

MEET OUR STAFF



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SHARE THE JOURNEY

GET INVOLVED

Sunday, August 6  
9:30a Bible Study  
10:45a Worship Service  
10:45a Kid's Church  
12:00p Awana Leader Meeting  
3:30p Upward Ministry Meeting  
5:00p Sunday Evening Worship  
5:00p Ecclesia  
5:00p Student Huddle  
5:00p Kid's Bible Study

Tuesday, August 8  
6:00p Celebrate Recovery  
6:00p Zumba Ladies Fitness  
6:30p Circle of Hope Bible Study

Wednesday, August 9  
6:00p Connect  
6:00p Student Midweek  
6:00p Awana

Thursday, August 10  
6:00p Zumba Ladies Fitness

Friday, August 11  
6:00p Women's Night

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	\$37,171.38
Given Year to Date	\$1,107,138.88
Need Year to Date	\$1,230,177.00

STOPS ON THE JOURNEY

Go to [nbcvictoria.org/wg](http://nbcvictoria.org/wg) for a digital copy of this Worship Guide



**KICKOFF SUNDAY**  
Wear your favorite team jersey on August 13 as we kick off this fall. At 9:30am there will be a joint Sunday Morning Bible study preview in the Worship Center (Children will be in their regular classes). Following the Worship Service, we will have a fellowship lunch and Ministry Fair. You don't want to miss this Sunday!

**MINISTRY FAIR TABLES**  
If you lead a ministry and would like a table at the ministry fair contact Pastor Dean at deanmeade@nbcvictoria.org.

**UPWARD MINISTRY MEETING**  
August 6 at 3:30pm we will have an Upward Ministry Meeting. This meeting will be for anyone who has a passion for Upward Sports being a part of Northside's ministry approach.



**WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL**  
Starting August 16, we will be offering a church wide Wednesday Night meal in Building D from 5:00-6:00pm. This will be a time for all ages to fellowship together weekly. The suggested donation is \$5 per plate with a cap at \$20 per family. Cash or check only will be accepted at this time. If you are able, please register ahead of time on our Events Page to help us get a head count. If you forget to register no worries, please still come and join us for the meal each week.

**VOLUNTEERS FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT MEAL**  
We are looking for a few volunteers to help set up the meal each week around 4:15pm. The food itself will be catered. If you are interested in serving a couple times a month please email hannah@nbcvictoria.org or call the office at 361-578-1568.



**WOMEN'S NIGHT**  
Women's Night is this Friday, August 11, at 6:00pm. This month we will kick-off our study on Prayers of the Bible. This year we are going to have a meal theme each month. The theme for August is picnic food. As always, bring a dish only if you are able. We will have door prizes to kick-off the new year too! Childcare is available if you register by Wednesday, August 9, at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page. Join us!

**NBS LOVE OFFERING**  
Today, August 6, we will collect a love offering for the Northside Baptist School. This love offering will help offset any general education expenses as they enter the new school year. Please designate your gift "NBS Love Offering". This can be given during the regular offering today or online. Keep our school's teachers, staff, and students in your prayers. School Starts this Wednesday, August 9.



**AWANA**  
Awana starts back this week! Make sure you register today at nbcvictoria.org on the Events Page.  
August 9- Kick-Off Night & Parent Meeting  
August 16-1st Night of Awana

**PRAIZ KIDZ STARTS BACK**  
Mark your calendars for Praiz Kidz (1st-5th) and Praiz Kidz Jr.(3 yr. old by September-Kinder) starting back on August 20. We hope your kids will join us for a time of music, games, and learning the importance of worship. We are in need of an assistant with our Praiz Kidz Jr. If you are interested contact Pastor Stephen at music@nbcvictoria.org.

**JOURNEY GROUPS STARTS BACK**  
Sunday, August 20, Journey Groups will start back up at 5pm. Keep an eye out for more details!



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August 06, 2023



Worship Sundays at 10:45am

MULTI-GEN MULTI-ETHNIC  
journeying ^together



# THOUGHTS ON THE JOURNEY

The question we have before us today, as part of our series, “Asking For A Friend,” is, Why am I still here? In other words, if I have trusted Christ and my eternity is secure, why has He not taken me out of this broken, sinful world? The short answer is, He still has work for us to do. However, let’s go deeper.

