

## A GREATER PASSOVER CELEBRATION

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As a young person growing up in church, there were many stories from the Bible that fascinated me. At the top, or at least close to it, was the story of all of the events surrounding the deliverance of God's people from Egypt. Moses had been chosen by God with the task of leading the children of Israel out of bondage into the Promised Land. It wasn't until God sent the death angel throughout the land of Egypt to slay the firstborn of every man and beast, and sparing only those who had applied lamb's blood to the two doorposts and lintel of their homes, that they were allowed to depart from Egypt. This celebration which continues until this day is called the Passover.

Fast forward to the night before Christ was crucified. He was meeting with His disciples in the upper room during the Passover celebration, the final Passover meal He would eat. It was here that Jesus instituted a supper that was to become a greater Passover celebration remembering a much more important exodus and anticipating another. This celebration is referred to

in evangelical circles as communion or the Lord's Supper. It is a meal where Christians remember Christ's death and recall the deliverance from sin that occurred when they placed their faith in Christ for salvation. But it also hearkens to a future exodus, a future deliverance, when Christ returns to lead His people to reign with Him forever. "And Lord, haste the day when the faith shall be sight!"

It is with great joy that we anticipate celebrating the Lord's Supper this Sunday morning for the first time in nearly six months. We hope that many of you will be able to join us. To help facilitate everyone, we will be returning to our pre-COVID morning service schedule with services at 9:30 and 11 a.m. Overflow seating will still be available in the gymnasium for those who are not wanting to sing, and we will also be broadcasting both of the services over the internet.

As you anticipate this Sunday's service, I trust that each one of us will examine his own heart. We should not partake of communion if we are harboring known sin. May God be glorified as we meet this Sunday for this special service.



# SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE 9:30 OR 11 AM

This Sunday we resume our regular morning service times, and will also observe the Lord's Supper. The gym will still be available (no singing) for both services, and both services will be live streamed for those at home. We hope to keep each service to an hour to facilitate those leaving and coming.

For the Lord's Supper:

Gluten-free bread in a cup, combined with a pre-packaged, sealed juice cup will be available upon entering the services. When the service concludes, we ask you dispose the used cups in the waste receptacles provided.



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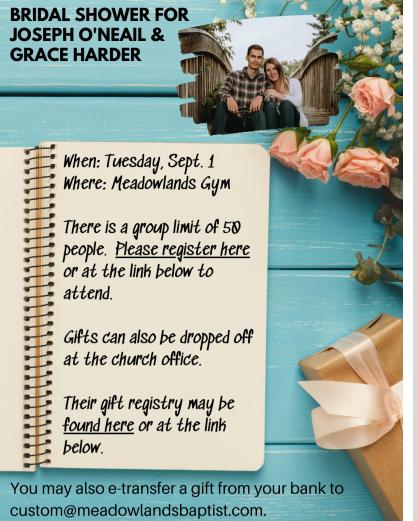
- CALL TO WORSHIP
- "ARISE, MY SOUL, ARISE"
- "AND CAN IT BE?"
- ISAIAH 53
- PRAYER
- "A DEBTOR TO MERCY ALONE"
- ROMANS 5
- "BEFORE THE THRONE OF GOD ABOVE"
- CHILDREN'S STORY
- "THE COMMUNION HYMN"
- MESSAGE: "PEACE WITH GOD"
  ROMANS 5:1-11 PASTOR KEVIN WILLIAMS
- THE LORD'S SUPPER
- "HALLELUJAH, WHAT A SAVIOR!"

### WEDNESDAY PRAYER & BIBLE STUDY 7 PM

This service takes place in the auditorium. In addition, you may also participate in a Zoom group that will follow the same format at the same time (Please email kwilliams@meadowlandsbaptist.com for a Zoom invitation). For our Bible study we will discuss the following questions that relate to the Sunday morning sermon:

#### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

- 1. The Bible describes three different kinds of peace: peace with others, inner peace, and peace with God. Briefly explain each.
- 2. What is "justification"? (Rom 5:1, 9)
- 3. How are sinners justified? (Rom 5:1)
- 4. For whom, specifically, did Christ die? (Rom 5:6, 8, 10)
- 5. God is described by the words "love" (Rom 5:8) and "wrath" (Rom 5:9). What is the connection?
- 6. What is wrong with describing God as loving and gracious but concealing His holiness and wrath?
- 7. What truths from Romans 5:1-11 can you share to encourage a fellow believer this week?



# FOUNDATION BAPTIST COLLEGE BLOCK COURSE: SANCTIFICATION AUGUST 24-29

#### DESCRIPTION

This class presents how the believer can progressively change to become more like Jesus Christ. Students will examine God's provision and plan to sanctify His children, learn about flawed views of sanctification, and be equipped to pursue biblical change in his own life as well as in the life of others

#### **PROFESSOR**

**Kevin Williams** (B.A, Bob Jones University) is the Senior pastor at Meadowlands Baptist Church in Edmonton. He holds an M.Div. from Heart of America Seminary. He has taught church history and delivering messages classes at FBC.

### **COST & SCHEDULE**

\$100 to audit/\$330 for college credit

Monday-Friday: 7-10 pm

Saturday: Class begins at 9 am

# **PRAYER REQUESTS**

- Vickie Forrest: Upcoming surgery and recovery
- Jen MIchalycia's grandfather went home to be with the Lord.
- Linda Morgan, MBC ladies' retreat (2017) speaker, went home to be with the Lord.
- Daniel Robinson's mom has Covid, and is in a care home suffering with dementia.
- Laura Cook's sister, Lee, is going through chemo treatments for breast cancer.
- Nell Popowich is recovering at home.
- Praise: Scott Young's mom tested negative for Covid.
- Praise: Gertrude Ruttich, Gabriele Henze's mom, is improving and gaining strength. They thank the church for praying.

# **DEACON NOMINATIONS END SEPTEMBER 27**

#### **CURRENT DEACONS:**

Robert Lummerding, Paul Stephens, Anthony Neumann, Chris Lee, Brian Hunter, Manuele Russo, Willem Piennar, Jeffrey Parcon, Jeff McConnell

Nomination forms and ballot box are located in the church foyer on the credenza by the front doors.

<u>Guidelines for in-person gatherings may be found on our website.</u>

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