

# The Newsline

## Our family reaching out to your family

#### April 2022

### Welcome to April dear friends!

This year we have the privilege of celebrating the Resurrection of our Lord on Easter Sunday.

It's early Sunday morning. The sky had not lightened. (John 21:1) Dew hung on the plants. Birds were just beginning their morning songs. You could feel the cool of the morning but also the warmth that was surely to follow.

You hurry along in the silence. You are filled with sorrow from the events of three days earlier, but comforted in knowing you are to give your Lord the proper sendoff He deserves.

When you arrive at the tomb you see a grave with the stone rolled away from the opening. Could you have come to the wrong place? You try to make sense of the sight before you. Someone must have stolen His body!

One of you runs to tell the disciples that someone has taken Jesus. (John 20:2) The others stay behind, perplexed and trying to make sense of it all. (Luke 24:3) You go inside. Suddenly, two heavenly beings appear in dazzling white, as if they were the very source of that light.

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You're caught off guard. Your mouth involuntarily drops open. You step back in amazement and fear. You reach out your hand and it finds the side wall to steady you.

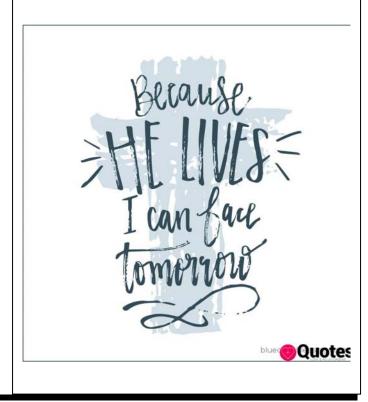
One of the visitors speaks. And he asks the question we all must ask ourselves.

"Why are you seeking the living among the dead?" (Luke 24:5)

The fear turns to hope, then excitement, and finally belief. "The One who told you He would rise again has done so! He isn't here. Because - say it with me guys - Jesus Is Alive!

Have a great April friends. He IS alive. And He loves you!

Pastor Brian





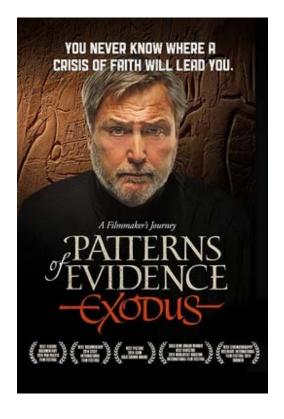


April 24<sup>th</sup> Quarterly Church Meeting

Make plans to stay following church for this important part of our family life –

## Patterns of Evidence

Adult Education Workshop April 24<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm Pizza, Salad, Pop & Dessert RSVP in Fellowship Hall





#### MONDAY June 27<sup>th</sup> – FRIDAY July 1<sup>st</sup>

G'day,mate! Are you ready for a trip to the Land Down Under? At Zoomerang VBS we will explore all the wonderful things about Australia. But most importantly we will learn how wonderful and valuable our lives are. From the time God made us until we spend eternity with him. Save the date June 27 thru July 1. 6:30 – 8:00. We can always use more helpers, if you're interested see Brenda.



*Celebrate Easter with a smile and a giggle!* Richard, my friend's little grandson came home from Sunday School and I asked him what they had studied. His reply was, 'Nothing.' So I asked him, 'Didn't you study Jesus?' Richard's reply was, 'No, he wasn't even there.'

Maria came home from Sunday School on Palm Sunday and told her mother that she had learned a new song about a cross-eyed bear named Gladly. It took her mother a while before she realized that the hymn Maria had been singing was really: "Gladly The Cross I'd Bear."

It was Palm Sunday but because of a sore throat, 5year-old Bobby stayed home from church with a babysitter. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds. Bobby asked them what they were for. 'People held them over Jesus' head as he walked by,' his father told him. 'Wouldn't you know it,' Bobby fumed, 'the one Sunday I don't go and he shows up.' SECOND QUARTER MISSION 2022 April - June Goal: \$1000.00 Toshe and Jessie Temelkov Bobi & Gabi Jakimovski CRU - Macedonia

The CRU-Macedonia mission to lead people to Christ is this guarter's mission. July 1-3 they will be celebrating with a special event 25 years of CRU in Macedonia. Bobi said It will be a time of remembering, recalling and recording what God has done for us, in us, and through us in Macedonia. The Temelkov and Jokimovski are serving two different locations in Macedonia so the mission money donations will be split between the two couples. Our goal is \$1,000 PLUS. We had an email dated February 1st from Bobi informing us that the situation in Eastern Europe was getting tense with the potential war between Russia and Ukraine and that many countries were recommended not to travel to Ukraine. Well, we know what's happened since this email! So this situation involves not only Ukraine but other Eastern Europe countries so please keep everyone in prayer.

Bobi also stated in his newsletter that he has been studying Apostle Peter and that in March he would be a part of a theological training called teleological foundation for leaders about the Life of Peter. Bobi also asks us to pray for their staff and student volunteers and their personal growth in the knowledge of the Word and their walk with God. He also shared these statistics with us that show the results of the team he leads consisting of staff and student volunteers for 2021. Initiated spiritual conversation with Gospel presentation -1639 and new professing believers - 18. Bobi asks us to pray for these new believers and their spiritual growth. They work with them individually through one-on-one discipleship and are praying that this is the future leaders. Give God the glory!



#### **April Mini Mission**

#### Licking County Jail Ministries Goal: \$100.00

Licking County Jail Ministries is a nonprofit Christian Organization serving the needs of inmates at the Licking County Justice Center since 1986. The ministry is led by a volunteer board of directors and guided by a full time chaplain who is on call 24/7 for inmates and their families. Also includes 2 assistant volunteer chaplains and numerous ministry volunteers.

The LCJM offers: 1) Spiritual counsel and direction to inmates both while incarcerated and upon release; 2) Provides crisis intervention and praver intercessions for inmates and their families; 3) Provide spiritual support for Licking County Justice Center's staff; 4) Inmates can choose to have a mentor who visits them weekly: 5) Oversee, coordinate and assist with volunteer led Bible studies; 6) Lead and coordinate weekly worship services in the Licking County Justice **Center; 7)** Assist inmates with spiritual, housing, transportation, and employment needs upon release; and 8) Vertical 196 outreach facility that offers help with many aspects of establishing new life after release.

Remember when writing a check for your donation make a note on the memo line that it's for April Mini Mission or Jail Ministry. Over the years some of our Deacons/Members have been involved in this ministry as volunteers leading in the Sunday Worship Service or Bible studies.