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Currently, I am preaching a series on the spiritual gifts The Restors Fen with an initial emphasis on the seven "Motivational Gifts"

of Romans 12:6-8. By the end of the series participants will have a deeper appreciation of their particular "motivational gift mix" - most of us will have one or two areas that are stronger. Again, while this helps us understand how God has wired us, there is more to how we best serve the Lord than simply knowing our motivational gift mix. However, this knowledge is also very helpful in two distinct ways. First, it is helpful in giving us a greater appreciation of where we generally find most joy in serving the Lord. Second, it gives us a deeper appreciation of others in the body of Christ who are different than us. We work best as a team, each serving the Lord in the ways the Holy Spirit has gifted us.

Which brings me to an opportunity that our Session and Deacons would like us to try on an experimental basis. In the coming months, you will have the option of signing up for a "Service Team" (or a name to be designated later). Each Service Team will have the responsibility on a given Sunday to help facilitate our worship service. For example, the Service Team will provide the usher(s), Prayer Team members, post-service coffee and snacks, and perhaps the Generations snacks. Each team will have a facilitator (or two), and people with different giftings. This will not only spread the responsibilities out but, hopefully, give more people opportunity at FTPC to serve the Lord in ways that bring them joy.

Tentatively, we would like by this fall to try the "Service Team" experiment. Maybe sooner. Stay tuned.

Your ISFP or ISTP or ISFJ or....whatever I am Pastor,



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INCOME

For March 2016 \$13,911.30 Through March 2016 \$46,283.92

EXPENSES

For March 2016 \$15,541.91 Through March 2016 \$49,691.85

MAY MISSIONS UPDATE: National Day of Prayer, Thursday, May 5, 2016

The upcoming 65th annual **National Day of Prayer, May 5, 2016**, will have profound significance for our country. We have an unprecedented opportunity to see the Lord's healing and renewing power made manifest as we call on citizens to humbly come before His throne.

Our theme for 2016 is **Wake Up America**, emphasizing the need for individuals, corporately and individually, to return to the God of Fathers in reverence for His Holy Name. To further highlight our theme, we've chosen Isaiah 58:1a as our Scripture for this year: "Shout it aloud, do not hold back. Raise your voice like a trumpet."

For the May 5th observances, **Dr. Tony Evans**, the 2016 Honorary Chairman, wrote a special prayer to be simultaneously read throughout the nation at noon (ET). This recitation will create a huge wave of prayer, flowing from one coast to the other, illustrating the unity of God's people and acknowledging His dominion over the circumstances facing us. Millions of people will gather to pray at thousands of events facilitated by our volunteer coordinators and people just like you!

At this crucial time for our nation, we can do nothing more important than pray. Thank you in advance for making this spiritual discipline a personal priority and for standing with us as we encourage others to incorporate prayer in their lives. The Lord has graciously anointed our efforts, empowering them to touch and change many hearts and lives. We look forward to seeing His hand move across our land in exciting ways this May in response to our petitions!

In closing, we ask that you prayerfully consider being part of the National Day of Prayer gathering in Tukwila, Thursday, May 5 at 11:45 am, at Tukwila City Hall. May the Lord's peace fill your heart as you rest in Him throughout the days ahead.

If you are unable to attend a prayer gathering, please join with us in spirit by praying the following **2016 National Prayer** at noon on Thursday, May 5, 2016.

2016 NATIONAL PRAYER by Dr. Tony Evans

Dear heavenly Father,

We come to You today as a humble people desperate for Your supernatural intervention on behalf of our beloved nation. First, we thank You for all the blessings You have



bestowed on our land, blessings that have allowed us to bring so much good and benefit to not only our own citizens but also to the rest of the world. The very ideals upon which this country was founded were based on biblical truths, no matter how some try to rewrite history to deny that very fact today.

This is why our hearts are so broken over how You continue to be marginalized and dismissed by both our people and our institutions. We are also saddened by the fact that Your people have contributed greatly to the spiritual apathy that now engulfs us. Our satisfaction in remaining religious without being fully committed to living out the truths of Your Word has caused us to become coconspirators with the forces of evil that are destroying us as a society.

