

Time: Living A Full Life vs. A Busy Life

Life Has A Secret

Philippians 4:4-13

Rejoice in finding the secret of life – following and living in Jesus is life and I will have all I truly need in Him, for now and eternity:

Rejoice in the certainty of salvation now and forever in the Lord Jesus Christ, v. 4.

Rejoice in the certainty that history soon climaxes with Jesus crowned as Lord and King of a forever kingdom in which you will have a part, v. 4.

Rejoice in the promise that in Jesus you will always have what you truly need, vv. 4, 12-13.

Pursuing by faith, in daily life, in, by, through, and for, the Lord Jesus Christ and His kingdom:

Live a gentle life that is kind to all, v. 4.

Turn all your concerns for today and tomorrow into prayers to God the Father that are specific and confident, vv. 6-7.

You have the right to free access to God through His Son, Jesus, v. 6.

Continually putting your requests to God in prayer will lead the Holy Spirit to give you personal peace, v. 7.

Let the truth of God's love, power, and good will for you, guard your thoughts when anxieties and fears come, keep committing them to prayers, vv. 6-7.

Purposefully fill your mind and focus your thoughts on what is true, honorable, just, pure, lovely, commendable, excellent, and worthy of praise (you are what you think), v. 8.

Put into practice, in daily life, what you learn from the Bible as you trust in the presence and power of Jesus by His Spirit, vv. 9, 13.

Learn the secret of contentment; life is not measured by what you have or don't have materially because Jesus is always enough, vv. 12-13.

Welcome to Rolling Hills Covenant Church!

We are a caring community of people who believe the Bible is the Word of God and choose to live by its truth.

**Our mission is to know Jesus intimately
and to share His love and truth passionately.**

February 10-11, 2018

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Following each worship service, members of the prayer team will be available in front of the platform to pray with you and minister to your spiritual needs.

Receivers for the hearing impaired are available from our ushers.

SERVICE TIMES

WORSHIP CENTER: Saturday, 5:00 p.m., Contemporary Worship Music
Sunday, 8:00 & 9:30 a.m., Blended Music

THE 290S (Ed. Bldg.): Saturday, 5:00 p.m., Spanish Worship Service (en Español)
Sunday, 9:30 a.m., Contemporary Worship Music
Sunday, 11:15 a.m., The Gathering

NORTH CAMPUS: Sunday, 11:15 a.m., Japanese Worship Service, North Campus Chapel, 日本語礼拝



ARE YOU NEW? Maybe you've been here a while and want to learn more about RHCC. We invite you to come to our *Connect* lunch on Sunday, February 25 at 11:15 a.m. in the Loft. You will be welcomed by our staff, learn about the church's purpose and priorities, and connect with others who are also exploring the church. Come to the Connect tent on the patio for more info.

For more information about what else is going on at RHCC this month, pick up *What's Happening* in the blue boxes or a copy of our *Ministry Catalog*.

Children's Ministry Volunteers Needed
It takes hundreds of volunteers every weekend to help our children learn about Jesus. We are currently in need of the following volunteers:

- 4/5th grade small group leader - 5 p.m. Sat.
- 1st grade small group leader - 11:15 a.m. Sun.
- Worship volunteer - 11:15 a.m. Sun.

You can sign up for these or any other position in Children's Ministries by contacting Shannon Magaña at smagana@rhcc.net or 310.521.2540.

Pageant Tickets Now on Sale

Tickets for *Pageant of Our Lord* are now on sale at the ticket booth following the Saturday service and between services on Sunday. For more information you can visit PageantofOurLord.com or call 310.521.2520.

Serving Opportunities

Discover some of the many ways you can serve at RHCC and in our community by checking out our Serve Wall outside the 290s or go to our website at RollingHillsCovenant.com/serve for ways you can help.

