REAL LIFE: A CASE STUDY IN ABIDING
Dec 18, 2011 • Pastor Gregg Matte • Galatians 2:20-21

The cross makes abiding possible.
Galatians 6:14; 1 Corinthians 1:18; Hebrews 9:14

An abiding life is a faith filled life.
Romans 1:17; Proverbs 3:4-6

Run the race in grace.
1 Corinthians 9:24; Ephesians 2:7-9

For further reflection and discussion:
• How would you define “Abiding in Christ”?
• What is a step you could take towards abiding deeper?
• What is your primary “take-away” or “Ah-Ha” moment in the Real Life series?
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**SYMPATHIES**
- Violet Quiring in the death of her husband, Kenneth Quiring
- Family and Friends in the death of Mary Dooley

**DECISIONS DEC 11, 2011**
- For Baptism
  - Emily Caldwell
  - Monica Moralez
  - Kent Caldwell

- By Statement
  - Ted Cruz

- From Other Fellowships
  - Heidi Cruz
  - Braxton Ward
  - William Sint
  - Nancy Wynant
  - Dennis Virgadamo
  - Scott Wynant
  - Laura Virgadamo

**ATTENDANCE DEC 11, 2011**
- Life Bible Study: 3,819
- Weekday Bible Study: 286
- Total Bible Study: 4,105

**GIVING — WEEK ENDING DEC 11, 2011**
- Tithes & Offerings: $349,477
- Weekly Requirements: $335,755
- Over/(Under): $13,722
- Designated Gifts: $731,358
- Over/(Under) for Dec: $193,799
- Over/(Under) Fiscal YTD: ($92,003)
- Capital Campaign
  - Donations Received: $9,577
  - Total Received: $26,289,178

**BIRTHS**
- Steven (Staff) and Amanda Murray in the birth of their daughter, Caroline Winslow Murray; Brothers: Braden and Wilson Murray
- Brian and Ashley Ashy in the birth of their daughter, Sarah Grace Ashy; Sister: Hannah Ashy
- Chris and Daphne Tull in the birth of their daughter, Bethany Ann Tull; Brother: Jonathan Tull
- Elliot and Kori Spruce in the birth of their son, Eli Timothy Spruce
- Jason and Kendra Boehning in the birth of their son, Kenson Kyle Boehning