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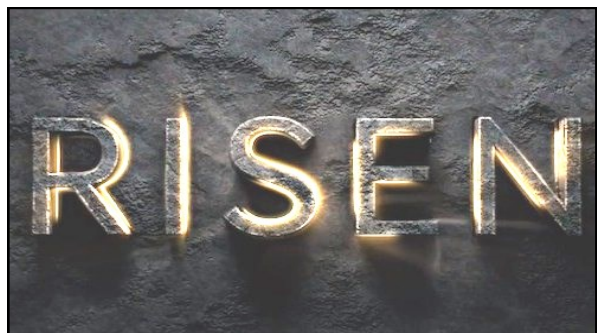
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***RISEN** is the epic biblical story of the Resurrection, as told through the eyes of a non-believer. Clavius, a powerful Roman military tribune, and his aide, Lucius are tasked with solving the mystery of what happened to Jesus in the weeks following the crucifixion, in order to disprove the rumors of a risen Messiah and prevent an uprising in Jerusalem.*

Special PRCOC Event: **RISEN**

NEXT Sunday, February 28, 2016

First, join us first for a Pizza Luncheon in the Family Life Center - **Pizza will be served 11:15 AM-12 Noon**, then depart the building via your own transportation and meet at **Regal Cross Keys Stadium 12 Theater**, **151 American Blvd., Turnersville, NJ 08012.**

12:45 PM Arrival Time—Film Begins at 1:00 PM

- **Sign up NOW** at the table in the foyer for you & your guests, pay for your tickets, and receive your vouchers. Thanks to our newest members Andy and Donna for coordinating the ticket sales.
- **Ticket voucher needed** to receive a ticket at the theater for entrance to the movie.
- **Tickets are \$10** for members, visitors are free. If possible, we ask members to cover the cost of tickets for their guests.
- **This film is rated PG-13** and has a running time of 1 hr. & 47 min.

Coming on March 6th: Bible Class with the Rabbi



Rabbi Jordan Gendra

As we approach both Easter and Passover, we have a wonderful opportunity to learn more about Jewish culture and religious observances, past and present. **Rabbi Jordan (Jordi) Gendra**, of Congregation B’Nai Tikvah-Beth Israel (the congregation that purchased our former building) will return again to share his knowledge and teaching expertise. He will present a biblical overview of a Seder meal, from the time of the Exodus, as well as a Jewish family or synagogue would observe it today.

All adult and teen classes will meet together at 9:00 AM on Sunday, March 6th. Please don't miss out on what promises to be an outstanding presentation! Please invite guests!



Our Mission

To meet others where they are and together be transformed into the image of Christ.

From Daniel's Den

What Happens When the “Regulars” Don’t Show Up?

This has happened to me twice in the last week! Regular participants did not show up.

The first time was at Friday morning men’s prayer time; three of the regular guys, who never miss, were all absent. One was sick, one had a family emergency and one was out of town. So, God sent two other guys to prayer time. One of the new guys was there for his first time, and one was there for his second time. God sent some very special people to fill the shoes of the “regulars” who were missing. These new guys didn’t just appear out of thin air, but they were guys I’d repeatedly invited! We were all blessed by our sweet hour of prayer. Our time together was a touch of heaven.

The second time the regulars did not show up was for our LIFE Group last Sunday. This time five of our regular LIFE Group members were missing. The missing people were MIA for valid reasons...traveling, sickness, and family issues. Once again, God sent four new people, three of whom had never been to our LIFE Group before! It was a blessing to us, as well as to those who attended. Again, these people did not just show up out of thin air, but they were people I’d repeatedly invited. But, this time they came. We were all blessed by our two hours of rich fellowship, food, and digging into Gods Word.

