From the Pastor

I love the parables of Jesus. They are so rich and filled with more meaning than we could ever glean. Today we look at 'The Good Samaritan,' which was an oxymoron for sure because 1st Century Jewish folks didn't think there was such a thing as a Samaritan who was good. Samaritans were definitely considered as enemies.

The lawyer who came to Jesus wanted to disprove that Jesus could possibly be the Messiah. He tried to trap Him with the toughest question he could come up with. Jesus answered him by sending him to the prayer Jewish people prayed every single day, twice a day. It's known as the Shema Prayer. Hard question—easy answer!

Here's why Jesus asked the lawyer, "how do you read?" In Hebrew, back in that day, printed words had no vowels. The word for neighbor was "re'ah" and the word for enemy was "ra'ah." But when Jesus and this lawyer were little boys, they spent every day memorizing the Torah. When it came to this word, "r - h," the lawyer read it as 'neighbor' but Jesus read it as 'enemy.'

For the lawyer, because he was Jewish, the only ones qualified to be his neighbor were fellow Jews. And if he was a Pharisee, then his neighbor could only be another Pharisee. Sadly, the more knowledgeable they became, the more narrow they were in their scope.

When Jesus read the Torah, He read "love your enemy as yourself." This was not just your fellow Jew, this was anyone and everyone, especially those who hate you. And here's the deal. The closest any of us will ever come to loving ourselves and others with agape love is when we can love those who hate us the most.

According to Romans 5:8, this is the only way the Gospel of Jesus Christ ever reached any of us, because while we were enemies of the Cross, while we were yet sinners, Jesus died for us. That's a lot to chew on!

Blessings,

Randy & Pam

LOOKING FOR WAYS TO GIVE?

Website: trinity-life.org

SUBSPLASH Text Giving: Just text TrinityLV to 1-888-364-GIVE(4483) in order to receive a reply with the link to your giving interface.

Mail: send your donation to Trinity Life Center 1000 E. St. Louis Avenue Las Vegas, NV 89104

SUNDAY MORNINGS

9am Connect Point (various campus locations)

Insights Prayer Sanctuary

m Worship Service Sanctuary

Children's Service Kid Zone (C106-107)

Youth Service Youth Room (after worship)

WEDNESDAY NIGHTS

4:30pmGrief Support GroupPrayer Room (R104)6:30pmYouth ServiceYouth Room (C208-209)6:30pmChildren's ServiceKid Zone (C106-107)6:30pmRelentless Young AdultsConference Room6:30pm2:42 CLUB (fellowship, Bible study and prayer)

<u>Central</u> - (702) 734-2223 TLC - C111-C112

<u>Southeast</u>—(Kenny & Lynora Bayless) (702) 459-3589
 2641 Pershing Circle, Henderson, NV 89074

Southwest—(Lyle & Floretta Yenglin) (702) 326-4799
 7582 Coyote Cave Ave, Las Vegas, NV 8917

♦ Online - join us at 7pm! https://zoom.us/j/4912000483

THURSDAY

10am Mountain Movers Sanctuary

2nd FRIDAY

10:30am Senior Fellowship Fellowship Hall

4th SATURDAY

10:30am Fasting & Prayer Online Via Zoom https://us04web.zoom.us/j/6083655320

Randy & Pam Greer Vic & Sara Caruso Jimmy & Jamie Firzlaff Mike & Marjorie Husli Daniel & Jinay Kline Louie Pleitez Barbara Potop Associate Pastor/Prayer Ministry & MT Movers Oretta Andrews Larry Wayne Morbitt Associate Pastor/senior fellowship & hospital visitation Aaron & Erica Williams Joseph Grindley MEDIA MINISTRY LEAD PASTOR SENIOR ASSOCIATE PASTOR ASSOCIATE PASTOR MINISTRY & MT MOVERS WORSHIP PASTOR Larry Wayne Morbitt Associate Pastor/Prayer Ministry & Hospital Visitation Aaron & Erica Williams Associate Pastor/Senior Fellowship & hospital Visitation Aaron & Erica Williams Associate Pastor/Professional counselor Joseph Grindley MEDIA MINISTRY Tony & Kim Handy CREATIVE ARTS PASTOR

1000 E. St Louis Ave - Las Vegas NV 89104 702.734.2223 https://trinity-life.org

January 7, 2024



PASTOR RANDY GREER

"WHO IS MY ENEMY?"

LUKE 10:25-37



EVENTS

MOUNTAIN MOVERS...

will resume January 11th in the Sanctuary from 10am-12pm. Please consider joining us for a time of fellowship and prayer. You can submit your prayer request on our website or fill out a Prayer Request Card and place it in the offering plate. For more information, please see Pastor Oretta or call the church office.

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP...

All seniors are invited to join Pastor Kleg Friday, January 12th from 10:30am to 1pm in the Fellowship Hall. We will be singing hymns, praying for our country, and sharing a delicious lunch. Our special guest speaker will be Pastor Barbara Potop. She will be speaking on *Prayer & Praise*. See you then!

OUR 2:42 CLUB GROUPS...



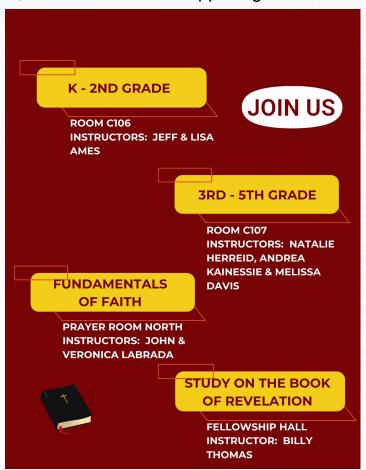
meet every Wednesday night at 6:30pm here in room C-111-112 and at other various locations (see back of the bulletin)

throughout the city for Potluck supper, Bible Study, Prayer and Fellowship. You can also be part of Club 2:42 via Zoom (go to trinity-life.org). Call the host of the group you are interested in joining or connect **via Zoom at 7pm**. Please see one of the pastors after service for more information.

EVENTS

OPPORTUNITIES TO STUDY THE WORD...

We have started the new year and it's a great moment to determine to get ourselves and our families into a more comprehensive Bible Study. Sunday mornings, at 9am, is our Sunday School hour, and here is what's happening...!



We are working to develop more classes for all ages. Pastor Larry Wayne, our Christian Education Director welcomes your suggestions. 'See you in class next week!

PRAYER EVENTS

INSIGHTS PRAYER

Sunday mornings in the Sanctuary at 9am

MOUNTAIN MOVERS

Thursday mornings in the Sanctuary 10am - 12pm

GATEKEEPERS PRAYER MEETING

Thursday, January 18th at 11am

4	
	
	
	