# Weekly Messenger 01-24-2025

## Sign #3 - Jesus at the Pool: "Do you want to be healed?"

Hello MVPC!

This Sunday, in John 5:1-9, we find a deeply human moment in the life of Jesus, where he heals a man who had been crippled for 38 years, lying by the Pool of Bethesda. The scene is familiar to many of us: a large group of disabled people, all waiting for a miraculous healing at the pool's edge, believing that the water could heal them when it stirred. Among them is a man who has waited longer than most, in desperation, frustration, and perhaps even hopelessness. And then, Jesus comes.

What makes this story so compelling is not only the healing, but the interaction between Jesus and the man. Jesus does not simply heal him; he asks a question that cuts deep: *"Do you want to be healed?"* It seems like an obvious question, but when we look closer, we see that Jesus is touching on something much deeper: a question about desire, faith, and willingness to change.

This powerful encounter reminds us that healing is not just about physical restoration—it's about a spiritual renewal. Jesus' question challenges us all: Are we truly open to receiving God's healing in our lives? Are we willing to step out of our own places of brokenness and limitation to experience the fullness of life He offers?

In the coming Sunday sermon, we will dive deeper into the significance of this passage, exploring how Jesus' actions challenge us to reflect on our own struggles. We will consider what it means to wait for healing, how we can often become paralyzed in our own pain, and the invitation Jesus gives us to step into new beginnings. In addition, we'll look at the broader context of healing in the Gospel of John, understanding it as a symbol of the transformation Jesus offers to each of us.

As we gather for worship this Sunday, I invite you to reflect on your own desires for healing and change. Are there areas in your life where you have been waiting for God's intervention? Let us come together with open hearts, ready to hear God's voice calling us to wholeness and new life.

As Jesus asked the paralytic, so too He asks us, "Do you want to be healed?"

See you Sunday! Laugh often and Fear not!

Pastor David!





Sunday Worship Services 8:30 am – Traditional 10:30 am- Contemporary

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## Youth Group –

Youth Group this Sunday 4:30 p.m.

Children -

Sunday school this Sunday during 2<sup>nd</sup> service. Child care provided during services.

U50s/adults.

Next Meeting is Jan. 26th at 1:00 p.m. Bowling on Jan. 28th

Happy New Year!!

## CJK



Join the MVPC family this Sunday at 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. for Virtual Church!

Go to the MVPC webpage @ <u>www.mviewpc.org</u> and select Facebook or YouTube

# **CLOSED CAPTION AVAILABLE**

Are you missing out on Pastor David's wonderful virtual sermons because you can't hear what is said? We now know closed caption is available on the Youtube broadcast. Follow the directions below:

On Youtube under the video, where you can start, pause, etc. is a "cc". Click on that to start closed caption.



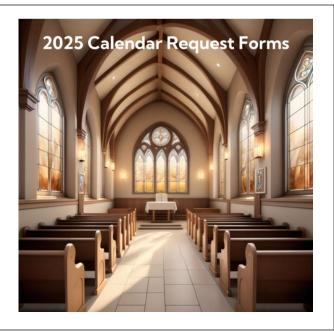


There will be a memorial service for Lynn Peterson on Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> at
11:00 a.m. Lynn was a long-time member of MVPC and will be greatly missed.

Do you have a group that uses a room in the church during the week? Each year the church office needs new forms with current contact information.

Please stop by the church office to fill out a calendar request form so we can have an accurate Church calendar.

If you have any further questions please contact the church office.



# **Interested in joining MVPC?**





**GriefShare** is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences.

When someone you love dies, it's common to feel isolated. In **GriefShare**, you'll find that you are not alone, that there are others who understand what you are going through. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone.

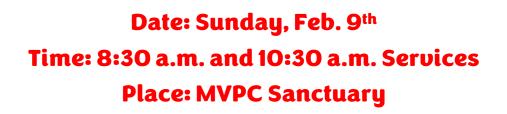
**GriefShare** will begin January 28, 2025, at 1:00 p.m. The group meets in the Chapel. The 13 weeks provide help and healing for the hurt of losing a family member or friend.

Registration available online at www.mviewpc.org or call the Church Office at 702-341-7800.



# 9 Will Always Love You! Jhe Whitney Houston Worship Experience

# Featuring Ms. Monet Multi-Award Winning Vocal Artist



#### MealTrain' for: The Strasser Family



Visit this link or scan the QR Code: mealtrain.com/873z9n





#### CALLING ALL MVPC COOKIE BAKERS!

The Fellowship Committee will be hosting periodic cookie baking events throughout the year. Our first will be held Friday, January 31 from 10am-2pm (feel free to leave whenever).

