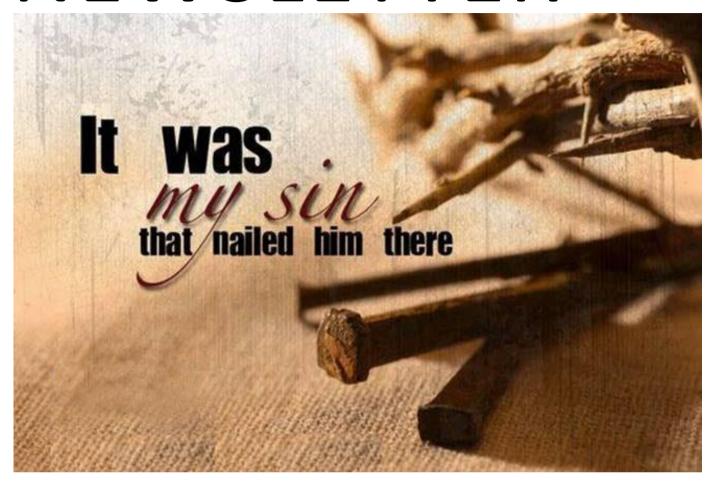
## **EUREKA BAPTIST CHURCH**

# NEWSLETTER





Sunday

March 11

Daylight Savings

Time Begins!

Saturday
March 17
Happy St.
Patrick's Day





Sunday

March 25

Palm Sunday

Friday

March 30

Good Friday





#### A Note from Pastor Seth

One emphasis we make at Eureka is for the Lord to use us as lights in our community. Jesus told believers to "let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven" (Matthew 5:16). The people in your life should notice a difference in you to the point where they say, "this person is different from the other people I know." I remember when I worked at a retail store during my college years I befriended a co-worker who did not know the Lord. I was having a conversation with him and another coworker when what he said caught me by surprise. He told the other co-worker that Seth does not use curse words in his vocabulary. He said this as if this was rare from the people that he knew. I could tell that he respected the fact that I chose not to use these vile words. This came as a surprise to me because I wanted to be a witness for Christ, but I did not realize that I was already doing this with something as simple as eliminating certain words from my speech. This friend and I grew a mutual respect for each other. While he did not know the Lord, he was a kind man whom I enjoyed spending time with.

The store we worked at was a running store in the Twin Cities. One of the requirements to work at this store was that you needed to be a runner. This friend and I were both avid runners. Living out the faith opened up the opportunity to share the gospel with this friend as we went on a run before work one day. As I mentioned, he respected me and cared for me, so that when I spoke he listened. I remember on one particular run we started talking about what happens to one when they die. I was able to share the gospel with him that if you believe in Christ your sins will be forgiven and you will have eternal life.

He listened to my words, but he did not receive Christ. I still pray for him to this day. But the point I am making in this pastor's page is that my life in the presence of an unbeliever mattered. If I were a hypocrite, he would not have listened to my words. He knew that I believed what I said because I lived it by God's grace (but certainly not perfectly). This made it so that he would listen to what I said even though he did not receive it. I want to stress that your life in the presence of an unbeliever matters. You may not know it, but you are being watched, and as you follow Christ you stand out from the sinful world around you. Then when the opportunity comes to share a good word for Christ they will listen. Let us at Eureka live out our faith and when the Lord opens a door may we be ready to share the only hope of the world to them (Colossians 4:3-6). As you shine for Christ with your actions, you will have one who is willing to hear you out when that opportunity arises.

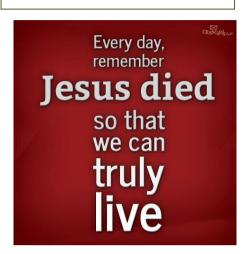
(Colossians 1:13-14). We see hope shine at the beginning of Genesis, and we see God's gracious commitment to humanity throughout the rest of Scripture as he shows this bright future through Christ for humanity.

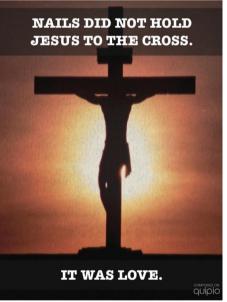
Grace and Peace, Pastor Seth

#### **Eureka Baptist Church**

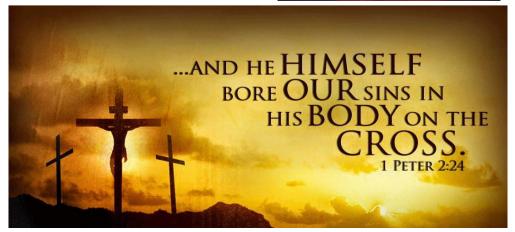
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Sunday Morning Service: 10:00am \*Kid's Church during Service Adult Sunday School: 9:00am Bible Study Wednesdays: 6:30pm











#### Sunday, March 25th 9:15am

Share some Treats, Egg Bake, and Doughnuts! Everyone is welcome. Please invite those friends and neighbors that might enjoy a Palm Sunday Service!



