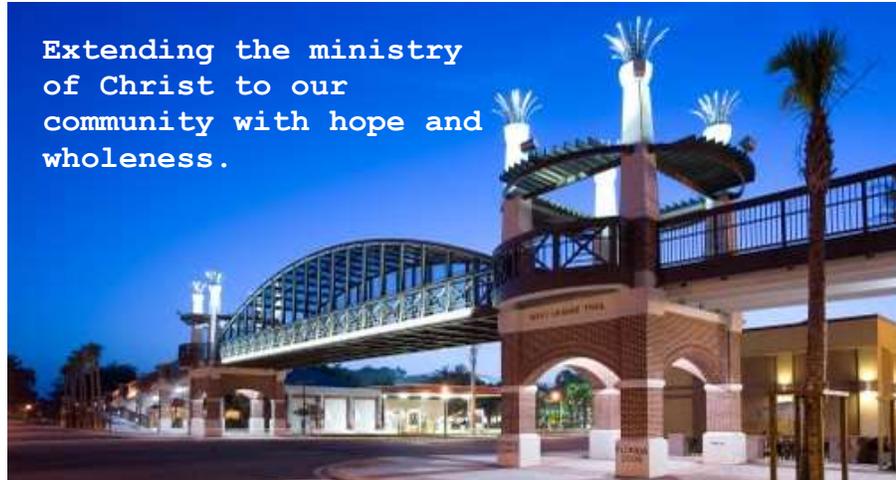


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## Pastor's Message

When I taught my kids to ride a bicycle, there were two elements they had to get through: learning in their brains what should happen, experimenting with it, and receiving active coaching and feedback while experimenting. Video exists of me giving them a push, then running alongside them hollering to them to keep pedaling as they went. It was exhausting, but worth it!

Discipleship is a bit like that. If you want a great primer on discipleship, Matthew is your go-to resource. We most frequently think about the Great Commission in Matthew 28:18-20. But we frequently overlook a major part of what Jesus actually taught His disciples to do, the manner in which they would "go." In Matthew 10, Jesus teaches basics such as the following (from *The Message*): "Go to the lost, confused people right here in the neighborhood" (from 5-8). "You are the equipment, and all you need to keep going is three meals a day" (10). "Get a modest place with modest people, and be content there until you leave" (11). "When people realize it's the living God you are presenting and not some man-made idol that makes them feel good, they are going to turn on you, even people in your own family" (21). "Be content—pleased even—when you, my students, my harvest hands, get the same treatment I get" (from 24-25). In Luke's version of the story, they come back together and have a time of reflection and further teaching. Then they are commissioned to go into all the world and do with new disciples what Jesus had done with them.

As we *extend the ministry of Christ to our community*, these instructions are timeless. First, be yourself. The world needs a disciple-maker like *you*, not like someone else. Second, be unassuming and simple. We are not told to make the Gospel complex. If it can't be understood by a 4<sup>th</sup> grader, it's probably too complicated for anyone else. Third, be content. This is hard for many, but the instant we start thinking about tangible rewards for disciple-making, we leave the teachings of Jesus in favor of building up self. Use whatever you have and don't worry about what you don't have. Fourth, we can expect resistance, but like Jesus, we are called to stick with it.

In whatever setting you find yourself in, I pray you consider yourself a disciple and a disciple-maker. Your neighbors need you! Remember the teaching... now go try it! Jesus runs alongside you, helping you along the way!

Every blessing in Christ,

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## This Week's Online Worship Services

- **Message: "Becoming Traders," by James Johnson.**
- Scripture: Philippians 2:5-11, read by Sydney Campbell.
- "My Next Step" – We encourage you to fill out our Online Connection Card after viewing this week's service. Go to <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CQJL367>.
- Featured Offering: Women's Ministries, brought to us by Myriam Ordaz. Please remember our "Build 7 – Building Fund." Thank you for your support of God's work in our community! You can give online at <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTBBB/envelope/start>
- Children's Story: Jack Carey
- Family Prayer: Lou Badillo
- **Online Sabbath School Options**
  - **Primaries:** Get together every Wednesday at 7 PM, <https://us04webzoom.us/j/77111838436?> Password: **9njWKH (UPDATED)**
  - **Earliteens:** Sabbath, 10 AM, at <http://us04webzoom.us/j/8751088252?>
  - **High School:** Sabbath, 10 AM, at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84523787323?> Password: 2PYKey
  - **Seekers (Scott Shelton):** Sabbath, 9:30 AM, <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84523787323?>
  - **Adult Quarterly 1 (George Crawford):** Sabbath, 10:00 AM, <https://zoom.us/j/914391071>
  - **Adult Quarterly 2 (Jack Carey):** Sabbath, 10:00 AM, <https://zoom.us/j/601759026>
  - **Adult Quarterly 3 (Hugo Kennedy):** Sabbath, 10:00 AM, <https://zoom.us/j/3999743097>, or dial 929- 436-2866 and enter the Meeting ID: 399 974 3097.
- **Journey Through the Word:** Wednesday, 7:00 PM. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/676008518?pwd=TVd6ZGM5RjdZME1lYUVjUko3Q0JPZz09>
- **Morning Prayer Line:** Weekday mornings, 7:30 AM. <https://zoom.us/j/150286450>



