

*Welcome*

APRIL 21, 2024

# Renewed

## Scripture

- 1 God said to Jacob, “Get up! Go to Bethel and settle there. Build an altar there to the God who appeared to you when you fled from your brother Esau.”
- 2 So Jacob said to his family and all who were with him, “Get rid of the foreign gods that are among you. Purify yourselves and change your clothes.
- 3 We must get up and go to Bethel. I will build an altar there to the God who answered me in my day of distress. He has been with me everywhere I have gone.”
- 4 Then they gave Jacob all their foreign gods and their earrings, and Jacob hid them under the oak near Shechem.
- 5 When they set out, a terror from God came over the cities around them, and they did not pursue Jacob’s sons.
- 6 So Jacob and all who were with him came to Luz (that is, Bethel) in the land of Canaan.
- 7 Jacob built an altar there and called the place El-bethel because it was there that God had revealed himself to him when he was fleeing from his brother.
- 8 Deborah, the one who had nursed and raised Rebekah, died and was buried under the oak south of Bethel. So Jacob named it Allon-bacuth.
- 9 God appeared to Jacob again after he returned from Paddan-aram, and he blessed him.
- 10 God said to him, “Your name is Jacob; you will no longer be named Jacob, but your name will be Israel.” So he named him Israel.
- 11 God also said to him, “I am God Almighty. Be fruitful and multiply. A nation, indeed an assembly of nations, will come from you, and kings will descend from you.
- 12 I will give to you the land that I gave to Abraham and Isaac. And I will give the land to your future descendants.”
- 13 Then God withdrew from him at the place where he had spoken to him.
- 14 Jacob set up a marker at the place where he had spoken to him—a stone marker. He poured a drink offering on it and poured oil on it.
- 15 Jacob named the place where God had spoken with him Bethel.      Genesis 35:1-15 CSB



## Additional Resources

*Explore the Bible: Genesis, Spring 2024; Biblegateway.com; preceptaustin.org;  
Biblehub.com/commentaries; The New American Commentary, Genesis, Kenneth A. Matthews*





# God's Word - Devoted to Him

## When Do You Pray?

*We may approach God with freedom and confidence. Ephesians 3:12*

In Genesis 32 Jacob is headed homeward. Although twenty years have passed, his conscience is still actively accusing him about his treatment of his brother. When he hears that Esau is on the way with 400 men, Jacob is filled with fear. Then he prays!

We hear of Jacob turning to God in prayer only at the beginning and end of that twenty years. Both times he is afraid. Here he is, trembling between the past and the future. How like many of us. An uneasy conscience about the failures of the past and an uncertainty about what lies ahead cause some Christians to be petrified with apprehension.

Jacob's prayer was brief yet impressive. Most assuredly he did the right thing in the time of trouble, he turned to God. As he speaks, four things are evident in his petition: a recognition of the covenant-keeping God (v. 9); a confession of personal unworthiness (v. 10); a plea for deliverance (v. 11); an appeal for blessing based on the promises (v. 12). Each of us should follow the same pattern as we approach the "God of all grace."

When we are trembling between the mistakes of the past and the anticipated troubles of the future, we should take it to the Lord in prayer. He delights to hear our voice lifted in frequent and fervent petition.

To remind God of His promise is one of the privileges of prayer. –Tucker



From: *Bless The Lord, O My Soul*

*God's blessings are dispersed according to the riches of his grace,  
not according to the depth of our faith.*

*Max Lucado*

# SOAP

**SCRIPTURE** - Read the passage of the day

**OBSERVATION** - Write the point of the passage

**APPLICATION** - Ask yourself how this Scripture applies to your life

**PRAYER** - Ask God to help you use this Scripture

## Dreamer

Main Passage for April 28 – Genesis 37:5-8, 18-28 CSB

**Monday** - Genesis 37:5-8

**Wednesday** - Genesis 37:21-24

**Friday** - Genesis 37:26-27

**Tuesday** – Genesis 37:18-20

**Thursday** - Genesis 37:25

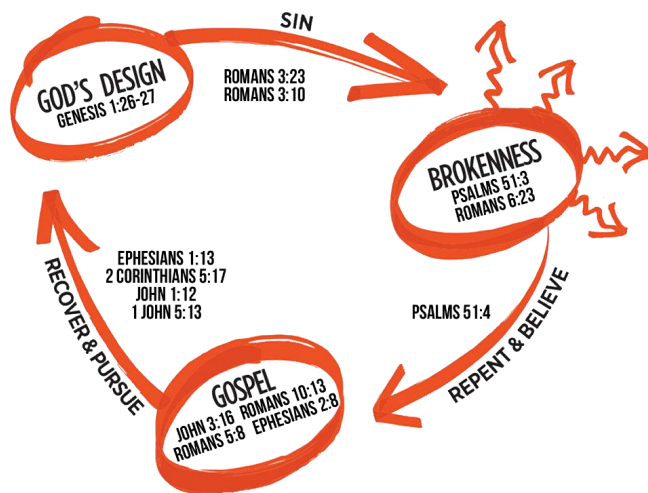
**Saturday** - Genesis 37:28

Memory Verse: Proverbs 27:4

*Fury is cruel, and anger a flood, but who can withstand jealousy?*

## Mission Statement

Glorifying God by connecting people to become fully devoted followers of Jesus Christ





# CONNECT CHURCH

## Attendance & Offering

On Campus & Online	848
Offering	\$ 47,839.20



## Respect for Abel

The first portion we spend should be the tithe. That is the firstfruit. And according to Exodus 13, that first portion is the redemptive portion. The first portion has the power to redeem the rest. This is the essence of Paul's message in Romans 11:16:

For if the firstfruit is holy, the lump is also holy; and if the root is holy, so are the branches.

