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DIALOGUE

LOVE GOD, LOVE PEOPLE



Welcome to Creekside Church!

We're so glad you're here. We're in our **Dialogue Detox** series, and today we're talking about Gossip. Quick honesty check: have you ever learned "news" about yourself from someone who never asked you first? I have. It doesn't feel funny. It feels heavy. You wonder who heard it, who believed it, and whether your name is safe in this room. That's why this matters.

Around here we like to say, **if it isn't your story to tell, it isn't your status to post**. We don't need to be the breaking-news network of Martinez. God invites us to something better:

"Let everything you say be good and helpful, so that your words will be an encouragement to those who hear them" (Ephesians 4:29).

When followers of Jesus refuse gossip, trust grows. Marriages and friendships are protected. Kids learn church is a safe place. Teams become stronger because honor replaces rumor. In our neighborhoods, respect takes root and our online conversations start sounding like hope instead of heat. And around the world, the church looks more like Jesus—telling the truth in love and covering people with grace.

So today, let's make a simple commitment: guard our ears and close our mouths when we're tempted to share what isn't ours to share. Let's choose to be life-givers with our words, people who speak encouragement, pray faithfully, and keep confidences.

Thanks for joining us today. You matter here, and we're grateful to worship with you. We're honored you chose to spend your Sunday morning with Creekside.

Pastor George

Upcoming Happenings

GROWTH TRACK - STEP 1 | SEPTEMBER 14 | [SIGN UP HERE](#)

Growth Track Step One is the first of three simple classes created to help you explore all the ways you can plant roots at Creekside and make it home. Join us on September 14 from Noon-1:30 p.m., where you'll learn what we're all about here at Creekside and how we can partner together to love God and love people. Lunch and childcare is provided. Sign up to join us and begin your growth here at Creekside.

CREEKSIDE GROUPS | [SIGN UP TODAY](#)

Looking to connect and make Creekside feel like home? There's no better way than joining a Creekside Group! We're excited to kick off sign ups for our Fall cycle. Whether you're looking for a Bible study, a social hangout, or something in between, there's a group for you. With both in-person and online options, it's easy to find the perfect fit. Most groups start soon, so don't wait—check out the options and sign up today!

OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD LAUNCH | SEPTEMBER 19

We are excited to join Operation Christmas Child—a powerful way to share God's love in a tangible way with children in need around the world. Through this project, we partner with Samaritan's Purse to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples of all nations. Here's how you can GO and make an impact:

- Donate items to fill shoeboxes (pick up a supply list at Guest Central)
- Come to our Packing Party – Saturday, November 8 at 10:00 a.m.
- Pack a shoebox at home and drop it off at Creekside by November 16

Together, let's bring joy and the hope of the Gospel to children across the globe. Questions? E-mail monique@creekside.org.

SAM'S BREAKFAST CLUB 55+ | SEPTEMBER 19 | [RSVP HERE](#)

You're Invited! Come enjoy a relaxed morning of delicious food, friendly conversation, and meaningful connections with others 55 and better. **Join us on** Friday, September 19 from 9:00–10:30 a.m. here at Creekside, Breakfast is on us! Bring a friend and make it a morning to look forward to. Please *RSVP*. Reach out to Pam Schmitz at pamschmitz@hotmail.com.

FUTURE SAM BREAKFAST CLUB DATES

here are the last three for 2025. Please add to your calendar: October 17, and November 7 which are Fridays.

Upcoming Happenings

CELEBRATE RECOVERY | MONDAY NIGHTS AT 7 PM | [LEARN MORE](#)

Here at Creekside, we believe that life isn't meant to be lived alone, and that the Christian life invites us into living in community as we not only celebrate our victories but also face our personal struggles. That's why we're excited to provide a beautiful community for courageous strugglers through the ministry Celebrate Recovery. This is an encouraging and safe place to open up about our struggles and begin the healing journey. **We meet on Mondays from 7:00-9:30 p.m.** here at Creekside. E-mail recovery@creekside.org if you have questions.