## Children's Church

Every Sabbath at 2:30 PM, all are invited to our online "Children's Church," designed for kids and put on by kids! The Zoom link is provided on the Church website.

## Investiture Services

**Adventurers: July 18** 5:00 PM, at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84797310042?pwd=d0FqSkRGY21GVXFROXBZNjhobzhndz09>

**Pathfinders: Today** 5:00 PM, at <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86386376275?pwd=eTQ2V0RURnliZ2YwaUVK0Xcxa0VrQT09>



## Heroes 2020!

Next week, the Florida Conference is bringing “VBS Live Online: Heroes, 2020!” The program will air July 12 – 16, from 6:30 – 8:30 PM on the Florida Conference Children & Family Ministries Facebook and YouTube platforms. Register at <https://www.eventbrite.com/109325290888>. An additional email with further information will be

sent soon.

## Re-Convening

We have been monitoring the situation in Florida for the last couple of weeks. Based on feedback from our survey last week, and based on the recent spikes in the COVID-19 numbers in Florida, we have chosen to delay re-convening until the certain “markers” are met: (1) The number of hospitalizations decrease, and (2) The number of positive COVID-19 diagnoses are trending downward.

Last week, we presented an outline of what services would be like if we were able to meet on July 11. We are certainly disappointed that circumstances have changed, although we knew from the outset that this was a possibility. We still remain hopeful that we can reconvene, in some capacity, soon. The outline we presented last week will still be applicable when we are able to re-convene. We will be in touch with regular updates about this situation and how it impacts us as a church family. We will, of course, do our best to provide excellent online content in the meantime.

## “Total Community Involvement” (TCI)

Our next **COVID-19 Food Distribution** is scheduled for Sunday, August 16, from 2:00 – 3:30 PM.

## Prayer Line ↑

May we pray for you?

- Financial concerns
- Family or friend illness
- Your children
- Emotional support
- Loss of a loved one or friend
- Overcoming addictions
  - Alcohol
  - Smoking
  - Drugs
  - Pornography
  - Other
- Spiritual blessing for yourself or family

Share your request by –  
Texting: 407-988-5715



Emailing: [tcibuild7@gmail.com](mailto:tcibuild7@gmail.com)

## In Our Prayers

### God is Good!

- He is "Elohim": "The Strong One"

### We Are Thankful!

- Jack Carey writes the following:

Dear church members,

Most of you already know I recently broke my hip so I will not go into any details. I would like to express my appreciation for all the calls, emails, messages, and cards. They have really made a great impression on me and my attitude toward my recovery.

The greatest thing that was shared with me was your lifting me up in your prayers. I praise God for my church family. All of you, are such a loving group and it has made a very positive contribution to my quick recovery and continued improvement.

Thank you so much for being there for Carol and me.

With all my love and appreciation,

Jack

### We Lift Up Needs!

- COVID-19 has impacted our church family. Wes Hall was diagnosed with COVID-19 this week, as was his son and daughter-in-law. We thank God they seem to be recovering! Jann Hall and Jean Wilson are also waiting for their test results.
- Richard O'Ffill has been in the hospital with pneumonia. His health has improved, and he is now in a rehab facility in Lake Mary. Please also lift up Betty as she had knee surgery two weeks ago and developed an infection in her leg afterwards. Her leg is improving.
- Norma Reece's 23 year-old granddaughter died suddenly in Guyana.
- Gossett Lawrence has been hospitalized and will undergo treatments for lung cancer.
- Gladys McDonald just had heart surgery.
- Carl Caldwell, who just had hip surgery.

## Sunset Schedule

Friday, July 10: 8:27 PM • Sabbath, July 4: 8:27 PM



