Visitor Information Thanks for joining us today!

~ Drop in the offering basket ~

Name
Family Members Attending:
Email:
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Would like more information on:

- ♦ Genesis Kids (Birth—5th grade)
- ♦ Youth (6th—High School)
- ♦ Community Groups
- ♦ Gospel Class (Our Core Beliefs)
- Becoming a Christ Follower
- Newcomer Lunch (1st Sunday each month)
- ~ No one will show up at your door and

we will never share your contact information with any outside organization ~

NOTES

Series: To Be Continued ...

Sermon: Courageous Conviction, Part 3:

Why the Persecuted Church Matters

Acts 23:11-35 (p.1033)

Koinonia—Our Online Community

Stay connected during the week by using our church social networking site: Koinonia.genesiseureka.com. Koinonia is the Greek word for fellowship. Visit the website and follow the directions to register. You will receive a confirmation e-mail upon successful registration.

Contact office@genesiseureka.com with any questions.



Jan. 29, 2023

The story from Acts this week is filled with the sort of excitement that would make for a good movie. The narrative includes a plot to assassinate Paul, a spy who discovered the plot, and a quick exit from Jerusalem to Caesarea in the middle of the night with a Roman soldier escort. The threat is real to a man who had been persecuted so many times.

But his part of the story began with a prophetic word from Jesus that Paul would survive all of this and reach his goal of preaching Christ in Rome. This is a wonderful moment, and will be the backdrop of everything else that happens for the rest of Acts. On the other hand, not all people who are suffering for the name of Jesus will receive this sort of vision.

Throughout history people have faced threats, persecution, and martyrdom for the cause of Jesus. The story of the martyrs should challenge us to faithfulness and the current suffering of the persecuted church should get our attention. Today we will look at the reality that there are people under threat all around the world, and learn how we can be more informed, prayerful, and supportive of our brothers and sisters in Christ.

We are so glad you chose Genesis to celebrate Jesus this morning and we pray that God will speak to you through the service.

If you are a first time guest, we are especially thankful to have you with us. Please complete the visitor information section and place in the offering basket so we can follow up by email. Our Teaching Elder, Mike Hubbard, would enjoy meeting you after the service.

If you have a question or would like to pray with someone after the service, please come to the area to the left of the stage.

This Week at Genesis Church:

- Men's Bible Study-Tues., 6:45 a.m. @ Church Office
- Youth Group—Wed., 6:30-8 p.m. @ Church Office (NO Table Talk)
- Friday Morning Prayer Time—6:45 a.m. @ Church Office

Membership Renewal Today

Today our members will reaffirm their covenant membership during the service. If you are a member and did not bring your renewal form, copies are available at the Information Tables. An online renewal form is in today's worship post.

At Genesis, we hold the idea of covenant church membership in very high regard. The Scriptures use the metaphor of a body (I Corinthians 12) to describe our participation and membership in a church. Church membership is not an agreement with an organization, rather it is a covenant relationship with the other members to live as a body. If you are interested in more information, please fill out the worship folder tear-off to put in the offering basket or email office@genesiseureka.com.

Grief Share Group Starting Today

A new session is beginning today at Heritage Presbyterian Church from 2-4 p.m. You do need to register online to ensure adequate workbooks, but there is no cost. You can also sign up for a daily email devotion. Here is a link directly to the class registration:

https://www.griefshare.org/groups/163099

See Jodi Burnley with any questions.

Inclement Weather Information

In the event of snow/ice, the School District determines if the building can be used for services. Closures will be posted on Koinonia and the website, as well as a message recorded on the church office phone (636-549-3189) as early as possible. We have also registered with TV Local News Channels Fox, KMOV and KSDK to communicate closures.

Save These Dates—Register or get information by scanning the QR Code or email office@genesiseureka.com with guestions:



Feb. 4—Blevins PTO Trivia Night, 6:00-10:00 p.m.—Our annual service to support the PTO. Volunteers (middle school & up) needed.

Feb. 5—Newcomer Lunch, 12:00-1:00 p.m. @ Hola! Mexican Food: If you're new to Genesis Church and want to find out more about our core beliefs, Mike & Heidi Hubbard would like to take you to lunch.

Feb. 10—Youth Cosmic Bowling, 10:00 p.m.-Midnight. *Register by* <u>2/1.</u> Cost is \$10/person.

Feb. 11—Quarterly Prayer Breakfast, 9:00-10:30 a.m. @ Church Office. No registration required.

Feb. 12—Quarterly Members Meeting, Noon—1:00 p.m. @ Blevins Cafeteria. No registration required.

Feb. 16-18—Men's Fishing Trip—Real Men (and sons) fish in February! **\$50 deposit per person due Jan. 29.** Perry Overton is the point person.

Feb. 20—Youth/Family Crystal Dig, 8:00 a.m.-Noon. Register by 2/1.

Feb. 25—Genesis Supper Club, 6:00-8:00 p.m.—A new quarterly event sponsored by the Prayer Team; scan the code for details.

Apr. 21-22—Marriage Retreat: Love Is A Verb: Join other Genesis couples for an overnight get-away focused on your marriage. *Non-refundable deposit of \$80 is required by Feb. 26* to hold your room at the group price of \$150 plus tax (payable upon checkout).

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Tech Team
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Creative Team
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Food Pantry