

EVERY SUNDAY  
Prayer Meeting 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.  
(No Sunday School currently)  
Worship 11:00 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting 5:30 p.m.



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“IBC exists to invite people into community with God and His people, equipping them to follow and serve Christ.”

### PASTOR’S MESSAGE

Listen to these powerful words from our Lord and King, Jesus. John documents Jesus’ words in John 15:18-20a, “If the world hates you, know that it has hated Me before it hated you. If you were of the world, the world would love you as its own; but because you are not of the world, but I chose you out of the world, therefore the world hates you.

Remember the word that I said to you: ‘A servant is not greater than his master...’ Do we really believe what Jesus is telling us, His followers?

We are headed towards a time in our history where those who follow Jesus will see Jesus’ words become real in their lives, personally. I can think of a few times when someone genuinely hated me because I love and follow Jesus. However, these examples are few and far between. But that may be changing, and it may happen much faster than any of us expect.

There is a push to make the proclamation of the Good News of Jesus a hate crime. A hate crime because we love people enough to tell them they are headed to an eternal hell if they do not repent of their rebellion against God. When this happens, when the loving words of Jesus are perceived as hate, persecution will come, and it will come quickly. People love the darkness and will do anything to snuff out any light that illuminates their sin and rebellion. Do we believe Jesus when He said it would be this way? Do we trust Him enough to follow Him even when it becomes dangerous for us to do so?

Many churches and pastors have decided they would rather be loved by the world than obedient to God. They make many attempts to discredit the Scriptures, they adopt trendy ideologies and stand for the ever-changing whims of culture rather than the unshifting, unchanging Truth of God. This is why I attempt to teach and preach the Word and not my own thoughts or feelings. I pray that IBC will always stand on the word of God; that we will build everything we do upon the Rock, that is our Lord. He does not change, so we too should be a constant in a constantly changing culture.

What man feels and thinks, apart from God’s truth, is irrelevant. However, God’s Word is the truth and that truth is worth living for and worth dying for. That truth is worth digging into and examining. That truth is worth teaching and preaching, heralding and proclaiming. The truth of God is worth conforming our lives around even if it means the culture, society, even the whole world hates us. Why? Because we are His children and heirs to an eternal inheritance that man cannot destroy. When the heat is turned up, and it is going to get hot very soon, will you trust in the promises of our King?

As we witness the rampant deterioration of the world around us, Jesus’ words should fill us with hope and give us a determination to hold our ground and stand on the truth until the very end. “I have said these things to you, that in Me you may have peace. In the world you will have tribulation. But take heart; I have overcome the world” (John 15:33). The victory is His and we get to share in that victory. Hold on because HE is worth it.

Your brother, Pastor Lucas

### SOME EASTER-RELATED VERSES

–“God shows His love for us in this: while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8).

–“See, we are going up to Jerusalem. And the Son of Man will be delivered over to the chief priests and scribes, and they will condemn him to death and deliver him over to the Gentiles to be mocked and flogged and crucified, and he will be raised on the third day.” (Matt. 20:18-19)

-“When Jesus had received the sour wine, he said, “It is finished,” and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.” (John 19:30)

-“He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be delivered into the hands of sinful men and be crucified and on the third day rise.” (Luke 24:6-7)

-“He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.” (1 Peter 2:24)

-“Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead.” (1 Pet. 1:3)

### **FOOD BOX DISTRIBUTION:**

For the last couple of months we have been passing out Free Food Boxes on Tuesdays at IBC. This has been such a blessing for the community and for us as a church. It has been incredible to see God working in this ministry; giving us an opportunity to help meet physical needs and more importantly, spiritual needs. So far we have passed out roughly 3,000 food boxes- each filled with the gospel message! We are so grateful for all those who have volunteered to help make this ministry run smoothly. We plan on continuing this each Tuesday from 12pm-2pm. Please keep this outreach ministry in your prayers.

### **ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING**

This year’s Annual Business Meeting will be held on Sunday, March 21<sup>st</sup> directly after service. In this year’s ABM we will adopt a new budget for the new year. We will also vote to update the membership roster as well as vote on election and reelection for church officer positions. All of this detailed information is available for pickup. Please pray over the life and direction of the church.

