

CONNECTION POINT

JULY 2016

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WE ARE COMMITTED TO FOLLOWING GOD TOGETHER
CONNECTED WITH HIM, COMMITTED TO EACH OTHER
AND PARTICIPATING IN HIS LIFE TOGETHER

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July 3rd
No Soulfire

July 10th
1-2:30pm
Scavenger Hunt

July 17th
No Soulfire

July 23rd

River Day - All day trip to Eastern Washington to enjoy sun some sun! Must sign up by July 17th.



July 29th

Movie Night

Join us at dusk on the back grass for our first summer movie night for 2016! We will be showing Star Wars—The Force Awakens. The movie will start at dusk, which is about 9pm.

There will be free popcorn and additional snacks and drinks for sale. Invite a friend, bring a lawn chair and blankets and enjoy a movie under the stars!!



Pray for the Tepic Mexico Missions Team!
Team Tepic will be gone from July 11th though the 21st.
Chuck, Shalene and Kayla Gustafson, Destiny and Faith Nelson, Brad, Rebecca, Brenan and Riley Watkins, Tyler Miller, Jason, Joe and William Weron, Jocelynn Burt, Hannah Bernadelli, Isabella Abdalla, and Laura Lease.



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Freedom

With a firm grip on his chains where they were joined at his back; wrists and ankles all connected to the same spot, the handler escorted the slave up the stairs and onto the public platform of the largest slave market in the world in Cairo, Egypt. Most were led up in groups of four to twelve. This slave was different. He was in his mid to late twenties, built like a Greek statue, tall and as strong as five or six average men his age. He had a fire in his eyes that warned of explosiveness.

Most of the other slave's heads were bowed in subdued resignation. This man's eyes never stopped scanning the crowd, for exactly whom he did not know yet. He stood like a rock, without movement or varied expression as those ahead of him were auctioned off; some one by one, others in pairs, some in groups or whole families as sets of abilities matched to expected situational needs.

Finally, he was led out onto the promontory reserved for special specimens. He was turned and presented from both sides; front and back. Previous experience had taught him that failure to comply would result in swift, extreme pain both now and after the sale. He was fully committed to risking it all when the proper time presented itself.

The bidding was started at four times what any other man his age would command and increased steadily. He remained stock still and resolute before them. As early bidders dropped out it came down to two men who quickly bested each other's offer every time. When the escalation slowed as the price surpassed unprecedented heights he began to fix his fiery glare on each man when it was his turn to up the bid. Then, suddenly he lunged at his restraints and began screaming to them both, "If you buy me you will never sleep another night in your life! I will devote my entire life to killing you at the first opportunity!" He was being separated from his wife and children for the first time and feared that if sold alone he would never see them again. Though both would be buyers initially paused, both continued as before; each apparently determined to leave with this slave as his prize purchase.

"I'll kill you, do you hear me? You'll never get a day of work out of me!" he blasted, hoping to be rejected as a wasted expense before anyone committed to losing so much money.

Then, without notice one of the men shouted out a bid twice the amount just offered by his competitor. The entire crowd fell silent and the second man looked to the one making the unjustifiable offer. He shrugged his shoulders and walked away. The slave on the block hung his head in defeat and fell to his knees, beaten. A low glow began to rise on the face of the unreasonable buyer.

By the time he had waited to pay what he owed the auction was closed for the day and most people had left. He walked up onto the platform where the completely dejected slave remained on his knees. Standing over him he reached out to show the handler the bill of sale. "Unchain him" he said.

Stunned and confused, the slave lifted his head toward the man he had vowed to kill. "Are you crazy!?" the slave handler exclaimed. "He has promised to kill you at the first opportunity." With quiet determination the buyer repeated, "Unchain him."

With one eye on the slave and one hand on the revolver in his belt he bent forward, reached out with the key and unlocked the manacles binding the slave's limbs together. The heavy chains slipped through the rings and crashed onto the wooden platform where he knelt.

In complete bewilderment the human merchandise looked up to the man who now owned him. "I bought you to set you free" the buyer said, and handed him the bill of sale.

The slave fell at his feet and gripped him around the ankles as he cried, "I will serve you with my very life forever!"

Jesus said, "And you shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free... Therefore if the Son makes you free, you shall be free indeed." – **John 8:32-36**

Be free and live free.

(This is an old story, retold. The original author is unknown)

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Tepic Mexico Blessing Money Coin Drive

Bring out your change and save a face.... Or not! Our coin drive goes to blessing the people of Tepic during our upcoming missions trip. Chuck, Kurt and Charles have all put their faces on the line this year. Place your change in the jar or donate online for the face you want to save. Clean out those change jars today, before the pies fly!

Both the coin drive and sponsor a dress end
Sunday July 3rd.
Donate at church or online.



Tacoma Rainiers Game

Join Soulfire
and
Peninsula
Christian
Fellowship

Life Groups for a night out at the Tacoma Rainiers Sunday August 7th at 5:05pm! Tickets are \$12.50 a piece. Price includes a reserved seat, ballpark meal of hot dog, chips, & water. Sign up now through July 31st in the entry way at church. Hope to see you there!



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July 2016

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

					1 PCF Office Closed	2
3 10am Worship Zac Costanzo No Soulfire <i>guest speaker</i>	4 PCF Office Closed 	5 Life Groups	6 BC to AD	7 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	8 PCF Office Closed	9
10 10am Worship 1pm Soulfire - Scavenger Hunt	11 Mexico Missions Trip	12 Life Groups	13 BC to AD	14 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	15 PCF Office Closed	16
17 10am Worship No Soulfire	18 7pm Women's Prayer Group	19 Life Groups	20 BC to AD	21 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	22 PCF Office Closed	23 Soulfire River Day
24 10am Worship	25	26 Life Groups	27 BC to AD	28 Life Groups 6pm <i>Thrive!</i>	29 PCF Office Closed 9pm Soulfire Movie Night Star Wars	30

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10am Worship

Life Groups are on summer schedules. This means more casual get togethers for some and breaks for others. Each group is different so be sure to check with the groups leader to find out what the plan is for the one you are interested in attending.

Anniversaries & Birthdays

1-Enkhsuren Enkhtur
3-Marissa Fuqua, Paul Tvetter
7-Jenea Staples
12-Kathryn Fuller, Curtis Staples
13-Joseph Weron
14-Cheryl Johnson
16-Betsy Smith
16-Sam and Marissa Fuqua, 2011

18-Lavona Fraychineaud
21-Dennis Amico
27-Tammi and Andrew Burt, 1996
28-Janice Abdalla, Cheryl Miller, Adam Thomsen
29-James Noble
30-Daniel Watanabe

