

## Eternity

I grew up in a time when the church had a fascination with the End Times. When I was a kid we had guest speakers at my church that had vast charts with circles and arrows to explain when Jesus would be coming back and why their way of explaining it was superior to all others. No matter how they explained the end time events, it seemed pretty horrific to a boy in church. I wanted to go to heaven, I just didn't want to go through all that stuff to get there.

Looking back, it is interesting to me that with all the charts and graphs, with all the confusing explanations about how this world was going to end, no one was talking about actual eternity. What will it be like? Will we know each other? What will we be doing? There never seemed to be an answer in church! So my ideas about heaven were formed by our culture and its ideas about eternity. To our culture, heaven was a place with lots of clouds and people floating around playing harps. I was ashamed to admit it as a kid, but heaven didn't sound like a place I wanted to be. But the alternative was even worse!

The Bible actually has a lot to say about eternity. As we focus on "Moving Forward" this year, never forget about our ultimate move: Heaven is ahead! — Pastor Dave



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## Upcoming Events

- ▶ Hour of Prayer — Monday, September 10 & 24, 7pm. Join us for one hour of prayer.
- ▶ Youth Bible Study — Sunday, Sept 16, 12-2. Lunch included. Sign up @ Kiosk or online by Sept 14.
- ▶ Youth Movie Night — Friday, Sept 21, 6:30 - 9:00 pm. Sign up @ Kiosk or online by Sept 19.
- ▶ Men's Breakfast — starts up again on Saturday, November 3, 8:30am.
- ▶ Ladies' Breakfast — starts up again on Saturday, November 10.
- ▶ Move Forward T-Shirts — a few shirts are still available at the Kiosk.

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## SEPTEMBER BULLETIN

For the Lord Himself will descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of an archangel, and with the trumpet of God... And thus we shall always be with the Lord. Therefore comfort one another with these words.

*1 Thessalonians 4:16-18*



## JOIN THE REAL LIFE FAMILY

Take a look inside and you'll find what's going on and how to get involved. We know God brought you today; now we invite you to connect with the people who make Real Life Church the great place it is to worship, make friends, grow spiritually, and find great purpose and pleasure in serving God.

## WELCOME GUESTS

*We're glad you're here. Our prayer is that God's Holy Spirit will recharge you today. We trust that the worship and the teaching will give you new faith and courage for living. Please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. The offering is for regular attendees who consider Real Life Church their church home. As our guest, we only ask that you drop your Connection Card in the offering. Thanks!*



## TODAY'S SERVICE

*September 2018*

*Worship 10:00 AM*

*Offering*

*Kids & Youth are released to their classes*

*Message*

*Prayer*

*Song*

*Nursery (0-36 months)*

*Pre-School (2 yrs - K)*

*Kids (Elementary School)*

*Youth classes (Middle School, High School,  
College Age) are provided by  
checking in at the Kiosk*

# real people. real answers. real life.

## SUNDAY MORNING

9:45 Kids Check-In for all ages – Kiosk

10:00 Celebration Service – Sanctuary

8:45 – 9:50 Refreshments under the pavilion,  
then reopening after service

## WHAT ABOUT MY KIDS?

Kids Check-In is open beginning at 9:45 and expedites their admission into Youth, Kids, PreSchool & Nursery. All kids are released to their classes following the offering, or are welcome to remain with parents in the service if preferred.

► **NURSERY** (0 - 36 months) Suite 101

► **PRESCHOOL** (24 months - K) Suite 101

► **KIDS** (Grades K-5) Suite 101

► **YOUTH** (Grades 6-8 and Grades 9-12 & College Age young adults, separate classes) Suite 101

► **MOMS WITH INFANTS** The Nursing Moms Lounge is unavailable for a few weeks till renovations are complete. When finished, it will be better than ever. Sorry for the inconvenience and thankful for your understanding.

## WHY KIDS CHURCH STARTS AFTER WORSHIP

Real Life Church is where families learn to worship God and experience His presence together, along with the whole church. Children love to sing, are exposed to the moving of the Holy Spirit and learn how to behave in service. We value them and want them to love to worship, love God's presence, and grow spiritually. In kids church they hear, experience and actively participate in learning biblical principles they need in life.



## WHY WE GREET ONE ANOTHER WHEN KIDS ARE RELEASED

Children's safety is important to us. When kids are released after worship, Nursery, Pre-K, Kids, and Youth are escorted by their class leaders and several ushers to an adjacent suite for their respective classes. Those of us who aren't part of this process have the opportunity to say hello to a few people. We have a countdown clock to help us stay on track because we respect the time of everyone who participates at Real Life Church.