We're here for you! The pastoral staff at RHCC is available to help you with your marriage, finances, parenting, emotional issues, or if you are in need of prayer. We can also provide recommendations for Christian counseling services in the South Bay. Contact Pastor Nate Aanderud at 310.521.2565 or naanderud@rhcc.net.

Divorce Care Class

People who have been through separation and divorce have said it is the most painful and stressful experience they have ever faced. But you do not have to experience this alone. Sign up for our 13-week course facilitated by those who have themselves lived through divorce. They will teach practical, prayerful, and helpful tools to help you through your journey. Cost is \$25 to cover materials. Contact Stan Defilipi at stan.defilippi2@gmail.com. This course meets Sundays, February 18 to May 20, 9:30 to 11 a.m. in Room 280.

Prayer Ministry

Prayer Chain: Submit prayer requests to Vicki Hardin at Chaplain_Vicki@aol.com or 310.612.7832, by yellow card or at RollingHillsCovenant.com/prayer.

Weekly Giving Report (as of 2/4)

Giving goal (6/1/17-5/31/18):	\$8,100,000
Budget Needs YTD:	\$5,810,306
Received YTD:	\$5,549,844
Over/Under YTD:	(\$260,462)
Needed last week:	\$137,865
Received last week:	\$136,152

As we consider what the Bible has to say to us about time, we have so many reminders of how quickly time is moving. Here we are hardly two weeks into February and we are already seven weeks from Easter and our glorious Easter Resurrection Celebration. The day for Easter is established by the Jewish lunar calendar so it can vary quite a bit in timing. Jesus died on the Jewish Passover as the Passover Lamb sent to take away the sin of the world. So we are celebrating the resurrection of Jesus on the Sunday following Passover which was when He was resurrected. This year the Resurrection Celebration is on April 1.

One very special and important event in the Easter season at RHCC is *Pageant of Our Lord*. *Pageant of Our Lord* has a new and unique presentation each year. It involves the use of living art, choir, music, Scripture, drama, and dance to present the truth of Jesus and the Gospel. It is such a unique presentation that you have to experience it to fully appreciate it. It is a great instrument of God to both present the truth of Jesus to those who don't know, as well as to give a moving affirmation of the Gospel for those who do know Jesus. It is a highlight every year for my wife and I in our own spiritual experience, leading up to Good Friday and Resurrection Sunday.

Each year the Pageant has a special theme to the presentation. This year the theme is the call of God, through Jesus, to have a living relationship with Him in which we "Fear Not." It is fascinating to me that, in the Bible, whenever people come to truly know who God is and that He is holy they fall before God in fear. But when we humble ourselves before God, in Jesus, we have this gracious invitation and call of Him, "Fear Not." We see that in the life of Peter, when after the miraculous catch

of fish, he for the first time realizes that Jesus is the Son of God in the flesh. He says to Jesus as recorded in Luke 5:8, "*Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.*" Jesus however responds to him with this call not to fear, as He says in Luke 5:10, "*Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men.*" This is one of multiple times in the Bible when those who live to honor God in their lives are called not to live in fear.

We live in days when many people are anxious, even fearful, of the future. Jesus warns us that in the last days many people would be preoccupied with the anxieties of daily life. That reality makes this year's Pageant a powerful opportunity for us to share and proclaim the Good News of Jesus and the Gospel. *Pageant of Our Lord* is a massive effort that involves 300 volunteers. The motivation is the chance to share the Good News of Jesus with our community and world; which makes each of you key parts of the Pageant. This is a prime opportunity for you to invite neighbors, family, co-workers, and schoolmates to attend the Pageant with you.

The Pageant's first presentation is Friday, March 16 and runs each weekend until the day before Easter, March 31. I encourage you to make plans and purchase your tickets now. You can do that between worship services on the weekends at the ticket window on the patio. You can also go online to PageantofOurLord.com. Let's pray that God will use this year's Pageant to lead many to the truth of Jesus and the power of the Gospel to save. Pray for those you would invite and pray for God's special anointing on this year's Pageant.

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