

# THIS WEEK...

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## “Not Yo Mama’s Church”

### When we do stuff

Every Sunday @ 1 pm – Discipleship

Every Sunday @ 2 pm – Worship Service

1<sup>st</sup> three Saturdays each month – Youth and College Ministries

All the time – Prayer, Praise, Supplication

Why?

Matthew 28: 18-20

Matthew 22: 36-40

Romans 15: 5-6

### About Our Church...New Youth Made in Christ

NYMC exists to **Nurture** the hearts and souls of those who seek the true GOD and **Yearn** for HIS Salvation, to provide the opportunity for the hearts and souls to **Mature** by getting **Involved** in the family of GOD and **Cry** out in praise to the one true GOD.

**Nurture = Ministry**

**Yearn = Evangelism**

**Mature = Discipleship**

**Involved = Fellowship**

**Cry out = Worship**

**PEACE**

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### NYMC Prayer Requests and Praises:

**Helen:** Please pray for Isaias and his family. (personal)

**Sandy:** Please continue to pray for my brother and his family; my sister Janet and her family; my parents; my sister Betty and her future surgery; our trip to Ohio on Sunday; for those families who will not have a Christmas this year, may someone provide for them and bring them joy.

**PRAISE:** It's awesome to know that our LORD and SAVIOUR JESUS came to this earth to bring us hope. How great it is to know that HE came so humble and left the same way! Thank you JESUS and Happy Birthday!!

**Denissa:** Working opportunities during the break; my sister's car situation and health; my mother and sister's relationship; my season and the changes in life.

**Ruthie:** Pray for Aramis' trip to NJ; for my mom's health; my friend Melissa's family situation especially during this holiday time; Pastor and family's health; church members and their families; Steven's job and school children.

**PRAISES:** For my wonderful family; Aramis will be here for a few days; GOD's grace and love!

**Efrain:** For mine and Anamar's family trip to Florida; co-worker Fred, for GOD to soften his heart; Rolando's divorce situation; Steve and Carlos relationship with CHRIST to stay tight and fellowship increase; my cousin Yesenia to join our church body; my aunts and uncles money situations.

**PRAISE:** I got my car back (was in the shop over the weekend for busted c.v. joint and new front struts; helped my cousin Yesenia with her car.

**Bill:** My trip to my daughter's for Christmas.

**PRAISE:** My stuff got delivered to my new apartment on Monday and I am spending the evenings unpacking.

**Jose:** To get closer to GOD during the winter break; registration for classes; reach out to my family and friends.

**Jessica:** That I may stay faithful to GOD.

**Roberto:** For all the families of our church to share the true meaning of Christmas with others; For our church; For our ministries; For RVBC

**PRAISE:** For my family; For our church; For my job; For all the blessings we have , are receiving and will receive

**\*\*If we are missing anyone's praises please send them to us and we'll add them to the list. We tried to remember all the praises we probably missed some.**

#### Announcements:

Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup> we will have our Candlelight Service

Saturday, January 6th at 5:00pm at RVB there will be a special Three Kings Day Program for the kids. Sponsored by NYMC. Invite the kids you know.

CREATION: CREATED TO...

Why did GOD create us? What are we here for? What's the meaning of life?

Read these passages and try to answer the above questions:

**Psalm 8**

**A psalm of David.**

<sup>1</sup> O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.  
<sup>2</sup> From the lips of children and infants you have ordained praise because of your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.  
<sup>3</sup> When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,  
<sup>4</sup> what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him?  
<sup>5</sup> You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor.  
<sup>6</sup> You made him ruler over the works of your hands; you put everything under his feet:  
<sup>7</sup> all flocks and herds, and the beasts of the field,  
<sup>8</sup> the birds of the air, and the fish of the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.  
<sup>9</sup> O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! (NIV)

**Revelation 4**

**11**Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created. (KJV)

**Isaiah 43:21 (King James Version)**

**21**T his people have I formed for myself; they shall shew (*show*) forth my praise.

**1 Peter 2:9-12 (King James Version)**

**9**But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light;

**10**Which in time past were not a people, but are now the people of God: which had not obtained mercy, but now have obtained mercy.

**11**Dearly beloved, I beseech you as strangers and pilgrims, abstain from fleshly lusts, which war against the soul;

**12**Having your conversation honest among the

Gentiles: that, whereas they speak against you as evildoers, they may by your good works, which they shall behold, glorify God in the day of visitation.

