ask the church office for Teresa's number for the meeting details.





Bible Quiz Practice

Tuesdays 6:00 - 7:00 PM / 2nd-12th Grade Please contact Pastor Joshua with any questions at capacityalliancevouth@gmail.com.

AWANA Clubs

Ages 3 years old through 5th grade Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8:00 PM.



Clubs

Cubbies — 3 and 4 year-olds Sparks — Kindergarten through 2nd Grade Truth and Training (T&T) — 3rd through 5th Grade

Register online at: www.cherrytreealliance.org/ministries/childrens-ministry



Capacity Wednesday Night Ministry

6:30 PM - 8:00 PM / 6th-12th Grade Please contact Pastor Joshua with any questions at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.

Immerse Small Groups

College Age Group - Resumes November 5th at 5:00 PM Ladies' Small Group - Wednesdays at 6:30 PM

International Workers of the Week

Please pray for our Alliance workers of the week, Doug & Denise Cameron, who serve in Niger. "The Camerons are the team leaders in Niger with administrative duties. As well, Doug is responsible for the finances of all the Canadian African teams as the Regional Bookkeeper. Denise works with a Brighter Future program that helps Tuareg and Fulani families send their children to school and offers an after school tutoring program. Prayer Requests - Pray that Doug and Denise would walk in the Spirit and that the love of God would shine through them amongst the Tuareg and Fulani peoples. Pray that they would be clothed in the full armor of God so that the evil one may not advance but God's Kingdom reign in Niger. Pray with us that our Team's presence here in Niger will see many Tuareg and Fulani peoples come to know Christ and grow in their walk with Him and others in their communities."

Prayer of the Day

Please pray for the junior high students & youth leaders who are in the closing session of the JOLT Retreat at Laurelville Camp this morning. Please ask the Lord to speak to each person in attendance. to encourage & strengthen them, and to give each one a refreshed spirit from their time spent in seeking God's will for their lives.



Kids & Capacity Sunday Ministry

Jr. Kids Church - 10:00 AM on Sunday Mornings Ages Pre-K / K-2nd Grade / 3rd through 5th Grade Nursery Care available

Capacity Church - 10:00 AM on Sunday Mornings 6th-8th Grade - Contact Pastor Joshua with any questions at capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com.

Offering plates will be passed during the service. You may also place your offering in the wall lockbox outside the church office door. To give online, visit our website at www.cherrytreealliance.org/giving to check out our electronic donation service using the program Tithe.ly.

Thanks for your faithful giving!

GIVING

Operating Fund Giving for October: \$24,195 (Amount needed monthly: \$27,734) Last Week's Great Commission Giving: \$270

> LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE **Worship Service: 99 Livestream Views: 173**

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