## **MEET OUR STAFF**



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# SHARE THE JOURNEY

#### GET INVOLVED

Sunday, May 21

9:30a Bible Study
10:45a Worship Service
10:45a Kid's Church
5:00p Sunday Evening Worship
5:00p Ecclesia
5:00p Student Huddle
5:00p Kid's Bible Study
5:00p Journey Groups

Tuesday, May 23

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

Wednesday, May 24

6:00p Quarterly Church Conference

6:00p Student Midweek 6:00p Extreme Kids Live 7:00p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 25

6:00p 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 \$46,677.32 Given Year to Date \$867,565.31 Need Year to Date \$883,204.00

# STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

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



#### **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.

#### **VBS SNACK DONATIONS**

If you would like to donate toward VBS snacks through Walmart or HEB gift cards this year, pick up a designated paper slip of your amount choice from the Connect Center. Please bring your gift card to the church office or place it in the offering plate in a marked envelope designated VBS snacks.

#### **VBS VOLUNTEER TRAINING**

If you want to be a volunteer during VBS and did not attend the first meeting, you must attend on May 21 immediately following the worship service. We still need student and adult guides. If you want to volunteer, register at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page.

#### SUMMIT STUDENT SUMMER EVENTS

Check out the Summit Students Summer Calendar on nbcvictoria.org/students. Add these events to your calendar so you don't miss out!

### NEW STREAMING APPS-APPLE TV & ROKU

If you have the Northside streaming app on Apple TV or Roku, it will be changing to a new app called "NBC Victoria". The old app will still be available for a few months, but take some time to download the new one.

#### NORTHSIDE SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Registration for the 2023-2024 school year is open! Our school is for 2 year olds through fifth grade and offers extended care hours until 5:30PM. We have certified teachers in Kinder - 5th grade, small classes, and a Christian atmosphere. Call 578-5601 or check out the website, nbsvictoria.org, for more information.



#### SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

A Victoria family is offering three \$1,000 scholarships to children or grandchildren of a Northside Baptist Church member. You can pick up an application at the church office. All applications are due back to the church office by July 3 at 4:00pm.

#### **ECCLESIA**

Join us on Sunday nights at Ecclesia at 5:00 PM in the Worship Center. Come for a time of worship and digging into the word. All are welcome!

#### EXTREME KIDS LIVE

Extreme Kids Live is back! Kids entering kindergarten through exiting 5th grade can join Pastor Dave at 6:00pm on Wednesdays for radical fun. Bring your friends. You won't want to miss this!



#### NORTHSIDE SOCIAL MEDIA

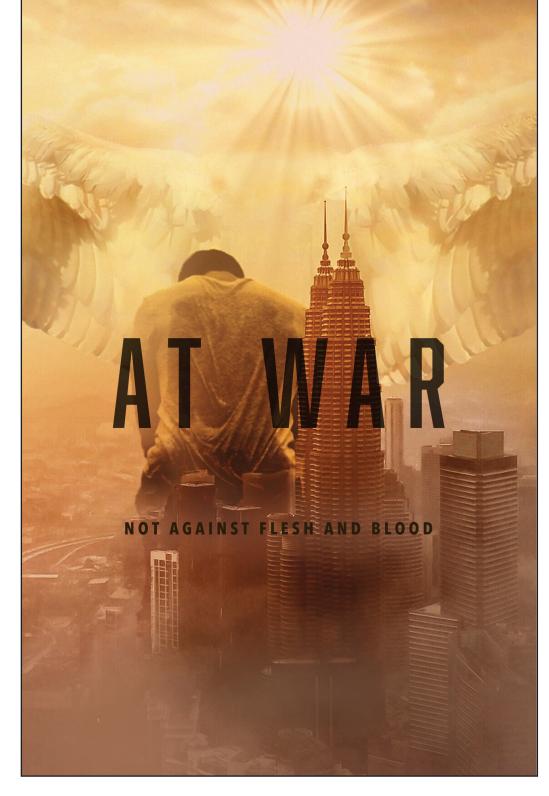
Follow our Facebook and Instagram page to stay up to date on all the events happening at Northside.
Facebook- www.facebook.com/nbcvictoria
Instagram- @nbcvictoria
Website- www.nbcvictoria.org

#### 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.



May 21, 2023





# THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

We live in a day and age where everything works together to keep us riled up, if we will allow it. From cable news networks, to social media, to the browser on your internet

COne of the greatest schemes I think the devil pulls off is misdirecting our attention from where it should be. – all of these things feed us what they know will keep us coming back. Sadly, for the believer, we too often allow these things to steal our joy and peace. Instead of walking in faith, we find ourselves angry, worried, and out of control.

attention from where it should be. It is important for us to remember that God has called us to be a people of faith. On top of that, we are to display the Fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23): love, joy, peace, patience, kindness,

goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control. Take a look at that list. Does this define the life you are currently living?

Today, we will be looking at Ephesians 6:10-20. These passages will remind us that our battle is not against flesh and blood (v. 12). Instead, we battle against the devil and his schemes. One of the greatest schemes I think the devil pulls off is misdirecting our attention from where it should be. In so doing, he successfully steals our joy and our peace. He has us focused on the wrong things.

So, if I am not to focus on what is going on around me immediately, what am I supposed to be focused on? There are several things that our text outlines for us: we are to be strong in the Lord and the strength of his might (v. 10). We are to put on the full armor of God (v. 13). We are to be a people of prayer (v. 18). And, we are to pray that there is a freedom to proclaim the mystery of the gospel boldly (v. 19).

No one is going to tell you that this is where the battle truly lies. You will not hear it from you favorite news anchor, you are not likely to see it on social media, and you are even less likely to see it pop up on your favorite browser. Thus, Satan successfully distracts us and gets us focused on things that are strategically useless. Make sure that you are standing strong and do not fall for these schemes.

Honored to be your pastor,



# WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



## TODAY'S WORSHIP

#### **BAPTISM**

God So Loved (Cash/Cash/Cash/Bergthold)

THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

**WELCOME & PRAYER** 

#### **SENIOR RECOGNITION**

Know You Will (Hastings/Houston/Thomas)

One Thing Remains (Johnson/Riddle/Black)

Revelation Song (Riddle)

MESSAGE
Let's Fight!
Ephesians 6:10-20
DARRELL TOMASEK

#### TIME OF COMMITMENT

I Am Barabbas (Queen)

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

Adonai (Renzema)

**PARTING BLESSING & PRAYER** 

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1. Open You Version Bible app.

3. Go to Events and find Northside.

2. Click more.

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## LISTEN ONLINE Sunday Sermons are on our website: nbcvictoria.org

# Connect @ Northside

Visit our website @ nbcvictoria.org for:

- Up-to-date Northside happenings
- Online event registrations
- Facebook/ Instagram
- Newsletter

# **SERMON NOTES**



## Not Against Flesh and Blood Let's Fight Ephesians 6:10-20

**THE BIG IDEA**: In order to be successful, and honor our God, we must recognize where the fight truly lies.

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