



Friendship Church  
*Loving God...Loving People*

# FRIENDSHIP GOOD NEWS

March 18, 2022

From Pastor Mike...



Pray. Give. Go. These are three things Christians can do to make Christ known among the nations. We are called to join with God's plan to reach the world with the life-changing message of salvation through Jesus Christ.

First of all, everyone can pray. Jesus asked us to pray this specifically: *"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into His harvest field."* (Matthew 9:38) Let's all ask for God to call and send missionary workers out into the fields which are ripe for harvest. This is harvest time, so pray!

Secondly, most of us can give. We are blessed here in America well beyond what we deserve. We can identify missionary needs and help supply them out of the abundance of what we have. Every gift we give to missions leads to rewards that are eternal and imperishable. Giving to Great Commission work is the best investment one can make!

Finally, God may call some of us to go. Jesus said in **John 20:21**, *"As the Father has sent Me, I am sending you."* He may want to send you for short term mission work. He may be calling you to full time mission work. Either way, God wants us to be open to going when He calls. May we all be available and ready to be used of Him! He is worthy!

I love you all,

Pastor Mike

**In person and Facebook  
Live Church Service  
Small Groups**

**Sunday March 20, 2022**

**9:30 AM Small Groups — 10:30 Church Service**

# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Date	Time	Event
Sunday, April 3	6:00pm	WMBA Evangelism Rally at Friendship
Saturday, April 9	10am	Community Easter Egg Hunt
Sunday, April 10	6:00pm	Spring Family Forum
Sunday, April 17	10:30am	RESURRECTION SUNDAY

## Spring Sunday School Study:

### 1, 2 Thessalonians

The truths found throughout Paul's Letters to the Thessalonians continue to guide believers toward a meaningful walk with Christ and an effective witness to the world. 13 sessions)

Session 1: Shared (1 Thess. 2:1-12)



Women's One Day Conference

**"LIVE THE GOSPEL"**

April 30, 2022 | 8:30 AM - 3:30 PM

Elmdale Baptist Church, Springdale

\$20 before April 15th | \$25 after April 15th

Fee includes light breakfast, lunch, study materials, and more!

**REGISTER NOW SPACE IS LIMITED**

## Wednesday Evening Service

6:30 PM

In Sanctuary

## Sunday Evening Prayer Meeting

at 6 PM on Zoom

### ZOOM link for PRAYER MEETING:

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## Attendance—March 13

Sunday Worship: 95

Sunday School: 62

## Birthdays

Mar 21— Carolyn Drain

Mar 22 — Kenneth Lane

Mar 23 — Jeff Bogan

Mar 24 — Bonnie Cameron

## Anniversaries

Mar 24— Raymond & Becky Crosier

This week we celebrate a very special birthday.....Pastor Mike! His birthday is Friday, March 18th and we want to celebrate his special day. You all know that our pastor loves trains and is quite an authority on them. With that said, we are going to take up a collection towards a train ride he and Pam have been wanting to take. In the foyer there is a train set up where you can make donations towards a special time on the railway! Also, let's shower him with cards this week to let him know how much we appreciate him! Everybody on the same track? So, jump on board and join us in making the next Sypult train adventure a reality!



We are collecting diapers and wipes for Ryan and Katie Green's baby girl Everly Marie due in April.

Please attach a card to them and leave them in the Pack and Play that is set up in the foyer.



After 8 years of ongoing conflict, Russia has launched a wide-ranging war on Ukraine, rolling in tanks and troops into their neighbors to the West. The invasion of Ukraine by Russian forces continues to intensify.

The war could cause at least 5 million people to be displaced and has already led to a catastrophic humanitarian crisis among the Ukrainian people. The greatest needs for displaced families are food, shelter, transportation, clothing, sanitation and hygiene care.

Send Relief, the Southern Baptist compassion ministry, is working with local Baptist partners and churches in Ukraine, Poland and ten other border nations to respond to the growing crisis. Send Relief projects are currently serving over 253,000 displaced people in Eastern Europe.

We can connect you and your church with opportunities to pray and give to support this response!

Your gifts to Send Relief are providing emergency food supplies, shelter, transportation, hygiene kits and more to displaced families right now and for months to come.