The plan is to bake your favorite recipes from scratch for use during our Sunday fellowship hour. MVPC will provide the ingredients — just send your recipe in advance to Gary@mviewpc.org and the ingredients will be waiting for you at church. Bring your own mixer or share the use of the one at church. It would also be helpful to have multiple measuring cups and spoons.

Aprons, ovens, baking sheets and lunch will be provided! Please sign up in the Narthex.





Date: Feb. 1<sup>st</sup>

Time: 9 a.m.

Place: Summit (2215 Thomas W. Ryan Blvd)

Cost All Breakfasts are \$20.00 (this includes tip & tax)

Sunday Feb. 9th

**Bake** Sale

# "I smell something yummy!"

Attention MVPC Bakers our Pet Ministry is hosting a bake sale and we need some help! We would love some of your delicious baked goods themed Superbowl and/or Valentine's Day plus any Sugar Free recipes for the sale. All proceeds to be donated to a local animal rescue.

Baked goods can be dropped off at Fellowship Hall on Sat., Feb. 8<sup>th</sup> between 1-4 PM. Please label your baked item clearly with what it is including ingredients such Nuts or Sugar Free etc.

We need many Volunteers to help on Saturday (prep) and Sunday.

#### Volunteer on Sat. Feb 8<sup>th</sup>

Pet

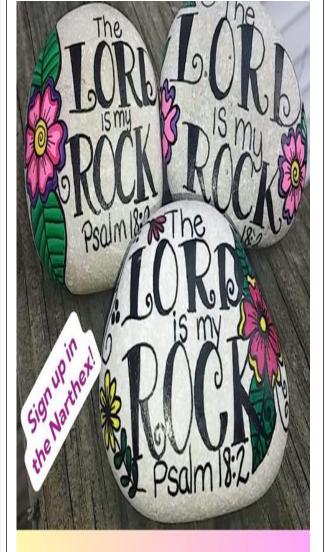
Ministry

1:00-4:00pm to label and organize the donated goods – any amount of time you can help is appreciated.

#### Volunteer on Sun., Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>

7:45- 8:30am – set up & sell baked goods 9:30-10:30am – sell baked goods 11:30-12:45pm – sell baked goods & clean up

If you can assist in baking and or volunteering your time, please **RSVP** what day/time you can help to the church office.



# Women's MinistryMonday, Jan. 27thEventat 3 p.m.ROCK PAINTINGFellowship Hall

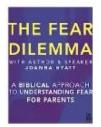


RightNow Media is a free service offered to MVPC/Guests/Friends. You will have exclusive access to hundreds of Bible studies and topical videos led by world-class teachers along with a multitude of Christian-based videos for your family to enjoy.

It's easy to sign up, email Tami Samek, Ministry Coordinator at <u>Tami@mviewpc.org</u> and she will set you up and you can start accessing great Bible-based studies/videos today!

#### The Fear Dilemma

This series is to inform, educate, and biblically ground what Christian parents should know about fear as well as provide a path forward for family understanding and discussion around how we



should view the issue in the current climate.



expectation.

#### Vital Signs How healthy are you?

Eat right. Exercise. Many of us struggle to keep our bodies in shape. But are we really healthy? Our total health begins at the core of who we are ... our spirit. Our spiritual

health is linked directly to our emotional, physical and mental health. How healthy do you really think you are?

In these four Bible study sessions, Erwin McManus teaches how we can reclaim our spiritual health by examining how our faith affects us physically, emotionally, and relationally. Each session also features a reallife story or inspiring teaching clip.

## Bulletproof Marriage Masterclass

it leads us to Jesus.

Jesus in All of Acts

Walk through Acts with Spoken

its main themes. Then quick

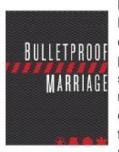
Gospel to see Jesus in every corner

film introducing you to the book and

devotional videos will explain what's

happening in each section and how

of the book. We start with a short



SPOKEN GOSPEL

JESUS IN ALL OF

ACTS

Bulletproof Marriage Masterclass is a 90-day marriage challenge. It applies biblical principles to support and strengthen the marriages of military members, law enforcement officers, and other first responders. However, the principles will challenge any marriage, if you are up to it!

Learn how to:

- transition smoothly from duty to home.
- resolve conflicts and develop healthy communication habits.
- manage lifestyle stressors and cultivate resilience.
- build trust and encourage intimacy.

#### Just Ask

Do you run to prayer—or run away from it? How would you describe your prayer life? In this two-session series, learn how to overcome your hesitations and insecurities about praying. Pastor J.D. Greear explores the way Jesus taught us to pray and how he approached prayer to his Father. See how Jesus encourages us to pray often, boldly, and with







## New year, New you donation drive



We are collecting hygiene products for projecti50 on sunday 01/26. We will ONLY BE COLLECTING FULL SIZE ITEMS OF THE FOLLOWING:

- O SHAMPOO
- **O CONDITIONER**
- BODY WASH
- O DEODORANT
- TOOTHPASTE

PLEASE PLACE ITEMS IN THE LARGE WHITE BIN IN THE NARTHEX. THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF THIS WONDERFUL CHARITY.