It is for this reason that we personally and collectively repent of our carnality and recommit ourselves to becoming visible and verbal disciples of Jesus Christ. Enable us, by Your Spirit, to no longer be secret agent Christians but rather to publicly declare and live out Your truth in a spirit of love so that You feel welcome in our country once again.

Thank You for Your promise to hear our prayers when we call to You with hearts of repentance and obedience, which is how we are appealing to You today, Father. On behalf of Your church, we affirm afresh the priority You are to us that You would fill every dimension of our lives as we seek to bring You glory through the advancement of Your kingdom in our personal lives, our family lives, and in the lives of our churches and our government leaders. We confidently invite heaven's intervention into all the affairs of our nation and we praise You in advance for Your answer.

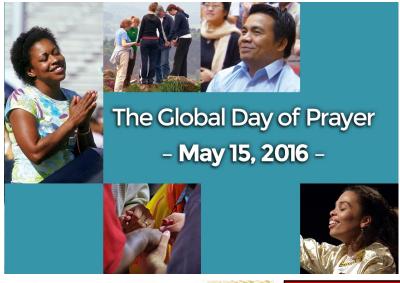
In Jesus' name we pray, Amen.

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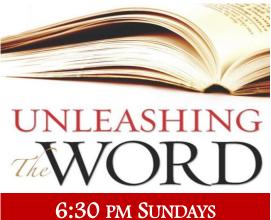


THE SERIES



MAY 14 & JUNE 11 8:00 AM

A MAN AND HIS MARRIAGE



6:30 PM SUNDAYS
MAY 15 & JUNE 12, 2016

Monthly
Food Drives
at FTPC:
4th Sunday
of the Month





RETIREES LUNCHEON

Noon, Friday, May 27, 2016

What is your earliest childhood memory?



KOBA Circle 11:00 am May 18 & June 15, 2016 women's bible study

growing deeper, together

Tuesdays, 1:00-3:00 pm

in the parlor

June 26, 2016 - 6:30 pm

Come and S.O.A.K. in

The River

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FREE THEM 5K

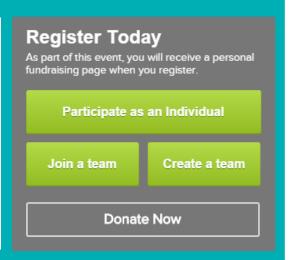
To Stop Human Trafficking

Saturday May 7, 2016 | 9:00 AM | Shoreline, WA



Join the Foster Pres Tukkies to Fight Human Trafficking!

The 8th Annual Free Them 5k to Stop Human Trafficking is on May 7th, 2016! Last year's event drew 1,500 participants and raised more than \$175,000 to help protect women and children worldwide. Visit https://give.worldconcern.org/team/join?eid=38045 and select Foster Pres Tukkies from the scroll-down menu to register for this event. The earlybird price is \$25 for adults and \$10 for youth, so register as soon as possible. You will receive a personal web page to help raise support.



JUNE MISSIONS UPDATE: TRANSFER FROM PCUSA TO ECO

Last December our congregation voted soundly to transfer from our current denomination, PCUSA, to ECO (Evangelical Covenant Order of Presbyterians). So where are we in the process? Ecclesiastical wheels grind slowly...but surely.

Currently, Bea Eaton, Clerk of Session, Brian Linscott, Session elder and Treasurer, and Office Manager, Jenny McCoy are finishing up a "Due Diligent" Document. This is an exhaustive list of details (financial, administrative, etc.) that will be given to a Seattle Presbytery appointed Administrative Commission (AC). The AC will examine this document and, after meeting with FTPC representatives, will propose terms of dismissal.

These terms will involve a financial payment to help with administrative costs and the turning over of all our session books (we are able to make copies). When we agree with the AC on the terms of dismissal the AC will recommend to Seattle Presbytery that we be dismissed to ECO upon completion of those agreed upon terms.

It is very likely that this recommendation will be approved by Seattle Presbytery at their next stated meeting, July 19. Since it can take up to two months for the legal transition to be accomplished, it is likely that an official date of October 1, 2016 will be marked for the transfer.

