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Isaiah 58:6-7: “Is not this the kind of fasting I have chosen: to loose the chains of injustice and untie the cords of the yoke, to set the oppressed free and break every yoke? Is it not to share your food with the hungry and to provide the poor wanderer with shelter--when you see the naked, to clothe him, and not to turn away from your own flesh and blood?”

Verse 12: **“You will be called Restorer of Streets with Dwellings.”**

Summer arrived here in Minnesota with gusto after we had endured a long and cold winter. With very little spring we are now in a new season of growth. I love the change of seasons it brings new colors and new dreams that come alive. We all go through seasons of waiting and

seasons of extreme change. The Lord has me in a season of waiting on Him, **Psalm 46:10 “Be still and know that I am God...”**. Be still and know who God is and let Him do the work. In spite of what we see going on in our country, state and cities, God is still in control. Walk in faith my friend.

Our ministry here at JICF continues to grow and evolve, and as we change some of our tactics and messaging of the Gospel, the main thing is still that main thing, **“But God demonstrates His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” Romans 5:8.**

We are now reaching many different cultures and a diverse group of people with complicated and painful lives from their pasts, and yet we know that God will meet them right where they are at with the reality of Jesus Christ and His unrelenting love and desire to heal and restore lives and families for life here, now and for eternity. **Thy Kingdom come Thy will be done** as the Lord taught us to pray.

I am teaching on Sundays and on Wednesdays, Pastor Jeff Boyer is teaching on Monday evenings on the Book of Isaiah and Pastor Norton Lawellin and Pastor Jerry McCleskey are alternating teaching on Friday evenings. (Sometimes Pastor Norton is handling Sundays as well). The JICF team is also helping out with worship in other urban churches through-out the Metro area. As we follow the Lord's leading in how we move forward in bringing Jesus to the Cities near and far. At JICF we are committed to serving Christ and changing lives near and far.

Jesus In The City ministers to hundreds and hundreds of people every month.

We rely on your financial partnership to fulfill our **mission to the city.**

Thank you so much for all of your support!

Your servant in Christ,

Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla, DTh

Friends, I am developing a weekly podcast video series in a talk format that will be dealing with the issues of the day in relationship to building up God's kingdom.

To launch this out of the gate it is going to cost us \$500.00 a month. I am looking for a sponsor for this for a one-year commitment.

We have to get our message of the city out in this media format and we have to control our own distribution of it, i.e., the platform.

Can you please partner with us in this endeavor, in addition to our monthly operating budget?

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR PARTNERING WITH US THIS YEAR !!

Also, please pray for the peace of the city as instructed in Jeremiah chapter 29:7, "for if it prospers so will you." We are committed to ministering God's love and salvation through Jesus Christ in the city of Minneapolis in spite of whatever opposition comes our way.

We are being used by the Lord to change lives in the present and for eternity.

One soul at a time...one family at a time. And bit by bit we get to witness many miracles in the lives that are being restored.

All this is done through one-on-one involvement in men's and women's lives. It is a demanding ministry and it takes time, devotion and love.

Thanks for your support and prayers. May the Lord Bless you richly in 2023!

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla, DTh

THE MANY UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS AT JICF IN 2023

- **SUNDAY MORNINGS FACEBOOK LIVE FEED STARTS AT 9:00AM.**
- **AUGUST 8TH TUESDAY, 13TH ANNUAL PASTORS URBAN AND SUBURBAN FISHING TOURNAMENT**
- **SEPTEMBER 14TH-17TH FISHING FOR LIFE RETREAT ON LAKE CARLOS**
- **BIBLE STUDIES FOR MENTORING AND DISCIPLESHIP.**
- **LIVE STREAMS AT 7PM BOTH MONDAY, WEDNESDAY AND FRIDAY EVENINGS.**
- **NOVEMBER / DECEMBER OF 2023 CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY OUR 24TH ANNUAL!**

We rely on your prayers and support to continue this mission of bringing God's love through Jesus Christ to the city. I thank you in advance for your continued support, and pray that you have a blessed spring and summer!

In another response to the coronavirus, Pastor Norton is writing a daily text devotional to provide joy, comfort and encouragement. Please sign up to receive this beautiful reminder of the Lord's presence during this difficult time on your phone by calling or texting Krissie at (612) 227-1946.

The JICF team leading worship at one of the many chapels that we do throughout the Minneapolis /St. Paul urban area.



LEFT: Pastor Michael Pilla preaching at the Union Gospel Mission in St. Paul, MN. The UGM is men's drug and alcohol recovery center. I was teaching out of the Gospel of John in chapter 4 when Jesus encounters the Samaritan woman at the well. And how her encounter with Jesus changed her life. I explained that same Jesus can change your life permanently.

BELOW: Monica, Krissie, Jim on Keyboards, Ralph playing drums with Paul on base guitar, (back round) and Steve in the foreground





You're invited to the Jesus In The City 2023 Fishing For Life
13TH ANNUAL - URBAN AND SUBURBAN
PASTOR'S FISHING TOURNAMENT
on Wayzata Bay, Lake Minnetonka (venue to be announced soon)
Tuesday, August 8th 7:30am – 2pm
Come and make new friends! • Fishing is Free!
Sponsor a boat for \$300. • Each boat will have a fishing guide.
Walleye shore lunch included with great fellowship.



A fund raiser to help with fulfilling the great
commission in urban ministry and evangelism.

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DONATE ONLINE

You can donate online at the Jesus In The City website. <http://www.jesusinthecityfellowship.org>

We are streaming our Sunday message live on Facebook at 11:00 a.m. and special classes and Bible studies on Wednesday, and Friday at 7:00 p.m.

Click on the Facebook icon at the bottom of our website home page to join our live streams or to see videos of past services and presentations.

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