



# Welcome to Faith

March 12, 2023

## Prayer Requests

### RECENT DEATHS

Renee Foushi's father, James Richert

### RECENT SURGERIES

Penni Borga

Patricia Wright

## Caleb's Kin Event

Join us on Thursday, March 16 for a 6:30pm viewing of Faith Christian School's dramatic presentation of Our Miss Brooks in the auditorium at Faith Church East. The cost is \$12.00. Tickets can be reserved by contacting Nancy Wood at (765) 357-1142.

## Men of Faith

The next Men of Faith will take place on Saturday, March 18 at 7am in the Faith Church Gym and Auditorium. Immediately following the event we will have Mulch Madness. Please plan to join us for a great breakfast, a challenge from the Word of God for men, and then a time of good fellowship serving together. Please plan on inviting a man you are discipling, a friend, or co-worker.

## Mulch Madness

We have 3 upcoming Mulch Days at our 3 campuses! If you haven't participated before, we have a great time spending a few hours cleaning up the mulch beds, trimming grasses, and spreading mulch. It is a great chance to spend time with others from our church family that you might not know yet! The upcoming dates are: East Campus - March 18, 8:30am-12pm, West Campus - March 25, 8:30am-12pm, North Campus - April 1, 8:30am-12pm. If you are able to join us for one or more these Mulch Days @ Faith, please sign up at [faithlafayette.org/serve](https://faithlafayette.org/serve)

Last Week's Offering - \$100,795.15

Weekly Budget - \$74,195

Last Week Sunday Worship - 1,083

## Children's Ministry

2<sup>YR</sup> - 5<sup>TH</sup> grade

Pastor Trey and his friends will be uploading encouraging videos at [faithlafayette.org/kidsvids](https://faithlafayette.org/kidsvids).

You can find this week's online children's Sunday School lesson at [blogs.faithlafayette.org/faithkids](https://blogs.faithlafayette.org/faithkids). You can use the ideas below to discuss the lesson as a family.

**GOD SHOWS MERCY TO JONAH AND NINEVEH**

**READ:** Jonah 1-4

**ASK YOUR CHILD:**

- Why didn't Jonah want to preach to Nineveh? *Jonah didn't want God to show the Ninevites mercy.*
- How was God merciful to Jonah and Nineveh? *God gave both the opportunity to repent.*

**EMPHASIZE THIS PRINCIPLE:** God is merciful. Therefore, we should repent and share His mercy with others.

**PRACTICE:**

- Thank God for being merciful to sinners.
- Ask God to use you to show mercy to others.

**PREPARE FOR NEXT WEEK:** Daniel 3

**MEMORIZE FOR FEB 12-MAR 12:** "No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. **God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability**, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it." **1 Corinthians 10:13** (ESV)\*

\*Preschool verse in bold

## SERVE '23

Through SERVE '23 we are asking the members of our church to help us minister to kids and their families by serving in our Sunday morning and Wednesday evening nursery and children's ministries. A variety of positions and commitment levels are available. To learn more or to sign up, please visit [faithlafayette.org/serve](https://faithlafayette.org/serve) or scan the QR code.



## Your Pastors

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**Hope in Everyday Suffering**  
**Manifestations of Hope in Suffering**  
**1 Peter 2:18-25**

**1 Peter 2:9** - But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people for God's own possession, so that you may proclaim the excellencies of Him.

**1 Peter 2:12** - Keep your behavior excellent among the Gentiles, so that in the thing in which they slander you as evildoers, they may because of your good deeds, as they observe them, glorify God in the day of visitation.

**1 Peter 1:7** - ...so that the proof of your faith, being more precious than gold...

**1 Peter 2:4** - And coming to Him as to a living stone which has been rejected by men, but is choice and precious in the sight of God...

**1 Peter 2:6** - For this is contained in Scripture: "Behold, I lay in Zion a choice stone, a precious corner stone, and he who believes in Him will not be disappointed."

**1 Peter 2:7** - This precious value, then, is for you who believe.

**1 Peter 3:4** - ...but let it be the hidden person of the heart, with the imperishable quality of a gentle and quiet spirit, which is precious in the sight of God.

3 specific actions to take during unjust suffering that God finds precious

**I. \_\_\_\_\_ a Submissive Posture (vv. 18-20)**

A. By \_\_\_\_\_ ourselves under appropriate authorities: "Submit" – place yourself willingly under (v. 18)

B. By \_\_\_\_\_ authorities appropriate respect

**1 Peter 2:17** - Honor all people, love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.

**1 Peter 2:18** - Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect...

**1 Peter 3:2** - ...as they observe your chaste and respectful behavior.

**1 Peter 3:15** - ... always being ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence.

C. By willingly \_\_\_\_\_ consequences for doing with is right

**II. \_\_\_\_\_ Your Calling to be like Christ (v. 21-24)**

**1 Peter 2:21-24** - For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth; and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously; and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, so that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

A. \_\_\_\_\_ good for evil

B. \_\_\_\_\_ the injustice of others

**John 12:27-28** - Now My soul has become troubled; and what shall I say, "Father, save Me from this hour"? But for this purpose I came to this hour. Father, glorify Your name. Then a voice came out of heaven: "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again."

**III. \_\_\_\_\_ All Aspects of Your Life to God**

**1 Peter 2:19-20, 23-25** - For this finds favor... But if when you do what is right and suffer for it you patiently endure it, this finds favor with God ... but kept entrusting Himself to Him who judges righteously..., for by His wounds you were healed. For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

"In the life of God's people will be seen first of all a remarkable reversal of values. They (God's people) will prize what the world calls pitiable, and suspect what the world thinks desirable." (Michael Wilcock, The Savior of the World: The Message of Luke's Gospel, 86)

A. Because He \_\_\_\_\_ His "grace/favor" in this situation

B. Because He \_\_\_\_\_ righteously

C. Because righteously \_\_\_\_\_ injustice can bring about healing