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# CILIS OUR SAVIOUR FELLOWSHIP

# COMECION

Join Us Every Gunday at 10:30am

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We were made to praise and worship our Lord with overflowing hearts of joy and raised hands. One hymn we like to sing begins like this:

"When peace like a river attendeth my way, when sorrows like sea billows roll; whatever my lot, thou hast taught me to say, "It is well, it is well with my soul."

Yes, Peace like a river and I hope you've all had the opportunity to experience this! I can recall the days of paddling along in my canoe and floating along the gentle waters of the river. Such a calm, comforting sense would wash over me when in my heart and at that moment everything was perfect! The tranquility we yearn for, the absence of

worries and of the mind wondering ceased to exist. There were no cars revving past, horns blowing, no banging of construction jackhammers. Better yet, no hustle of the day, no schedule to keep up with...just the joy of floating along and being in the moment, at peace,

It really is amazing how many things fill our lives and keep us distracted, busy and always in search of and fighting to be at peace. We have work schedules with deadlines, projects, many who at this time are doing the duties of others in addition to their own workload. There is family life that can be hectic, running the kids to sports, music classes. Then there are the leagues they are playing in, birthday parties with their friends, family events, chores around the house, shopping, the .... you get the idea! it's stressful even thinking about how to cram all of that and more into daily life. Just when you win the schedule battle one day you wake up to be underwater the next 3 days.

The challenge to achieve and complete is

difficult. If we allow it the things of this life WILL STEAL that very peace we strive to obtain. This isn't even taking into account the important time for oneself and the things we need to do for...us! So much time is invested in the routine and running of our carnal lives and there just isn't any slowing down. It is something we must be intentional about if we want to be above the water.

So how can we have peace?

To begin with we have to set priorities! Yes all the things on the list are important in varying degrees, but as a Christian we are instructed clearly on how to spend our time. The gospel Matthew says:

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also." Matthew 6:19-21

Lay up treasures? YES...in heaven! See the final part of the verse is important : "For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also" and there are two locations it refers to; earth - this life, and heaven. The glimmer and shine of this appealing and seductive world can trap and distract us. We put up and collect things that become a priority before the Lord. An overly busy schedule is as much a distraction as any addiction as they all STEAL OUR TIME and put other things before God. When we allow this, the carnal infatuations, desires creep in and before you know it, less and less of one's time is dedicated to the Lord. Do we have things to do? Are we busy? YES, but where do these rank in our lives? There is to be nothing before God, all things rank AFTER Him.

Have you noticed no matter how much you plan you can't get ahead? The hamster wheel of life takes over and you're just getting by? It's a

trap of the adversary stealing time that belongs to GOD in your life. STEALING YOUR INVESTMENT *in heaven!* Yet this is what the Lord freed us from:

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full."

John 10:10

The value of our time can't be stressed; it's limited. So we are to use our time wisely. The Bible says as we read in Ephesians 5:15-17: "Be very careful, then, how you live—not as unwise but as wise, making the most of every opportunity, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the Lord's will is."

What are we to do? How do we get through life, all the responsibility we have to others and ourselves? Live Life WITH GOD, the spiritual

life. Is this not why we are called into a personal and intimate relationship with God? It IS a spiritual life. When we put God first, start our day with God, live the day and life with God, learning of Him, seeking Him, praying and conversing with our Holy Father, our relationship grows. As with ANY relationship here, when you invest time into it, the relationship blossoms and so it is with our investment of time with the Lord.

How wonderful is the Word of God! How the Lord through His Word leads us and by the power and presence of the Holy Spirit enables us to abide, and remain in HIM and HIS GLORY! We see a difference here between the investment in this earthly carnal life and the heavenly spiritual life (which we can share in now!). It begins with a choice. This choice is simply to abandon ourselves and to prioritize our Lord jesus Christ in our lives daily. It's the same principle as investing, as you add time, the interest in God and godliness in-

creases! How does this look like? Start your day off with 15 min of dedicated time reading the Bible; prayer and setting your heart and mind in our Lord Jesus. ASK the Lord, to help you throughout the day, to help organize things. What does HE WANT you to do? Gradually add more time and keep seeking the Lord, investing more time which I know seems counterproductive, BUT when you give God control of your life, what you will be able to do is incredible by HIS strength and blessing.

