

WELCOME



If you are a first time visitor please fill out one of our **Information Cards** available at the Information Center or in the Sanctuary. We want to thank you for joining us today as we celebrate God's grace and goodness together. Please be sure to introduce yourself to us and thanks again for coming.

TODAY:

John Hageman will be sharing the Word of God this morning. John and Cindy attend ROCC. John served at Elim Bible College in N.Y. for several years. Their son Josh is a pastor in the ministry and served for a time as youth pastor, here at ROCC.

Wed. night Prayer Meeting will be suspended for the month of August and will resume again on Wednesday September 17**

I encourage you to find time to meditate and pray for your family and our church family, during the month of August. Prayerfully read a selection of the Psalms; like Psalm 1, 23, 37, 51, and 103. Allow the Word to wash over your soul and mind and encourage your heart.

"For the grace of God has appeared to all men. It teaches us to say 'No' to ungodliness and worldly passions, and to live self-controlled, upright and godly lives in this present age, while we wait for the blessed hope-the glorious appearing of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ, who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good." (Titus 2: 11-14)



JUST FOR KIDS

During the summer months our children will gather for **Kid's Summer Praise and Worship** at 10:00 AM. After worship they will head outside (weather permitting) on the church property to enjoy activities. They will be supervised by our workers and upon returning inside they will have a snack and gather for a special Bible lesson.

Nursery is available during the worship service, led by Len Hoh (Chan).

Parents please note that your child needs to be signed-in and signed-out every Sunday.



SHARING GOD'S LOVE

"A generous man will himself be blessed, for he shares his food with the poor." (Proverbs 22: 9)

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"Such confidence as this is ours through Christ before God. Not that we are competent in ourselves to claim anything for ourselves, but our competence comes from God. He has made us competent as ministers of a new covenant-not of the letter but of the Spirit; for the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life." (2 Cor. 3: 4-6)

There are actual blessings that come to us from our own human inadequacies. Life is pregnant with struggles that expose human weakness. No one likes the fear and frustration which accompanies challenges that are too big to handle but God can use them for our good. That is precisely what the above noted text is declaring; *"our competence comes from God...He has made us competent"*. The Apostle Paul was confessing that his assurance rested in the Lord. The Spirit, not the flesh made him confident that God would strengthen and equip him for the task. God will use our strengths, gifts, and weaknesses to accomplish his will in our lives. Our deficiencies should drive us to God, not away. They should eliminate the idea of doing God's will in our own strength. They also should motivate us to live in the power of the Spirit. When we face things too big for us, it is an opportunity for the Lord to show His divine power. Human pride is crucified and we are humbled as we watch Him use our inadequacies for His glory and honor. What is God calling you to do? Don't make your decision to follow Him based solely on your own strength, have confidence that He will make you competent.

COMING:



Church Membership Class, Sunday Sept. 28th, 12:30 PM.

Annual Church Business Meeting, Sunday, October 26th, 12:30 PM.