

"Helping people experience the Hope found in a life-changing relationship with Jesus"

LOVE | *unconditionally* - **REACH** | *intentionally* - **TEACH** | *transformationally*

SERVE | relationally - **SEND** | courageously



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TODAY @ HOPE CITY CHURCH

August 13, 2023

Worship Service - Spanish (Rm D101): 9:00am

Bible Classes - All Ages: 9:00am

Gathering in the Courtyard: 10:15am

Worship Service - English (Worship Center): 10:45am

Hope City Kids Worship (Rm B105): 10:45am

Hope City Students Worship (Rm E101): 10:45am

SERMON



Pastor Oscar Chavez "A Living Lesson on Forgiveness" Pt.2

Memorial Service for Encompass Missionary to Japan, *Ralph Justiniano*, will be held Wednesday, August 16th at 7:00 pm at Los Altos Grace Brethren Church, 6565 E. Stearns Street, Loing Beach 90815

Giving Statements [2nd Quarter]

The 2nd quarter giving statements are in the mail folders at the Connect Center in the Church Lobby. Pick yours up on Sunday!



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dee Muir	Mon	Aug 14
Matt Higby	Wed	Aug 16
Vet Gonzalez	Thu	Aug 17
Jackie Murrillo	Thu	Aug 17

THIS WEEK @ HOPE CITY CHURCH

Ironmen Bible Study (Rm C103)	Tue	Aug 15	6:30pm
Gonzalez Small Group (Gonzalez Home)	Tue	Aug 15	7:00pm
Bible Studies (English & Spanish)	Fri	Aug 18	6:30pm
Hope City Students & Kids	Fri	Aug 18	6:30pm

COMING EVENTS

Hope City Kids - Super Hero Night	Fri	Aug 18	6:30pm
Promotion Sunday for Hope City Kids	Sun	Aug 20	10:45am
Church Picnic Night / Sports Night	Fri	Sept 8	6:30pm
Women of Grace Bible Study	Tue	Sept 12	6:00pm
Hope City Church - Launch Sunday	Sun	Oct 15	10:45am



HOPE CITY Women's Retreat Registration is Open. Visit our table in the courtyard to get all the details and to sign-up. \$50 non-refundable deposit to secure your spot.



THE DISCIPLE'S PRAYER

The more accurate title of The Lord's Prayer would be The Disciple's Prayer. Jesus did not want his disciples to use this prayer as a vain repetition, but he wanted them to pray in this pattern.

The prayer consists of six petitions. And the fifth petition is to forgive our sins as we have forgiven those who sin against us.

Jesus goes on to say if we forgive other people when they sin against us, our heavenly Father will also forgive us. But if we do not forgive others their sins, our Father will not forgive our sins. Sin disrupts our relationship with God. Since unforgiveness is a sin, it disrupts our relationship with God.

Jesus taught His disciples in the Sermon on the Mount about worshipping God and unresolved conflicts. He said that when we offer our gift at the altar and remember that our brother or sister has something against us, we need to first leave our gift before the altar, be reconciled with them, and then offer our gift. In other words, unless we reconcile with our brother or sister, we cannot have a right relationship with our Heavenly Father.

We cannot claim to have a good relationship with God if we do not get along with one another.

Unforgiveness is like sitting on a swing in a playground. The more we think about the wrong done to us, we push ourselves higher and further away from where we are supposed to be. The world looks different to us. Everything around us is a haze. We lose control of ourselves. Emotions take over. Bitterness governs our thoughts, and deep-rooted resentment takes center stage. But when we try to halt the swing by attempting to place our feet on the ground, the swing gradually slows down, bringing it to a halt, and finally, we can get down from it. Similarly, when we stop mulling over the past and the wrong done to us, the swing will slow down, finally enabling us to forgive and forget.

Oscar Chavez - Lead Pastor



Attendance Last Week: In-Person Service: 84 Online views: 31