PRAYER UPDATE

PHYSICAL ILLNESSES & SURGERIES this past week

Traci Stengl Ghaffarian - After receiving her bone marrow transplant she is recuperating at a town home in Palo Alto. Pray for continued energy and improvement in strength over her body. Pray for endurance for the rest of the family as they care for Traci.

Ist Lieutenant Ryan Evans - will be consulting with a doctor on April 5th to discuss draining his cyst on his pancreas. Pray that he can experience God's peace and the procedure will be completely successful. Lift his parents, Chris and Doug, up in prayer as they travel this very difficult journey with Ryan.

Ralph Silvestri, Tim Pratt, Nancy Shipley, Betty Scott, Kimberly Tush, Sharon Ymata and Steve Elmore - at Dominican. Pray for complete recovery.

BIRTHS

Proud Grandparents, Marty and Carol Pelton - welcomed Emily Rose, born March 22nd, to their son and daughter-in-law, Luke and Liz.

Proud Grandparent, Greg Walters and Great Grandparent, Roxy Walters - welcomed Mason David, born March 20th, to Greg's daughter, Samantha Walters.

If you would like to minister to a shut-in with a regular visit, or if you'd like us to visit your loved ones in the hospital please contact Carrie Clark 465-3368 | care@tlc.org

A complete prayer list is available at the Info Desk.





LIVING THE RISEN WAY

RENÉ SCHLAEPFER | MARCH 26 & 27

HOW MUCH THE FIRST DISCIPLES CHANGED

Before...

At that point, **all** the disciples **deserted him and fled**. Matthew 26:56 NLT

Peter... began to call down curses on himself and **he swore to them, "I don't know the man!"** Matthew 26:73.74

On the evening of that first day of the week... the disciples were together **with the doors locked for fear**... John 20:19

After...

Peter said, "You killed the author of life, but God raised him from the dead. And we are witnesses of this fact!" Acts 3:15

I passed on to you what was most important and what had also been passed on to me. **Christ died for our sins**, just as the Scriptures said. He was buried, and **he was raised from the dead on the third day**, just as the Scriptures said. He was seen by **Peter** and then by **the Twelve**. After that, he was seen by **more than 500** of his followers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he was seen by **James** and later by all the apostles. Last of all, as though I had been born at the wrong time, **I also saw him**. I Cor. 15:3-8 NLT

WHY THE FIRST DISCIPLES CHANGED

THE RESURRECTION GAVE THEM:	
·	of Christ's claims (Acts 17:31)
·	for the future (Romans 8:11)
·	to live today (Ephesians 1:19,20)
TWO POSSIBLE LIFE NARRATIVES:	
·	narrative
·	narrative

...and the first disciples experienced a dramatic shift from the first to the second!

SOURCES AND ACKNOWLEDGMENTS

Summary of disciples' actions post-crucifixion adapted from Andy Stanley, "Unbelievably Believable", message at North Point Church, 2015

24 illustration from Francis Chan, "All Your Eggs In One Basket", message at Cornerstone Church

Interview with Bono on RTE accessed at http://www.patheos.com/blogs/frankviola/ bonoonprayer/

Two life narratives from Dan P. McAdams, Personality and Social Psychology Bulletin, April 2001

NEW SERIES STARTS TODAY

RESURRECTION LIVING

Explore what it means to live with hope and power as a "resurrection-focused" person! Get a free RISE daily meditation book in the lobby and join us each weekend in April!

NEXT WEEKEND: RISE ABOVE PEOPLE-PLEASING

The people-pleasing trap keeps so many in constant worry about others' opinions. Learn how to live freely as the person God made you to be!

IN TWO WEEKS: RISE ABOVE UNFORGIVENESS

Featuring a dramatic new video produced at TLC about Lynn and Dan Wagner, and their journey into forgiveness. You will be inspired!

"STARTING POINT" NEXT WEEKEND

Have questions about Christianity? Starting Point is designed to be a safe environment for you to explore the faith. Groups start next weekend after the 6pm Saturday service, and at 9 and 10:45am on Sunday. For info: startingpoint@tlc.org.

THIS WEEK'S MEMORY VERSE:

Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Col. 3:1 NIV