Mar. 18th – PUMES Quartz Hill Open House
April 14th – **Stations of the Cross** – hosted by Palmdale UMC, at Prime Desert Woodland Preserve - 43201 35th St W, Lancaster. Try to carpool because parking is limited. Volunteers welcomed
April 14th – 7:00PM – **Good Friday Services** @ COSUMC
April 16th – **EASTER Sunday**
April 30th – Church on Bikes

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please contact Pastor Ken Gardner for prayer requests. Call the church office (943-2774) or email cosumc@gmail.com.

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BIRTHDAYS: David Gutierrez – Feb. 20th; Robert Abrams – Feb. 21st.

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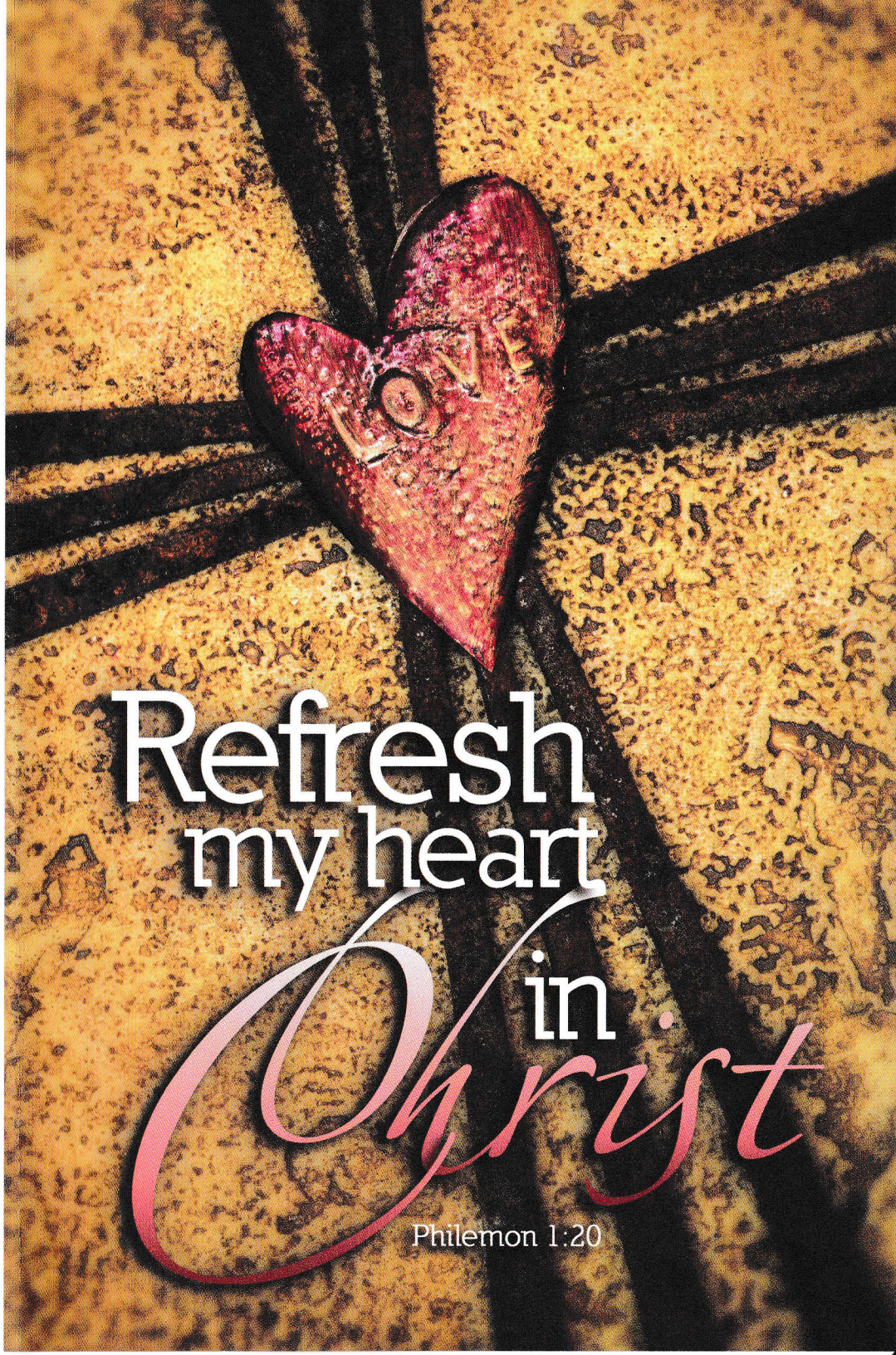

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Our Worship on February 19, 2017
Worship Leader: Susan Abrams

Welcome! "Come to me," says the Lord, "all who are weary and carrying heavy burdens, for I will give you rest." O Lord, we have come. Let Your Word lodge in each heart and mind, that together we may be mended, strengthened, enlightened, and challenged. Amen! We invite you to remain after Worship and enjoy some refreshments and friendly conversation.