What do both of these stories have in common? Missing people! Rich and rewarding fellowship! **And repeated invitations brought in new people at just the right time!** Don’t stop inviting your friends. Be patient, but be persistent. “How beautiful are the feet of those who spread the good news.” (Rom. 10:15). Help the church be **UNSTOPPABLE!**

-Spread the Good News, *Dan*



Dan Cooper
aka
“Dan, Dan,
the Preacherman”

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Carlos' Corner

An Invite Card Goes A Long Way

From time to time we provide you with invitation cards for different events. Right now we have the circular cards with our contact and worship/Bible class times for you to use. As Easter Sunday approaches we will have invitation cards for you to invite friends, family, neighbors, and coworkers to worship with us that day. We hope you will take advantage of all of these cards. Here are some tips for you to help you make the most of any kind of invite or other type of card provided from the church for your use.

How to Use an Invite Card:

- Hand them to people you meet and say, “I’d love to invite you to my church.”
- Give them out in drive-thru lanes.
- Put a stack at your office, store, or place of work.
- Ask if you can set a stack out in a business that you frequent.
- Give them to neighbors, friends, and co-workers.
- Leave them on tables at restaurants to invite your server.
- Make a list of five people and go seek them out.
- Ask God to give you an opportunity to give them out.
- Give them out in the lunchroom or before class begins.
- Keep a few in your wallet, purse, or car.

-Carlos



Invite a friend to join us for worship on
Easter Sunday, 3.27.2016

EASTER

Celebrate The Resurrection

TONIGHT! YOU'RE INVITED!!!



SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21ST • 5:30-7:30 PM

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YOUNG ADULT LIFE GROUP • ALL ARE WELCOME

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Women's Ministry...Off to a Roaring Start!

The EMBRACE ministry branch is hosting a Ladies Movie Night fellowship event!

Ladies **Movie Night**

Our featured movie is **MOMS' NIGHT OUT**

Saturday, February 27th in our auditorium

Admission: One Pantry Item

Doors open at 6pm
Movie begins at 7pm

Dress Code:
Pajamas welcome!
Popcorn and Movie Snacks will be provided!

*Sign up at Information Center.
A list of pantry items is available there.*

ENGAGE ministry branch opportunities for women to get involved with ministry through our renewed Women's Ministry!

NEW! Prayer Quilt Ministry

Although we've been blessing people with prayer quilts for many years, the Women's Ministry is now making a more intentional effort to organize and grow this ministry! Here's an opportunity for you to get involved! Women are needed to fill these important roles:

- Contact person to work with Phyllis Walker to coordinate the creation of quilts.
- Women who will cut fabric for the quilts.
- Women who will serve as seamstresses to sew quilts.

Sign up in the foyer or contact **Brenda Peoples or Andrea Olley**.

Library Volunteers

Women are needed to staff our church's library. Sign up in the foyer or contact **Lynn Sbaraglia** to volunteer.

Meals Needed

There are still open slots for meals for **Rachel Stetser** and her family. Meals for four adults are needed. See the sign up sheet in the foyer or contact **Melody Schools**.

If you would like to know more about our Women's Ministry, share your ideas, and find out how YOU can get involved, please pick up a brochure and contact the Women's Ministry Advisors or any of the Ministry Branch Coordinators. We need all of our women to make our renewed Women's Ministry a success!

The EMBARK branch of the Women's Ministry has an outreach opportunity to share with **EVERYONE** (women, children, AND men!) in our congregation!

Angels of God Clothing Closet is located in Pitman and serves families in need without charge. Please take a moment to check out their website at angelsogod.org. Join us as we participate in the **Angels Lenten Share Challenge!**

40 Days = 40 Items to Bless Someone Else!

We all have items in our house we never touch. You probably pass by things every day and think, "I really don't need that." What about your closets and drawers? We all have clothing sitting collecting dust. Each day between now and Easter Sunday, choose one item from your home, and place it in a bag. This could be an article of clothing, a pair of shoes, a book, an item out for your food pantry. Not only will this help you declutter your home, it will bless someone else in need.



Want to step it up even more? You are challenged to head to your favorite store and purchase an item for each day of a week. Choose something you love and make the choice to share it with someone in need. Pick out your favorite cleaning product, your favorite food item, or sweet treat. Are you buying a new shirt? Buy two and donate the extra one. Use this 40 days to **Give a Hand UP** to someone in need.