“In the end, Christ will return, according to God’s perfect plan. But for now, we have work to do.”

We will see in 2 Peter 3 that God is patient and desires to see all come to repentance. He has not forgotten His promise or changed the plan, He patiently waits for all who will come to Him. When the time comes, the Covenant of grace will close, and judgement will ensue. At that time, those who have trusted Him will receive their reward and those who have not will be condemned to eternal judgement.

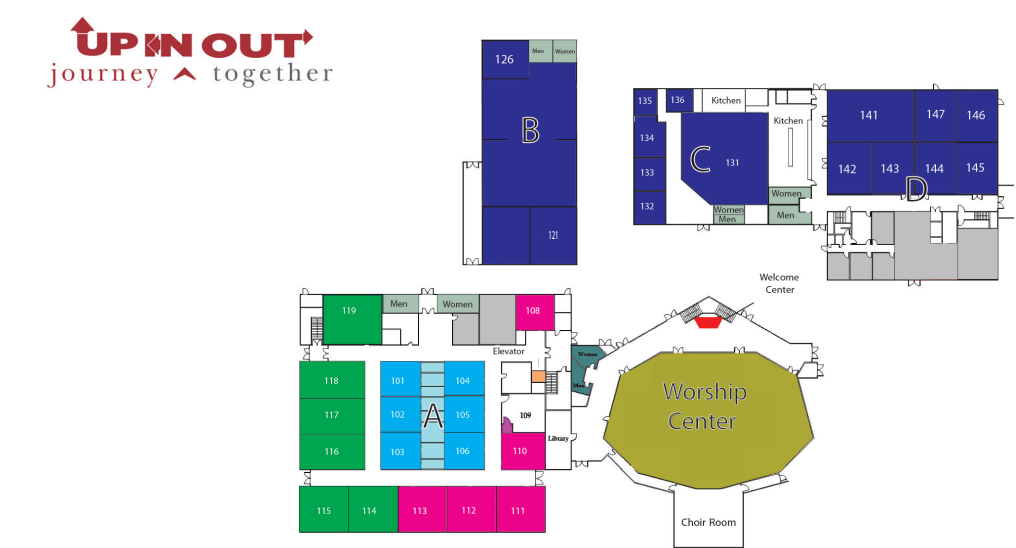
So, what do we do in the meantime? We must be about the Lord’s business. We must make sure that we are walking with Him. We must make sure that we are walking in holiness. We must make sure that we live according to His call. In the end, Christ will return, according to God’s perfect plan. But for now, we have work to do.

There is an interesting phrase in our passage today. It says that we are to, “hasten the coming of the day of God” (2 Peter 3:12). Clearly, God works according to His sovereign will. However, it seems that this verse puts a responsibility on us to finish the work at hand so that the path is clear for our Lord’s return. While we cannot fully understand how God’s sovereignty and our obedience work together, we know what He has called us to and must be about His business.

Honored to be your pastor,

DARRELL

## WELCOME TO NORTHSIDE



# TODAY’S WORSHIP

*Death was Arrested*  
(Kersh/Coker/Balltzgller/Smith)

## BAPTISM

### THIS WEEK AT NORTHSIDE

#### WELCOME & PRAYER

*Way Maker*  
(Okoro)

*It is Well*  
(Spafford/Bliss)

*Know You Will*  
(Houston/Hastings/Thomas)

**MESSAGE**  
*Why Am I Still Here?*  
2 Peter 3:1-13  
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#### TIME OF COMMITMENT

*I Need Thee Every Hour*  
(Williams/Hawks/Kohl/Lowry)

#### GIVING OF OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

*You are My King*  
(Foote)

#### PARTING BLESSING & PRAYER

LISTEN ONLINE  
Sunday Sermons are  
on our website:  
[nbcvictoria.org](http://nbcvictoria.org)



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# SERMON NOTES



## Asking for a Friend

Why Am I Still Here?  
2 Peter 3:1-13

**THE BIG IDEA:** We must make it our ambition to serve and honor our Lord as long as He might tarry.

1. Do not be \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 1-3).
2. People will \_\_\_\_\_ doubt (vs. 4-6).
3. A day of \_\_\_\_\_ is coming (vs. 7,10).
4. We are on God’s \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 8-9).

5. Walk in \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 11-13).