



# CHERRY TREE

## ALLIANCE CHURCH



February 4, 2024 • 10:00 AM

### Today's Message:

## ***The Power of Suffering - Part Two***

Ronald L. Auther II, Ph.D.

**10:00 AM**  
**WORSHIP SERVICE**  
February 4, 2024

**Call to Worship**

*Blessed Assurance*

**Friendship Greeting**

**Announcements**

**Offering**

*'Tis So Sweet to Trust in Jesus*

*Be Thou My Vision*

**Praise & Petition**

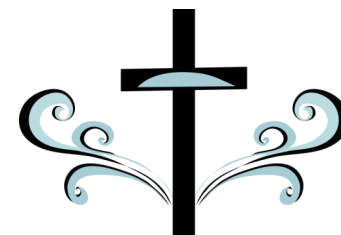
**Message**

*The Power of Suffering - Part Two*

**Communion**

*You Are My King (Amazing Love)*

**Benediction**



# THE POWER OF SUFFERING

– Part #2: The Believers Response To An Unbelieving World –  
February 4th, 2024 – Ronald L. Auther II, Ph.D.

\*IN A UNIVERSE WITHOUT \_\_\_\_\_  
THERE ARE NO AND CAN BE NO \_\_\_\_\_.

WHY IS THERE EVIL AND SUFFERING IN THE WORLD:

1.) \_\_\_\_\_ ARE THE REASON THERE IS \_\_\_\_\_  
AND \_\_\_\_\_ IN OUR WORLD.

2.) \_\_\_\_\_ HAS A \_\_\_\_\_  
IN \_\_\_\_\_.

3.) \_\_\_\_\_ WILL TRIUMPH \_\_\_\_\_  
THROUGH THE \_\_\_\_\_ AND \_\_\_\_\_  
OF \_\_\_\_\_.

4.) GOD MAKES EVIL \_\_\_\_\_  
AND \_\_\_\_\_.

*in loving  
memory*

*The beautiful flowers on the altar are given in  
loving memory of Sharon and Ted Genovese  
by their family.*

## Soul Sisters

Our first Soul Sisters meeting of 2024 will be held  
Thursday, **February 8th** at 6:30 PM at Cherry Tree  
Alliance. Please join us for a few hours of fellowship &  
discussion as we take a look at Jesus' disciples and  
their commission to spread the Gospel to the ends of  
the earth and how that pertains to us today. Soups & beverages  
will be provided. Please bring your Bible and a friend.

Monthly meetings for 2024 will always be held on the second  
Thursday of each month; locations will be announced.



## Men's Small Group



Our next men's small group meeting will be held here  
at Cherry Tree Alliance on Saturday, **February 10th**.

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.



**CARTOON SATURDAY  
CEREAL BREAKFAST BAR**

**February 24th 9am-11am**

**FAMILIES WELCOME!**

**PLEASE RSVP TO MS. JEN BY FEB. 20TH**

**AGES 5 & UP CAN BE DROPPED OFF. UNDER 5 MUST HAVE AN ADULT STAY.**

## Collegiate Day of Prayer

Please mark your calendars for the Collegiate Day of Prayer on Thursday, **February 29th!** The goal is to cover every campus across the nation in prayer. There are several ways you can participate:



1. You can sign up to adopt a campus in prayer at [collegiatedayofprayer.org](http://collegiatedayofprayer.org).
2. You can join our CTAC Prayer Challenge on our church Facebook page, where we are seeking individuals to commit to praying on February 29th for each of our local college campuses (we will launch this sign-up closer to the date!)
3. Prayer sheets are available on the info table in the foyer to help guide your time of intercession at home or with a group.

Be sure to check out the Collegiate Day of Prayer website for further resources, including a 30 and 40 day prayer guide.

## 2024 Nominations for Church Offices Now Open

Nominations are open for the following offices to be filled by election at our Annual Meeting with terms to begin June 1st 2024:

### Governing Board Members

(eligible for reelection: Doug Horton.  
Up to two may be elected.)

### Christian Care Committee

(eligible for reelection: Betsy Horton & Cheri Truskey.  
Up to four may be elected.)

