

REFLECTIONS

I was nearly run over by a careening car as I was crossing a street in Ft. Worth, Texas many years ago. The main thing I remember about the car was its bumper sticker theology proudly proclaiming: *I'm Bound for the Promised Land*. I thought that was fine for him, and that he would likely make it very soon. Bumper sticker theology is what I call those signs and sayings people place on their cars and Facebook walls. We seem to have a need to tell everyone our viewpoint through a clever sound bite. I see the good in that sometimes.

Walking near the church one day I came upon a very honest bit of bumper sticker theology. The sign on the car's rear window read:

*I saw it
I wanted it
I threw a fit
And I got it.*

That is materially, psychologically, relationally, and spiritually very revealing. My mind started to conjure all types of stories concerning this person as a spouse, as a child, as a parent, as an employee or even as a church member. I wonder if this person has ever met the "What part of 'No' don't you understand" person—they're probably married to each other, of course.

If you were to ask our oldest grandson, Carter, to name his favorite restaurant, he would say, *Raising Cane's*. He loves their chicken and their sauce. *Raising Cane's* advertises they have one motto and one mission. Their motto is *One Love*. The *one love* is fried chicken. They only serve fried chicken pieces and one set of sides. Their *one mission* is to serve the public well. Jesus has a similar plan for us: *Love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind...And love your neighbor as yourself.* (Matthew 22:36-40). One Love. One Mission.

Keep healthy. Pray mightily. Enjoy your life today. Live your theology. And let's experience the love and power of God together.

Bro. Darryl

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday Morning
Continental Breakfast 9:20 a.m.
Worship 10:00 a.m.
Bible Study & Conversation 11:15 a.m.

Wednesday Evening
The People's Pantry 5:00 p.m.
The Clothes Closet Ministry
Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

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**CHRIST
JESUS**
came into the world
to save sinners.

1 TIMOTHY 1:15

Our Church Family

LIVING CENTERS

Zarrow Pointe Kaiser Health Center #214 Dorothy Lee

AT HOME

Alice and Bill Barrett
 Elizabeth Burke
 Berta Caldwell
 Marion Corbett
 Lydia Ford
 Paula McPherson

Georgia Metcalf
 Bonnie Nutting
 Waneta Reynolds
 Ben and PJ Shepard
 Leslie White

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

May 9 Bill Ess
 10 Deacon Enos
 16 Diep Vo



Looking Ahead

SUNDAY MAY 1

9:30 a.m. Continental Breakfast
 10:00 a.m. **Building a Healthy Church:
 Who Do You Follow?**
 —1 Timothy 1:1-11

This week we begin a new series, **Building a Healthy Church**, based on Paul's letters to Timothy and Titus. Healthy disciples build healthy churches. Invite your friends to church and be blessed.

11:15 a.m. Bible Study
 11:55 a.m. Choir Rehearsal

TUESDAY, MAY 3

8:00 p.m. Prayer for the Nations
 Kevin Avery's Facebook zoom link

WEDNESDAY, MAY 4

5:00 p.m. People's Pantry Ministry
 Clothes Closet Ministry
 6:30 p.m. **Prayer and Bible Study**

SUNDAY, MAY 8

10:00 a.m. **The Mother's Gift - 2 Timothy 1**

Behind the Scenes



MAY 8



CHURCH FELLOWSHIP DINNER MAY 15

Mark your calendar to join us for a spring Fellowship Dinner scheduled for Sunday, March 15. Bring a side dish, salad or dessert to go with the church provided fried chicken.

OUR LOVE AND SYMPATHY is extended to the family of *Linda Nolen* in her passing.

FOR THE CHURCH RECORD

Weekly Budget Need	\$ 1,904.00
General Receipts April 24	\$ 865.00
Special Offerings April 24	\$ 00.00

Thank You to all who are providing sustaining tithes and offerings.