



the DaySpring **Voice**

July 2013 / Monthly Newsletter of DaySpring Christian Church

Upcoming Events & Announcements

1st Annual DSCC Picnic - Food, Games, Fellowship

Saturday July 13th 2013 - 1pm-5pm

Alondra Park in Lawndale

Please wear your DSCC T-Shirts
and dress comfortably.

Christians can have fun!!!!

Marriage Retreat 2013

Calling all Couples! - Revive, Replenish, Renew

November 29-December 1st 2013

Ayers Hotel & Suites-Costa Mesa

\$310 per couple

Pre-registration and \$65 deposit

due by September 20th

\$61.25 (4) monthly payments can be made

from July-November - Register on-line at

www.dayspringcc.org/marriage-retreat-2013 or

contact the Church Secretary-Misty Copeland at

310.853.8477 ext 0

**IN THE MIDST OF THE SUMMER FUN AND
VACATIONS...PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO GIVE TO
OUR CHURCH!! - 3 WAYS TO GIVE...**

1. On-line at www.dayspringcc.org
2. During Sunday Service or Tuesday Bible Study
3. By Mail: PO Box 3505, Gardena, CA 90247

God's Stewards

By Ki Hughes

Stewardship: the position and duties of a steward; a person who acts as the surrogate of another or others, especially by managing property, financial affairs, an estate, etc. the responsible overseeing and protection of something considered worth caring for and preserving.

Most times when someone is speaking on being a good steward or showing stewardship over something we immediately think of our finances. Well it only makes sense because it has to do with our financial affairs in part. There is a responsibility to manage the finances we are given for the well being of others and ourselves. When we are careless with our resources we risk being without resources at all. The bible explains to us that when we exhibit good stewardship, we will have abundance. This is the correct use of our resources, not the hiding, saving or losing of it. It is having the wisdom to manage, oversee and preserve whatever you have been given authority over, and doing well to protect it to maturity.

In the same way we have to be of like-mindedness in our finances. We may see ourselves going through the same problems of not having enough money or lacking any money left from what we've earned. The reason can be due to a lack of protecting what we've been given reign over. God allows us to enter into these situations with the knowledge that we don't always have the tools to be good stewards, but that's why he allows it. God wants us to become better with our finances and learn from our mistakes to help others with making sound decisions in their stewardship journey.

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In the end, it all goes back to the heart of God on the matter; caring, maturing and being responsible for one another. As we are all parts of the body of Christ, we make each part more efficient by being stewards over one another and helping each part grow in all areas, especially in our finances. If you want to experience the abundance of God's provision in your lives, look to make stewardship over your finances a priority and make sure your learning from God's people who are able and most willing to make you better.

Furthermore, it makes the church body better because we're giving God not only what he's due, but more consistently and in a way that doesn't break the bank in worrying about if we've got God's money or not.

Mark Your Calendar

7.13.13

Church Picnic

7.21.13

2nd Quarter Financial Meeting

8.11.13

Friends & Family Day

9.7.13

Sports Day



STATE OF THE PLATE Data by Brian Kluth

- 77% of those who "tithe" give 11%–20% or more of their income, far more than the baseline of 10%.
- 97% make it a priority to give to their local church.
- 70% "tithe" based on their gross income, not their net.
- 63% started giving 10% or more between childhood and their twenties
- Tithers carry much less debt than most people and are financially better off than Christian non-tithers—80% of "tithers" have no unpaid credit card bills; 74% have no car payments; 48% own their home; and 28% are completely debt-free.

What keeps non-tithing Christians from giving: 38% say they can't afford it; 33% say they have too much debt; and 18% said their spouse does not agree about tithing.

Please visit www.stateoftheplate.info for the results of a comprehensive study of 4,413 "TITHERS" (Give 10% or more).