Meanwhile, on April 20, Pastor Al Sandalow of Ellensburg Presbyterian Church, ECO's Northwest Presbytery Chair of Ministerial and Church Relations, met with both Pastor Nick and the FTPC Session. He will recommend to ECO that our church be accepted into ECO and Pastor Nick's ordination be transferred to ECO upon completion of the terms of dismissal from Seattle Presbytery (likely, Oct. 1).

The following information about ECO can be at: eco-pres.org/

HOW ECO BEGAN

In the summer of 2010, seven pastors from the Presbyterian Church (USA) spoke of finding new ways to encourage each other in faith, ministry, and mission. They were concerned by the declining membership within their denomination (from four million to two million in 40 years). And they worried that growing denominational disputes over theology and bureaucracy stole focus from their pastoral calling of sharing the gospel of

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Jesus Christ and equipping a new generation to lead. These pastors dreamed of reclaiming a sense of covenanted community among leaders from a Presbyterian and Reformed heritage, and to find new ways for churches to connect, grow, and multiply.

In January 2011, these pastors sent out a letter to PC(USA) pastors around the country, asking if others wanted to join in a crafting new way forward. The response was overwhelming: just seven months later, in August 2011, nearly 2,000 men and women gathered in Minneapolis to dream and pray. This became the birth of The Fellowship of Presbyterians, a ministry association that seeks to equip and connect those in various Presbyterian denominations including the PC(USA). But some pastors and congregations felt God calling them to leave the PC(USA), and many young seminarians were looking for a different context for ordination. As a result, in January 2012, at a conference in Orlando with more than 2,200 in attendance, a new denomination was formed: ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians.

OUR NAME

The name ECO is not an acronym. It reinforces our passion for strengthening the ecosystems of local churches. We believe the church is a living organism that needs life-giving resources to help it grow, thrive, and multiply. ECO is committed to cultivating a healthy, diverse, resource-rich ecosystem where pastors and congregations can flourish.

Our full name (ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians) speaks to our core commitments:

- Covenant to connect leaders in accountable relationships and encourage collaboration
- Order to commit to a shared way of life as we unite around a shared theological core
- Evangelical to advance the gospel of Jesus Christ and plant new missional communities
- Presbyterian to stand within our Reformed heritage and celebrate the life of the mind

ECO - WHO ARE WE?

We seek to be a movement, not just a denomination. These are the foundations that propel us forward.

OUR MISSION: To build flourishing churches that make disciples of Jesus Christ.

OUR CORE VALUES:

Jesus-shaped Identity:

We believe Jesus Christ must be at the center of our lives and making disciples of Jesus at the core of our ministry.

Biblical Integrity:

We believe the Bible is the unique and authoritative Word of God, which teaches all that is necessary for faith and life. The prominence of God's Word over our lives shapes our priorities, and the unrivaled authority of the Bible directs our actions to be in concert with Christ's very best for our lives.

Thoughtful Theology:

We believe in theological education, constant learning, and the life of the mind, and celebrate this as one of the treasures of our Reformed heritage.

Accountable Community:

We believe guidance is a corporate spiritual experience. We want to connect leaders to one another in healthy relationships of accountability, synergy, and care.

Egalitarian Ministry:

We believe in unleashing the ministry gifts of women, men, and every ethnic group.

Missional Centrality:

We believe in living out the whole of the Great Commission – including evangelism, spiritual formation, compassion, and redemptive justice – in our communities and around the world.

Center-focused Spirituality:

We believe in calling people to the core of what it means to be followers of Jesus – what "mere Christianity" is and does – and not fixate on the boundaries.

Leadership Velocity:

We believe identifying and developing gospel-centered leaders is critical for the church, and a great leadership culture is risk-taking, innovative, and organic.

Kingdom Vitality:

We believe congregations should vigorously reproduce new missional communities to expand the Kingdom of God.

Remember to continue in prayer for our brothers and sisters in PCUSA, that they would walk in the light, and that those congregations who have chosen to remain would earnestly contend for the faith which was once for all handed down to the saints. Pray especially for year's General Assembly which will be held June 18 - 25, 2016 in Portland, OR.

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