Women from the **EMBARK** ministry will be handing out purple bags for this challenge **TODAY** in our lobby. We encourage everyone to take this challenge and collect 40 items between now and Easter Sunday. If you have questions, contact **Leza Davis**.

Embark is also seeking volunteers for an outreach effort to support a neighbor of Cindy Holden.

Cindy has been assisting her neighbor, **Diana Chew**, who has a severe ankle break and will be having surgery on Tuesday, and a 6-8 week recovery. But now that Cindy herself is having knee surgery tomorrow, she has asked Embark to reach out and fill the need for assistance. Diana has a disabled daughter, and her husband cannot take off work due to finances. It will be difficult for her to maneuver and prepare meals for her family. Embark is seeking volunteers to prepare meals about 3 or 4 times per week. (Nothing spicy and no onions please.) Delivery is preferred, but if not, leave at the building and Leza Davis or Natale Verrecchio will take care of it. Diana is also in need of encouragement in the form of cards, a phone call, etc. Contact her at 1320 E. Boulevard, Glassboro, NJ 08028, 609-202-5703. If you have any questions contact Natale at nataleverrecchio@yahoo.com or Leza at spa@themonaleeza.com.

Sympathy

Our sincere sympathy is expressed to **Derrick and Brenda Busch** and **Rochelle Busch** on the passing of Derrick's dad **Charles Busch**. Charles passed on to his reward on February 13th, after a long illness. The family is very thankful for your prayers through these long months. The prayers have uplifted and strengthened them all.

Funeral service will be held this Tuesday at Corinthian Baptist Church, 6100 N. 21st St., Philadelphia, PA 19138. Viewing will be at 9:00 AM-11:00 AM, the Celebration of Life will be at 11:00 AM. Interment will be private.

If you would like to ride in the church van on Tuesday morning with Dan, please sign up at the Information Center to reserve your seat. The van will depart from the church building at 9:00 AM on Tuesday morning.

If you would like to send a note of sympathy to Derrick's mom, Rochelle, her address is: 871 East Price St., Philadelphia, PA 19138. You may send cards to Derrick and Brenda at their address in the church directory.

Update on Glynn

Glynn & Debby Durham met with an oncologist this past Wednesday to discuss the next step in Glynn's treatment for stomach cancer. Presently, the plan is to treat Glynn with aggressive chemotherapy to put the cancer into remission. He will undergo additional testing within the next 2 weeks to determine the specific course of chemo. Because Glynn's overall health is strong, and depending on the level of the tumor "HER" marker, the hope is that he can be treated with mega doses of chemo drugs in a combination of infusion and oral chemotherapy. Glynn is eating well, is under no dietary restrictions, and his activity level will be at whatever pace is comfortable to him. (With oversight from Debby!)

Please continue to pray fervently for Glynn and Debby. They can use all of our encouragement, positive thoughts, and messages! Glynn enjoys phone calls, texts, cards, and planned visits.

Great Response to Survey

Thanks to all who took the time to fill out the church survey, both online and on paper. We realize it was an investment in your time and we appreciate your effort and thoughtful responses. There were a total of 174 respondents; over 100 of those filled out the survey online.

The shepherds and ministers are currently reviewing the results, and those will be shared with the congregation as appropriate and as they become available.

This Week's Prayer Requests

Praises: **Mallory Perine** was accepted into the masters program for Art Therapy and Counseling at Drexel University! **Andreana Barefield** was accepted into the Masters in Social Work program at Pennsylvania University. Both women will begin classes in September.

Prayers Requested:

Teens and Chaperones traveling to and from Winterfest.

Cindy Holden is having knee surgery tomorrow.

John Schofield, Jayne's husband, complications in surgery last Monday. Please pray for his recovery and that he make necessary lifestyle changes.

Glynn Durham, see update to the left

Doug Murray, Florence's son and Dottie's brother has been diagnosed with kidney cancer. Due to his stroke treatment is complicated and undetermined at this time.

Connie Dinshah was released from her job, after 17 years. Pray for her to find suitable employment quickly.

