

Palmyra Baptist Church Quarterly



OVERLOOKED TREASURE

Over the past couple of months from the pulpit we have been walking through the book of Ecclesiastes in the Old Testament.

I will freely admit that as I was discussing with leadership last fall where we should go next with preaching, I felt a wave of intimidation when the suggestion of Ecclesiastes came from a couple of people who had not discussed it prior. I was nowhere near as familiar with that book as I was with, say, one of Paul's letters or one of the Gospels. A nudge from the Holy Spirit speaking to my heart said "Go for it. I got you."

I'm so thankful I listened.

I have received more comments of excitement and discovery from this series than any other, and my own heart has been greatly encouraged by studying it. I believe many faithful Bible readers at the opening lines of Ecclesiastes, stating that everything is meaningless and vanity, just skim the surface of the rest of the book because it sounds too pessimistic.

There is so much gold buried deep within its chapters ready to be mined out. This is why the Bible encourages us to seek the whole counsel of God, and not skip things that are unfamiliar, or simply cycle through our favorites. Ecclesiastes is real wisdom for real life; the ups and downs, the highs and lows, the days or months or years of craziness that we long to understand.

It is not too late to join us as we finish this series. Bring a shovel and dig into God's Word with us.

We look forward to then returning to the New Testament as we dive into the book of Titus.

- Pastor Andrew

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 6th – 8am-3pm
Hands2Serve

April 7th – 10am
New Sunday School Quarter begins
Mark/Luke

April 14th – 12pm
Fellowship Lunch
and Quarterly Business Meeting

April 21st
7am
Easter Sunrise Service/Breakfast
10am
Kids Easter Devotion and Activities

May 4th - 9am
Men's Breakfast w/Guest Speaker

May 28th -31st -- 6pm-8:30pm
The Incredible Race VBS
Preschool to 5th Grade

June 2nd – 11am
VBS Program
Fellowship Meal Following

SERVING GOD, SERVING OTHERS



Hands2Serve has moved their annual date from the fall to the spring. The next date is April 6th. We look forward to joining their next round and serving the local community!



VBS | May 28-31
6:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Preschool - 5th Grade

During our time at The Incredible Race VBS, kids will discover that, no matter where we live, what shade of skin we have, or what language we speak, we are all part of the same race—the human race—and all part of the same family from Adam and Eve.

We will examine the events surrounding the tower of Babel and kids will learn that God is calling people from every tribe and nation through his Son, Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world. And that he wants us to share this good news in kindness and love with our neighbors nearby and far away.

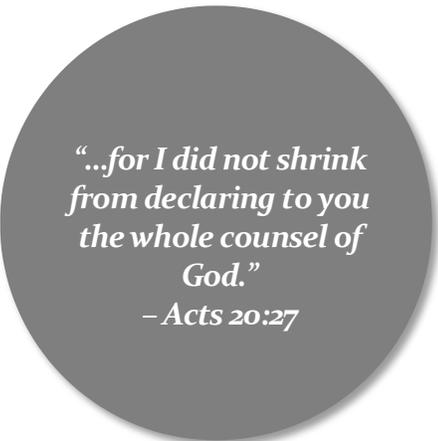
Join us for The Incredible Race and experience God's love for every tribe, language, and nation!

MISSIONS REPORT

Hadassah

"We left Azerbaijan about a couple of weeks ago and are now in Kazakhstan. We have spent the last week working in a small village with a church, teaching English, praying for people... praying for healing for rehab men, working with special needs adults, working with children and youth in the church. It has been a busy week. Then we travelled to the capital to spend two days "resting" and we leave soon to go to our next city in Kazakhstan. We've met some really special people here and it's so hard to say goodbye."

Hadassahtillotson.theworldrace.org



*"...for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God."
 – Acts 20:27*

GET CONNECTED!

Join us Sunday evenings for Bible study. A Bible study for elementary-aged kids, *Explore the Bible*, is also offered at this time as well as a nursery for little ones. A new small-groups program is in the works, and we look forward to the discipleship and fellowship opportunities it will bring.

- Family Fellowship: 9:30am
- Sunday School: 10:00am
- Worship Service: 11:00am
- Evening Worship: 6:30pm