

WEEKLY PRAYER & PRAISE GUIDE

“Is anyone among you in trouble? Let them pray.
Is anyone happy? Let them sing songs of praise.” *James 5:13*

Our Missionaries

Pray for:

FBC-Supported Missionaries

- ◆ Andyshak, Buhler, Calva, Gervasi, Guest, Harris, Hubbell, Humble, Kelley, Lomilo, Lovelady, Pittman, Rasmussen, Matute, Swenson, Tice, Tissell, Trussel, and Wernow.

FBC-Supported Ministries

- ◆ CEF Benton County, CEF Linn County, Compassion Ministries, Love INC Benton County, Options Pregnancy Center, Southside Youth Outreach, Volunteer InterFaith Caregivers, Western Seminary, and We Care.

Len Andyshak

- ◆ Len has been serving with Intervarsity Christian Fellowship (IVCF) for over 3 decades. He and his wife Mary served in Kansas to international students until 3 years ago when they moved to Bend, OR. Len is on the IVCF Interim Ministry Team (south & central coast) where he mentors leaders of IVCF teams. Please pray for: wisdom and insight as he mentors college campus leaders; The campus of Ventura - ask the Lord to encourage their one remaining student as she and her staff reach out and seek to rebuild a witnessing community again to be a source of healing and blessing on that campus; Students in the fellowship of Cal Poly - they have turned a corner, rather than being intimidated by this Covid situation on campus, the students in the fellowship are really desiring to move forward and see the Lord do new things this quarter.

Jonathan and Annalyn Guest

- ◆ Jonathan and Annalyn serve with International Student Inc., a college ministry to orient and acquaint international students to their new home and cultural experience. Please pray for: Upcoming Virtual All-West Regional Retreat from March 14-16, 2021. Pray also for the following people he recently interacted with: Muslim man, African believer, Bible study of 6 believing students. Finally, pray for conversation partners from Asia and the Middle East.

Church Leadership

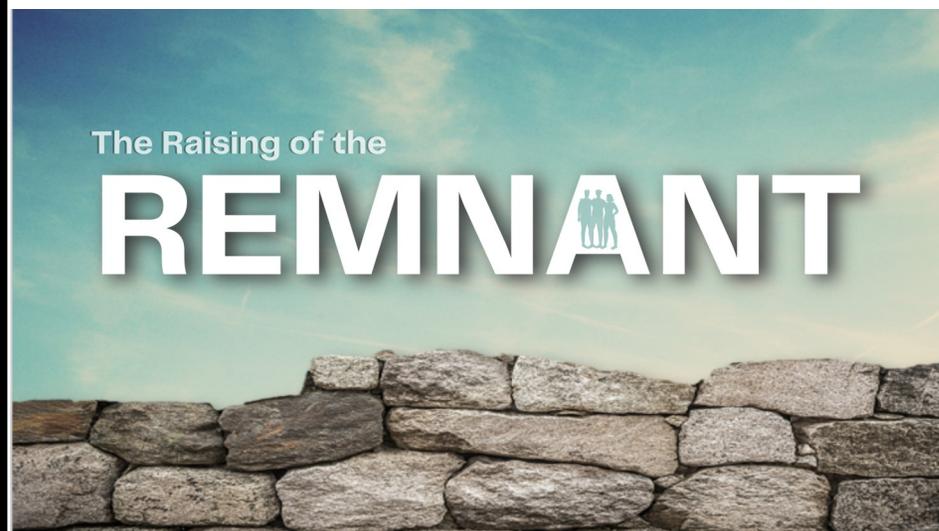
Staff: Pastor Russ Richmond, Pastor Rick Harpel, Pastor Bill Knopp, Kathy Ferrier, Jim Hinckley, Brooke Staples, Mitchell Henderson

Elders: Matt MacClary, Jeff Harris, Daniel Peterson, Mike Rinkin, Russ Richmond, Dale Durrell, Rick Harpel

WELCOME

to  First Baptist Church Corvallis

March 14, 2021



“Where Do You Sit When God Says, ‘My Purposes Will Stand’”

by Pastor Rick Harpel

Nehemiah 2:8-20

Worship Leader: Russ Richmond

We are many generations connecting the next generation to Jesus. We aim to encounter God through worship, to connect with others through smaller communities, and to engage in missional outreach to our neighbors and the nations.