A reminder to change your clocks so you're not late for church! Sunday, March 11th Daylight Savings Time Begins



It's almost time to put in your order for Easter flowers!

An order forms will be included in the bulletin soon. Orders are due to Shaila by Monday, March 12th.

God created the universe with His life giving breath; Jesus saved the whole of creation with His final breath. It seems only fitting that we be willing to praise Him with all the breath we can give.



When He Prayed In The Garden It Was Us That He Did See Knowing That He Had To Die So We Could Be Set Free

When He Stood Before The People And They Shouted, "Put Him On The Cross" He Could Have Called Ten Thousand Angels But He Knew That We Were Lost

When They Stripped Him Of His Robe And Beat Him To The Ground He Could Have Called His Angels But Choose Not To Make A Sound

For It Was His Love So Great Yes His Love For Us That Made Him Stay Right There For He Knew It Was A Must

As He Walked Up That Road With Each And Every Step He Could Have Used His Power But It Was His Love That Kept

Moving Towards That Hill Where He Knew That He Would Bare Our Sins Upon His Chest Oh How Greatly He Does Care

> The Nails, They Were Driven Into His Feet And Hands For It Was The Only Way To Complete A Mighty Plan

There In The Middle
Of Two Thieves They Placed His Cross
What Did He See That Day
He Saw How We Were Lost

He Could Have Called His Angels And They Would Have Come Indeed But It Was Us That He Knew Who Would Be In Great Need

Our Sins, There Have Been Many Yes Many In Our Day These Sins He Paid In Full Because He Choose To Stay

Upon That Cross He Won
Our Battle To The End
Upon That Cross He Carried
All Of The Sins Of Men

All The Sins Of Those Who Are Covered In His Blood Yes He Carried That Cross For Us All Because It's Us He Loves

- T.B. LaBerge

written by Cathy Jo Moore







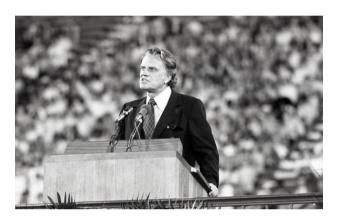


Rev. William Franklin Graham Jr.

November 7, 1918 - February 21, 2018

Evangelist Billy Graham took Christ literally when He said in Mark 16:15, "Go ye into all the world and preach the Gospel to every creature."

Mr. Graham has preached the Gospel to more people in live audiences than anyone else in history—nearly 215 million people in more than 185 countries and territories. Hundreds of millions more have been reached through television, video, film, and webcasts.



Since the 1949 Los Angeles Crusade vaulted Mr. Graham into the public eye, he has led hundreds of thousands of individuals to make personal decisions to live for Christ, which is the main thrust of his ministry.

Born November 7, 1918, four days before the Armistice ended World War I, Mr. Graham was reared on a dairy farm in Charlotte, N.C. Growing up during the Depression, he learned the value of hard work on the family farm, but he also found time to spend many hours in the hayloft reading books on a wide variety of subjects.

In the fall of 1934, at age 15, Mr. Graham made a personal commitment to Christ through the ministry of Mordecai Ham, a traveling evangelist, who visited Charlotte for a series of revival meetings.

Ordained in 1939 by Peniel Baptist Church in Palatka, Fla. (a church in the Southern Baptist Convention), Mr. Graham received a solid foundation in the Scriptures at Florida Bible Institute (now Trinity College of Florida). In 1943 he graduated from Wheaton College in Illinois and married fellow student Ruth McCue Bell, daughter of a missionary surgeon, who spent the first 17 years of her life in China.



After graduating from college, Mr. Graham pastored The Village Church of Western Springs in Western Springs, Ill., before joining Youth for Christ, an organization founded for ministry to youth and servicemen during World War II. He preached throughout the United States and in Europe in the immediate post war era, emerging as a rising young evangelist.

The Los Angeles Crusade in 1949 launched Mr. Graham into international prominence. Scheduled for three weeks, the meetings were extended to more than eight weeks, with overflow crowds filling a tent erected downtown each night.



