King and Queens

The King has come to Queens!

Dark and early on a Saturday morning in early November, a team of 18 coffee-charged, McDonald’s-filled, Jesus-motivated saints climbed into two vehicles to make the trek to Queens, New York for Pastor Carl Cooper.

Our mission - to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the millions of lost souls in the crowded borough of Queens.

Our prize - 17 precious souls who prayed to invite the King into their heart, and begin a new life. Pastor Cooper reported one person came out to church Sunday morning and prayed as well.

It is always a joy to see the saints of God come together with those around us in a like-minded community of prayer and praise to do what Jesus commanded us to do in Matthew 28, “go into all the world and make disciples.” That is exactly what was done in New York, we went to tell the Good News and people responded.

We take comfort in the promise God made in Isaiah 55, “I send it [His Word] out, and it always produces fruit. It will accomplish all I want it to, and it will prosper everywhere I send it” (New Living Translation).

Pastor Cooper said, “Norma and I are very grateful for the Woodbridge church for coming out to help us. It was impressive that everyone on the team was very engaged in the outreaches, both on the street and at the Subway street meeting. I could feel God’s dominion that day. Just a note of thanks as you guys don’t know what it means to a new pioneer church to have that many people come and help. It is also good that we know you guys already and felt like friends came over to labor with us.”

Pray for Pastor Cooper and the saints in Queens as they continue to take ground for the Kingdom, and break through the strongholds of the enemy.

A Little More Rhythm

November marked the reopening of the Rhythms Music Café and concert scene. Our local band, Reborn, along with our acting troupe, True Reflections, ministered the Gospel with songs and skits.

Concerts have always been a good opportunity for disciples to get into ministry and preach the Word, helping to build both the disciple and those who hear, and this time was no different. Our brother Adam testified and gave an alter call, and two people responded for salvation.

As long as Jesus doesn’t come back to take us away, we’ll keep coming back to take people to Jesus.
Inside the Mind (a look at Burma according to Ingrid)

I joined the Navy and married my husband 13 years ago, and seven of those he has been pastoring. I was extremely scared, but anxious to do God’s will and start a small church. We were in our mid 20s, and I lacked communication skills - God would have to get involved and bring people to church, and He did, and they got saved and wanted to stay, a complete miracle! If people wonder why or how I could leave everything to go to Burma it’s because I know God will work behind the scenes! If He built a church in Virginia then He can build a church in Burma.

I trust and love my husband, and I know he will be our covering! God called my husband to go to Burma; I’m going to Burma to be his helper and to please my daddy (in Heaven). I don’t own my life anymore and I count it a privilege to reach the people of Burma. I want more than anything to stay here with the people I love so dearly but God is moving us to our next duty station!

Baptism Testimonies

Hermanual Crews: I was an angry person and had a lot of hatred toward people. I stole things from stores almost every time I went in, even when I had money. Since I found Christ, my life hasn’t been the same and I have a new found peace and joy.

Scott Hamilton: Before coming to the church I was a very hateful person and envious of a lot of people around me, but I wouldn’t show it. I always had a fake smile on my face, but internally I would be cursing the person because I wanted what they had. I didn’t know why I was in the situation, and it got to the point where I started to gamble everything I had, trying to move forward monetarily. I want to thank Mike for introducing me to a church where I could get all that out of me. Ever since I’ve been here, that feeling has pretty much disappeared, I actually mean what I say to people when I talk to them now, and it’s just wonderful to be here. Thank you all!

Upcoming Events

14 December
Rhythms Café (no cover charge)
- doors open at 7:30pm, music starts at 8pm

31 December
New Year’s Celebration
- begins at 7pm, concludes at midnight.

11 & 25 January
Rhythms Café (no cover charge)
- doors open at 7:30pm, music starts at 8pm

Birthdays and Anniversaries

Birthdays
Walden Becerra 11 Dec
Joseph Schoonover 18 Dec
Allison Jones 21 Dec

Anniversaries
Becerra 13 Dec
Jones 13 Dec
Why Burma (continued from previous issue)

After offering to go to Burma in the past, Pastor Morales felt that it was not God’s timing to go. I later found out it would have been nearly impossible for us to go to Burma at that time due to the military-run government.

Two years have went by since then, and again I felt God gripping my heart to go overseas, so I obeyed and once again went to Pastor Morales to offer myself as a willing candidate to go overseas. This time my Pastor was willing to send us, but he could tell I was unsettled about leaving the Woodbridge church with all that God was beginning to do at this time, so we just left it lingering that I would be willing to go if there was a need. (To be continued)
A message to parents...

Parents, thank you for trusting us with your most precious gift from God—all of your volunteers count it a privilege and a high honor to take care of your child(ren). Our goal is that every child here would experience the love of Jesus through those they come in contact with. I realize the responsibility of Christian education belongs to the family; however, we as a church need to be a strong encouragement and support to families.

Our Children’s Ministry is committed to providing Jesus Christ’s example of love and acceptance to the children we minister to. Jesus says in Matthew 19:14 “Let the little children come to Me, and not forbid them, for of such is the kingdom of heaven.” Our vision for the children here is to provide a loving, secure and fun environment in which a child will be encouraged to develop into the young person that God wants them to be. The most important part of the child’s Christian walk is the foundation, because a building can only be as strong as the foundation on which it stands.

Additionally, we are committed to Biblical teaching to help children grow in their love and knowledge of Jesus Christ. Finally, we are committed to evangelizing children, giving them the opportunity to accept Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and to encourage them to share their faith with their family, friends, and neighbors.

I pray that as we partner with you, many children will come to know Jesus as their personal savior, and grow stronger in their relationship with Him!

- Kerri Ashley

In an on-going effort to make the nursery experience smoother, we will be using a new number display system to communicate to parents when they are needed. Families who regularly attend church will be assigned a permanent number.

• We welcome all children ages 0-3 in the Nursery—Sunday School ages 4-13

• For security, we ask that only parents/adult family members drop-off and pick-up children

• We are happy to keep your child(ren) clean and dry, so please be sure to leave diapers and wipes when dropping-off
Regular Services

Sunday
9am: Prayer
10am: Sunday School
11am: Morning Service
6pm: Prayer
7pm: Evening Service

Wednesday
6:30pm: Prayer
7:30pm: Mid-week Service

Saturday
10am: Prayer
11am: Outreach

What We Believe

That Jesus Christ is the Son of the living God and the only Savior from sin

That Jesus Christ is the Great Physician and the Healer of the body through the Atonement

That Jesus Christ is the baptizer with the Holy Spirit today, just as He was on the Day of Pentecost.

That Jesus Christ is the Soon Coming King, Coming back to earth again as the only hope for a dying world.

That Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forevermore.