## **MVPC Book Club**

Our group meets the last Friday of the month, at 10:00 a.m., in the Chapel, at the Church. We enjoy catching-up with each other and discussing books. Together we choose a book of the month that we'll discuss in detail. We welcome any who are interested to join us! We'll be meeting January 31st and the book we'll be discussing is:

#### Mrs. Quinn's Rise to Fame by Olivia Ford

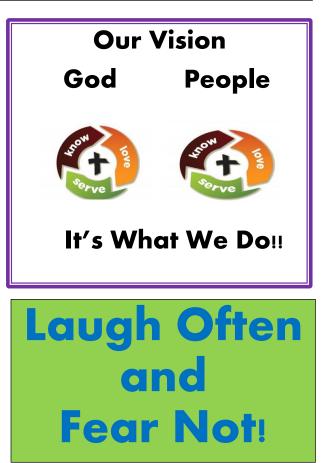
In February our meeting is February 28th. Come to our January meeting to help us choose our February book!

"Keep reading. It's one of the most marvelous adventures that anyone can have."

American Author Lloyd Alexander

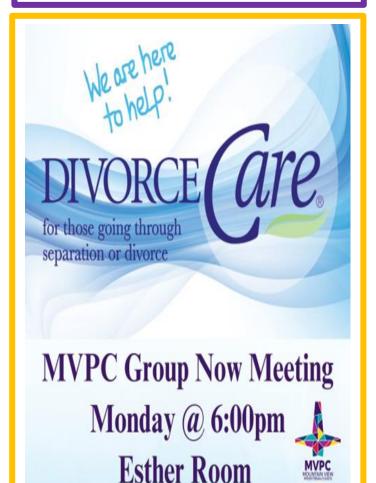








Maria Harper – Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Andrea Jones – Jan. 26<sup>th</sup> Pam Ramseth – Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> Brenda Levitan – Jan. 28<sup>th</sup> Stephen Fuquay – Jan. 30<sup>th</sup> Gabriel Bell – Jan. 31<sup>st</sup>



(2nd fl - Fellowship Hall)



# **This Week's Events**

#### <u>Sun., Jan. 26</u>

8:30 a.m. 10:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 4:30 p.m. Mon., Jan. 27 9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Tues., Jan. 28 10:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m. 1:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Wed., Jan. 29 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Thurs., Jan. 30 9:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. Fri., Jan. 31 10:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m. Sat., Feb. 1 9:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.

Traditional Worship, SC Contemporary Worship, SC Reformed Church Meeting, FH U5O's, Mark Youth Group, FH

Quilters, FH Staff Meeting, CH Rock Painting, FH Divorce Care, Esther Gamblers Anon., CH

Women's Bible Study, FH Divine Dealing, FH Griefshare, CH Narcotics Anon., CH Women's Bible Study, FH Men's Bible Study, CH

Pastor's Bible Study, FH Prayer Group, SC Bell Choir, CH AA Meeting, FH Choir Rehearsal, SC

Pan Club Holiday Party, FH Redeemed Worship Rehearsal, SC Al Anon Meeting, Esther

MVPC Book Club, CH Knitting, FH

Men's Breakfast, Summit Lynn Peterson Memorial, SC AA Meeting, FH



Messenger articles and Sunday announcement requests are due in the Church office by Wednesday at noon each week! Thank you for your cooperation!

# LET THE PEOPLE PRAY

# Pray without Ceasing. (1 Thessalonians 5:17)

## Our Members

- The Trujillo Family
- Genny Tubridy
- Sharon Tyson
- The Vance Family
- The Vanderwerf Family
- LaValle Vita
- The Waggoner Family
- Gary Wall

# Our City

- Independent Living facilities
- LVMPD K-9 officers
- Public Park Security

# **Our Churches**

- 1. Summerlin Community Baptist
- 2. Summerlin Lutheran Church
- 3. Sun City Community Church

Other Prayer Concerns... Sympathy to the family of Lynn Peterson Sympathy to the family of Rudy Johnson

# <u>Our World</u>

- People of Israel
- Gaza Ceasefire
- Ukraine War

# **Our Nation**

- California wildfires
- Homeless Shelters
- Antioch School Shooting

# **Our Congregation**

Gene Braden, Jerry and Del Heiss, Sara Pierson, The Strasser Family, John Thompson

> Elders: Laura Martin
>  Deacons: Lynne Kuzminski, Diane LoChirco