So how is your investing going? What are you investing in - the earthly carnal life that leads to broken behaviours, addictions or the spiritual life surrendered, led and transformed through the glory our our Lord Jesus Christ? In so doing we can and do experience His peace flowing like a river in our lives, regardless of what we face!

See you Sunday at 10:30am
Pastor Bhawani
Who will you invite?

### Did You Miss Sunday?

We gather at 10:30 am
every Sunday at the church
to worship, praise and hear
the Word of God.



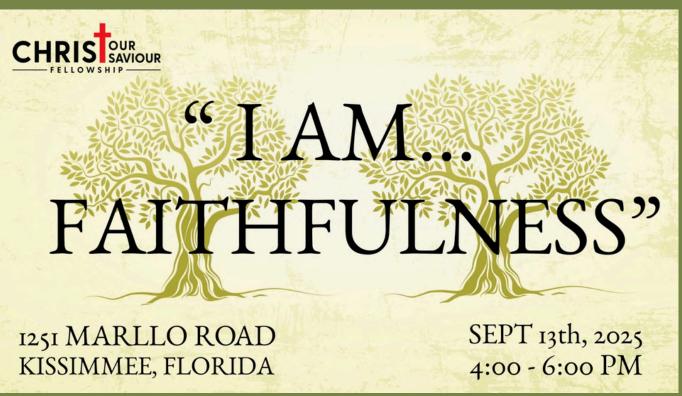
Wondering what our Sunday services look like?

- 10:30 ~10:50 Worship & Praise
- 10:50 ~11:25 Sermon
- 11:25 ~ 11:40 Worship & Praise
- Closing prayer

To view the most recent Sunday service from Christ Our Saviour Fellowship, please click on the link / image above.

To view the service archives please click **HERE** 





# What's Happening at COSF?

**Upcoming Events & Services** 

- COSF Summer Clean Up- underway
- COSF YOUTH Group- Fridays
- COSF Florida Sept 13th Service
- "I AM...FAITHFULNESS"
- Psalmy August A month of singing the Psalms to the Lord

### COMING SOON

It's time to declutter and shed some weight!

If you would like to help tidy up the house of the Lord, please speak to Anna... elbow grease IS required!





Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. 2 Corinthians 9:7

**CLICK HERE TO DONATE** 

We thank the Lord for ALL He has done and the magnificent labour that we are being led to do in His righteous name. COSF continues the programs that we have been led to offer along side regular Sunday services.

- -International / Local missions & revival events
- -Variety of classes and courses to strengthen God's people:
- -Alpha film series, Alpha Youth, Conquer,
- -Discipleship series, Mentorship-based Ministry Leadership Certificate



Hello everyone! Laura and Jacob here. We hope you are all having a great summer and enjoying sleeping in and some time away from school. Laura and I wanted to take a moment to encourage you all in something we see is a challenge for many today. Our world, in 2025, is very disconnected. We 'talk' to people by texting or sending snapchats, we may even watch reels of people's lives online all day long, but never really get a chance to connect with anyone. We appear connected to everyone, when in reality, society is very distant and disconnected. This can be challenging and scary when we experience it ourselves. Lots of times the adversary will lie to us, try to play on our emotions and tell us we are alone, that no one truly cares or is there for us. But we know what the Bible says. Isolation cannot be further from the truth. God has said to all of His children, in Hebrews 13:5 "I will never leave you, nor forsake you." We thank God that we can walk through life, in every moment, knowing that we are never alone. God will NEVER leave us nor forsake us, His children.

