ALIVE IN CHRIST



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"Come to Me all you who <u>labor</u> and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly at heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light." Matt. 11:28

Rest in Jesus

Jesus is inviting us to partake with Him. I was talking with someone this past week about his experience at Catholic school. He mentioned that the priest was instructing him on a particular scripture and that they got into a disagreement over the subject. He told the priest that was not how he had interpreted that scripture. Their interpretations caused a division between the two involved that is still remembered to this day. As he was sharing this the thought came that only the Holy Spirit can interpret the scriptures, not us. So, I shared that with him because we need to know this. It is God's anointing that teaches us as we have been taught through the word (1 John 2:27).

You know before this invitation by Jesus, thanksgiving rose up in His heart. Jesus thanks the Father because Jesus knows all things have been delivered to Him by the Father. He knows that the Father is going to reveal those who are His. Therefore, the invitation goes out to come with His promise of learning and resting in Him. God's way is gentle, lowly in heart, easy and light. Not seeking what we can do for God but walking in what He has done for us. That is where our rest is...in Him. Let's stay yoked up with Jesus and let His Spirit guide and teach us. As we begin to start up again with the clubs this month, we have peace. We have been taught and learned that Jesus draws in the students. The other day as we sent out the invitation for student to come sign up in order to get the club started. We need ten signatures. That day, a student who I never met before showed up asking is this where she could sign up for the Bible Club. "For My yoke is easy and My burden is light."

Father, we thank You too. You are the revealer of truth, and You will reveal Yourself to those you call. We trust for the coming year to reach students in Your love and truth. In Jesus name. Amen!

Campus Ministry

This month all are clubs will be starting up. Already we are seeing God move on the campus at CVHS. At the end of last year, I ran into a teacher (in the parking lot) who I have known for a long time. The Holy Spirit put it in our hearts to pray every week for the campus. This year, we saw each again and made the commitment. So, we met last week and choose a day and time. We also needed a teacher for second lunch to open a room up for the club. This teacher has second lunch! So, God our Father brought us together for prayer and also provided a place for second lunch students. My friend voluntarily purchased Bibles for those students to use during club. After we met and prayed another teacher, who was invited to prayer showed up. She told us that she was glad to join us, and this was something she always wanted to do. Heavenly Father to You belongs the glory and praise!

At Amistad and IHS, we have Pastor Uriel. At Desert Mirage and La Familia HS, we have Pastor Fernando & Shayla. At CVHS, Mr. Gonzalez helping during second lunch. All our volunteers and our advisors are committed to sharing of the gospel of Jesus and making disciples. Please keep them in your prayers throughout the school year.

Thankful Service

We are thankful for all of you. Thankful your faithfulness to God and partnering with us in reaching youth for Jesus. It's a pleasure to serve the Lord Jesus alongside of you. We are thankful to God, who has placed faithful people to help establish and further His Word in the East Valley. We love you and God bless.

Alive in Christ,

Damon Juarez

Giving Information

CV parsonage is a 501(c)(3). Our tax ID number is 93-2518222. Thank you for giving to the Lord and His ministry. Below is the giving information to support the ministry. Please make out checks to CV Parsonage and mail to the following address:

CV Parsonage P.O. 432 Coachella, CA 92236

As we begin the new school year, I included the full vision the Lord has given us to do.

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. How do we do this?

- 1. Trust the Lord's leading to bring Godly teachers as the club's advisor to help develop Bible Clubs and student leaders.
- 2. Help develop student leaders to be effective witnesses on their own campus through discipleship, leadership meetings, campus outreach, educational trips, and encourage weekly church attendance.
- 3. Reach out to students through volunteering at the high schools as a counselor, coach, or tutor.
- 4. Work together with local churches, community agencies, and government agencies for continued growth.
- 5. Creating "circle of support" through friends and businesses who will partner with us by committing to pray for each other and help support us financially on a consistent monthly basis.

East Valley Bible Clubs During lunch*

<u>Tuesday</u>

Amistad HS Rm. 206 (Christ in Action) Advisor: Mrs. Barboza

Coachella Valley HS (Key2Life)

1st Lunch: **Rm. T7** 2nd Lunch: **Rm. 13?** Mr. Gonzalez Advisor: Mr. Juarez

Wednesday

La Familia Rm. 15 Advisor: Mrs. Martinez

Thursday*

Desert Mirage HS (J316) 1st & 2nd lunch: **Library /H7-107** Advisor: Mr. Espejo

Indio HS. Rm. 3225 (Jesus loves U)

Wed.- Leadership Thursday- Club meeting Advisor: Mrs. Gagnon