

*"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 March 10, 2024

Thanks for joining us for our Worship Service! Our staff & volunteers have been praying for each of you and we can't wait to get to know you. If this is your first time with us, fill out a Connect Card & pick up a **welcome bag** from the connect center as a gift from Hope City Church. Welcome Home!



## **"PASSION: HUMBLE LOVE"**

**Pastor Oscar Chavez** 

### **ADVENTURE CLUB FOR KIDS**

[children 3 years old through 5<sup>th</sup> grade]

Join us every Friday at 6:30pm on the HOPE CITY Church campus Adventure Club Kids meet in Room B105. For more information contact:

hopecitykids@hopecitychurch.la

### **HC STUDENT RETREAT**

Students, come join us in the mountains at Lake Arrowhead for our **Spring Retreat**, April 12-14, 2024. Cost is \$95. A \$25 deposit is due by March 24 to lock in your spot. You can register online at **hopecitychurch.la** and click on the 'Events' tab. Invite a friend to join you and let's get ready to encounter God together.

## EASTER POSTCARDS

The Easter Postcards have arrived and are available to pass out around the neighborhood or your ORA for our Easter celebration on March 31<sup>st</sup>. Stop by the courtyard after the service and pick up a stack to pass out.

## HAPPY BIRTHDAY



Adriana Castellanos	Thu	Mar 14
Jacob Yrineo	Fri	Mar 15
Glenna Bowlin	Sat	Mar 16
Pastor Roy Halberg	Sat	Mar 16

## THIS WEEK @ HOPE CITY

Women of Grace	Tue	Mar 12	6:00pm	
Ironmen Bible Study	Tue	Mar 12	6:30pm	
Gonzalez Small Group (Gonzalez Home)	Tue	Mar 12	7:00pm	
Serve Coffee to TLC Families (On Campus)	Wed	Mar 13	7:30am	
Women's Bible Study ( <i>Rm B103)</i>	Wed	Mar 13	6:30pm	
Bible Studies (English & Spanish)	Fri	Mar 15	6:30pm	
Hope City Kids Adventure Club	Fri	Mar 15	6:30pm	
Hope City Students	Fri	Mar 15	6:30pm	
UPCOMING EVENTS				
HC Open House ( <i>Rm B103)</i>	Sun	Mar 17	12:15pm	
Hope Team Outreach (Heights of Grace)	Sat	Mar 23	9:00am	
Easter Sunday (Breakfast, Egg Hunt, Service)	Sun	Mar 31	9:30am	
HC Women's Tea	Sat	May 11	11:00am	

# HOPE TEAM | FLYER DISTRIBUTION

Join our HC outreach team on Saturday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:00am as we head out into the neighborhoods to pass out postcards for Easter. We have thousands of postcards to pass out and would love your help.

# HOPE TEAM | TLC COFFEE

Stop by the Connect Center in the church lobby and sign up for a slot to help serve coffee and build relationships with the TLC parents & kids on Wednesday mornings from 7:15-9:15a. Let's **REACH intentionally**!





#### Love is the core of Christianity.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life" (John 3:16 NIV).

Love is such an important concept for us as believers and it's imperative that we have an understanding of what love is and how to love—even when it may be difficult. Love is a choice, and through this plan you will learn how to love like Christ loves the church.

Galatians 5:22-23 states, "But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control."

Have you ever thought in depth about the purpose and benefits of the fruit that grows after it has matured? If not, now is a great time to do so!

In order to grow fruit, you first need to take a seed and put it into the ground. A unique perspective is that our bodies are the fertile soil that a seed (or weed) can be placed. Genesis 2:7 says, "Then the Lord God formed a man from the dust of the ground...". We are the soil that love can be planted in.

To be a successful, loving Christian, we have to go through seasons and experiences in order to grow. We need to keep feeding ourselves and be fed by the Holy Spirit through reading the Word of God, praying, and surrounding ourselves with a community of faith.

We have to keep pushing, being uncomfortable, and go where we have not gone before so others can glean from us: this fruit is called love. Loving well is in our DNA as believers in Christ Jesus.

## HOPECITY CHURCH MAR 10 - 31 21 DAYS OF PRAYER

- 3.10 praise God for being the way, the truth & the life
- 3.11 pray God will bring the right people at the right time to HCC
- 3.12 pray for our HC Kids Program as we disciple young kids
- 3.13 pray for HC Leadership as they plan & prepare for the future
- 3.14 pray for opportunities for the Gospel to be heard
- 3.15 pray for God's continued financial provisions as we grow
- 3.16 pray for all areas of ministry at Hope City Church
- 3.17 praise God for His amazing faithfulness to His Church
- 3.18 pray God would establish 3 new families at HC from Easter
- 3.19 pray for each volunteer in our HC Kids & Nursery ministry
- $3.20\,$  pray for the elders vision, humility, wisdom & biblical conviction
- 3.21 pray we as a church will be known for our unconditional love
- 3.22 pray we remain focused with our time, treasure & talents
- 3.23 pray people will be hungry for the Word of God
- 3.24 praise God for His unmerited grace & His steadfast love
- 3.25 pray we will continue to develop godly leaders at HCC
- 3.26 pray for our HC students as they learn to serve others
- 3.27 pray God would raise up future elders at HCC
- 3.28 pray at least 2 people respond to the Gospel Easter morning
- 3.29 pray we are good stewards of the resources God has given us
- $3.30\,$  pray for a deep abiding oneness in our relationship with God
- 3.31 praise God He conquered death & was victorious on the cross