In addition, the Lord has given us brothers and sisters in our Lord Jesus Christ. God gave us a family in Him knowing that we will need each other. We will come into times where we need to be uplifted,

encouraged and reminded by one another of God's faithfulness. We all need help. We all need to learn how to walk in this world. The Bible speaks about this in 1 Thessalonians 5:11, "Therefore encourage one another and build up one another, just as you also are doing." We are meant to be there for each other. When one of us is falling, we can help pick them up.

Our times of fellowship/gathering are a blessing because we get to do exactly that, meet with the Lord and with each other as we encourage and grow together. With that being said, we have some news we want to share - starting in the fall, we will be hosting a weekly Friday Night Youth Group. This will be a great opportunity for weekly fellowship and growing in our faith and relationship with God. We will be providing a registration link and additional information in the coming weeks - so don't hesitate to come out and bring your friends, all are welcome!!! And please remember, you never walk alone!





Hello everyone! Over the past months, I have messaged with a brother from Bangladesh, and it has been an incredible encouragement to see his faith on display. He has been sick and injured multiple times, struggled with financial crisis, his son and daughter have been ill too. Through it all we have continued to pray together and seen the glory of our Lord triumph over every circumstance. It is such a blessing to watch a brother stand strong in his faith, always staying rooted in scripture, and trusting in God wholly in every aspect of his life. It truly brings joy to my heart, and is a demonstration of the transformative power of Christ. I pray it encourages you all. God bless you all!

Hello everyone! This week I wanted to share with you something that had blessed my heart. A sister shared with me some photos of a fellowship that they had on Friday night in Pakistan. They had their fellowship in an alley outside between two buildings, all sitting together on the ground with only a sheet laid across the ground. They had all enjoyed their time in fellowship and praising the Lord. I just thought that this was something to be appreciated to see how our brothers and sisters meet to glorify our Lord in other nations in conditions and circumstances that we cannot begin to imagine. Let's continue to lift up our brothers and sisters that the Lord continue to bless and lead them!

**Noah Martins** 

Emma Censoni

## classes & study

#### **Alpha Film Series**

The Alpha Film Series is emotive, engaging and epic in scale and scope. Nicky Gumbel and two new presenters, Toby Flint and Gemma Hunt, walk through the basics of the Christian faith in a way that everyone can relate to. The episodes feature inspiring stories and interviews from all around the world, as well as visual illustrations and motion graphics.

ALPHA film series - FALL Session
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 16<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

Location: Christ Our Saviour Fellowship

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Address: 250 Bayview Dr. Unit #7,

Barrie ON Cost : FREE



Alpha Youth Series is designed to engage students (11-18) in conversations about life, faith and Jesus. Discussion time is interspersed throughout the short talks to make it simpler for them to share their thoughts and questions.

New session of Alpha YOUTH series
FALL COURSE - FRIDAY YOUTH GROUP

Location: Christ Our Saviour Fellowship

Address: 250 Bayview Dr. Unit # 7, Barrie ON

Cost: FREE

**Alpha YOUTH! Series** 

#### The PRE Marriage Course



The PRE - Marriage Course is an opportunity for you to invest in your relationship through five inperson or online date nights created to help you to learn to communicate well, understand and appreciate your differences, and prepare for potential challenges.

New Sessions Begins in 2025- stay tuned Location: Christ Our Saviour Fellowship Course Journal required: a free PDF provided OR The Pre Marriage Journal available to purchase for \$15 each. The Marriage Course runs over seven sessions, and each session begins with sharing dinner as a couple, followed by a fun, insightful video covering topics that are relevant for every couple like Good Sex or Resolving Conflict. In short? Your marriage. But better challenges.

New Sessions Begins in 2025- stay tuned The Family Unit is vital and we're excited to introduce the Marriage course at COSF to help support the family unit! Please contact us if you are interested in participating in this course please contact us.



