

Your Thanksgiving celebration probably includes an invitation this year -- either you are the one invited, or the one doing the inviting. Allow me to give you another invitation! Meditate through Ps.107 with me this Thanksgiving season. "But pastor, don't you mean Ps.100?" No, often we go there, but look at Ps.107 instead!

It begins with an invitation to give thanks -- Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, for His steadfast love endures forever. It closes with the reminder to consider the steadfast love of the Lord. (vs.1 & 43b)

In between are 4 pictures of thankfulness to the Lord:

Desert travelers who had lost their way are guided by the Lord to a city of refuge. (vs.4-9)

Prisoners set free by the Lord. (vs.10-16)

Some sick or under the folly of sin are forgiven and restored to health by the Lord. (vs.17-22)

Sailors who had weathered a storm are brought safely to harbor by the Lord. (vs.23-32)

Also here is how God causes the land to be fertile and produce crops and provides for the needy. (vs.33-43)

As you spend some quiet hours this season, and as you gather with family & friends, take some time to ponder Ps.107 and how very good is *the steadfast love of the Lord*.

Don't forget our "normal" November opportunities for *Santa's Helpers* Dinner & Live Auction on Saturday, Nov.19 and helping decorate our worship area for Christmas on Sunday, Oct.27.

Also this month begins our 2023 budget process. If you direct a ministry area, please get your budget request to the church office in the next 2 weeks.

Classes and groups, please contact the church office with your holiday party gatherings or events, and if you need to reserves part of the church facility for your event.

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NOVEMBER HOLIDAY SCHEDULE: NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES 11/23 CHURCH OFFICE AND DAYCARE CLOSED THURSDAY & FRIDAY 11/24-11/25

UPCOMING CHURCH EVENTS

 Nov 5 **Youth Night of Worship** Southwestern Seminary Nov 6 Deacon's Meeting **Time Change** Nov 6 Set clocks back 1 hour **Guess Who's Coming** Nov 6

to Dinner, Youth Activities Nov 19 Santa's Helpers Auction

No Wed. Night Activities Nov 23 Nov 24-25 **Thanksgiving Church office** & Daycare Closed **Church decorating after** Nov 27 morning worship

SOUTHWESTERN SEMINARY FT. WORTH, TEXAS SATURDAY. **NOVEMBER 5TH**

Students meet at the church Sat. 4:30 PM we will take a van to the Seminary. Call the church office for more info.



(11/03/2022)**FINANCIAL UPDATE:**

\$146,316.66 **Current Checkbook Bal** Designated Funds Bal. \$70,993.09 **Total Available Funds** \$75,323.57 2022 YTD Total Giving Received





2022 YTD Total Giving Needed





SANTA'S HELPERS

Dinner catered by Don Chano's starts at 5 pm, dine-in only for \$10. Tickets for the fajita dinner must be purchased in advance from Santa's Helpers members, at the AISD administration building, at Alvarado Pharmacy, Alvarado Church of Christ, or at the Alvarado branch of First Financial Bank. The live auction begins at 7 pm at the Alvarado High School Cafeteria.





\$308,724.17

\$299,480.28

Tuesday's 6:30-8:30 @ Laura Taylor's Thursday's 6:30-8:30 @ Melissa Cross's

For more information about this study contact Laura @ 817-648-2433 or Melissa@ 817-915-6039