### **SPRING CLEANING**

This year’s spring cleaning was scheduled to be held on Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup> from 9-noon. This is the time we clean the exterior and interior as much as we can to have the building and grounds looking their best before the Easter week of celebrations. Please come and help if you can. The more volunteers the faster we can accomplish our goals. **Note: Spring cleanup on the 13<sup>th</sup> was cancelled due to weather. We’ll try to reschedule before Easter.**

### **LIGONIER CONFERENCE**

Most of the Leadership team will be away from March 17<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup>. Please pray for them as they travel and study. Please pray that God will remotivate, reenergize and recharge those who are attending this conference.

### **EASTER RELATED ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES**

**Week of Prayer:** Starting Monday, March 29<sup>th</sup> – Thursday April 1<sup>st</sup> we will meet at the church building every evening from 6:30-7:30 PM to pray for those who do not know the Lord. We will commit this week to praying that God would use the Easter related services to bring many into faith in Jesus Christ.

**Good Friday Service:** Service will be held at the church on Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:00pm. This service is an opportunity for us to take a sobering look at the sacrifice of our Savior as He laid down His life for you and me. Join us and invite someone you know.

**IBC Family Easter Celebration:** He is RISEN! Join us **April 3rd (11am-1pm)** for our Church Family Easter Celebration! We will have "The Hope of Easter" Mini Message from Pastor Lucas, a Pancake Station, an Easter Egg Hunt for the kids & more. This gathering is for people of all ages: bring your entire family & feel free to invite friends! If you are able, please bring your favorite breakfast/brunch item, side dish or casserole to share.

**Easter Sunday:** Sunday, April 4<sup>th</sup> we will have our annual Sunrise Service on the church lawn starting at 7AM. Bring your Bible, warm clothing, and a blanket!

**NOTE:** we will not host a breakfast this year due to Covid and the effort to limit the overall time spent together indoors.

**Easter Service:** Easter Service will begin at 11am in the sanctuary. The service and message will be centered on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. The Gospel will be shared, and we hope you will take this opportunity to invite many people!

### **FAMILY GAME NIGHT**

Join us every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month from 7-10pm here at the church. Come enjoy some time of fellowship. There is no agenda, just time to get to know each other, play some games and eat some food. Come and hangout with us!. **Note: There will be no Game Night on April 2, Good Friday.**

### **SERMON SERIES:**

#### **"GALATIANS: NO OTHER GOSPEL."**

There is only ONE God- only ONE Gospel- and only ONE Savior. Join us as we jump into the book of Galatians to find out more. We will begin this new sermon series in November and go through the new year. This is a great opportunity to invite friends and family as we examine Paul's detailed explanation of what the Gospel of Jesus is and what it is not. **Note: all messages can also be found through our live streaming service. Links will be sent out and posted the week of service.**



**Manna-Fest**

**April 24, 2021**  
**11:00 am to 3:00 pm**

Helpers Needed - IBC will be hosting a community outreach event taking visitors back to the time of Jesus' resurrection. There is an opportunity for everyone to serve in preparation for and/or performance of this event. We are still in need of costume sewing help, set building, set designing, advertising, phone calls, emails, and as many helpers as possible to make this event the best outreach opportunity it can be. Please contact Aaron or Kerri Minerich, Shannon Callon, or Robin Manning for more details or sign up at the link below.

[https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GFBwDbFdNSAggHL5F96c-a4G6kIWG\\_YuOLr7dvc9KAU/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GFBwDbFdNSAggHL5F96c-a4G6kIWG_YuOLr7dvc9KAU/edit?usp=sharing)

**MEN'S MONTHLY DINNER:** The men of IBC meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month to share a dinner together. We typically meet at 6pm but the location will vary. Please contact Kelly O. for more information (385-441-6929).

### **MEN'S GROUP**

Join us as we dig deep into God's Word while building up our relationship with Him and each other. We are reading through the book of Jeremiah and discussing the similarities found in today's setting. Monthly meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month here at the church from 7:30-9am. Contact Pastor Lucas with any questions: 925-482-4239.

