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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.”***

It does not take long to realize that after one listens to the daily news cycle that we live in dark and controversial times. Pestilence, wars, and rumors of wars. A divided country with politicians screaming at one another trying to keep their power base. At the same time there is much positive news that we do not hear about because it does

not sell newspapers or in this modern era, “clicks on the website.”

I tell people I see many miracles every week in our ministry. I’m privy to some amazing stories of healing and redemption. In February 1996 a team of concerned people of faith called by God from various suburban churches came together and launched Jesus In the City Ministries and Fellowship. That was 24 years ago and in that time we have seen 1000’s of miracles and lives restored, new ministries established, and exciting testimonies of God’s great love and healing grace.

Here is the challenge for you today... **Isaiah 53:1** Who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the LORD been revealed?

Isaiah 55:1-2 *“Come, all you who are thirsty, come to the waters; and you who have no money, come, buy and eat! Come, buy wine and milk without money and without cost. Why spend money on what is not bread, and your labor on what does not satisfy? Listen, listen to me, and eat what is good, and your soul will delight in the richest of fare.”*

The answer is in the question, the Lord will have His way but will we participate in His kingdom building? The year 2020 is going to be a special year of growth for those ministries and businesses who step out in faith and share Christ to the world. Come and join us if you are willing. You will most certainly be blessed as you bless others in the process. Thanks so much.

CHRISTMAS IN THE CITY 2019

A special thanks to all of our partners for a much successful and blessed event. Christmas In The City 2019 delivered food and Christmas gifts to 30 families in need and touched hundreds of people with the love of Christ. This was followed up by a community meal in honor of the families on a Sunday in January.

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!!



Christmas Eve at Jesus In The City Fellowship with our cast and kids choir.



Sunday morning on our pre-Christmas Eve Sunday morning worship led by Pastor Norton Lawellin.



One of our wonderful volunteers loading up Christmas In the City delivery packages.



Kristen Hirt giving the delivery folks from Westwood Church final instructions for the delivery of gifts for Christmas In The City 2019.



Thank you OffiCenter for your partnership, Pastor Michael Pilla with his life-long friend Lori Spiess President of OffiCenters and Sue Elkins.

Special thanks to Dan's Southside Marine, OffiCenters, Wells Fargo, Westwood Church, and the dozens of individuals who helped with the sponsorship of families. Thank you so much for partnering with us!

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! As a mission church we rely on your support to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to the city.

Thank you so much for all of your support!
Your servant in Christ, Michael

The Lord is using us 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 miracles in the lives being restored.

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

"SUPPER AND SCRIPTURES" ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS AT JICF

"They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common." Acts 2:42-44.

Our "Supper and Scriptures" ministry meets on Wednesday evenings beginning its 2nd year. We teach the Bible verses from the Sunday morning sermons and break down the scriptures further with exegesis of the text and group discussions over a meal. This particular ministry is growing fast as the Spirit of God is bringing in new people who want to learn about Jesus. Come and join us on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:00 pm.

UPCOMING MINISTRY EVENTS AND HAPPENINGS AT JICF IN 2020

- **"Supper and Scriptures" on Wednesday evenings 6:30 to 8:00 pm:** Bible study for mentoring and discipleship. All are invited.
- **Community meals** we host on the third Sunday of the month after Sunday worship. The next community meal is on Sunday, February 16th.
- **Sunday worship.** Come and join us for fellowship and to hear God's Word preached. Or, catch our Sunday services on Facebook live as we stream the service. Just go to our website, click the **Facebook** tab at the bottom, click **Like Page**, and you will get the notices when we go live.

Unless indicated, in order to draw as many people as possible to the Lord, all our events are free to attendees.

We rely on your prayers and support to continue this mission of bringing God's love through Jesus Christ to the city. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Pastor Michael A. Pilla, DTh
<http://www.jesusinthecityfellowship.org>



Thank You Westwood Church for your awesome partnership with JICF this year.



Artist Alvin Jamison Lee enjoys a beautiful day with his Sister!

**Come join us on
Sunday afternoon,
April 5, 2020,
2:00 to 6:00 PM
at**

**Jesus in the City Fellowship
3249-30th Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55406
www.jesusinthecityfellowship.org
(612) 227-1946 (Krissie)**

Read Jamison's full story on our website or Facebook page!

Can you imagine what it would be like to wake up in a hospital with both legs amputated, broken bones, many internal injuries and a traumatic brain injury just because you were waiting in a bus shelter at the wrong time? A time when a man with many past DUIs and no license willfully got high and drove into that shelter. When this picture was taken, Jamison (as his family and friends call him) had no idea this might be one of the last times he would be able to enjoy an outing with family under his own power and in his right mind.

Will you please help?

Jamison will never be able to live a normal life, and we are trying to help his family by having a fund-raiser to help provide the means to pay for all the special equipment and care he'll need.

Enjoy:

- ~Games for kids
- ~Food Sales
- ~Live Music
- ~Art Sales
- ~Massages
- ~Craft Sales
- ~Makeovers
- ~Raffle
- ~Silent Auction
(including theme baskets!)

DONATE ONLINE

You can donate on line to Jesus In The City at our web site, www.jesusinthecityfellowship.org.
Thanks so much again for all your support.

Would you like your newsletter emailed to you? Contact me at michaelangelo@pclink.com.

God Bless you in 2019! Pastor Michael Angelo Pilla <><

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COME AND JOIN US FOR GREAT WORSHIP AND PREACHING AT 10:30 AM.

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