



# JESUS IN THE CITY FELLOWSHIP

Information and News Update

## 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 Prophecy of the Messiah

**Isaiah 7:14** "Therefore, the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel." *Meaning God with us.*

### The fulfillment of our coming Savior!

**Luke 2: 25-32** "Now there was a man in Jerusalem called Simeon, who was righteous and devout. He was waiting for the consolation of Israel, and the Holy Spirit was upon him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not die before he had seen the Lord's Christ. Moved by the Spirit, he went into the temple courts. When the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the custom of the Law required, Simeon took him in his arms and praised God, saying: "Sovereign Lord, as you have promised, you now dismiss your servant in peace. For my eyes have seen your salvation, which you have prepared in the sight of all people, a light for revelation to the Gentiles and for glory to your people Israel.""

**Jesus In The City** just wrapped up our **21st annual Christmas In The City 2020** outreach to our local community by adopting families for Christmas. We have many families this year that we have adopted. Many of these families are either new to understanding who Christ is or they have no knowledge of the Christ child at all. God with us; unto us a child is born, **"Therefore the Lord himself will give you a sign: The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son and will call him Immanuel."** **Isaiah 7:14.**

You yourself may have heard this message many times in your life. You may know of the hundreds of prophecies that Jesus Christ fulfilled in His coming. Knowing that God is in the details helps us in our own personal faith walk. In this knowing of God and His love it helps us to walk in faith. **Christmas in the City** is an opportunity to demonstrate Gods love in the details of the recipients lives to whom we are ministering to. This is an opportunity for all of us to be the hands and feet of Christ.

**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.

**OUR WORK IN THE CITY IS NOT FINISHED;  
BUT IN FACT WE ARE BECOMING MORE AND  
MORE FOCUSED EACH YEAR.**

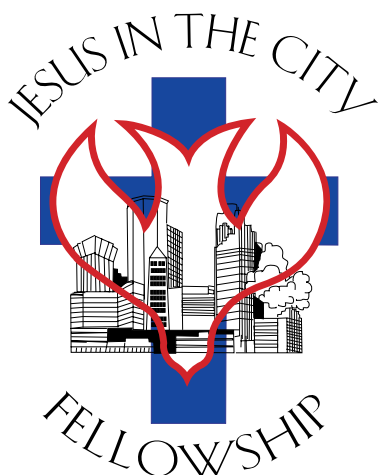
**I PRAY A SPECIAL BLESSING TO ALL OF  
OUR SUPPORTERS NEAR AND FAR FOR  
THIS PAST 2020!**

**May the Lord bless you in this coming 2021  
and I pray that you will prosper and be a  
vessel of God this year.**

Thanks for your support and prayers.

May the Lord Bless you richly in 2021!

**Sincerely yours in Christ,  
Pastor Michael A. Pilla, DTh  
michaelangelo@pclink.com**



## **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 Christmas season!



**THE LORD  
is my shepherd  
nothing shall I want  
he leads me +  
by safe paths  
nothing shall I fear**

***In another response to the corona-virus,  
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.***



**Pastor Jeff Boyer and Pastor Van Dickerson helping deliver Christmas In The City out of Dan's Southside Marine. A special thanks to Dan's Marine for helping us this year in the use of their warehouse in South Bloomington.**



**The very loyal and God loving JICF team of Reed Cockrell (kneeling), Rev. Shar Burgess and Pastor Jeff Boyer and Minister Krissie Hirt.**



**These teenagers are from Westwood Church helping to deliver Christmas In The City 2020.**



**Teddy Bagley and Minister Krissie Hirt with Teddie's car all loaded up and ready to go out for Christmas In The City.**

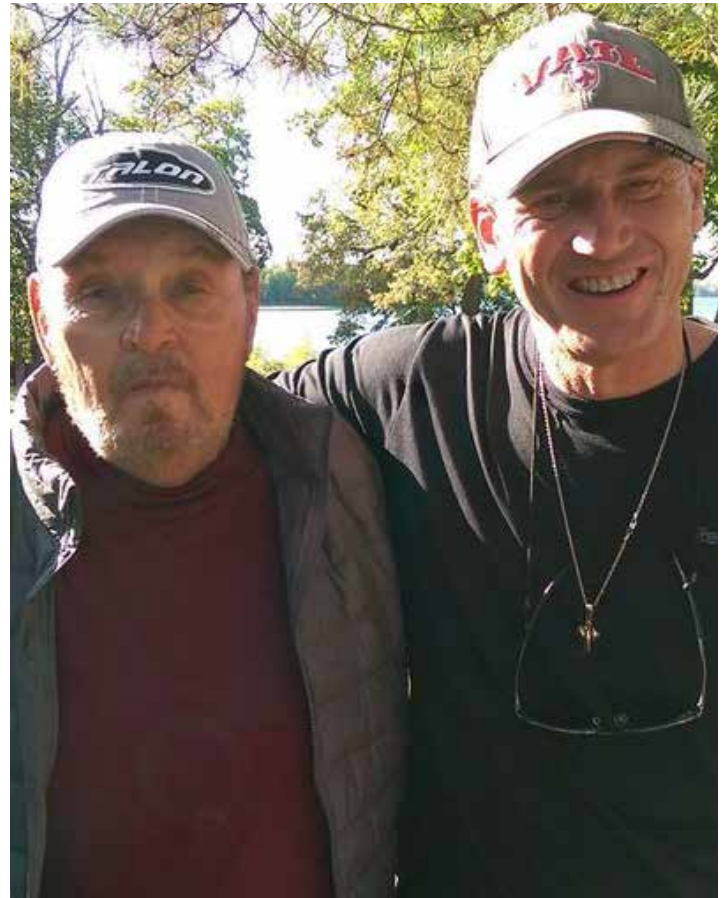


**Friends from Westwood Church and Pastor Michael Pilla loading up the Christmas delivery.**

**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. BELOW ARE SOME OF THE HAPPENINGS FROM THIS PAST SEASON. THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!**



*On November 2nd, 2020 my dear mother Carla Pilla went home to be with the Lord, she was 89. She is survived by her husband Dan Pilla. Please keep my father Dan in prayer. (He is 92 years old)*



*On November 30th, 2020 Fishing legend and friend Ron Lindner passed away from cancer, he was 86. He was a devoted man of God that I had the privilege to minister and fish with. My condolences to Delores Lindner, brother Al Lindner and family.*

**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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