### **SUNDAY EVENING PRAYER:**

We are meeting again for Sunday evening prayer, from 5:30-7:30pm. We break bread together and then spend time in prayer. Please commit to attending evening prayer as often as you can. **ALL are invited to participate. You may also join the group at 6:30 pm through the same zoom link we've been using for evening prayer.** The link for Sunday evening prayer is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83081270659?pwd=aEhIenIwNXJ4bWR1SXlOcWw0eUJ5UT09>. If you have questions or need help getting connected please contact Pastor Lucas (801-969-1593).

### **SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER**

Join us for prayer every Sunday morning from 9-9:30 am. One of the greatest blessings is being able to commune with our Lord. Come and join us. **ALL are invited to participate. We'll be meeting in the office building,** as well as via zoom link. The link for Sunday morning prayer is <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/204126589?pwd=RmkyRORZeVRuWnNKdVhHZ1RoVGZUT09>. If you have questions or need help getting connected please contact Pastor Lucas (925-482-4239). Note: Since we have temporarily stopped meeting for the Sunday School hour, there is nothing currently scheduled at the church from the end of Prayer and the 11 am Worship Service.

### **USING OUR BUILDING**

Kingdom Glory Church has been meeting at Intermountain from 6:30-8:30 pm on Fridays, 6:30-8:30 pm on Saturdays, and 3:00-5:00 pm on Sunday. **Note: because of Covid-19 they are currently only meeting on Sundays.**

### **WOMEN'S MONDAY MORNING PRECEPT BIBLE STUDY**

Precept upon Precept is an in depth bible study where we interpret scripture with scripture and learn how to dig into the word to understand exactly what it says. There is homework with this bible study, which is necessary to further your understanding and help you to remember what you have learned.

**We will be starting a new study on April 26 on the Book of Jude.** This will be a five-week study, and then we will start on a different schedule for the summer. We meet on Monday mornings from 9:30 to 11:30 at the church. If you are interested in learning more about God and who He is, Bible study is the place to go. Please contact Marilyn Bickley for additional info.

### **WOMENS MONDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY**

Currently studying "**The Power of Knowing God**" by **Kay Arthur**. Please feel free to join in at any time.

**Beginning Monday, May 3, 6:30-8:00 pm**, we'll be studying "**Living Like You Belong to God**", by Kay Arthur. Can others see that you belong to God? God calls us to a life of joy, obedience, and trust. He calls us to be different from those around us. He calls us to be holy! This is a 40-Minute, No Homework Study, led by Heather Stone and Monica Demorest. Cost \$8.

#### **MIDWEEK IBC PRAYER and BIBLE STUDY FELLOWSHIPS**

**1) Tuesday Morning Prayer/Fellowship zoom meeting at 10:00 am:** Wonderful opportunity for midweek fellowship. **2) Wednesday evening zoom Bible study at 6:30 pm.** God is so good, and the more we get into His word the better He is. Studying the Psalms midweek is the grace and guidance we need from Him. **Note: The link for BOTH of these meetings is <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/4566873748>** (Meeting ID: 456 687 3748 Password 1950). If you have any questions concerning either of these opportunities, or need help on how to use Zoom, please contact Jesse Hornok.

#### **PRAYER TEAM**

Intermountain has a Prayer Group that wants to pray for you. If you would like to be part of that prayer group, please let us know by calling the church phone and leave your name and email address. **Note: If you are not part of the Prayer Group and would like to share a prayer request with the Group, email your request to Don Stone and he will relay your prayer request to all in the Group.**

#### **KIDS OF INTEGRITY**

Kids of Integrity meets Thursday nights from 6:30-8pm at the church. Kids of Integrity is for Children 2 years old (potty trained) through 6th grade. KOI is all about teaching and instilling Godly character traits to the lives of children through bible lessons, scripture memory and real life application. Want to know more, or interested in volunteering? Please reach out to Robin Manning.

