

We welcome our guests today! Wherever you are in your spiritual journey, it would be our joy to assist you in getting to know Jesus better. Listed below are some of the ways we take our Next Steps toward becoming the passionate followers of Jesus that He has called us to be. If you would like to know more about the ministries available for you, please fill out the white card in the back of the pews. You can place it in the offering plate when it is passed or drop it off at the Welcome Desk in the foyer.

Ridgecrest Loves Our Neighbors! On Wednesday, October 4th we will be going into neighborhoods adjacent to the church with small gift bags to give to our neighbors to let them know we care about them. We'll meet in the RAC (gym) at 6:00pm for some brief instructions and then head out to go door-to-door, meeting our neighbors. We'll return to the RAC for dessert and share stories of how God used the time.

NEW NEXT STEPS U CLASSES BEGINNING OCTOBER 11 – Join us October 11th - November 15th as we grow together in the study of God's Word.

Next Step: Spiritual Growth – “Living Hope” is a study of 1st Peter led by Bro. Greg O'Neal and will meet in the Choir Room. With all of the challenges of life and living in this society, it's important that believers understand and share the hope that we have in Jesus.

Next Step: Spiritual Growth – “A Woman Overwhelmed: Finding God in the Messes of Life” led by Kassi Rushing. As women, we often are overwhelmed by the demands and circumstances of life, resulting in stress, fear, worry, impatience, fatigue, frustration, and even depression. In this six-week Bible study, we will walk through the story of Mary, the mother of Jesus, who knew what it was like to be overwhelmed. As we explore Mary's life we find ourselves on a journey from overwhelming joy to overwhelming sorrow and back again, learning along the way how to be consumed with the mission of God rather than the “mission of me.”

Next Step: Reach – “Disciple Cycle” led by Brian Wright. This course will present a simple, repeatable approach to growing closer to God while having the opportunity to help those around you do the same.

New Monday Night PRECEPT class begins October 16th at 5:30 in Room 102 – Joshua: Conquering Your Enemies. All men and women are invited to study and grow with us. For more information or to order your book, contact Carolyn Hogan at 601.259.7404.

DEACON ELECTION: Thank you for your participation. Your nominations are being prayerfully considered and screened through God's Word. Following this process, you will be sent a complete list of all nominations to vote for the 15 men that you feel should lead our church family in the office of deacon. We praise the Lord and know that He will provide the leadership that we need to do all that He wants to accomplish through us.

Cornerstone Women on Mission (WMU) meets this Thursday, October 5th in Room 105 at 1:30pm. We have great fellowship together, support church mission projects, pray for our missionaries, and serve wherever needed. Join us!

We want you to worship with freedom. Feel free to sit if you need to.

Welcome, Endie Ellen Washer! Endie was born Monday, September 18, 2017 to Derick & Carrie-Grace Washer. She weighed 7lb 5oz and measured 20 inches. She was welcomed by her sister Conleigh, brothers Gibson and Acy and maternal grandparents Bob & Connie Clay.

Baby Shower for Maddie House– October 8th from 2:00 – 4:00pm in Room 105. For more information, contact Samantha Denson at 601.622.8172.

KEENAGERS will meet Tuesday, October 10th at 11:00am in the RAC (gym). “Slightly Tarnished,” a folk-rock and vintage country group will be our entertainment. If you are age 55+, please plan to join. Cost of lunch is still only \$7.00/person at the door.

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES AT RIDGECREST

Please set aside a time each week to pray specifically for those who are lost without faith in Christ. Access the Prayer Guide at ridgecrest.net/thelost.

Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday at 6:30am you can join our Pastor's Prayer Partners in the Worship Center for a time of prayer for Ridgecrest.

This week's prayer requests:

- Deacons to serve in 2017-2018
- Impact of the church-wide series, “Just Jesus”
- Impact of Night of Service this Wednesday

Weekly Opportunities October 1 - 7, 2017

- Sunday:**
- 7:30am** Men's Adventure (Rm 103)
 - 8:40am** VIP Meetings
 - 9:00am** Life Groups – HUMILITY: Being Great Means Going Low
 - 10:30am Morning Worship** – Bro. Phil - **JUST JESUS**
Exploring the Teachings of Jesus: HUMILITY: Being Great Means Going Low
 - 5:00pm** Student Choir (Choir Room)
 - 6:00pm** Evening Bible Study (Worship Center)
 - Adult Open Life Groups: (Thomas - Rm 105) • (Horn - Rm 101)
 - HS Oneighty Worship (Chapel) • MS “CONNECT” (Rm 301)
 - Crest Kids (Gym) • Preschool Hang Time (3–K) – The Ark Monkey Rm
 - Childcare (infants–age 2) – The Ark Elephant Rm
- Monday:**
- 5:30pm** Precept (Rooms 102, 105 & 106)
- Tuesday:**
- 9:00am** Ladies Bible Study (Rm 105)
- Wednesday:**
- 9:00am** Precept (Rm 105)
 - 4:00pm** Prayer Meeting (Gym)
 - 4:45pm** Fellowship Supper (Gym) – Menu on website at ridgecrest.net/menu
 - 6:00pm** **NEXT STEPS U** – See details on back of bulletin.
 - 7:00pm** Worship Choir & Band (Choir Room)

For more information, access ridgecrest.net



NEXT STEPS



WEDNESDAY NIGHT PROGRAMMING FOR U



October 4th • 6:00PM

- "Ridgecrest Loves Our Neighbors" – Meet in the RAC (gym)
- ESL (English as a Second Language): Be a volunteer as the world comes to Ridgecrest (3rd Floor)
- Beginner Sign Language: Prepare yourself to help reach those in the hearing-impaired community (Rm 101/102)
- Sew Missions: Help reach our world by sewing children's clothes for our mission teams (Rm 104)
- College-Age – Off Campus at 6:30pm – For location, call/text 601.624.5549
- Middle School Oneighty Worship (Chapel)
- 252 (Grades 1-5) – Mission to Planet Earth Room – 2nd Floor
- Preschool Party (age 4-K) – The Ark Peacock Rm
- Preschool Party (ages 2-3) – The Ark Parrot Rm
- Childcare (infants-toddlers) – The Ark Elephant Rm



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EVERYONE WHO
EXALTS HIMSELF

will be humbled

AND HE WHO

humbles himself

**WILL BE
EXALTED**

LUKE 14:11

OUR VISION

To become followers of Jesus who under the leadership of the Spirit passionately love and serve God and also love all people as Jesus does

October 1, 2017