#### **Men's Conquer Series**

The Conquer Series is a powerful cinematic study that is transforming the lives of men around the world. Now in two action packed volumes, each containing Biblical teaching and proven principles to help men conquer porn and walk in freedom.

Men are finding freedom by the thousands. Dr. Ted Roberts, host of the Conquer Series, has personally counselled over 10,000 men with a 90% success rate. He's taken his proven Biblically-based process and incorporated it into the Conquer Series. We are now seeing thousands of men finding freedom from porn and remaining free for years!

2025 Course Dates - TBD

<u>Contact us</u> to find out more OR if you would like sign up for the upcoming course.







### MINISTRY LEADERSHIP 2 YEAR DIPLOMA

DETAILS: 12 OR 20 COURSE PROGRAMS, EACH COURSE 8 WEEKS COMPLETED AT OWN PACE. ALL

12 COURSES - CERTIFICATE OF COMPLETION

20 COURSES - DIPLOMA (ACCREDITED) WITH POTENTIAL TO BE APPLIED TOWARDS 25 COURSE DEGREE WITH KAIROS.

WHERE: ONLINE

MATERIAL: PROVIDED PER COURSE

COURSE DATES: BEGINS SOON - AUGUST 2025

COSF HAS PARTNERED WITH ARTOS ACADEMY FORMERLY OUR DAILY BREAD MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTE TO OFFER COURSES PER ROUTE COMPLETED WITHIN 2 YEARS A MENTORSHIP-BASED 2 YEAR MINISTRY LEADERSHIP CERTIFICATE. BY PARTICIPATING IN THIS PROGRAM. YOU ARE AT THE FOREFRONT GLOBAL THEOLOGICAL TRAINING FOR THE NATIONS!

#### **UPDATES:**

1.COURSES AND ADMIN PROCESS IS BEING SET UP AT THE MOMENT.

WE THANK THE LORD FOR HIS LEADING IN THIS!

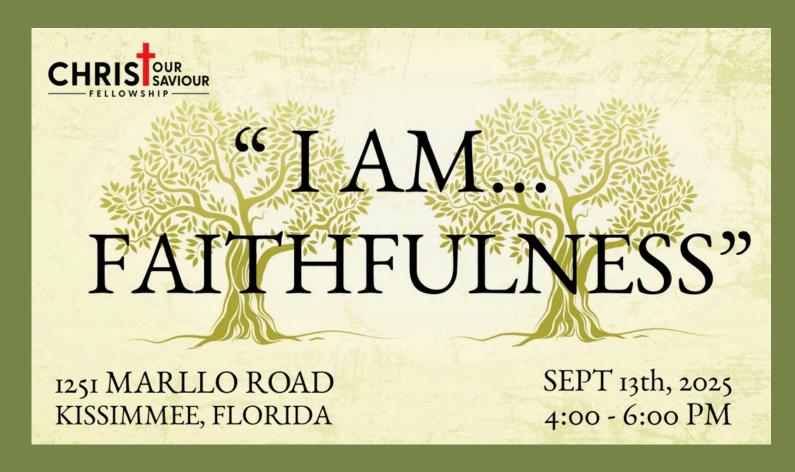
2. I HAVE BEEN ASSURED THAT THEY WILL BE READY BY JULY 28TH AND THAT REGISTRATION COURSES WILL STILL BE GOING OUT SHORTLY.

3. WHILE WAITING, CONSIDER THE ROUTE YOU WOULD LIKE THE 12 COURSE OPTION OR DIPLOMA LEADING TO DEGREE ( ACCREDITED)

# COSF Florida Christ Our Saviour Fellowship Florida

Christ Our Saviour Fellowship Florida
"I AM .... FAITHFULNESS"

We are looking forward to our next service in Florida! As we seek the Lord for guidance and preparations are under way, please pray for those who are again going forth as we continue to preach through the series on Galatians 5.