Matthew 28: 16-20

**16**Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, into a mountain where Jesus had appointed them.

**17**And when they saw him, they worshipped him: but some doubted.

**18**And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth.

**19**Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

**20**Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

**Psalm 86:9**

All nations whom You have made Shall come and **worship** before You, O Lord, And shall glorify Your name

Granted, there exist many other passages that we could list. For your own edification, add to these and answer the questions presented. Also remember this: The king of kings came to us. HE decided to come and show us a better...no... the best ... no that's not it either. HE came to show us the ONLY WAY to live for GOD. Yes, that's it. Not only did Christ show us the only way, but HE provided the way for us to succeed. HIS Holy Spirit. Let GOD be glorified in our daily lives as we struggle, as we succeed, as we fight, as we pick ourselves up, as we move on after we've been pushed back. David Livingstone was a great missionary to the African continent during the 1840s and 1850s. Once he was asked "Where are you going?" He replied, "Anywhere, providing it is forward." Let us go forward praising and knowing we are created by the truly awesome Living GOD.



*“O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.”*  
**Psalm 8:1**  
 NIV



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Newsletter

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## Upcoming Events:

Saturday January 6 @ 5:00 pm

THREE KINGS DAY CELEBRATION

Saturday January 13 @ 6:30 pm NYMC YOUTH/COLLEGE

Saturday January 20 @ 6:30 pm NYMC YOUTH/COLLEGE



## ABRAHAM AND CHRISTMAS

It may seem strange to bring Abraham into Christmas, but it makes sense when you examine the how GOD informs us of what is to come. We may all know the story of how Abraham and his wife Sarah were unable to have child. GOD spoke to Abraham and changed his name from Abram to Abraham, which means, “Father of many nations”. (Genesis 17:3-9) Abraham is the father of Isaac who becomes the father of Jacob who then becomes the father of the twelve sons whom the tribes of Israel get their names. (Genesis 29:31 – 30:21; 35:16-29)

In Genesis 21 tells us of the miraculous birth of Isaac. Abraham was 100 years old and Sarah 90 years old. This miracle that GOD performed shows us HIS power, mercy and love for those who love HIM James 2:23 tells us that Abraham was GOD’s friend. John 15:13-17 tells us how Jesus wants to be our friend and how we can be HIS friends.

The birth of Jesus was also miraculous. This time GOD does a double miracle. Luke 1 tells us of the birth of John the Baptist. The priest Zechariah was old and his wife was also old. Verse 18 shows us how Zechariah is doubtful of the words the Angel Gabriel speaks. But once again the Lord performs a miracle. Elizabeth becomes pregnant at an old age. Elizabeth is a cousin of Mary. When Elizabeth is six months pregnant (Luke 1:26) the Angel Gabriel visits Mary and informs her of the miracle the Holy Spirit will perform in her life. Mary questions the possibility in verse 34. Yet again, what we know is impossible, GOD makes possible.

Isaac, John the Baptist and Jesus are all miraculously brought into the world. GOD

promised Abraham he would be the father of many nations. HE informs Abraham of the everlasting covenant that will come from his descendants. (Gen. 17:3-8) GOD promises Abraham that HE will establish an everlasting covenant with Isaac. (Gen. 17:19-21) Jesus explains that HE is establishing an everlasting covenant with HIS blood (Matthew 26:27; Mark 14:22-24; Luke 22: 19-20; I Corinthians 11:23-26) Galatians explains two covenants using Sarah and Hagar. Hagar was the Egyptian maidservant of Sarah in Genesis 16. Hagar had a child, Ishmael with Abraham. Galatians 4:21-31 sums up the Abraham and Jesus covenant connection rather nicely.

We are “children of promise” in the same way as Isaac. As Sarah represents the covenant of freedom brought to us through Jesus. We are “born by the power of the Spirit”. This makes more sense when we look at Galatians 3:26-29 and Galatians 4:1-7. We are told by the Apostle Paul that, “If you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s seed, and heirs according to the promise”. (Gal. 3:29 NIV) Meditate on these verses this week as you explore what Christmas means and what impact it should have in your life. The birth of Jesus the Christ has much larger implication than we may have previously thought.