



JESUS IN THE CITY FELLOWSHIP

Information and News Update

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

Isaiah 58: 11-12 *"You will be like a well-watered garden, like a spring whose waters never fail. Your people will rebuild the ancient ruins and will rise up the age-old foundations; you will be called Repairer of Broken Walls, Restorer of Streets with Dwellings."*

The scripture above is part of the calling of Jesus in the City and our Christmas in the City outreach and the way we reach out to those who are in need to share Christ.

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Pastor Retha and Women of Authority

This past month in early April we held a baby and family dedication service. Five families had their young children and babies dedicated to the Lord that day. This was an important day for these families and for JICF, as we are focusing on families. Pastor Retha has been spearheading a new ministry at JICF called Women of Authority. In this Wednesday evening group, women are learning how to confront their past and heal from some very deep hurts, enabling them to walk in victory as they learn to walk with Christ. This is a painful and tedious process that can take years of hard work in reconciling the past with the love of God in Christ Jesus.



Christ calls on men to lead their household by being a servant to their family. But over the past five decades due to many reasons too numerous to mention, this role has shifted, and many urban families grow up without fathers in the home. Below is the scripture out of Isaiah 58, which states that we "will rebuild the ruins of the city..." The spiritual component is a reference to the family. The family is supposed to be the foundation in which, through the husband and wife, God builds His kingdom.

Jesus In The City is in the business of implementing this process of change through the diligence of our pastors and ministers; we are seeing lives transformed by powerful mentoring and discipleship through our Bible Studies and small groups. Pastor Van Dickerson, Pastor Dale, Roberta Rader and Pastor Retha Dowells lead the charge of JICF in our mentoring and family ministries.

Jesus In The City has many ministry opportunities including mentoring and helping us with our fundraising challenges. JICF uses a missionary model for our ministry. We rely on outside support to do the Lord's work in fulfilling the Lord's Great Commission out of Matthew 28:19-20, "Go make disciples of all nations..." We need your help and support both spiritually and financially as we move forward in developing and growing JICF into the vision that God has laid on our heart. JICF works to transform individual lives and families of the people that are touched and changed by the Spirit of God.

If you have not supported JICF financially in the past, I would ask you to pray about supporting JICF and watch how your blessing will help grow the Kingdom of God.

You can donate online at Jesusinthecityfellowship.org or mail in your gift to the JICF PO Box 19589, Minneapolis, MN 55419.

Sincerely yours in Christ, Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla

Jesus In The City Ministry relies on your financial and spiritual support.

... "to loose the chains of injustice, untie the cords of the yoke" ... Isaiah 58:6.



Jeff Boyer on Sax playing a wonderful worship song. Jeff is a man whose life has been transformed by Jesus. Jeff leads a Wednesday night bible study for JICF.



Jeff Boyer and Rick Anderson playing their instruments at JICF Sunday morning worship.



The JICF worship team rehearsing for Sunday morning service. Every one of these individuals have had their hearts radically changed by Christ.



Pastor Retha preaching out of Romans Ch. 8 on Mother's Day. Her close was from verse 35, "Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword?"

On Sunday April 3rd at JICF we dedicated children from five families. Their parents were prayed for and they committed their hearts to the Lord as well. Here are some pictures of the families and of Pastor Retha and Pastor Michael praying for them.



Pastor Michael shown here articulating what it means to dedicate ones self and their child to the Lord, (including bringing them up to know the Lord).



Upcoming Events

Pastors Fishing Tournament Fundraiser
on White Bear Lake, August 23rd

Mens Fall Retreat
on beautiful Boy Lake, September 15-18

Contact Pastor Michael for information:
612-730-3390

God has assembled an amazing ministry team at JICF in South Minneapolis to do the work of evangelism and discipleship.



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

We are still in need of a new building venue to consolidate our ministries into one local;
Please keep this in your prayers.

We have many new men and women coming to Christ, who are being mentored.
Pray for God's hand in these new believers lives.

JICF needs to broaden our funding base; can you help us in developing this?

We can also receive monthly contributions electronically.
Please contact me at (612) 730-3390.

Thanks so much for all of your prayer and support.
Yours in Christ, Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla



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www.jesusinthecityfellowship.org. Thanks so much again for all your support.

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
2647 Bloomington Ave. So., Minneapolis, MN 55407
Come and join us for great music in South Minneapolis at 10:00 am.
Go to our website for directions.

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