### **MEET OUR STAFF**



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# SHARE THE JOURNEY

#### GET INVOLVED

Sunday, April 16 9:30a Bible Study Worship Service 10:45a Kid's Church 10:45a **VBS Volunteer Training** Sunday Evening Worship 5:00p 5:00p Ecclesia 5:00p Student Huddle 5:00p Praiz Kidz 5:00p Journey Groups

Tuesday, April 18

6:00p Celebrate Recovery
6:00P AHG/ Trail Life
6:00p Zumba Fitness for Ladies
6:30p Circle of Hope Bible Study

Wednesday, April 19 6:00p Connect

5:00p Student Midweek

5:00p Awana

7:00p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, April 20

9:30a Women's Bible Study6:00p Zumba Fitness for Ladies

CHURCH SECURITY: For security purposes, the doors to the church buildings will be open 30 minutes before a service or event. This includes Sunday mornings and Sunday evenings.

(Please note that the calendar was correct at the time of printing. Changes may have occurred after printing that would cause the calendar to be inaccurate.)

#### **COUNT OUR BLESSINGS**

Budget Gifts Last Week \$23,838.79 Given Year to Date \$731,370.11 Need Year to Date \$725,489.00

# STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

Go to nbcvictoria.org/wg for a digital copy of this Worship Guide



#### CHILD AND BABY DEDICATION

There will be a Baby and Child Dedication on May 14 during the morning worship service. If you would like to participate, please register on the Events Page of our website by May 10. We will need a picture of your child; email it to hannah@nbcvictoria.org.

#### **SENIOR SUNDAY**

Mark your calendars for Senior Sunday on May 21. Please sign up at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page by 5/14/23. After completing the form, email your baby and senior photos to hannah@nbcvictoria.org by 5/14/23.

#### ANNIE ARMSTRONG EASTER OFFERING

Our final total for the Annie Armstrong Offering was \$10,160.40. Thank you for your help in contributing toward our goal to support North American Missions.

#### SENIOR ADULT DAY BY THE BAY

Mark your calendar for May 2 the Senior Adult Day by the Bay from 9AM-3PM at the Palacios Baptist Encampment. Morning worship, followed by a camp-provided lunch, then afternoon worship. Cost is \$20 per person. Sign up in your Sunday Morning Bible Study or call the church office 361-578-1568.

#### WIDOW VEHICLE CHECK UP

May 6, 2023 we are hosting a vehicle check up for widows from 9AM-12PM. Volunteers will check the oil, fluid levels, battery connections, tire pressure, spare tire, mileage, stickers, and wiper blades.. If you would like to help with this ministry sign up at the Connect Center or text Dewayne Jackson at 970-759-0055.

#### STCH OPEN HOUSE

STCH is having an open house for the new Jack Green Counseling building on May 5 from 11AM-1PM. Everyone is welcome to come to the open house.



#### VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING

If you want to be a volunteer during VBS, you must attend one of the following trainings: today, April 16, or May 21 immediately following the worship service. Lunch will be provided. Register to volunteer at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page.

#### VBS SAVE THE DATE

Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School on June 11-15, 2023. Stellar VBS is for children exiting kindergarten through exiting 4th grade. Merge is for kids exiting 5th grade. Sign your kids up on the Events Page of our website.

#### VALLEY MISSION TRIP MEETING

If you are attending the mission trip, July 10-14, there will be a meeting next Sunday, April 23, immediately following the worship service. We will meet as a big group and then divide into teams. Lunch will be provided. Please register at nbcvictoria.org so we can get a head count for meals.

#### NIGHT OF PRAYER AND PRAISE: NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

This month's Night of Prayer and Praise falls on the National Day of Prayer. TrailLife and AHG will lead the service on Thursday, May 4 at 6:00 PM. This year's theme is James 5:16b "The effective, fervent prayer of a righteous man avails much."

#### OVER THE EDGE PRETEEN CAMP

Preteen Camp is July 17-21, 2023 in Palacios at the Texas Baptist Encampment. This is for children who have completed 3rd-5th grade. The full cost is \$250 and is due by 6/23/23. Register today at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page.

