



THE GATE Church of the High Desert

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2021: A Time to Reset and Réjoice

By Pastor Randy Howard

It has been a great honor for me and my family to serve the Lord by serving His people at the Gate Church of the High Desert for nearly 20 years! Through ups and down, highs and low, the journey has been rewarding as our Lord is faithful and His mercies are new each and every day. I can truly say that the life He has given us is beyond words. All we can say is "Praise the Lord for He is good all the time!"

As we close out 2020 and approach 2021, it is clear that God is doing something new. He is moving in ways that are quite strange to us but beneficial to all who will submit to Him and His ways. I have tried to be quiet and still in His presence. I have listened carefully to His voice during this most difficult year of 2020 and heard Him speak to what we should focus our attention on in 2021.

As the summer of 2020 was coming to an end, the Lord spoke and said that it is time for the church (more specifically The Gate Church) to enter a season of R and R. I first thought of what most of us would think - REST AND RELAXATION, especially after such a difficult year as 2020. But then the Lord corrected my thinking by clarifying that it was not REST AND RELAXATION He is calling us to but rather "A Time to Reset and Rejoice"!

As I continued to meditate upon this word and commune with the Lord, it became clear to me that we are to reevaluate, refresh and renew everything in our personal lives, family life and in our church community.

Throughout 2020, we have seen realignment and repositioning both in the spirit and in the natural. The church has been forced to simplify by removing things that don't matter and revisiting things that do. All of this in 2020 has happened in order to prepare us for the great reset that is coming. For us, I heard the Lord say that 2021 will be a TIME TO RESET AND REJOICE - A Year of Grace, Gifts and Growth!

I was filled with excitement over what I was hearing and at the same time, there was a sense of uncertainty as I was unsure what it all meant. Then the Lord reminded me that November 1st, 2020 was the 40th anniversary for

our church. He reminded me that 40 years represents a generation and that the Gate was completing its first full generation. Then He showed me that this year is also the 400th anniversary of the pilgrim landing on Plymouth Rock where they knelt on those shores and dedicated this land to the Lord Jesus Christ establishing this place to be where the Kingdom of God would be made manifest.

What an incredible prophetic picture this was! It has been 10 generations since those pilgrims made a prophetic declaration about this nation and the 40 years that the Gate has existed represents the 10th generation. In Scripture, 10 signifies testimony, law, responsibility and the completeness of order. Therefore, the word from God for us to RESET and REJOICE suddenly made sense to me. We have come to the end of a prophetic season and are now being called to embark into a new one. We are to begin again, to refresh, to reestablish or RESET ourselves upon the foundations that were laid many years ago. That's what 2021 will be for us as we RESET ourselves in foundations, faith and fruitfulness. We believe that 2021 will be a year of grace, gifts and growth. We aim to RESET and REJOICE for what God has done, is doing and will do.

So let us all be grateful for this time of new beginnings for the glory of God. Let us recommit ourselves to the centrality of the gospel, the preeminence of Christ Jesus and the fellowship of the saints. Let us devote ours lives to love the church, serve the community and give ourselves sacrificially to make Christ known. It is TIME TO RESET AND REJOICE seeing souls saved, lives changed, homes renewed and our nation transformed to the glory of our God!

For King and Kingdom, Pastor Randy

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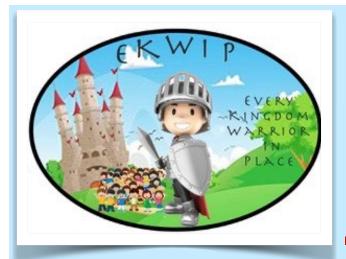
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EKWIP CHILDREN'S MINISTRY VISION:

Through the guidance of the Holy Spirit and in partnership with parents, we will faithfully teach the gospel and demonstrate the love of Christ to all children so that they will become disciples of Christ who trust, serve, worship, and obey Him now and into eternity to the glory of God the Father.

2021 MINISTRY SCHEDULE/EVENTS:

Sunday Morning Children's Church, Sunday Mornings at 10:00am | Weekly EKWIP Midweek Children's Ministry, Wednesday Nights at 6:30pm | *January - April, 2021 Palm Sunday/Easter Songs Presentation, March 28th at 10:00am Summer Vacation Bible School, June 14th through 18th, 9am to 12pm Christmas Songs Presentation, December 12th at 10:00am

*Depending Upon the COVID-19 Situation







REKNEW YOUTH MINISTRIES:

The Youth Ministry of the Gate Church of the High Desert exists to encourage a community of students with a strong Christian foundation, empowering and equipping them to discern their place in God's kingdom.