PRAISING GOD TOGETHER

Announcements – *Please sign and pass the red friendship books.*
Opening Devotion and Prayer
Singing Praises to Jesus
Greeting Each Other and Welcoming Our Guests

HEARING GOD'S WORD

Pastoral Prayer
Scripture Reading: Malachi 3:2-5 & 4:1-6. Pg. 665
Message: "The Justice of God." Pastor Ken Gardner

POWER FOR MINISTRY

Offering Our Gifts to God

Closing Song

Prayer of Blessing on Everyone

WEEKLY HIGHLIGHTS

TODAY: You're invited to Pastor Ken and Sandy's Open House. Just a drop in when you can, have some snacks, conversations, stay as long as you like, etc. kind of event. Time: 1:00-4:00 at , Lancaster, CA 93536

This year we will begin the Lenten season with an **"Ash Wednesday"** service on Wednesday March 1st at 7 PM. We will have a simple service of Bible readings, prayers, and songs acknowledging our need for God and repenting of our sins. Invite your friends and family for this solemn yet meaningful time.

THIS WEEK

TUESDAY:
6:30 PM - Women's Bible Study

7:00 PM – Men's Bible Study - This week our Men's Bible Study begins a new study in the book of Acts. Often renamed "The Acts of the Holy Spirit", the Book of Acts tells the amazing story of the early days of the beginning of the New Testament church. This marvelous book written by an educated and well-versed medical doctor, gives insight to our lives today. Our first lesson will be found in Acts 1:1-8, where Jesus makes another post-resurrection appearance to His disciples, and tells they that they will not know when Jesus is going to return, but will be given power through the Holy Spirit to be His witnesses across the street and around the world.

WEDNESDAY:
9:30 AM – Discipleship Class - This week we will be studying Paul's second letter to the Christians in Thessalonica. We will look at a variety of topics, including God's judgment, the Day of the Lord, and living until Jesus returns.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 23rd-26th – Girls Chrysalis Flight
Mar. 1st – 7:00PM - **Ash Wednesday**
Mar. 2nd – 5th – Boys Chrysalis Flight
Mar. 13th - American Red Cross Blood Drive, noon to 6:30 PM

"MY GOD IS: The Attributes of God" Series
Message #5 of 6

"The Righteous Justice of God"

Knowing that God always does what is right gives His children the confidence to trust God for the past, present and future, and the ability to be free from bitterness, grief and despair.

Malachi 3:2-5; 4:1-6 / February 19, 2017

The Biblical use of the words ***"Justice"*** & ***"Righteousness"*** are virtually the same word and speak of one attribute of God = ***God always does what is right and God Himself is the final standard of what is right.***

Deuteronomy 32:4
"He is the Rock, His works are perfect, and all His ways are just. A faithful God who does no wrong, upright and just is He."

1. THE LORD WILL ... DO WHAT IS RIGHT –
(Malachi 3:2a; 4:1a, 5b)
"But who can endure the day of his coming?" - 3:2a
"Surely the day is coming ... and that day is coming" - 4:1a, c
"That great and dreadful day of the Lord." - 4:5b

- The Day of the Lord is any day God steps into history to do a special work, whether of judgment or deliverance.
- God does that on a regular basis in the lives of believers
- God has many "days" when He executes His justice
- God will have the final "Day" when He brings final justice

2. THE LORD WILL ... REFINE & PURIFY –
(Malachi 3:2b-3b)
"God will be like a refiner's fire ... He will sit as a refiner ... and refine them like gold and silver." - v.2b
"God will sit as a purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites." - v. 3b

- God never shows partiality or favoritism
- God can't be bribed.

3. THE LORD WILL ... JUDGE THE UNRIGHTEOUS –
(Malachi 3:5; 4:1a)
"I will come near to you for judgment." - 3:5
"All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble." - 4:1b
"Not a root or a branch will be left to them." - 4:1c

- Defraud, Oppress, Deprive

4. THE LORD WILL ... BLESS THE RIGHTEOUS –
(Malachi 3:3b-4; 4:2-3)
"Offerings in righteousness." - 3:3b
"Acceptable offerings to the Lord." - 3:4

"The sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its wings." - 4:2
"You will go out and leap like calves released from the stall." - 4:2
"You will trample down the wicked; they will be ashes under the soles of your feet." - 4:3

5. THE LORD WILL ... CHANGE HEARTS –
(Malachi 4:5-6)
"So I will send my messenger who will prepare the way before me.: - 3:1
"I will send you the prophet Elijah ..." – 4:5
"He will turn the hearts of the fathers to their children, and the hearts of the children to their fathers." - 4:6a

- "God is just, and the One Who justifies." – Romans 3:25-26
- "God is faithful and just." – 1st John 1:9