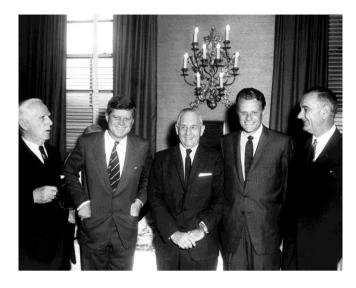
Many of his subsequent early Crusades were similarly extended, including one in London that lasted 12 weeks, and a New York City Crusade in Madison Square Garden in 1957 that ran nightly for 16 weeks.

Today, Mr. Graham and his ministry are known around the globe. He has preached in remote African villages and in the heart of New York City, and those to whom he has ministered have ranged from heads of state to the simple living bushmen of Australia and the wandering tribes of Africa and the Middle East. Beginning in 1977, Mr. Graham was given the opportunity to conduct preaching missions in virtually every country of the former Eastern bloc, including the former Soviet Union.

In 2013, Mr. Graham had the vision for proclaiming the Gospel across the United States and Canada, prompting the implementation of My Hope with Billy Graham, a grassroots evangelism outreach combining personal relationships with the power of modern media. Based upon a pioneering outreach that had already resulted in millions of decisions for Christ around the world since 2002, churches and individual Christians across the two countries were encouraged and equipped to pray and reach out to friends, family and neighbors using a powerful new film from BGEA. Approaching 95 years of age, Mr. Graham recorded a new video message, called "The Cross," for the project, which was made available for use in homes and churches as a tool for sharing the Gospel.



Mr. Graham founded the Billy Graham Evangelistic Association (BGEA) in 1950, headquartered in Minneapolis, Minn., until relocating to Charlotte, N.C., in 2003.



Mr. Graham's counsel has been sought by presidents, and his appeal in both the secular and religious arenas is evidenced by the wide range of groups that have honored him, including numerous honorary doctorates from many institutions in the U. S. and abroad.

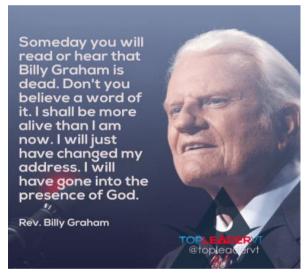
Recognitions include the Ronald Reagan Presidential Foundation Freedom Award (2000) for contributions to the cause of freedom; the Congressional Gold Medal (1996); the Templeton Foundation Prize for Progress in Religion (1982);



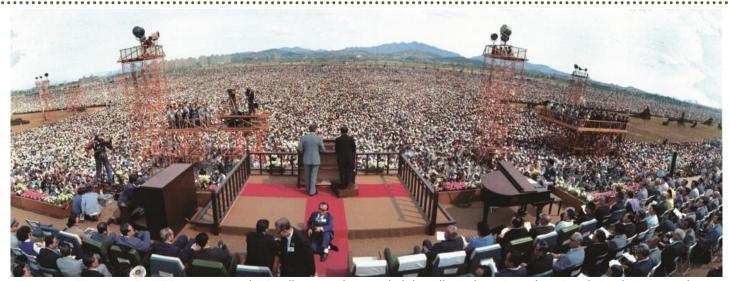
and the Big Brother Award for his work on behalf of the welfare of children (1966). In 1964 he received the Speaker of the Year Award and was cited by the George Washington Carver Memorial Institute for his contributions to race relations. He was recognized by the Anti-Defamation League of the B'nai B'rith in 1969 and the National Conference of Christians and Jews in 1971 for his efforts to foster a better understanding among all faiths. In December 2001 he was presented with an honorary knighthood, Honorary Knight Commander of the Order of the British Empire (KBE), for his international contribution to civic and religious life over 60 years.



Rev. Billy Graham died at age 99 at his home in North Carolina. But Graham wanted the world to know, he's not really dead, he's just moved to heaven.



Source: https://billvgraham.org/



From May 30 to June 3, 1973, an estimated 3.2 million people attended the Billy Graham Crusade in Seoul, South Korea, with 1.1 million traveling—mostly by foot—to the final service on the airstrip at Yoi-do Plaza.

Some 75,000 inquirers made a decision for Christ during that Crusade.



#### 1 Peter 4:10-11

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace: whoever speaks, as one who speaks oracles of God; whoever serves, as one who serves by the strength that God supplies—in order that in everything God may be glorified through Jesus Christ. To him belong glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

We don't *do* in order to measure up. We do *because* we measure up! Already we are accepted by Him. God can't love you any more than He already does! You are His peculiar treasure, and His thoughts toward you are precious and innumerable.