WEEKEND WALKING GROUP | SATURDAYS | [MORE INFO](#)

We are a gentle group of like minded, mixed age men and women that enjoy walking, hiking or strolling various regional park trails and walking paths. We try to gauge our excursions based on weather and temperatures. Members will receive an invite notice through e-mail describing the upcoming walk, and have an opportunity to RSVP yes, no, or maybe. We start at 8:30 a.m. Our walks are sometimes invigorating, and other times provide a peaceful retreat from busy lives. You decide, all levels are warmly welcomed.

Children & Youth

KIDZ CLUB | STARTS SEPTEMBER 10

Premiering on September 10 – Kidz Club Season 4! Kidz Club is for kindergarten through 5th grade kids and brings all the fun, friends, and faith-based teaching that you get on a Sunday morning to a Wednesday night. With experiments, special guests, theme nights and so much more, this is a club you want to be in! This fun opportunity to connect with families midweek provides an additional avenue for students to form healthy Christian friendships to last a lifetime, learn how to apply biblical principles to everyday situations, memorize Scripture they have studied, and develop life skills in a safe and fun environment. Grab a couple of your friends and join us on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. beginning September 10.

CARDBOARD CAR SHOW | SEPTEMBER 19

Save those Amazon boxes and bust out the hot glue gun because the CKz Cardboard Car Show is back for our FOURTH YEAR, and each show just keeps getting better! And back for another viewing, a line up of some real-life rides to display your cardboard creations beside! What's a car show without a few prizes? Our friends will have a chance to win Best in Show, Most Original, & Classic Cardboard Creation. The event starts at 6:30 p.m, then at 7:30 p.m. we will send off the hot rods and pull into the CKz Drive-In to enjoy a movie night complete with your favorite movie snacks. So invite your family, friends, neighbors, and classmates for a classic summer night with something for everyone. Admission & popcorn is FREE and snacks will be available for purchase.

BE INFORMED OF UPCOMING CYC EVENTS | [CLICK HERE](#)

- CYC Youth Group - Wednesday nights @ 6 PM
- CYC Jr. High & Sr. High small groups - Various days/times

CYC PARENT NIGHT | SEPTEMBER 17 | [RSVP HERE](#)

We're bringing our CYC Family Night back! CYC Parents are invited to bring their teens and stay with them from 6:00-8:00 p.m. Our students will enjoy their usual Wednesday night program, and parents will get a look at what we do every week. During the teaching time, parents will join Pastors Jesse and Jacob to get important information, learn about upcoming opportunities, and have the floor to answer valuable questions that the CYC leadership has for you. Don't let your students talk you out of it. We want you there!

VISIT GUEST CENTRAL

We have Bible Reading Plan Bookmarks, Sermon Note Sheets and Creekside Merchandise. We look forward to assisting you and fielding any questions you may have.

BIBLE READING PLAN BOOKMARK

If you are looking for a schedule to read the Bible every day, we have a handy bookmark that will take you through the entire Bible in one year! Imagine reading the same passages each day along with your fellow Creeksiders! You can pick up a current month's bookmark at Guest Central any Sunday or [CLICK HERE to download one](#)

Giving

GIVING AT CREEKSIDE

Giving is part of our worship to God. Whether you're tithing out of obedience to Malachai 3:10 or giving sacrificially beyond your tithe, your gift will help us spread the good news of the Gospel to our community and beyond. Here at Creekside, no matter what you give, we encourage you to give with gratitude and love for Jesus. We've made giving to Creekside simple, even while you're on the go! Choose your favorite way to give confidentially.

- Text creeksidechurch to 77977
- Online at creekside.org/give
- Through the Creekside Church Martinez App
- Via cash or check...just drop it in giving stations near the rear exits on Sundays or mail

Get Connected

CONNECTION CARD | [FILL OUT HERE](#)

NEWSLETTER | [SIGN UP TODAY](#)

Sign up and keep up-to-date on what is happening each week.

DOWNLOAD OUR APP | [CLICK HERE](#)

VISIT OUR WEBSITE | Creekside.org

Explore what is going on and how you can get connected.

MEET OUR STAFF | [CLICK HERE](#)

If you have questions for any of our staff, feel free to reach out and email them or call our church office to speak with them.