

Weekly Connector: It's a Sign!

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Hello, Church!

For some years, even before God brought Sherry and me to East Canton, the leadership has wanted to replace our aging outside sign on the southwest corner of the property. While the old sign communicated the presence and leadership of Jesus in His church for almost 40 years, we hope that there might be a better way to get God's message out more effectively and in a new way.

God is doing great things in Northeast Ohio through His church and we are to communicate His work. We proclaim His message within our church and outside as we speak, serve, and give. We also speak and share His message with yard signs, social media such as Facebook, the website, and



by word of mouth. Yet, each day, God has given us hundreds, if not thousands of drivers who pass by our intersection - on their way to wherever they want to go. Some are sad, others are happy. Some are worried or fearful while others have not a care in the world. But, according to the available data, most have no hope or misplaced hope, at best. Most folks in Northeast Ohio claim no relationship with God through Jesus!



Therefore, we hope that an electronic sign like ours will have passersby thinking about bigger issues like the Creator who loves them, the Savior who died for them, and the Lord who wants to lead them.

We hope to have the sign installed in the next few weeks or so, so stay tuned and...**watch for the sign!**

"The #Blessed" series is catching me (and some of you) by surprise. Looking deeper into these familiar verses, I have discovered some startling truths: true blessings come with more eternal effects than temporal and the strings that are attached to them are held by a loving heavenly Father who wants to have a relationship with those who seek to belong to Him!

On Sunday morning, we will look into the second "Blessed": *Blessed are those who mourn...* If you have ever gone through a time of grieving, it probably did not feel like a blessing. Yet, this comes quickly on our list. Be sure to invite a friend to come learn with you why it is a blessing to mourn as we celebrate the Teacher who gave us these encouragements in the first place: Jesus!



Looking forward to seeing you soon!

I love you, Church!

Pastor greg