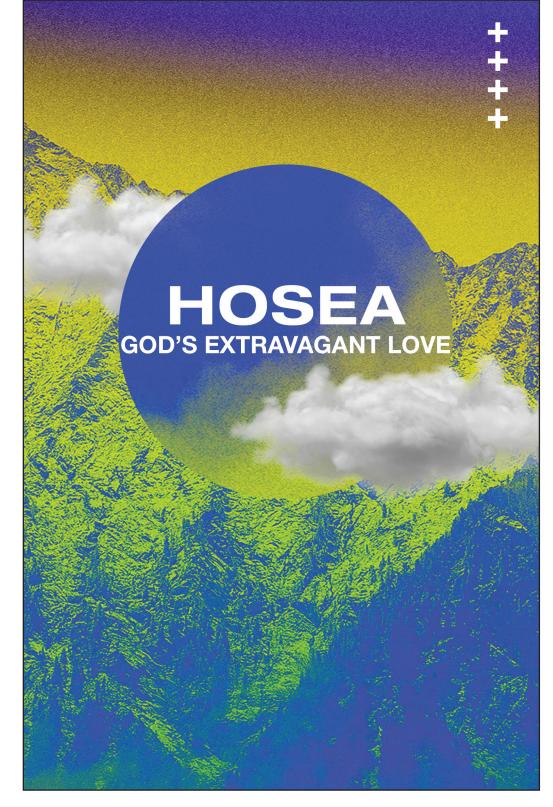
#### SUMMIT STUDENT CAMP MEETING

Students will be going to Generate Camp from June 5-9, 2023. There will be a parent and student meeting on May 7 at 4:30 PM. You will receive camp schedule, packing list, bible study information, and fill out release forms. We will have a notary present at this meeting to notarize your forms. Please put this date on your calendar and make every effort to attend.

Registration for camp closes April 30! Register today on the Events Page of our website.



April 16, 2023



# THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

What is your response when times get difficult? Is that response different depending on whether your difficulty is self-inflicted or out of your control? How far down a difficult road do

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you have to travel before you stop and turn to the Lord? Today's text has a very specific call, turn to God and stop relying on self.

We live in a culture where it is difficult to let go. We will try everything to solve our own problems. We will overthink it, talk to others, research it on the internet – anything to get resolution. However, what happens when no

help can be found? How do we respond when we are along for the ride and there is nothing we can do about it?

Israel, as a whole, had gotten themselves in quite a mess. They had tried everything they knew to do to get out of it. Unfortunately, all of their efforts only seemed to make matters worse, not better. As Hosea speaks to them in chapter 12, he tells them they need to turn to God. As an example, he offers up their ancestor, Jacob. One story in particular stands out. It is a story that takes place in Genesis 32.

In this story, Jacob encounters an angel. We are told that the angel wrestled with him all night. When morning came, the angel tells Jacob to let him go. However, Jacob says that he will not let go until the angel blesses him. As a result, he receives the blessing.

The message that God is communicating through Hosea is that instead of trying to solve things on our own, maybe we need to do a little "wrestling." We need to spend some time really seeking God, asking Him to move, and being willing to submit our own plans to Him. We do not want to wrestle in the sense that we oppose God, but instead, to seek God.

Let me encourage you to do a little wrestling in prayer this week as it relates to the areas of need in your life.

Honored to be your pastor,



# WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



## TODAY'S WORSHIP

House of the Lord (Wickham/Smith)

### THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

#### WELCOME & PRAYER

Cornerstone (Mote/Morgan/Myrin/Liljero)

*Glorify the Name* (Adkins)

Goodness of God (Cash/Johnson)

MESSAGE
Pursue God
Hosea 11:12-12:14
Darrell Tomasek

#### TIME OF COMMITMENT

Revelation Song (Riddle)

#### **GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS**

His Name is Wonderful (Mieir)

**PARTING BLESSING & PRAYER** 

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- Up-to-date Northside happenings
- Online event registrations
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## **SERMON NOTES**



# God's Extravagant Love Pursue God Hosea 11:12-12:14

**THE BIG IDEA**: There comes a point when we must stop trying to solve everything ourselves and seek God.

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