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Our 21st year of Ministry in South Minneapolis

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Isaiah 58:6-7; *"Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter—when you see the naked, to clothe him, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood? Verse 12: **"You will be called Restorer of Streets with Dwellings."***

It is Tuesday after our Memorial Day celebration which remembers those that gave up their lives for our freedom in this great country the United States of America. As I reflect on this I am reminded of the scriptures in Galatians - *"It is for freedom that Christ has set us free. Stand firm, then, and do not let yourselves be burdened again by a yoke of slavery."* Galatians 5:1.

OUR freedom came at a cost in this country. And men and women still die protecting our rights and freedom today. Now 2000 years ago Jesus died for your and my freedom from sin and death once and for all. When Jesus said on the cross that "it is finished", (John 19:30), He did it for us permanently. He took on all of our pain and frustration's as well as our sin.

When the prophet writes, "is it not to loosen the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke and set the oppressed free?" He is challenging the church to bring this message out to others now. It is a present tense question. Jesus states this even more clearly in Matthew 28:19-20, "go make disciples of all nations."

How are we handling our freedom here in our country and in our faith walk? Are we being responsible and handing it out to others and sharing Christ with them? God has promises for us when we participate with the actions of our local churches.

"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. "...not doing as you please or speaking idle words, then you will find your joy in the LORD, and I will cause you to ride on the heights of the land and to feast on the inheritance of your father Jacob." The mouth of the LORD has spoken." Isaiah 58:12-14



God has a plan for you and He wants to use you to reach out to others for His plans and purposes. It may be as simple as a word of kindness to someone in need or helping your neighbor. Or it may be partnering with a local church and or an inner-city church by mentoring someone or partnering with them financially and spiritually.

At Jesus In The City we rely on your financial and spiritual support to further Gods mission of bringing the gospel to the least, the lost and the last. Would you please pray about supporting Jesus In The City financially this summer?

I thank you for your support and partnership with us.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla



Roberta Rader with Deroin Kent.



Pastor Retha Dowells and Krissie Hirt praying for Janet Carlson.



Pastor Dale Rader sharing the blessings of giving to the Lord.



A Sunday morning worship at J I C F.

COWBOY MIKE

Mike Foth was a pastor in Western Colorado in full time ministry when through a course of events found himself in extraordinary emotional pain and his world became completely dark and the reality of Christ was only a mirage to him. It became so dark that Mike attempted to take his own life but the hand of God prevented it from happening. God had big plans for Mike's life.



Mike Foth from Colorado who (Mike is in ministry in Colorado) was with us for 6 months sharing his rather dramatic testimony of re-devoting his life to Christ after coming through some horrible darkness.



Through a series of steps the Holy Spirit brought Mike to Minneapolis and to Jesus In The City Fellowship (he went through New Hope Center). Mike shared his dramatic story with us at JICF before we released him back to Colorado. Mike's words to me before that Sunday

morning service were, "Pastor Michael keep doing what you are doing here at JICF, this is a special place and the men here need what you, (JICF) provide here. Stay the course he said to me."

This is an encouraging word for me as we move forward with our vision this spring. We have much to do here as we build and grow. In that growth, we rely on your support financially and spiritually. As a mission church / ministry we rely on the generosity of supporters like yourself to help. Please prayerfully consider supporting J I C F monthly or a one-time gift.

Thank you so much for your financial and spiritual support.

*Sincerely yours in Christ,
Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla*



Rick Anderson from our J I C F worship team.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

July 2: Sunday Worship 10:30am; New Hope tour day and b-b-q / outreach to the neighborhood.

August 22: Tuesday at 8am - 7th annual Pastors Fishing Tournament on White Bear Lake, (and yes, the lake water level is back up). We would love to have you either fish with us, be on a boat / fishing guide or sponsor a boat for \$300.00

September 14-17: Men's Fall Retreat on Beautiful Boy Lake in Northern MN. Cost 175.00

You can visit our web site www.jesusinthecityfellowship.org for more information under the "Events" page.



The Nehemiah Leadership Class students from JICF.



Pastor sharing about the teachings from the Nehemiah Leadership Class and introducing those who completed the course.

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God Bless you!

Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla <><

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