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Dunes Winter Youth Camp

On Jan. 24-26, I preached 3 sessions from the message series *"Influences"* at a youth event for four area churches to more than 100 teens.

When the people of God in the time of Isaiah were "filled with the influences from the east," God's word to them through the prophet was this: "Stop regarding man, whose breath of life is in his nostrils; For why should he be esteemed." Isaiah 2:22

There were **2 students that trusted in Christ as Savior and Lord and more than 20** that responded during the altar call to make a decision of repentance and renewal.



Preached at Go Church East County

On Jan. 12, Mar. 2, and Apr. 27, I had the opportunity to preach at Go Church, the church my family and I helped plant. The first message, "God's Provision for Life" examined the story of Nicodemus

and what it means to be born again (drawing from Num. 21:4-9). The second message examined Ps. 78 and God's vision for making disciples. This message lays the foundation for the Men of Simplicity Discipleship journey. We currently have about 24 men from Go Church in MOS. The third message was focused on the conversion of Saul. During the invitation, **2 young adults** -with whom many from the church have prayed and shared the Gospel- **responded in faith to trust in Jesus as Savior and Lord.** [These messages are on our website under MEDIA.]



Chapel Series at Damascus Christian School Chapel on Jan 17 & Open Door Christian Academy in Feb

I preached the 3-message series *"Resisting Temptation"* at two Christian schools. Students learned that God does not tempt. The devil is the tempter & liar, but people are enticed and carried away by their own lustful desires.

Therefore, we must learn to do what Jesus told us: PRAY and WALK according to the Spirit. Isaiah's description (Isa. 11:2) of the fullness of the Spirit that is upon Jesus describes what we should pray for to walk well.



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Men's Breakfast at FBC Gresham

Sat. May 17th, I spoke at the FBC Gresham, OR men's breakfast. We had 35 men. I spoke to them regarding godly decision making and implementation from Isaiah 11:1-4. Here Isaiah prophesies regarding the seven-fold aspect of the Holy Spirit that is upon Jesus to judge with righteousness and fairness during His earthly rule and reign. These same aspects of the Lord's Spirit (wisdom, understand, counsel, might, knowledge, and the fear of the Lord) are available to all who believe in Jesus and are sealed with the Holy Spirit.



Men of Simplicity

Jan-Jun, 2025, there were a total of 7 groups with an average attendance of 70 men at MOS. 21 of these men are leading accountability groups and/or discussion groups and are actively involved in the disciple making process. 36 of the 70 are in our local group that meets at First Baptist Gresham, OR while the rest connect via Zoom. This year's teaching focused on *Simple Evangelism* and apologetics.

God is moving and working in these men. We are seeing men take steps to develop daily time in God's Word and prayer, to lead at home and in their local churches, and to share Jesus with those who are lost. It is such a joy to disciple and lead these men!!



Evangelism During Crisis & Disaster

On Saturday, April 26, I preached the opening morning message to the volunteers of the Northwest Baptist Convention Disaster Relief. This event is an annual time of training volunteers for deployment to conduct large group feeding, forklift operation, first aid, CPR and personal property recovery to name a few. I led breakouts that provided 3 ½ hours of evangelism training. There were 12-15 people trained for evangelism during crisis.



Summer Ministry

I am preparing to lead a *Simple Evangelism Training* for the Go Church Network of churches on July 19th. There are 6 churches that are planning to participate. Please join with me in prayer for this event that God will draw people to dedicate a few hours that Saturday to be trained and that God will, by His Holy Spirit, send out laborers into His harvest.

Then on Aug. 4th-8th, I will be preaching for the High School Camp at Ochoco Christian Conference Center. This summer camp will focus on the Lavishing Love of Christ! Pray for lost students to understand the Gospel message and that they may repent of their sins with faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. Pray for Christian teens to learn to love others just as Christ lavishly loved them. Forgiveness will be a big part of this preaching focus. Please pray for teens to understand biblical forgiveness and be willing to humbly forgive those who have hurt and sinned against them.



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