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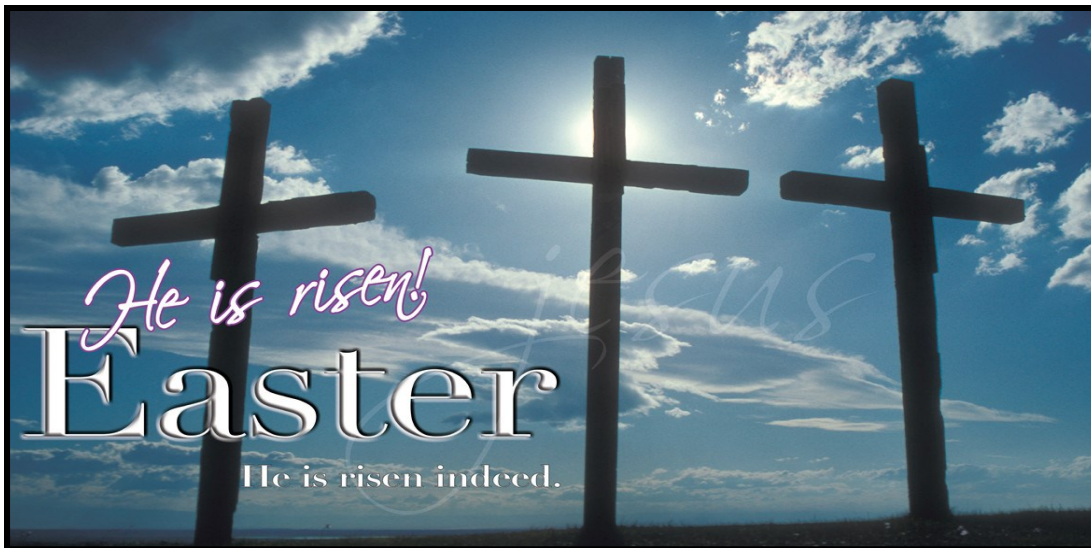
The celebration of
SUNDAY WORSHIP

8:30am
10:00am

(Back to one service - 10:00 am April 16)

Between services, coffee and refreshments will be available in Fellowship Hall

LIVESTREAMING 10:00am
Tgochurch.org
YouTube and Facebook



Reflections
From Pastor David

AN EASTER STORY

One beautiful spring afternoon, a father and his young son were taking a car ride down a country road. Suddenly a bumblebee flew in the car through the passenger window.

The young boy was deathly allergic to bee stings. When he saw the bee he went rigid, but his face registered his fears. His father quickly grabbed the bee with his right hand and squeezed it. But as soon as he released it, it flew by the young boy.

The father saw his son's terror returned. He stretched out his right hand again, and said, "Son, look closely at the palm of my hand. You don't need to be afraid anymore because I've taken the sting for you."

In 1 Corinthians 15:55-56, the Apostle Paul writes, "For sin is the sting that results in death, and the law gives sin its power. But thank God! He gives us victory over sin and death through our Lord Jesus Christ."

There are many things that Christ's death and resurrection have accomplished. One of them is that Christ has taken the sting out of death. Christians no longer have to fear death because it no longer has the sting it once possessed.

This Easter, rejoice that Christ has risen and death has lost its sting.

Blessings,

Dr. David W. Price
Lead Pastor

Great Outdoors Community Church Small Study Groups 2022

Small groups provide a unique opportunity for the participants to engage in spiritual growth, Biblical study, Christian fellowship and in loving support of one another. If you would like to either host or lead a group, please call the church office at 321-383-0303.

MEN'S & WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY GROUP (year round)

LEADER - Ray Zielinski 570-574-5788
(sandyzi@aol.com)

MEETS - Mondays at 11:00 AM

LOCATION - Fellowship Hall

TOPIC - Bible Prophecy with Special Topics.

WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING (year round)

LEADER - Dan Zahn 269-7957 (dzahnr@aol.com)

MEETS - 2nd Wednesday each month at 6:30 PM

LOCATION - Fellowship Hall

TOPIC - Praying for our Country and our Leadership

THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP (year round)

LEADERS - Cindy Manire 385-1130

MEETS - Thursday mornings from 8:00-9:00 AM

LOCATION - Zoom

TOPIC - Praying for the needs of the church

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY (year round)

LEADER - Dr. David Price, Lead Pastor 383-0303

MEETS - Thursday mornings from 10:00-10:30

LOCATION - Livestream

TOPIC - The Book of Acts

PASTOR'S BIBLE STUDY (year round)

LEADER - Dr. David Price, Lead Pastor 383-0303

MEETS - Thursday mornings from 11:00-12:00

LOCATION - Fellowship Hall

TOPIC - The Book of Acts

THURSDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY (year round)

LEADER - Dan Zahn 269-7957

(dzahnr@aol.com)

MEETS - Thursday at 6:30 PM

LOCATION - Zoom

TOPIC - 2 Corinthians

SHELTER IN PLACE

LEADER - JB KUMP 321-543-1608

jbkump.tgo@gmail.com

MEETS - Fridays at 10:00am

LOCATION - Zoom

TOPIC - Sermon from prior Sunday

PRAY SHAWL MINISTRY

Leader—Rosalind Zahn 321-269-7957

Meets—2nd & 4th Fridays

Location—Narthex

Cultivating relationships while



growing together in Christ

HELP SUPPORT NANA'S HOUSE!

CURRENT ITEMS NEEDED MARCH-APRIL:

- All Sizes Children's underwear
- Children's summer weight pajamas (boys and girls)
- Children's Ibuprofen
- Tylenol Infant DROPS
- SUNSCREEN (SPF 50 or higher)
- Bug Spray (kid friendly)
- Clorox Wipes
- Lysol or Disinfectant Spray
- Cling Free or clear wrap
- Liquid Hand Soap
- Dish sponges
- Reynolds Wrap/Aluminum Foil
- Toilet Paper

There will be a collection box for these items at the WIC luncheon, Tuesday, April 11th

Or, if you wish to deliver these yourself, Rosalind Zahn (321-446-7968) has the most direct route to get to Nana's House and the phone number to make the donation appointment.

Thanks to everyone for their continued support!

Activities and Committees

APRIL CONCERTS

Palm Sunday, April 2, 2023 7:00pm Easter Musical GOCC Choir & Bells of Praise

GREAT OUTDOORS PICTORIAL DIRECTORY

I'd like to express my great appreciation and thankfulness for each one who volunteered to assist in making the initial appointments, the welcoming and checking in of all who participated in the photo sessions for the upcoming Great Outdoors Pictorial Directory.

In addition, we are truly blessed to have those who have been instrumental in working together in the behind-the-scene meetings, discussions and decisions in bringing to fruition the church pictorial directory, especially as we approach the upcoming celebration of our 25th anniversary of the dedication of the new church facility.

Thank you again,
Rob MacNevin

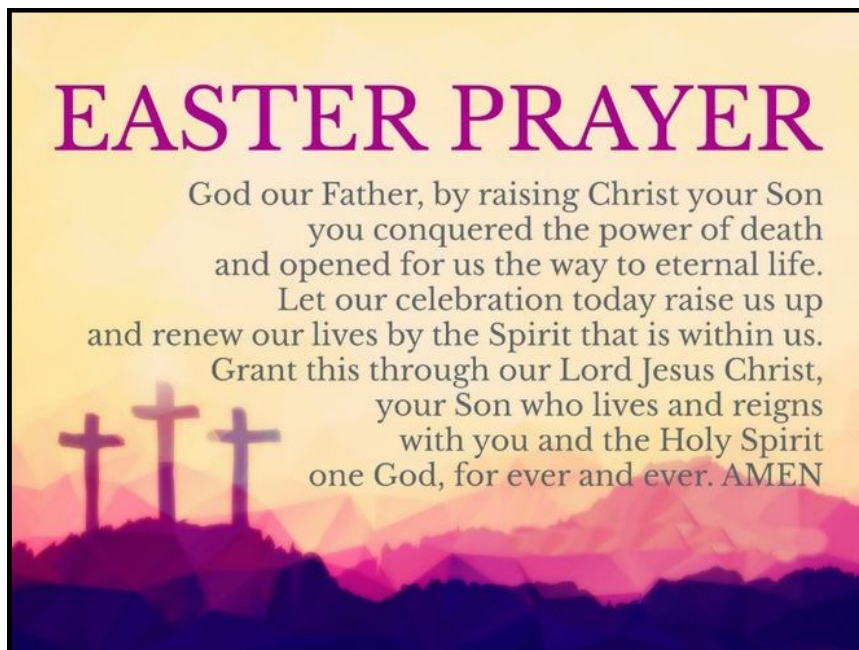
OUTREACH MINISTRIES

The Outreach committee members meet on the first Tuesday of each month (October - April/May) in the church choir room at 9:00 a.m.