Here's how it's supposed to work. Focus on Him. See the unconditionality of His favor. Rest in His unwavering love. Allow that grace to foster in you a revitalized energy to please Him, serve Him, and love Him.

Contextualize everything you do by the God whom you love. With this mindset, mundane duties became majestic acts of service. Anonymous gifts become yours and God's little secret. Serving becomes its own reward.

Not with eyeservice, as menpleasers; but as the servants of Christ, doing the will of God from the heart;— Ephesians 6:6

For us believers, the boss is always watching. But our motivation is not one of duty or fear. He loves us, and we love Him! What we do is of inestimable value because He orders us to it, energizes us in it, and rewards us for it!

**He loves me. He died for me.** He has given me purpose. Only what's done for Him matters. I will meet Him face to face. Someday. Maybe today.

Involvement in ministry is a life of service for Jesus, like Jesus, and with Jesus. In fact, it's all about Jesus.

Now if that doesn't incentivize service, I don't know what will!

http://ministry127.com

#### **Church Ministry Teams meet twice a year.**

#### All are welcome! Please consider joining a team!

- > Worship Ministry Support Team: Lead Sunday Morning Service, Assist Music, Reading Scripture Members: Pastor Seth, Shaun, Brianna, Sharon, Shaila, Abby, Helen
- > Children's Ministry Team: Children's Church, Researches appropriate teaching material, Kid's Nights, Nursery Support. Members: Abby, Barb, Rachel, Shaila, Josie
- > Facilities Team: Building and grounds crew, lawn service and snow removal, custodial team. Members: Shaun, Gordon, Randy, Jeremy, Jeremiah
- > Fellowship Team: Church meals, Socials, Kitchen Managing. Members: Rachel, Rachael, Debi, Shaila
- > Compassion and Care Team: Church Support and organization. Members: Rachael, Susan, Anne
- > Adult Ministry Team: Wednesday Evening Bible Study, Game Nights, Adult Sunday School. Members: Barb, Pastor Seth, Brianna
- > Administration Team: Monthly Newsletter, Bulletins, Bills, Website, Facebook Page, Correspondence. . Members: Amber, Hansi, Pastor Seth
- > Youth Support Team: Lead Youth Bible Studies, Group Events. Members: Pastor Seth, Jeremy
- > Missions Team: Liaison between church and missionaries, schedule visits. Members: Abby, Barb, Hansi, Sandy

Meetings: Children's Team - March 4th, Administration Team - March 18th, Fellowship Team - April 8th, Adult Ministry Team - April 15th, Worship Team - April 29th



Sunday, March 11th After Morning Service



Wednesday Evenings at 6:30pm

### Happy Birthday!!

Josie Johnson 3/17 Sophie Lindo 3/19 Sharon Jorgenson 3/26 Debi Swanson 3/28

#### ----- The Church Triumphant

#### Chorus:

Let the Church be the Church, Let the People rejoice.

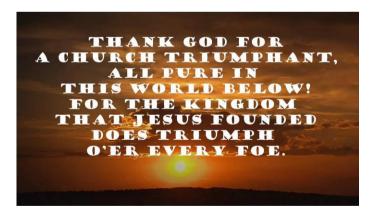
Oh, we've settled the question, We've made our choice. Let the anthems ring out, Songs of victory swell For the Church triumphant is alive and well.

This ship's been thru battles before Storms and tempests and rocks on the shore. Tho' the hull may be battered, Inside it's safe & dry It will carry its cargo to the port in the sky.

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Women's Bible Study Saturday, March 3rd 9:00am

Men's Breakfast Group Saturday, March 10th 8:00am

#### Words About...Church

We all know that a church is not a building. ~Robert H. Schuller

Anyone who is to find
Christ
must first find the
church.
How could anyone know where
Christ is
and what faith is in Him
unless he knew where His believers are?
~Martin Luther

# Church is who we are NOT where we go.

~ Jarrid Wilson

I go to church as an expression of my need for God and for God's family. ~Philip Yancey

There was a time when the Church was very powerful. It was during that time when the early Christians rejoiced when they were deemed worthy to suffer for what they believed. In those days the Church was not merely a thermometer that recorded the ideas and principles of popular opinion; it was a thermostat that transformed the mores of society.

~Martin Luther King, Jr.

A church is a hospital for sinners, not a museum for saints.



Submitted by Barbara Trombley



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