

# Nuggets of Treasure Revival



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We need a revival in the church today, among all believers.
What is revival? It is restoration (bringing back to a former position or condition), renewal (making like new), recovery (cause to thrive and flourish), or being revitalized (giving new life to something). Revival is to make fresh and strong again.
We could say it is an awakening. Psalm 85:6 (NKJV) "Will You not revive us again, That Your people may rejoice in You?"

When we are first born again, we usually have a great love for the Lord, we are excited. But if we do not keep drawing near to the Lord our zeal wanes, we grow comfortable, our fire does not burn hot. As believers, we can become complacent and lazy in our walk with the Lord. We need to be stirred; revitalized. All believers need a fresh commitment to the Lord from time to time, a renewing.

Revival is the work of the Holy Spirit in the hearts of believers. We need the Holy Spirit to continue to work in our hearts throughout our daily lives. We must be willing to yield for the Holy Spirit to work in us. We cannot be stuck in our ways or be on hard ground. The Holy Spirit must work in us before He

can work through us. Let's pray for revival in us by the work of the Holy Spirit.

Revival always starts with repentance as the Holy Spirit reveals things that need to change in our lives. Repentance is to turn from sin and dedicate ourselves to the adjustments we have made. If we are willing to submit to the Holy Spirit, He will point out our shortcomings. As we repent our shortcomings then fruit can come into our lives. None of us like to have our faults pointed out. We like to think we are just fine the way we are. We all must trust the Lord, and rely on the Holy Spirit, His power and all the Lord God provides, not our wisdom, education and what we think we know, or how we think we are.

For revival to happen we need repentance and genuine transformation. If we deny, justify, or rationalize our shortcomings, we cannot have revival. We cannot blame others for our behavior, excuse or defend it. Sometimes we are blind to our shortcomings. So, change starts with repentance, and is the road to revival. What is repentance? It is willing to admit where we are wrong, not

lining up to God's ways, confessing it, being willing to change the behavior, and then begin to live the change. What is the Holy Spirit revealing to us? How is our spiritual health? Are we unforgiving? Do we have bitterness towards others? Do judge others with our words, yet neglect to see our faults? Are we truly walking in love? Are we prideful? Are we self-centered? Do we have anger in our lives? How do we communicate and treat others? What are our attitudes, behavior, and speech? Do we accept the Word of God as instructions on how to live? We can never have revival if we cover up sin. Jesus said that we might have life and have it more abundantly. Psalm 139:23 (AMP) "Search me [thoroughly], O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts!"

There has been a survey done about individuals who attend church and unchurched individuals. They found there is not much significant difference in ethics when it comes to honesty, integrity, etc. That is a sad indictment. For instance, we call in sick when you are not ill. Stealing from an employer perhaps by clocking in and not working. Receiving too much change back at a store and just keeping

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## Upcoming Events 2023

March 17 St. Patrick's Day



March 19 First Day of Spring

March 24 Palm Sunday



March 29 Good Friday



March 31 Easter



April 1 April Fools Day

#### **Church Offices**

The Administrative Office is not located at the church building.

Ministry Office is at the church by appointment only: 13th & Fillmore, Caldwell, ID Phone 208-459-6000 FAX 208-459-6600



"I've experienced His presence in the deepest darkness hell that men can create. I've tested the promises of the Bible, and believe me, you can count on them."—-Corrie Ten Boom

"Satan has in fact a plan against the saints of the Most High which is to wear them out. What is meant by this phrase, "wear out"? It has in it the idea of reducing a little this minute, then reducing a little further the next minute. Reduce a little today. reduce a little tomorrow. Thus the wearing out is almost imperceptible; nevertheless, it is a reducing. The wearing down is scarcely an activity of which one is conscious, yet the end result is that there is nothing left. He will take away your prayer life little by little, and cause you to trust God less and less and yourself more and more, a little at a time. He will make you feel somewhat cleverer than before. Step by step, you are misled to rely more on your own gift, and step by step your heart is enticed away from the Lord. Now, were Satan to strike the children of God with great force at one time, they would know exactly how to resist the enemy since they would immediately recognize his work. He uses the method of gradualism to wear down the people of God."---Watchman Nee

#### **Birthday Blessings**

No birthdays this month

#### **Happy Anniversary**

No Anniversaries this month

#### Our Helping Hands Show A Loving Heart

Get involved, find a place to help. We all have something to give. We need greeters, ushers, maintenance, socials, visitations, children, youth, food center, music, socials, driving etc.