Date: September 13th, 2025
Times: 4:00pm - 6:00pm
Location: 1251 Marllo Road,
Kissimmee, Florida

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COSF Florida Church



COSF Africa- Brother mathias is recovering after surgery and we pray a speedy recovery. We continue to work through the discipleship program and look forward to where the Lord leads in the utilization of His people and church.





## COSF In-the-mations

#### **COSF Caribbean**



The waters of baptism await as the Word is preached and hearts are turned by the grace of the Lord. Please pray the Lord continue to move in the hearts of those throughout the region.





**COSF India & Pakistan Region** 

We begin the studies and discipleship training in the Pakistan and India region. Please pray for TRANSFORMATION of the hearts of the people and those studying and being prepared by the Lord.



**COSF Central & South America** 

## COSF @ Home



# Need a Ride to Church?

COSF & Right Now Media
Library



We have launched the right now media app. As we populate some of the rooms, you may receive an email asking you to download the app and join. If you are already using the right now media app (scan the QR code below) you can find the message rooms at the bottom in the message bubble. One of these groups is for Sunday transportation if you require a ride to Church on Sundays. Please let us know if you require a ride prior to Sunday as this will help us to coordinate things easier.





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## JEGNS LOVES ME: CHRISTIAN ESSENTIALS

A great tool for baptism classes, new believers, discipleship, and confidence about Christian beliefs.

What must you believe to be a Christian? When a Christian belief is controversial, who decides what is true?

In the Information Age, thousands of ideas compete for our attention, and the "truth" can feel up for grabs. But when it comes to Christianity, beliefs are a matter of eternal life or death.

Bestselling author and lead pastor John S. Dickerson invites Christians of all stages to equip themselves in this Biblical study, Jesus Loves Me: Christian Essentials for the Head and the Heart.

At a time when truth is up for grabs, a journalist-turned-pastor wants to help you understand what you believe and why. How? By using the simple lyrics to a beloved song:

"Jesus loves me, this I know, for the Bible tells me so."

A modern take on Biblical catechism and basic doctrine, this study helps each participant develop a commanding grasp of Christian theology.



## Prayers For The Saints

Church Prayer - Tuesday Mornings both your pastors are praying for YOU during our church prayer time. If you have a specific need or request please email us at: info@christoursaviourfellowship.com

#### Please Pray For:

- pray for Mathias in Africa and a full, speedy healing as he has just completed surgery to remove the infected and injured toe.
- Please pray for those participating in the leadership program that begins in the next few weeks. Pray the Lord uphold each of them, that they are successful in this: Sandy, Laura, Robin, Ellie, Anna, Ted, Gina, Jacob, Noah, Emma, Gertie
- COSF church location please pray for a swift, easy and joyful move as we finalize location details.

• The Youth need prayer and support - please pray for the Lord to lead and create a weekly youth group beginning in September.

Pray for the Baptism that is to take place that the Lord bless this and strengthen those called.

- Sam and His family, as the Lord is moving in his life and His wife's. Pray the Lord lead them to His side and that they learn of His goodness and truth
- Please pray for the street mission and continued support for feeding and providing for the Lord's people
- COSF Worship Service Sept 13th. Please pray the Lord lead us in delivering His word to the people of Kissimmee Florida, safety and provision. The remainder of the dates have been booked, please pray that the Lord provide a new location for the dates Sept 13<sup>th</sup>, Nov 1<sup>st</sup> and Dec 20<sup>th</sup>.
- Please pray for everyone in the congregation for help of the Lord to overcome challenges of the past, rebuke the lies of the evil one, grow in the Lord and to realize the glory of God in their lives.

### Scripture Memory Verse

The Good Shepherd

"The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep."

John 10:10-11



Are you ready to accept our Lord Jesus Christ as your personal Saviour and be obedient unto His command of Baptism? Please speak with us.

JOHN 10:10-11