Time Management

By Kesha Griffin



Fill in the blank..."there is not enough _____ in the day". If you said TIME...we are both guilty of saying this. I say guilty because how could 24 hours, 1,440 minutes or 84,600 seconds not be enough time to accomplish our NORMAL daily things. Well, it's because when we begin our to-do lists for a single day, the things

we must do seemingly outweigh the time we have to do it. The reality is, even if we had more time...we will also have or find more STUFF to do. Therefore, we will never have enough time to do ALL that we set out to do and our to-do lists will keep growing.

The problem is, unfortunately many of our to-do lists are filled with things unrelated to the things of God. We don't fit in time for prayer or reading the Word, and sadly, many of us don't make time for Bible Study, church or working in Ministry because we are too exhausted from all the other things we have to do or have placed in priority on our to-do lists. Could it be that the very thing (to-do list) that we use to keep us on track with getting things done...is the very thing that is keeping us from growing spiritually and getting closer to God?

Time can't be recovered...once it's gone, it's gone. So let's try managing our time better. Let's relieve ourselves of some of the unimportant stuff and fill our time with things that will move us closer to our God-given purpose. Let's rearrange our to-do lists and make

spending time with God our first priority and put everything/everyone else secondary. Let's refuse to give the things of this world all of our time and energy while giving God our sloppy and tired leftovers. Let's remember that only what we do for Christ will last. Therefore, "We must work the works of him who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work." John 9:4

Serving Opportunities

**H.U.G.
(Hospitality.Ushers.Greeters)
TEAM:**

Friendly? Love to serve? People person? If so, the H.U.G.Team needs you. Please see or contact Ms. CeeCee for more info at 323.810.6594.

FINANCE TEAM:

Ethical? Trustworthy? Detailed? Organized? If so, the Finance Team needs you. Please see or contact Ministry Director Ki Hughes for more info at 323.608.9586



Members Corner

This month's highlighted members are the newlywed couple Geovanny and Janola Martinez. They were married on June 15th 2013. They are the parents of 4 kids ranging from 2 yrs of age to 11. They are high school sweethearts but didn't actually realize it until after graduation, go figure!!! They are fired up for GOD and hold GOD as the primary source of their life. Help me in congratulating the great couple and the many years they will see together. As Long as you keep GOD first in your lives, all will be well!!!!



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Managing Physical Health

by Ashley Smith

"Do you not know that your body is a sanctuary of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, for you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body" (I Cor 6: 19-20). Even though this scripture is specifically instructing against sexual immorality, it still reminds us of two essential truths; that we are not our own and that we are to glorify God in our body, both of which support the call to manage our physical health.

First of all, we were each magnificently designed for a specific purpose and our life is a gift. To show forth appreciation we are to manage our health and care for our bodies. Yes, we are all under the risk of developing illness or injuries that are outside of our control; nevertheless, the elements that are within our control we must manage in order offer a healthy body to serve God. Fundamental areas to focus wellness efforts include: physical fitness, nutrition/diet, stress management, and sleep habits.

Furthermore, our efforts to gain better

physical health should always primarily bring attention to the Creator and glorify Him. "And whatever you do in word or indeed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him." (Col 3: 17). Awareness of our own aesthetic appearance and physical abilities should be unpretentious, because if becoming "healthy and fit" is about receiving personal compliments and praise, the focus is no longer on the Lord. We should desire to be healthier in order to have the physical strength and endurance to perform the Lord's work with enthusiasm.

Lastly, Dayspring is fortunate enough to have a pastor that cares about the health of the church. During this summer of 2013 Pastor Charles will begin a series of short discussions before church that will address health in 3 areas: healthy life, healthy church and healthy body. Let's thank God for a Pastor that recognizes the need for a healthy church and be in prayer that God will work through him to help us optimize our wellness.

Pastoral Thought

GOT LIFE? Think about this...without God's power operating in your LIFE, you don't have a LIFE. We need to stop being selfish with the LIFE God gave us and surrender our LIFE to His desire. In 2013 we learn to trust God with the LIFE that we keep messing up!

Pastor Charles

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