



JESUS IN THE CITY FELLOWSHIP

Information and news update

Our 20th year of Ministry in South Minneapolis Who Is Your Neighbor Minnesota?

Isaiah 9:6-7 "For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, and Prince of Peace. Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end. He will reign on David's throne and over his kingdom, establishing and upholding it with justice and righteousness from that time on and forever. The zeal of the LORD Almighty will accomplish this."

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Jesus In The City's outreach to families in need continues this Christmas season with our **Christmas In The City** outreach now in full swing. We are bringing Christ into families that may not have a relationship with Him and who may not know of His great love and grace. We need your help and support. Your partnership with JICF can help us bring the necessities and God's love in a very practical way. You can donate online or mail us a check for the 20 fully adopted families in need this year. Our partners providing food and other resources include 2nd Harvest and Bachman's Floral.

Each family will be receiving a large amount of food and other resources from 2nd Harvest (about 400 pounds per family). We purchase this food at a discount, but it is still a significant expense. In January we will follow up with these families inviting them to JICF and our Sunday services.

**We will be delivering to the families on Thursday Dec 17, at 6 pm out of Bachman's in South Minneapolis (Lyndale Ave S. and 60th St).
If you would like to help us please contact me.**

Christmas In The City 2015

Please join us in making Christmas Special for a less fortunate family.
Your generosity can provide Hope to a family in need.



Thank you so much for your prayers and support, I want to personally wish you a Merry and Blessed Christmas. Please let me know how I can pray for you.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla

We have brought on a new minister on our JICF team. I want to introduce you to Rev. John Steger and his wife Robin.

Pastor John Steger's Personal Bio

Born and raised Jewish, in the suburbs of Chicago and from a broken home, I quickly took to the streets for my satisfaction and affirmation. The "father wound" which controls the hearts and emotions of most men and women, is mighty and runs deep into our soul. As a young man, I wanted to be appreciated. But that didn't happen, at least from the person I desired it to happen from, so as I stated, I took to the streets and found my security and peace in the things of the world.

At the age of 19, I was making great money, and I continued to do so, and I spent the next 34 years of my life as an executive in the automotive industry, striving for success and "loving money!" But there is a problem with this type of thinking, as the Word of God states: "For the love of money is a root of all kinds of evil." 1 Timothy 6:10 That statement came true in my life as I was ruled by its power!

Fast forward to January 2003 when I dedicated my life to following Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. God drew me into Him and radically changed my heart forever. God's love restored my broken heart and transformed my broken thinking.

As my relationship grew I experienced many trials and tribulations; but I adhered to God's Word, which states: "Consider it pure joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you face trials of many kinds..." James 1:2. The joy of the Lord ran so deep and God's calling to serve Him in ministry was so strong that on June 19th, 2015 my wife Robin and I heard God loud and clear as He said, "*the time is now, it's time to go to the city!*" So we were obedient and officially took the necessary steps to fulfill the Lords calling in our lives life. Now I am on staff serving the city of Minneapolis full time with Jesus in the City Fellowship.

Over the past 4 years I have been actively ministering to the "city" through Fresh Start Recovery Ministry at Grace Church in Eden Prairie and through my relationship with Minnesota Adult and Teen Challenge. Today, our mission is to continue those relationships while co creating a world of love, peace and truth by sharing the Gospel of Jesus Christ across the street and around the world.



Pastor John Steger praying with men to accept Christ into their hearts

Folks, "Eternity is way too long to be wrong," and "A life without Christ is never fixed." So my question for you is simple; what do you worship? Who do you worship and who do you believe in? My prayer for you is that you surrender and desire a life with Christ not worrying about what others will say.

Jesus in the City Fellowship will provide the army of support you need, to enjoy a life of peace, hope, and love with God at the center of your heart! I look forward to serving you and your families for many years to come.

God Bless you,
Pastor John





Pastor Van Dickerson getting ready to introduce Pastor Michael Pilla to speak at the Mn Teen Challenge Chapel



Pastor Michael Pilla ministering to Triko at a MN Teen Challenge Chapel



Pastor Retha preaching at JICF



The Jesus In The City Ministry Team just before going out to minister at Mn Teen Challenge Chapel in Mid November

Warehouse location update:

Well the journey continues as we prayerfully came to the conclusion that through the complications with the City of Minneapolis and its zoning requirements, we are unable to move forward with the building on 3017 – 27th Ave South.

So with that said, we continue the search for our next location. Please keep this in your prayers. Thanks so much, Pastor Michael

Isaiah 58:8-12 *“Then your light will break forth like the dawn, and your healing will quickly appear; then your righteousness will go before you, and the glory of the LORD will be your rear guard. Then you will call, and the LORD will answer; you will cry for help, and he will say: Here am I. If you do away with the yoke of oppression, with the pointing finger and malicious talk, and if you spend yourselves on behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday. The LORD will guide you always; he will satisfy your needs in a sun-scorched land and will strengthen your frame. You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail. Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will raise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings.”*

In Isaiah 58 the Lord promises his children, *“if you spend yourselves on behalf of the hungry and satisfy the needs of the oppressed, then your light will rise in the darkness, and your night will become like the noonday.”*

Believers are included in this promise as they spend their lives in prayer, giving and serving.

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Jesus In The City Ministry relies on your financial and spiritual support to help us to minister in South Minneapolis.

*We are behind in our budget and we need your help. Could you please pray about a one time gift or a commitment to becoming a monthly supporter of JICF?
Thank you so much!*



Pastor Michael Pilla explaining the vision of JICF out of Isaiah 58:6-12 "Your children will rebuild the deserted ruins of your cities. Then you will be known as the people who rebuild their walls and cities..." NLT



*Worship at Mn Teen Challenge with the JICF Worship Team.
Pastor Michael Pilla spoke from Romans 8:1, "therefore there is no now condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."
Many men were freed from unforgiveness that night*



Sunday Fellowship at JICF

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Would you like your newsletter emailed to you? Contact me at: Michaelangelo@pclink.com

God Bless you!

Pastor Michael Pilla <><

LOCATION

We are holding services at Oliver Ministry Center at
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Come and join us for great music in South Minneapolis at 10:00 am.

Go to our website for directions.

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