There are so many blessings that go along with tithing, but it is the principle of putting God first and the principle of faith that initiates the blessings. It is the trigger.

The first portion is the portion that redeems the rest. The first portion carries the blessing. That's why you don't want to give the first portion to the mortgage company. Unfortunately, it seems that many Christians fear the IRS and the mortgage company more than they fear God.

Another way to say that is, we respect them more than we respect the Lord. The tither says, "Yes, I have a stack of bills here, but I'm going to give to God first and trust Him to bless the rest of the 'lump.'"

There was much more at stake than money when Abraham offered his firstborn son, Isaac. You'll notice that Abraham didn't wait to see if he had 10 sons before he gave his first one. Nor did God go to Abraham when he only had Isaac and say, "After you have had four or five more sons, I'm going to come to you and ask you for one of them."

No, God asked for the first when one was all he had! Abraham had only the promise of having more sons. It took faith for Abraham to offer Isaac. And faith is precisely what tithing requires. It is giving God the first, in faith.

To be continued...  
From *The Blessed Life*



## Connect Church Prayer Request



PRAYER IS US ENTERING THE COMMUNICATION OF HEAVEN. IF WE DON'T LISTEN, WE ARE BUTTING IN (ROMANS 8:26-28).

KEVIN SHORTER



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## CONNECTION GROUPS

### SUNDAY

**Parents of Young Children** - 9:00 AM - Marlon Francis:  
m4francis@gmail.com

**Students** - 9:00 AM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today

**Families** - 9:00 AM - Sam Jay: jays717@bellsouth.net

**Adults** - 10:30 AM - Clayton Hutcheson: claybmw@bellsouth.net

**Young Adults** - 1:00 PM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today

### MONDAY

**Men** - 7:00 PM - Edgar Gregory: egregoryac@gmail.com

### TUESDAY

**Ladies** - 9:30 AM - Tryna Groat: atgroat619@hotmail.com

**Adults** - 6:30 PM - Richard Cooper: richruth142@yahoo.com

**Men** - 7:00 PM - Chip Hausman: jwmhausman@gmail.com

### WEDNESDAY

**MOPS** - 9:00 AM - Michele Williams: drbmw37@gmail.com

**Students** - 6:30 PM - Tristan Nelson: tristan@cc.today

**Worship Team** - 7:00 PM - Duval Madrigal:  
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**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Dale Faircloth: dale@cc.today

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**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Sam Burton: skburton@tropicalpcb.com

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Mike Eleveld: mike@cc.today

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Derek Lee: DJ1MK1@gmail.com

**Ladies** - 7:00 PM - Molly Maharaj: merrymolly@rocketmail.com

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### THURSDAY

**Adults** - 7:00 PM - Leslie Dakers: ladakes@hotmail.com

### SATURDAY

**Adults** - 6:00 PM - Neil Picart: neilpicart@gmail.com





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*Join Us for  
Refreshments on  
the Patio Today!*



*Stay and Visit  
Following  
the Service!*

**Awana - Tie Dye Night**  
*April 24th*

**CT - Costa Rica Training**  
*April 28th*

**OCC - Celebration**  
*April 28th*

**Parent's Equipped to Train**  
*April 28th*

**Awana - Dress Wacky Night**  
*May 1st*

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# CONNECT CHURCH



Tie Dye Night  
APRIL 24th - 6:30 PM



Time to wear your crazy  
Tie Dye outfits!



**Costa Rica**  
Mission Trip Training

**April 28th**  
12:00 PM to 1:30 PM  
Activity Center



Registered CT Travelers - Lunch Provided  
For more info. - [tristan.nelson@cc.today](mailto:tristan.nelson@cc.today)





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Operation Christmas  
Child Celebration

**April 28th - 1:00 PM**  
Worship Center

Featuring a Shoebox  
Recipient's Testimony

Reaching the Ends of the  
Earth with the Gospel

## Parent's Equipped to Train Seminar

Navigating the Critical Issues  
Facing Parents Today  
Concerning Technology and Social Media  
Part Two

**April 28th**  
**3:00 PM**

Children's Department  
Register online at [cc.today](http://cc.today)

For more information – Janet Plummer – [askadminex@gmail.com](mailto:askadminex@gmail.com)



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## Breaker Rock Beach

God's Rock Solid Truth  
In A World Of Shifting Sands

Vacation Bible School

June 24th - 28th

9:00 AM - 12:00 PM



For More Info. - [stacy.gatlin@cc.today](mailto:stacy.gatlin@cc.today)

## Word of Life Camp

July 14th - 19th

Eight to Twelve Year Old Kids

For more info. - [stacy.gatlin@cc.today](mailto:stacy.gatlin@cc.today)  
Register online at [cc.today](http://cc.today)

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