Gwen Phillip, chemo treatments complete, next steps are surgery and radiation. She's struggling with neuropathy in her hands and feet.

Rachel Stetser, recovering from mastectomy surgery.

Alana Peterson, radiation treatments.

Barbara Perry, simultaneous chemotherapy and radiation treatment.

Gladys Isaziga, Carlos' mom, chemotherapy.

Edward Gandolfi, biopsy results within next two weeks.

Steve Musso, now home continuing his recovery.

Anitra Rowe, possible stroke, multiple sclerosis

Nancy Calabro, numerous health concerns.

Military:

Andrew Holden at West Point.

Doug Peterson III, deployed with Air Force

Engaged:

Sean Fenton & Rebekah Lucien, April 16, 2016

Mallory Perine & Brandon Keeks, September 17, 2016

Jonathan Hooley & Mary Bernadette McElroy

Traveling: Paul Stanford

Your Prayers Are Requested

Please pray for one of our former members, **Jos Randsdorp**. Jos has struggled with lung cancer and back problems for numerous years. Recently, we prayed for a mass on his spine. It was determined not to be cancer, but likely an infection. Jos was put on a regimen of IV antibiotics, but unfortunately the mass has grown. He will have surgery on March 2nd to remove the mass and also spinal fusion, the extend to be determined. Please pray for Jos and his wife Debbie as they face this difficult surgery and recovery.

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Matt Downing..... Worship

Glynn Durham LIFE Groups

Darren Fields.....Greeters Ministry

Brian Holden Special Activities; Body Life

Garth HutchinsonLocal Evangelism

Larry Kellum, Jr. Caring & Sharing

Brian Mansdoerfer .Building Maintenance; Jr. Worship

Chuck OlleyTeens

Aaron PearlYouth

John PeoplesNew Member Involvement

Steve Pierre-Jacques
..... Audio Visual; Information Technology; Website

Jay Schneider Serving Our Seniors

Carl Steiner World Evangelism

Manny Vander Vennen
..... Church Directory, Kids for Christ

Sunday Schedule

9:00 AM Bible Classes

10:00 AM Worship

Wednesday Night Schedule

5:30-6:30 PM Meal

7:00-7:45 PM Bible Classes

7:45 PM Fellowship

Last Week

Bible Class	NC
Worship	188
LIFE Groups	NA
Wednesday	77
Contribution	\$8,627
Fiscal YTD Goal	\$348,480.00
Contribution YTD	\$329,938.00
Under Budget	(\$18,542.00)

Serving Us Today

Nursery	Linda Prenger
Kids For Christ	Robin Steward
Jr. Worship	Brian Mansdoerfer
Hall Monitor: Bible Class	
Hall Monitor: Worship	
Greeters: Front Entrance	Corny & Phyllis Walker
Greeters: Back Entrance	Dimitri & April Sykes
Ushers	Garth Hutchinson & Keon Kleineweber
Information Center	Diana Hutchinson
Shepherd's Call	Dave Perine
Song Leader	Garth Hutchinson
Communion	Derrick Busch

L.I.F.E. Group Locations Today

Group	Location	Contact
Brook Besor	TBA	856-589-2280
Circle of Sisters	Prenger's, Tuesday at 7PM	856-689-7932
Convenience Group	Church Building at Noon	856-589-1500
Hammonton Group	Musso's at Noon	609-567-9607
Marriage Mentoring	Met yesterday.	856-229-1558
Men's Bible Study	Winter Hiatus	856-217-3956
Paracletes	Park Place at 12:45 PM	484-886-5349
Silver Linings	Cooper's at Noon	856-589-4197
Solid Gold	Lazar's at 6PM	856-223-4997
Teens	Winterfest Weekend	856-589-1500
Vineland	H. Pearl's at 6PM	856-839-0015
Women in the Word	Church Bldg., Tues.at 9:45AM	856-589-1500
Young Adults	REFUGE at Bldg., 5:30 PM	850-814-6632

Wednesday Night Meal

Cook: TORCH Missions-Honduras Trip Fundraiser

Menu: Taco Salad

Elder on Call:

January/February: Mike Broyles



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