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Beginning our 26th Year of Ministry in South Minneapolis

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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."**

*The Lord is Risen!
Have a Blessed Easter!*

Greetings, friends! I have been on a 3-month sabbatical, resting and seeking the Lord for a fresh vision and of course doing some skiing. A shout out to my cousin Bob who I hit the slopes with this past winter.

As I write and reflect on what the Lord has done and what He has called us to in these coming years, I am reminded that it was November 8, 1995 when He first spoke into my heart the vision for Jesus In The City out of Isaiah 58:6-12. But it was February 1996 after I had shared this vision with a group of 30 lay leaders, pastors, and future pastors that we launched out.

The name Jesus In The City came to me later that same spring. We are reminded every day when we look at the logo and name, that JESUS is in the CITY and He is not leaving!

Now more than ever we need JESUS in the CITY to solve the problems of division, lawlessness, hatred, racism, and of course poverty.

God has brought a great team of ministers around me at JICF. These folks are devoted to Christ and to the fulfilling of the Great Commission in Matthew 28.

I am amazed as I think of all the men and women that we have touched over the past 25 years (1,000's), whose lives have been changed and transformed by Christ.

Well a lot of things have changed over the years. Back then, there were 35 different languages in South Minneapolis; now there are 225. We are dealing with challenges and problems that we never imagined. But none of them are a surprise to the Lord.

Friends, I am going to develop 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.

In addition, we need to upgrade the sound system in our church building, which will cost \$8,000.00.

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

We believe that God is calling us to up our game so to speak to reach more and more people for Jesus Christ. Please prayerfully consider being a part of this vision for the Lord.

***Most sincerely yours in Christ,
Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla, DTh***

***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 Gods 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.

We are looking for a sound person to help us on Sunday mornings.

***YOUR FINANCIAL GIFTS ENABLE
US TO REACH MANY PEOPLE
FOR CHRIST, FOR THE BUILDING
UP OF GOD'S KINGDOM. YOUR
PARTNERSHIP IS CRITICAL TO OUR
SUCCESS. THANK YOU SO MUCH
FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!***

ARE YOU CALLED TO THE CITY?

We are witnessing a spiritual battle that many in our country have never imagined. There is now a great division that some would say cannot be mended and it is causing great strife. My contention is that this great divide is not from God but from Satan. A house divided cannot stand against itself. Ephesians 6:12 says, ***“For our struggle is not against flesh and blood, but against the rulers, against the authorities, against the powers of this dark world and against the spiritual forces of evil in the heavenly realms.”***

Angels and demons are waging war. What we see playing out in the natural is happening in the spirit realm.

Thanks for your support and prayers.

May the Lord Bless you richly in 2021!

The Many Upcoming Ministry Events and Happenings at JICF in 2021

- Sunday morning worship at JICF at 10:30am, the Facebook live feed starts at 11:00am.
- “Supper and Scriptures” on Wednesday evening live feed on Facebook live 7:00pm
- Bible studies for mentoring and discipleship.

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 Easter season!



Pastor Jeff Boyer sitting with Dan Pilla at Yarusso's Italian restaurant. (Pastor Michael's father). Dan will be 93 years old in April, please keep him in your prayers.



Rev. Jeff Boyer teaching about giving to the Lord.



The J I C F Sunday worship team with Ralph Cork on drums, Rev. Jerry McCleskey on guitar, Rev. Jeff Boyer on Sax, Rev. Norton Lawellin on key boards leading worship.



The kids at Sunday morning Sunday School



Deacon Lonnie Vanmeeteren, who joined JICF 5 years ago. God miraculously delivered Lonnie from addiction to drugs and has given him a deep passion to serve others. Lonnie is our go-to guy when things don't work in our building. He serves at a recovery ministry house helping others and is also a fishing guide with Tom Goodrich at Fishing For Life.



You're invited to the Jesus In The City 2021 Fishing For Life

11TH ANNUAL - URBAN AND SUBURBAN PASTOR'S FISHING TOURNAMENT

on Maxwell Bay, Lake Minnetonka

Tuesday, August 10th 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.

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

We rely on your financial partnership to fulfill our mission to the city. ***Thank you so much!***

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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