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ANNOUNCEMENTS & EVENTS



TRANSITION REPORT ZOOM MEETINGS

Thursday March 18th, 7-8:30PM

As a follow up to our congregational meeting and the transition report, Pastor Rick will be hosting a Zoom discussion on March 18th.



TOWN HALL MEETING: TRANSITION

March 7th at 1pm on Zoom

NEXT SUNDAY we will have a meeting to engage our transition next steps. We will share responses by us all to the Assessment Report. We will initiate some next step Action Teams to move forward. The zoom link will be in next week's Friday family email and on the website. Please pray as we move forward for the Lord.



PROJECT LIVING HOPE: SOCCER CLEAT DRIVE

Now through March 14th

Help youth in Haiti by donating your gently-used or new soccer cleats to Project Living Hope's Soccer Academy. Donations can be brought to the box outside of the FBC office. Please rubber band pairs of shoes together if possible. Or cash donations may be made at PLHOPE.ORG.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Beginning March 28th at 10:30 AM

We are making plans to open up children's ministry during the worship service starting on Palm Sunday, March 28th! We will have classes for Preschool Church and K-5th Kids Church in the beginning. As things open up more and the virus is controlled, we will open up the Nursery and also Sunday school classes. Stay tuned for updates!



IMPORTANT DATES:

Sundays—Adult Bible Class: "Ephesians" - Fellowship Hall with Zoom Option, 9am
Impact Sunday School, In-person with Zoom Option, 9am

Tues, Mar 16—Campus Ambassadors Worship on Zoom, 7pm

Wed, Mar 17—All Church Prayer Zoom, 6pm

Wed, Mar 17—Awana (meeting virtually), 6:30pm

Thur, Mar 18—Transition Report Zoom Meeting, 7pm

Fri, Mar 19—Impact Youth Group, 7pm

Sun, Mar 21—Town Hall: Transition, 1pm



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MESSAGE NOTES

WHERE DO YOU SIT WHEN GOD SAYS, 'MY PURPOSES WILL STAND'? NEH. 2:8-20

INTRODUCTION: A "Burden."

REVIEW: Nehemiah, part of the government of Persia in 445 BC and part of the Jewish exiles, received a report about the Remnant of the Jews who had returned to Jerusalem.

- The report card was all "D's" and an "F."
- Not only was this a danger to his people it was a disgrace to his God.
- Nehemiah's response is to take responsibility in a "burdened prayer" and a "bold plan."
- After a final "bullet prayer" the king grants all his requests, and he's off to Jerusalem.

Nehemiah had a "CAN'T NOT DO THIS" moment.

1. THE HAND OF GOD BROUGHT NEHEMIAH TO A "CAN'T NOT DO THIS" MOMENT.
2. THE HAND OF GOD ON NEHEMIAH BROUGHT THE KING TO A "CAN'T NOT DO THIS" MOMENT.
3. THE HAND OF GOD BROUGHT THE REMNANT TO A "CAN'T NOT DO THIS" MOMENT.
 - a. Nehemiah's responsibility response: prayer and plan was used by God.
 - b. The careful assessment of the situation was used by God.
 - c. The honest report to the people was used by God.
 - d. The responsibility response of the people was used by God.
 - e. The bold stand against the enemies was used by God.

THE HAND OF GOD BROUGHT NEHEMIAH AND THE PEOPLE TO A CAN'T NOT DO THIS MOMENT

When God says, "My purposes will stand," where do you sit?

When the Lord gives a burden, will you stand up & stand with or stand aside & stand against?

1. We have leaders:
2. We have an assessment:
3. We have been issued a report:
4. We have been brought by the Lord to a moment:
 - God's purposes still stand. His Great Commandment to love God and love others, and His Great Commission to make disciples still stand! His hand is on the move.
 - What will happen as we are regathered by the Lord?
 - What needs to be done differently, remade?
 - How can we join together to gladly rebuild His church for His purposes?

CONCLUSION: The walls fell 155 years ago! God needs people who will say "let's start rebuilding and begin the good work." **WE CAN'T NOT DO THIS.**