REKNEW Midweek Youth Gathering, Wednesday Nights 6:30pm Summer Youth Camp, July 7-10, 2021











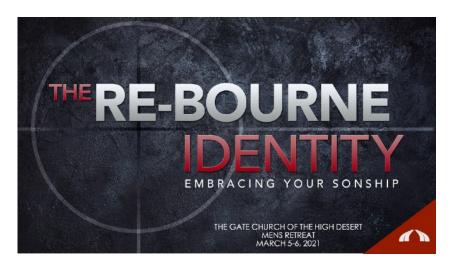
THE GATE MEN'S MINISTRY



Embracing Your Sonship | March 19-20

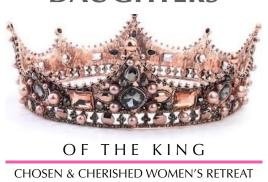
MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

First Saturday Mornings at 9:00am January, May, July, September, November





DAUGHTERS







CHOSEN AND CHERISHED RETREAT

Daughters of the King | November 4-6

WOMEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST

First Saturday Mornings at 9:00am February, April, June, October, December

YOUNG FAMILIES FELLOWSHIP

Friday Nights at 6pm on the Following Dates:

May 7th, June 4th, July 2nd, August 6th, September 3rd, October 1st, November 5th, December 3rd



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MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT WEEKEND

February 13-14 Saturday, 11:00am - 1:00pm Sunday, 10:00am - 11:30am

All married couples are invited to join us for a <u>Marriage Enrichment Luncheon</u> on Saturday, February 13th from 11am to 1pm. Reservations required and Childcare provided! Cost is \$20 Per Couple. Then attend Sunday service for a special message on "Marriage: God's Divine Design"!

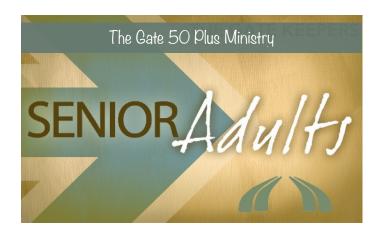


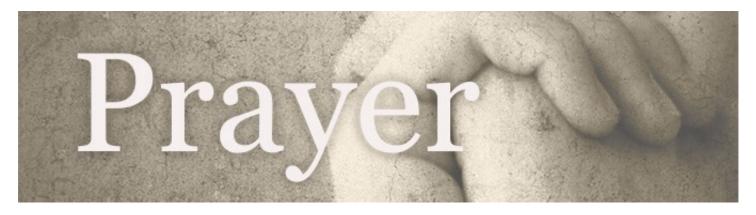




The GATE HD Fifty +
Meet Every Thursday at 1:00pm

If you are over the age of 50 and would like some wonderful fellowship with others your age and older, then this group is for you! Please join us as we love each other, laugh together and look into God's Holy Word.





Men's Prayer Gatherings

Every Sunday Morning, 9:00am - 9:30am

Church-Wide Prayer Gatherings

First Sunday Night of Each Month Beginning in February, 6:00pm - 7:30pm



Stations of the Cross Prayer and Consecration Week

March 31 - April 2, 6:30pm - 8:00pm





Midweek Bible Study at the Gate HD

Wednesdays, (Jan to Apr | Sep to Dec), 6:30pm - 7:45pm **NO MIDWEEK STUDY MAY - AUGUST**

Women's Bible Study

Tuesday Nights, January 19th - March 9th, 6:30pm - 7:45pm **Men's Bible Study**

Wednesday Nights, May 5th - June 9th, 6:30pm - 7:45pm

Women's Bible Study

Tuesday Nights, June 1st - June 29th, 6:30pm - 7:45pm **Men's Bible Study**

Wednesday Nights, July 21st - August 25th, 6:30pm - 7:45pm



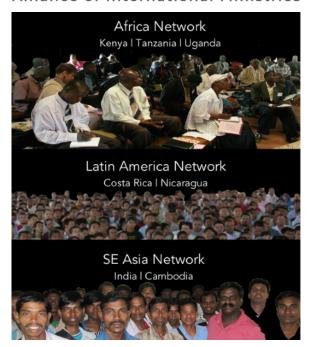
The Gate

Mission and Humanitarian Initiative





Alliance of International Ministries



The Gate Church of the High Desert is ON MISSION with God to change the world! We do this in a variety of ways. Our first priority is through Gateway Strategies which has two initiatives: The Gate Mission and Humanitarian Initiative (GMHI) and The Gate Alliance of International Ministries (GAIM). GMHI is involved in overseeing, supporting and serving children in India and Africa. Through the two orphanages we serve, children receive food, housing, education and healthcare. GAIM is involved in networking leaders, churches and ministries on four continents to evangelize, disciple and provoke social and cultural change in the nations. Both initiatives are purposed to reveal and expand the Kingdom of God!

In addition to **GATEWAY** and all it is doing, we have secondary ministries that we support such as <u>KMUSA</u>, <u>SBC Cooperative Program</u> and the <u>HDBA</u> in our local area. We also support <u>Moses House</u>, a local pregnancy crisis center and pro-family ministry.

Your **Faith Promise Commitment** to give above your tithe helps us to achieve the mission goals of The Gate! Please consider giving a monthly amount, as the Lord leads, to fulfill the Great Commission mandate!

VISION STATEMENT

The Gate Church of the High Desert exists to Redeem People and Renew Creation by Making Disciples, Creating Community and Revealing the Kingdom through Compassionate Evangelism, Corporate Edification, Christian Education and Cultural Engagement.

LEADERSHIP

Randy Howard, Senior Pastor Zach Howard, Executive Pastor Joseph Flores, Associate Pastor

> Bryce Cacho, Elder Phil Flores, Elder Charles Speelman, Elder Paul Tam, Elder

Omar Huerta, Spanish Pastor

Tammy Howard, Administrative Assistant Kara Howard, Financial Secretary

OFFICE HOURS

Monday through Thursday, 10:am to 2:00pm (Only Until the Pandemic Ends)

(If you have any needs out side of office hours, please contact your Elder directly via phone, text or email)

