

## The Drumbeat

Relaying the Message of God's  
Love Through Our Lives

March 2018



FROM OUR PASTOR...

### HE IS RISEN

He is risen just as He said.  
He is with the living, no longer dead.  
Death could not over Him hold sway.  
No, God had it planned another way.

Satan was sure this time he'd won  
For he had finally killed God's Son.  
But God said, "This is not the end.  
"For my Son will rise again."

So, on Easter morn at the break of day.  
The Son from the tomb went away.  
To bring new life to all who believe.  
Yes, to all who will His grace receive.

For all who accept his grace will see His  
face  
But all who do not are removed from their  
place  
Your choice will determine your destiny  
It is up to you where you spend eternity

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How do you view Easter? Is it just a time  
for Easter eggs, cute little bunnies, baby  
chicks and new clothes? Or is it a time  
when you realize that Jesus Christ has  
risen from the dead and brings us into a  
new life with God if we trust Him?

Join us Easter Sunday as we celebrate the  
resurrection with a special early service and  
then a resurrection celebration in our main  
worship time.

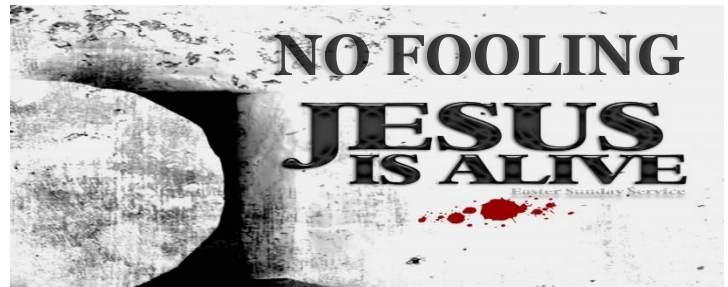
**Changing Lives Through God's Love**

Pastor Joe

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**Church of God**



**April 1<sup>st</sup>**

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| 8:45 a.m.  | Special Early Service    |
| 9:30 a.m.  | Breakfast                |
| 10:00 a.m. | Celebrate Life Project   |
| 10:45 a.m. | Resurrection Celebration |
| 12:00 p.m. | Easter Egg Hunt          |

### LAUGH AWHILE!

#### ONLY IN AMERICA

Only in America... do drugstores make the sick walk all the way to the back of the store to get their prescriptions while healthy people can buy cigarettes at the front.

Only in America... do people order double cheeseburgers, large fries, and a diet coke.

Only in America... do banks leave both doors open and then chain the pens to the counters.

Only in America... do we leave cars worth thousands of dollars in the driveway and put our useless junk in the garage.

Only in America... do we buy hot dogs in packages of ten and buns in packages of eight.

Only in America... do we use the word "politics" to describe the process so well: "Poli" in Latin meaning "many" and "tics" meaning bloodsucking creatures."

Only in America - do we sing "I surrender all" and complain that they always take up an offering at church.

Only in America - will we pay millions to sports stars and let children live at the poverty level.

Only in America - do we pray, "Thy will be done." and then go out and do whatever we please.



## March Sermons The Last 24

A look at the last 24 hours before the crucifixion

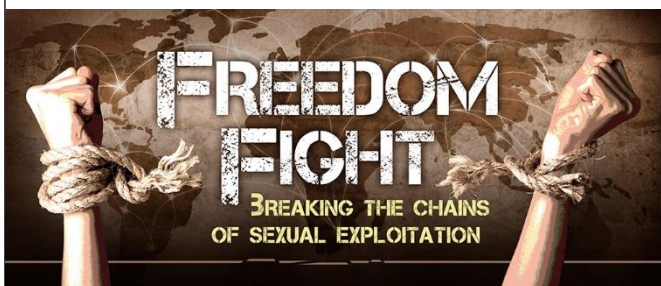
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| March 4 <sup>th</sup>  | The Last Meal          |
| March 11 <sup>th</sup> | You Will Desert Me     |
| March 18 <sup>th</sup> | Insults and Paradise   |
| March 25 <sup>th</sup> | From Darkness to Light |

### Celebrate Life



In between breakfast and our main service on Resurrection Sunday, we will be packaging items for children who come into the foster care system. We will present a list of needed items in our worship folder.

### Freedom Sunday



We have collected over \$1100 dollars to date for the cause of fighting modern day slavery. You can contribute to this cause until March 11<sup>th</sup> by putting your donation in the offering or bringing it by the office. Thank you for helping to prevent human trafficking and to free individuals from modern day slavery.

### MISSIONS...

Your support of missions helps God's work go around the world.

#### GOAL

October 2017 to September 2018	\$5000
Amount received	\$1560

#### Your Dollars go to support

- The Torgeson's - Living Link Missionaries
  - The Langford's - Living Link Missionaries
  - Tim and Joy Coppess - Living Link Missionaries
  - Mid-America Christian University
  - Meals on Wheels Help Inc.
  - Work Camps Scholarships
  - Children of Promise Local Missions Projects
- See a letter from our Child of Promise sponsored child on the back of this month's calendar.

### Wednesday Bible Study

#### Introducing Jesus (Study on Mark)

Mark was probably the first Gospel written. In this study we will see how Mark presents Jesus to his readers. We will explore who Jesus is to us and how we can best share Him with others.

**This fall the church will celebrate its 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. If you would like to help plan this celebration see Pastor Joe**



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