### Secretary to the Board

(eligible for reelection: Cathy Thomas)

Nomination Procedures – Please prayerfully consider whom you might nominate, relying upon the guidance of the Scripture and the leading of the Holy Spirit. The standards for spiritual leadership are found in 1 Timothy 3:1-7 and Titus 1:6-9. Any active member wishing to place someone in nomination must first obtain permission from the person to be nominated and receive the assurance that the person agrees to be considered for the position & is willing to serve. Then the member wishing to place the name in nomination must submit the name in writing to Joe Thomas via e-mail or by hand delivery in a sealed envelope. Include the name of the person you're nominating, the office, and your name, which will be confidential.

The deadline for nominations is **March 24th**. Those elected to the Nominating Committee for 2024 are Pastor Travis Deans, Shirley Kolesar, Renee Schaefer, Don Smith, & Joe Thomas.



### Capital Campaign - New Church Van

We have ordered a van for approximately \$65,000, which will take at least one year to arrive from the manufacturer. As we wait, we need to begin collecting funds for this expense. The dealership has agreed that if we do not have the needed funds when the van arrives, we do not have to take it; however, we want to avoid this as we would likely then have to go back on the waitlist for ordering a vehicle. To contribute to this fund, please mark your offering envelopes or online donation "Van." We thank you for your support!

**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 [capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com](mailto:capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com).

### AWANA Clubs

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



Register online at: [www.cherrytreealliance.org/ministries/childrens-ministry](http://www.cherrytreealliance.org/ministries/childrens-ministry)

## International Workers of the Week

Please pray for our Alliance workers of the week, Heather Hahn and Andr s Cabezas, who serve in Mexico City. Please pray for them in these areas of their ministry: ***Bio:** Heather grew up in rural Saskatchewan where her parents were pastoring. As a child, she loved hearing about different countries and experiences around the world. She responded to an altar call at one General Assembly and the rest was history. After a couple years of Bible College, she visited Mexico City for a year. It was there that God confirmed a call to love Him in a country other than her own. Heather has been involved in church planting for fifteen years and exclusively in compassion ministries the past five years. Andr s grew up in Costa Rica and studied computer sciences in the US. After returning with his degree, he developed software and served in several ministries through tech support. He has also enjoyed working with a Third Culture Kid youth group for the last couple decades. He moved to Mexico City when Heather and he got married. **Current Priorities:** In Brave Heart, we share Jesus through Saturdays in the park, homework help, a discipleship group and the business collective.*

*At ALAS, we share life skills and Bible classes at a home for women with psychiatric issues. We seek to empower the local Mexican church in their outreach to the most marginalized in society and see discipleship through both classes and experiences. \*Brave Heart ministers to indigenous families through educational help, outreach in the park and the Brave Heart Collective which gives business help and training. \*ALAS is a ministry in the El Recobro shelter for women who have no family to assist them with their psychiatric needs. They provide life skill classes and a Bible class. **Vision:** We long to see many of the least-reached people groups in Mexico City and area have a personal encounter with Jesus Christ! Whether this be an indigenous village where it is prohibited to confess Jesus Christ or business men and women who rarely hear about him. It is exciting to see these people engage in serving the most-needing in society and encountering Jesus Christ. Consumed by the Great Commandment, Compelled by the Great Commission, Completing our Kingdom Calling. In every effort, discipling people to be a transforming presence among the least reached.*

***Prayer Requests:** Pray for continual open doors to villages, in which it is prohibited to be a Christian so that people would have a personal and communal encounter with Jesus Christ. Pray for wisdom and increased prayer in our upcoming leaders in justice and compassion projects."*

## Prayer of the Day

Join us today in taking our burdens to our Heavenly Father, casting all our cares on Him. We encourage you to ask those around you in the pews, *how may I pray for you today?* Come alongside a brother or sister in Christ in lifting up their concerns to our Savior Jesus, who is the Prince of Peace.



### 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](mailto:capacityallianceyouth@gmail.com).



### Immerse Small Groups

**College Age Group** - Sundays at 5:00 PM  
**Ladies' Small Group** - Wednesdays at 6:30 PM



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](http://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 January: \$32,592**  
**(Amount needed monthly: \$28,446)**  
**Last Week's Great Commission Giving: \$435**

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE**  
**10:00 AM Worship Service: 109**  
**Livestream Views: 230**

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