#### VOLUNTEER



#### **Oasis Food Center Update**

February 2024 (as of 2/22/24) Families: 1,298

Families: 1,298 New Families: 101 Total People: 5,271

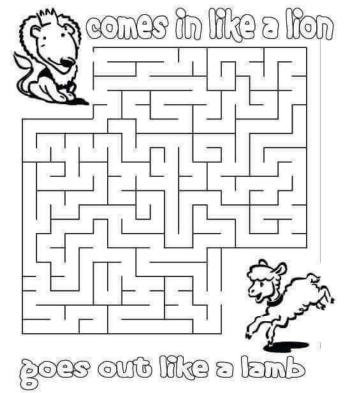
**Year to Date 2024** (as of 2/22/24)

Families: 2,634 New Families: 178 Total People: 10,435

Year to Date 2023

Families: 15,676 New Families: 855 Total People: 60,772

## MAROH



#### MARCH

Energized	Daylight	Growing Spring	
Clouds	Fertile		
Birds	Irish	Green	
Bower	ower Grass		
Saint	Weather	Shamrock	
Sun	Patrick	March	



### Bring Your Friends and Join the Fun at Church!

Sunday Morning 10:30 am





#### RECIPE CORNER

### Tex-Mex Chicken Salad Bowl

#### **Ingredients**

- Grated zest and juice of 2 limes
- 1 tablespoon salt-free fajita seasoning
- Kosher salt
- 1 1/4 pounds skinless, boneless chicken breasts (about 2 large)
- 1 cup frozen corn, thawed
- 1 tablespoon vegetable oil
- 1 6-ounce package baby spinach
- 3 mini avocados (1 halved, 2 sliced)
- 1/2 cup buttermilk
- Freshly ground pepper
- 2 cups assorted cherry tomatoes, halved or quartered if large
- 2 cups shredded red cabbage
- 1 1/2 cups tortilla strips

#### **Directions**

Preheat the oven to 375°. Combine the lime zest, fajita seasoning and 1/2 teaspoon salt in a small bowl; rub all over the chicken. Heat a large nonstick ovenproof skillet over medium-high heat. Add the corn and cook, stirring, until warmed through, 30 seconds; remove to a bowl. Add the vegetable oil to the skillet. Add the chicken and cook until browned, 3 to 4 minutes per side. Transfer the skillet to the oven and cook until the chicken is just cooked through, about 12 minutes. Transfer to a cutting board to rest 5 minutes.

Meanwhile, combine 1 cup spinach, the halved avocado, butter-milk, lime juice, 1/4 teaspoon salt and a few grinds of pepper in a blender. Puree until smooth. Blend in 2 to 4 tablespoons water until thin enough to drizzle.

Divide the remaining spinach among shallow bowls. Arrange the corn, sliced avocado, tomatoes, cabbage and tortilla strips on top. Slice the chicken against the grain and add to the bowls. Drizzle with some of the dressing and serve the rest on the side.

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it. Next, where do our loyalties lay; if something better comes up do we neglect to come to church? Have devices taken us away from prayer and Bible reading? If we desire revival, we must be willing to repent as the Holy Spirit reveals our shortcomings. We should humble ourselves and invite the Holy Spirit to work in us and bring revival to us. II Chronicles 7:14 (AMP) "If My people, who are called by My name, shall humble themselves, pray, seek, crave, and require of necessity My face and turn from their wicked ways, then will I hear from heaven, forgive their sin, and heal their land." Do we truly desire things to be different then let it start with us.