Give today to bring help and healing to the hurting!

[Ukraine Crisis - Send Relief](#)

## Should we talk to kids about the war in the Ukraine?

If you are a parent, grandparent, teacher, or Christian Leader you may have asked yourself this question: Should I talk to kids about the war in Ukraine?

It can be challenging to know whether to talk about these things, and exactly what do you say or how much information do you give.

### Reasons to Talk to Kids About the War in Ukraine

#### 1. Control the information

One thing that has changed is how world events are so easily accessed through social media apps, and unfortunately there is an abundance of misinformation. Because of this it is important for children to have correct, reliable information and it allows opportunities for kids to ask questions.

#### 2. To help children process the information and their emotions

It may seem like a good idea to avoid conversations about hard topics. The reality is that when you do encourage conversations, it gives you an opportunity to help children make sense of how they feel about what they hear.

You can observe where a child is by what they are saying (or not saying).

#### Conversations with children five and below

Children under five will have limited knowledge of what is happening in Ukraine. Answer questions they may have, and don't give more information than they need. Keep your answers simple.

#### Conversations with school aged children

To find out where your child is at ask the question, "What have you heard about the war in the Ukraine?" Let them answer, if they don't know very much about it or not concerned then your conversation can be brief.

No matter how they feel you can share some factual information. For example, looking at a world map to see where the countries are at. Give them basic information about what is happening and why.

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What you could say to start a conversation: “By the way have you heard anything about countries that are fighting?” This allows you to understand how much have they heard.

Explaining war: “One country is being mean to another country and it makes people upset.”

Give them reassurance: Children may be afraid their parents may die or the war will be in their town. Reassure them that they are safe and the war will not come here.

### 3. Gives you the opportunity to discuss a difficult subject with your kids and creates time to train kids how to pray

At this time, we see and hear “Pray for Ukraine” everywhere.

How do we do what this scripture says?

How do we begin with children?

Most children want to pray, but don’t really know how to pray. The Bible teaches us how to pray. Our prayer life is more effective if we pray accordingly to the Bible.

This is what I focus on when praying for Ukraine.

**President of Ukraine, Volodymyr Zelenskyy** – *“First of all, then, I urge that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and thanksgivings be made for all people, for kings and all who are in high positions, that we may lead a peaceful and quiet life, godly and dignified in every way.”* 1 Timothy 2:1-2 (ESV)

**For the Families of Ukraine** – *“For He will order His angels to protect you wherever you go.”* Psalm 91:11 (NLT)

**For all of the Helpers** (Pastors, Missionaries, the Military, Doctors, Nurses and other Helpers) – *“I have the strength to face all conditions by the power that Christ gives me.”* Philippians 4:13 (GNT)

Our children are not the first generation of children to grow up with upsetting world events, and waging wars. To be honest, there are hard things in life outside of our control, and it’s important to navigate the questions and have a plan for discussion.



He's not Here!

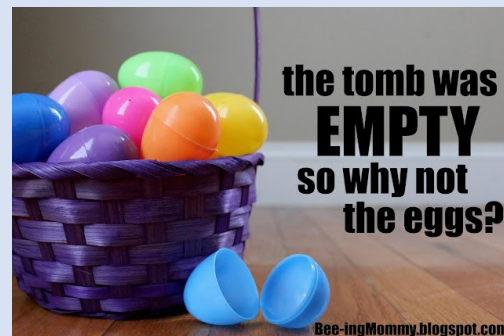
An Empty EASTER EGG HUNT

Saturday APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup> at 10:00<sub>am</sub>

Friendship Baptist Church  
5395 E Robinson Ave, Springdale

Children will hear the news about the empty tomb, hunt for empty Easter eggs, and take home a bag of Easter treats.

Ages 1-11



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We need your help to welcome our community for our Easter Egg Hunt on Saturday, April 9 from 10:00 AM-Noon.

- Registering guest
- Rope off the hunt areas before the hunt begins
- Hand out empty egg cartons
- Hand out treat bags

For questions, contact Mary Ann.



We need individually wrapped candy to fill the **Easter Treat** bags for the Easter Egg Hunt April 9<sup>th</sup>.



Blessings, Mary Ann