

ALIVE IN CHRIST



MAY 2026: HE PREPARES A TABLE

“The Lord is my Shepherd...” Psalm 23:5

The Great Shepherd

Psalm 23 is a beautiful psalm about the relationship between God and man. A relationship available to all through faith in Jesus Christ. This Psalm is a great realization of God’s love, care, strength, and reassurance of who He is in the life of a believer. King David understood this clearly as a shepherd of his father flock. He knew the ins and outs of caring and protecting his flock. The Holy Spirit used that experience to create this Psalm about our Father in heaven. Everything in this Psalm is about God’s loving care. Our Father ...is my Shepherd, makes me lie down, leads me, restores, is with me, His rod and staff comfort, and on and on. Praise the Lord! He is so good, so good! What a great comfort to us today to know God’s love and care for our lives. Do we believe it? Do we receive it? Let’s walk in it!

One verse that the Spirit has brought to my attention lately is *“You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; You anoint my head with oil and My cup runs over”* (Psalm 23:5). *Prepares* (Strong’s H6186): “to arrange, set or put or lay in order, set in array, prepare, order, ordain, handle, furnish, esteem, equal, direct, compare.”

I am thankful to the Lord for the calling to the East Valley campuses. I am thankful for the volunteers and friends who are a part of God’s work on these campuses. He has prepared this table for us in the public-school setting. When we began, I thought how are we going to do this? He never

asked me to do it, only to trust Him. God had prepared the table. He directed me to go to the principals first, to share, and ask permission to start a club. That day He gave us favor with the principal and I learned the importance of being their guest on these campuses. I learned how to start and guide the students His Way and with no agenda. We only lift up Jesus at the clubs. That was His promise that He would draw them in, not food or games. God is faithful and He has.

We go forth in victory through faith in our Lord Jesus. He has already gone out ahead of us and has secured the grounds. And where does this lead us? *“...in the presence of my enemies.”* To share His love with others. *“You anoint my head with oil and my cup runs over.”* God anoints us (Holy Spirit) and His love flows over to them. (Ezekiel 18:31-32, John 3:17, Ephesians 1:3). Just as it flowed onto us. His love He promised will never fail (1 Cor. 13:8).

All praise and glory be to Your name, Heavenly Father. We are blessed to watch You work and change lives. Thank You for teaching us how to love and share Your love with others. Thank you for all those who have come aside Your work on these campuses. We ask that you continue to bless and direct them in Your love. In Jesus name, Amen.

Campus Ministry

We have been teaching on the beatitudes, and it has sparked questions from our students. These are

just a few:

“How does one manage their greed? Always wanting more and never satisfied by what they have” Our response: Matt. 6:19-21, 24, 28-33.

“When life continues to throw challenges at you, how does Jesus guide you through it?” Our response: Prayer, 1 Chronicles 28:20, Proverbs 3:1-6

“How do you trust in God in hard times especially when everything feels like it’s falling apart.” Our response: Psalm 40:12, Heb. 6:18

Great questions and discussions took place afterward. This was at the CVHS campus. During Spring break, I was able to visit Amistad and Indio high school. God is doing a good work through the team! Please continue to believe for each campus.

Thankful Service

Stella and I are thankful to God for all of you. Thank you for your love, prayers, and support. Happy Mother’s Day to all the mothers. God bless.

Alive in Christ,

Damon Juarez

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Mission:

A Christian based organization that teaches and shares the gospel of Jesus Christ, which promotes spiritual guidance and educational resources to community families in the East Coachella Valley.

Vision:

To be a witness of Jesus Christ on local high schools and to equip high school students to be witnesses on their campuses.

East Valley Bible Clubs During lunch*

Tuesday*

Amistad HS Rm. 218 (Christ in Action)

Advisor: Mrs. Barboza

Coachella Valley HS (Key2Life)

1st Lunch: **Rm. T3** Mr. Silva

2nd Lunch: **Rm. 131** Mr. Gonzalez

Advisor: Mr. Gonzalez

Wednesday*

La Familia Rm. 15 (Chosen Path)

Advisor: Mrs. Martinez

Thursday*

Desert Mirage HS (J316)

1st & 2nd lunch: **H2-128 /H7-107**

Advisor: Mr. Espejo

Indio HS. Rm. 3225 (Jesus Loves You)

Advisor: Mrs. Gagnon

Bobby Duke MS (Redemption)

Afterschool/ **Rm. 303/** Advisor: Mr. Juarez