**PLEASE NOTE: We will not meet April 1, 2021.**

#### **NURSERY MINISTRY**

Have little ones? We have a wonderful Nursery Room & Nursery Team available during our Sunday Service to watch your babes. Our nursery is for children from birth through 3 years old. All of our volunteers have passed a background check! And, we are working even more on keeping this room extra clean & sanitized! If you would like more information or if you are interested in joining our Nursery Team please see Robin Manning.

#### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL**

[COVID UPDATE: UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL NOT BE MEETING. STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFO] Children's Sunday School for children 4yrs-12yrs of age will begin meeting again Sunday September 13 from 9:45-10:45 a.m. and will continue to meet this same time each following Sunday. This class is held in Room 1. We encourage you to take advantage of this opportunity for your children to grow in their knowledge of God's word. If you would like to volunteer, want to learn more or have any questions please contact Robin Manning.

#### **CHILDREN'S CHURCH**

Children's Church is for children ages 4 through 4th grade and meets during the sermon time each Sunday. It is a time of learning God's Word in a way they can understand. We currently need volunteers in teaching and teacher's aid positions. If you would like to volunteer, want to learn more or have any questions please contact Robin Manning.

#### **B.L.A.S.T**

**Becoming Light And Spreading Truth. BLAST Children's Church is for 5th & 6th graders:** In the transitional pre-teen years kids need to appropriate God's truth for themselves. At BLAST we focus on God's word, why it's important and why these young kids need to take it to heart for life now.

#### **BACKGROUND CHECKS**

For the protection of our children, all volunteers (15+ years old) involved in ministry to children and youth need to complete a background check. Go to [www.intermountainbaptist.org](http://www.intermountainbaptist.org), and fill out the form you'll find under the "Involvement at IBC" tab. You'll need your Driver's License and Social Security numbers. It only takes about five minutes! You will not be allowed to participate in ministry involving minors (younger than 18) until you have completed a background check. Thanks for your cooperation

#### **GOOD NEWS CLUB**

Last year we returned to Vista Elementary to teach God's word. God answered prayer in amazing ways, and there was an excitement among the kids and parents that we are back in their school. **Note: Please join us in praying that we will be able to return to Vista this year, and that we would have the staff to do so, and the God would use this ministry to bring many children and their families into His Kingdom!**

#### **THURSDAY LADIES BREAKFAST BUNCH**

Prior to our winter break Ladies Breakfast Bunch normally met on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 8:30 a.m. All over 16 years old are welcome to fellowship with us; and we'd love to have you join us! If interested in carpooling or have questions, contact Sherrie. **Note: In March we will meet on Thursday the 18<sup>th</sup> (the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday) at 11:30 am for lunch in the West Jordan Park. Weather permitting. Bring your own chair, food, and dress accordingly. We can fellowship in the fresh air, and hopefully sunshine.**

#### **GENERATION: SELFLESS (YOUTH GROUP, THURSDAYS)**

The youth group of Intermountain Baptist—more commonly known as Generation: Selfless—meets **Thursday Nights from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m.** This small group is geared toward middle school and high school students (grades 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>) and focuses on Jesus, the Word of God, and learning what it means to daily live for His Kingdom call. Please come and join us as we learn what it means to be a committed follower of Jesus Christ. We are currently studying "Reformed Catechism" via The Gospel Coalition's *New City Catechism* curriculum. For more information on our studies and upcoming events, please see the "Generation Selfless Bulletin Board" located in the church Fellowship Hall. If you have any questions, please contact Youth Director, Melanie Henderson **NOTE: Group will not meet on Thursday, April 1st due to Easter preparations.**

#### **GENERATION: SELFLESS (THE MARK, SUNDAYS)**

The Generation: Selfless youth group also meets **Sunday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m.** for Bible study and fellowship. This class—known by the youth as THE MARK—is for all 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders and meets at Melanie's home, or THE JOSHUA HOUSE. We are currently studying "What it means to be a Disciple" via the Awana Advocates program. For more information on THE MARK studies and upcoming activities, please see the "Generation Selfless Bulletin Board." If you have any questions, please contact Melanie. **NOTE: THE MARK will only meet on the 18th this month. On the 11th and the 25th, the youth groupers (and their families) are invited to participate in the Corporate Prayer meeting held at the "Big Henderson's" home. (Again, please see the church directory and/or request this information via email.)**

