## **MEET OUR STAFF**



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## SHARE THE JOURNEY

#### GET INVOLVED

Sunday, July 2

9:30a Bible Study 10:45a Worship Service 10:45a Kid's Church

5:00p Freedom Weekend Celebration

*Tuesday, July 4*Office Closed- Happy Fourth of July!

Wednesday, July 5

6:00p Connect

6:00p Student Midweek 6:00p Extreme Kids Live

7:00p Worship Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, July 6

6:00p Zumba Fitness for Ladies

Friday, July 7

8:45a Widows Breakfast

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 Given Year to Date Need Year to Date \$23,285.38 \$991,059.11 \$1,072,462.00

## STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

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



#### VALLEY MISSION TRIP

This summer, July 10-14, we will be going to the Valley for a mission trip. We will be leading a construction project, life skills classes, sports camp, and evening outreach movie nights. As a church we will need to provide \$30,000 to fund the projects. If you would like to contribute, please mark your gift "Valley Mission Trip".

If you are going on the summer mission trip on July 10-14, Buckner needs each member to register specifically with them. Please go to nbcvictoria.org on the Events page and register today.



#### NIGHT OF PRAYER AND PRAISE

Mark your calendar on September 7 for the return of Night of Prayer and Praise. We will gather in the Worship Center at 6:00 PM every first Thursday of the month. All are welcome. Join us as we focus our hearts and minds on the Lord.

## STCH iCARE CONFERENCE

STCH is hosting the iCARE conference on August 1 from 8:00am- 5:00pm. CEU credits will be given for participating. It is \$30 per person with breakfast and lunch included. Topics include: Healthy boundries, grief, joy through trials, victim to survivor, suicidality in teens, helping teens, anxiety, and more. To register go to www.stchm.org/icare-victoria. For questions call STCH at 361-575-5151.

## 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.





#### FREEDOM WEEKEND

Join us tonight, July 2, at 5:00pm for our Freedom Celebration Weekend. You will not want to miss this time of food, fellowship, worship, baptism, and the homemade ice cream contest. Invite some friends and join us!

#### WOMEN OF GRACE BREAKFAST

The next breakfast for Women of Grace is this Friday, July 7, at 8:45am in Building D. Please bring \$6.50 for your breakfast. All widows are invited.

## 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.



## **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

We are beginning to collect items for Operation Chrismas Child. We will collect bar soap and washcloths for OCC in July. Please drop off your items at the church office.



## SUMMIT STUDENT PARENT MEETING

July 30, immediately following the worship service, we will have a Summit Student Parent meeting. We will discuss events and vision for this fall. Lunch will be provided. Please register at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page to submit a head count for the meal.



July 2, 2023



## THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

Last week we considered the question, "Why do bad things happen to good people?" Today, we will consider a closely related question, "How do I deal

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with tragedy in a God honoring way?" In preparation for today's sermon, I tried to consider Biblical personalities that had endured tragedy. The more I looked, the more I realized that nearly every single person in the Bible had faced hardship.

The fact is hardship is a part of life. None of us get a pass. Some hardships are worse than others, but every one of us is in for a ride. I guess this should not shock us since we are told in the Bible, "That through many tribulations we must enter the kingdom of God" (Acts 14:22). If this is the reality, then we must consider how we honor God through it all.

In the short list of personalities I considered included Job, David, Moses, Joseph, Ruth, Paul, Jesus, and Elijah. All people who served God and all people who faced hard times. As I considered these people, several parallels begin to emerge. It really was amazing to see the similarities.

All of these people had a high view of God. All of these people had great faith. All of these people endured hardship that was not primarily their fault. Yet, all of these people faithfully served and continued to worship the Lord. I hope that we will learn from their example. We too must keep our eyes on the Lord. We too must endure hardships with great faith. We too can honor God even in the hard times.

Whatever you may be facing today, trust it to the Lord. Try not to focus on how long you must endure, but rather, on the fact that God walks with you. Place your trust in Him and allow Him to use your situation for His good.

Honored to be your pastor,



## **TODAY'S WORSHIP**

The Lion and the Lamb (Brown/Johnson/Mooring)

## THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

#### WELCOME & PRAYER

Graves into Gardens (Lake/Brown/Furtick/Hammer)

Yet Not I but Through Christ in Me (Robinson/Farren/Thompson)

Christ our Hope in Life and Death (Getty/Kauflln/Papa/Boswell/Merker)

#### **MESSAGE**

How Do I Deal with Tragedy in a Way That Honors God? Genesis 37-50 Darrell Tomasek

#### TIME OF COMMITMENT

I Surrender All (Wheeler/Deventer/Weeden)

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

Reckless Love (Asbury/Culver/Jackson)

## **PARTING BLESSING & PRAYER**

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## WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



## 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

# Connect with YouVersion

- 1. Open You Version Bible app.
- 2. Click more.
- 3. Go to Events and find Northside.

Our guest wi-fi is currently under maintence. Sorry for any inconvience.

## **SERMON NOTES**



## **Asking for a Friend** How Do I Deal with Tragedy in a Way That Honors God? Genesis 37-50

**THE BIG IDEA**: Whether or not we experience tragedy is beyone our control, but how we respond is not.

| Trouble     |  |
|-------------|--|
| The Pit of  |  |
| On the      |  |
| The Tide    |  |
| On the Rise |  |

Lessons Learned (When we parallel Job, David, Ruth, and Jesus):