When revival happens in us there will be a renewed love of God, His Word, prayer, giving, concern for others, and sharing the Good News. We will be right with God and right with others. When revival happens, we will be a bright light in the world around us.



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The words that we speak are significant and powerful. They can affect our lives and the lives of others greatly. So, the words we utter to others can impact their lives. We have heard the old saying "Sticks and stones may hurt my bones, but words will never hurt me." That is a lie. Words do hurt and can-do significant damage. Hostile words can be considered verbal abuse. Words influence our lives whether positively or negatively.

So, words are like seeds growing in our lives. They either bring optimistic or destructive effects. An unknown person said "Words are seeds that do more than blow around. They land in our hearts and not the ground. Be careful what you plant and careful what you say. You might have to eat what you planted one day." What seeds are we planting? What seeds are we allowing to be planted in our lives? We all need to be mindful of our words. The words we voice can change someone's day or entire life.

So, how do words have an effect? Words can encourage, discourage, help, hinder, heal or injure, build up or put down. Hurtful words only take seconds, but the effect could last a lifetime. We might not ever get the chance to replace our words. It is like squeezing too much lotion out of a tube we cannot push it back in; what is out is out.

Proverbs 18:21 (AMP) "Death and life are in the power of the tongue, and they who indulge in it shall eat the fruit of it [for death or life]." It says we need to use caution with the words we speak. We often suffer the consequences of the words we verbalize. Our has-

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ty words can bring sorrow. Another unknown quote: "A careless word may kindle strife. A cruel word may wreck a life, A bitter word may hate to instill; A brutal word may smite and kill, A gracious word may smooth the way: A joyous word may light the day. A timely word may lessen stress; A loving word may heal and bless." Do we boost and enhance others by the words we speak? We can be known by the kind of words we chatter and be judged by them. We all need to think before we speak.

Psalms 19:14 (AMP) "Let the words of my mouth and the meditation of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my [firm, impenetrable] Rock and my Redeemer." Often, we give excuses for the words we speak instead of desiring our words to please the Lord. In addition, we can see this as a prayer asking for help with speaking right, uplifting words. We should ask the Holy Spirit to help us utter words that bring life and encouragement.

In Matthew, it states we are known by our fruit and then goes on to talk about words. It states we will give an account regarding the careless words we speak. Why? Words reflect what is in our hearts. The fruit of our lips are our words. Proverbs 12:14a (ESV) "From the fruit of his mouth a man is satisfied with good,"

James 3:8-10 (NKJV) "But no man can tame the tongue. It is an unruly evil, full of deadly poison. With it, we bless our God and Father, and with it, we curse men, who have been made in

the similitude of God. Out of the same mouth proceed blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be so." This can almost seem discouraging. We might not be able to tame our tongue, but the Holy Spirit can help us if we are willing. He can bring it under power and control.

Proverbs 16:23-24 (NKJV) "The heart of the wise teaches his mouth And adds learning to his lips. Pleasant words are like a honeycomb, Sweetness to the soul and health to the bones." With the help of the Holy Spirit, we can be careful about what we say. We can be a help and not hurt others. We should speak words that encourage, uplift, and help. Words that bring a balm of healing. We all need to consider our words. We all need to yield to the Holy Spirit's leadership not just whatever comes to mind. Ephesians 4:29 (ESV) "Let no corrupting talk come out of your mouths, but only such as is good for building up, as fits the occasion, that it may give grace to those who hear." The verse following talks about grieving the Holy Spirit. Perhaps we grieve the Holy Spirit by the words we speak if they are not uplifting and that bring benefit to others.





## **MARCH 2024**



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	4	5	Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	7 Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	8	9
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24 Palm Sunday 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth 6:30pm Music Prac- tice 7pm Evening Service	25	26	Feed the Needy 12 pm- 2:00 pm 7pm Bible Study	Feed the Needy 4 pm- 6 pm	29 Good Friday	30
31 Easter 10:30am MW/ Children/Youth						