#### **GENERATION: SELFLESS "STUDY RIGHT FRIDAY NIGHT" FELLOWSHIP**

"Study Right Friday Night" occurs once a month from **4:00 to 9:00 p.m.**, and is open to all 7<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> graders. The purpose of this night is to receive homework aid, learn

study skills, prepare for upcoming tests, and to exercise and improve students' reading ability! Following a two hour block of study and tutoring, students will also help prepare dinner and expand their culinary expertise. The evening is generally rounded out with an epic game of trivia (ladies vs. gents) or another type of fellowship activity. Unlike other youth group events, this activity takes place at Melanie's home. **NOTE: This month's Study Night will take place on Friday, April 16th.**

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CLASS OF 2021**

**Intermountain  
Baptist Church**  
invites you to attend the  
**Graduation  
Ceremony**  
for our  
**2021 Graduates**  
May 28, 2021  
6:00 pm  
Open house and fellowship  
directly following the ceremony.

**MOKHANA LAKE, NATALIE LOVELADY,  
CODY CALLON, AND ANTHONY STRAUSS**

#### **ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

Join us as we begin a **new personal discipleship journey called, "D60"**. This is a 60 day study that is geared towards developing personal disciplines in our lives. We need to be reading, praying, and obeying God. He has so much for us and we miss out because of our overly busy schedules. Join us every Sunday morning from 9:45-10:45 as we work together to foster a deeper, more intimate walk with the Savior. **Note: We have temporarily stopped meeting for the Sunday School hour.**

#### **OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD**

End of season is a great time to watch for clearance deals and sales. Don't forget to be on the lookout for shoebox gifts!

#### **SUNDAY SERMONS AND LOTS OF INFORMATION**

Have you missed being with us on a particular Sunday, and wish you could have listened to the message being preached - or, perhaps you found yourself wondering if there was something new that was announced that week (and in the bulletin) that you don't know about because you weren't here? Well, have you visited our website lately? Sunday Sermons PLUS our latest

Newsletter and Sunday Bulletin – and photos and other information about our church - are available at [www.intermountainbaptist.org](http://www.intermountainbaptist.org). You can also see Worship Services that were recently live streamed and are available on the Intermountain Baptist Church Facebook page. Just click on the service you want to watch, and be patient and wait a few seconds for the live stream to begin.

- Apr. 4: Easter Sunday (Sunrise & Worship Service)
- Apr. 24: Mana-Fest
- May28: IBC Class of 2021 Graduation Ceremony

### **FOOD PANTRY**

You may not have known but we, (IBC) have a food pantry!! This has been a great resource in helping people in need. We are always looking for donations. Please consider donating any extra cans of vegetables, soups, meats, and boxed goods, etc. Please talk to Mr. Patrick if you'd like to take advantage of this resource or have any questions.

### **BENEVOLENT FUND OFFERING**

Each month (on communion Sundays) we receive our benevolent fund offering. Our benevolent fund supports members of our church family who are struggling financially. If you would like to contribute, please write "benevolent" on the memo line of your check and drop it in the offering plate. Thanks.

### **CHURCH LEADERSHIP TEAM STAFF**

Lucas Manning, Sr. Pastor\*

Melanie Henderson, Youth Director

### **ELDERS & DEACONS/DEACONESSES:**

ELDERS: Patrick Hanagarne\*, Terry Henderson\*, Palmer Pattison\*

DEACONS: Roger Tschanz\* Jack Tracy\*

DEACONESSES: Valori Henderson\*

Joan Manning

\*Denotes Board member

### **BOARD MEETING**

The Board normally conducts its meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 6:30pm... and at other times on an as-needed basis. **In April the Board meeting is on the 21st.**

### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS**

- Mar. 14: Daylight Savings
- Mar. TBD: Spring Cleaning
- Mar. 17-20: Leadership Ligonier Conference
- Mar. 21: Annual Business Meeting
- Mar. 29-Apr. 1: Week of Prayer
- Apr. 2: Good Friday Service
- Apr. 3: Family Easter Celebration