If there is anyone who feels led by the Lord and would like to join our team as a leader, or serve on one of the many sub-committees, please feel free to contact the Chairman of Outreach Ministries, Rob MacNevin at 508-942-0010.

EASTER PRAYER

God our Father, by raising Christ your Son
you conquered the power of death
and opened for us the way to eternal life.
Let our celebration today raise us up
and renew our lives by the Spirit that is within us.
Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ,
your Son who lives and reigns
with you and the Holy Spirit
one God, for ever and ever. AMEN



Activities and Committees (continued)

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

The Outreach Committee would like to welcome each one of the new members who joined the Great Outdoors Community Church family this past Sunday, March 19th. We continue to be blessed with new members who join this serving family of God, and who are dedicated in worshiping and serving the Lord in and through the many ministries of GOCC.

Outreach Chairman,
Rob MacNevin

THURSDAY MORNING PRAYER GROUP

Every Thursday morning from 8:00-9:00am, a group gets together, via Zoom, to pray.

Prayers include: _____

- that week's church prayer chain requests
- prayers for our nation
- personal and community prayer requests, and more

For more information, please contact: Cindy Manire
321-385-1130 (land line)

Please come join us!

RAY ZIELINSKI — BIBLE STUDY MONDAY 11:00AM FELLOWSHIP HALL

BIBLE PROPHECY AT ITS BEST THE BOOK OF REVELATION PLUS SPECIAL TOPICS

- ⇒ Moses and Elijah return to Israel to preach and do miracles for 3-1/2 years
- ⇒ The anti-Christ 666 - The Bible tells us that one day this evil person will RULE THE WHOLE WORLD. Is he alive today?
- ⇒ Can we possibly know who he is?
- ⇒ Does he negotiate a 7-year peace treaty with Israel and their enemies?

Join us each Monday for interesting topics and lively discussion

WIC NEEDS YOUR HELP!

During the entire month of April: WIC will be collecting food items for THE CHILDREN'S HUNGER PROJECT. These items will be picked up weekly and delivered to the Brevard County Schools, who are feeding **over 3,900 children** daily!

Please help us help these children. The items listed on this flyer (or similar items) are suggested by the Project. All items must be non-perishable. You may drop your items in the box, located in the Narthex, by the church office. The Project volunteers will be coming weekly during the month of April to collect our donations.

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

KIDS ARE ALSO HUNGRY ON THE WEEKEND... BUT THEY DON'T HAVE TO BE.

**ITEMS SHOWN ARE
IN GREAT NEED**



FOOD DRIVE

YOU CAN HELP!

**Donation Box
located in the Nar-
thex (near the office)
during the month of
April.**



NO SUGAR ADDED APPLESAUCE
IN INDIVIDUAL PLASTIC CONTAINERS

100% FRUIT/VEGETABLE JUICE
IN BOXED CONTAINERS



**Items picked up
weekly & delivered
to the schools**



PEPPERIDGE FARM GOLDFISH
CHEDDAR CRACKERS OR
WHOLE GRAIN PRETZELS



CHEF BOYARDEE
SINGLE-SERVE VARIETY
(NO CANS, PLEASE)

HORIZON'S ORGANIC
LOWFAT CHOCOLATE
MILK



**Non-perishable
items only, please**

**Over 3,900 students
in Brevard County
need our support!**



FRUIT CUPS IN PLASTIC
CONTAINERS (ANY VARIETY)

Your donation provides food for children who would otherwise go to school hungry. Any amount is appreciated and greatly needed.

Activities and Committees (continued)

Are you getting ready to leave for the seasons?

Please remember. . . . The Food Pantry is ready to receive your refrigerator and pantry items !!

Please remember, if you are leaving for a short or extended time and you have left over food remaining in your refrigerator (frozen or not; dry foods: open or not) and prefer not to take it with you, we urge you to consider donating it to the Walk About Recovery, North Brevard Charity or Liberty Lodge Recovery. These donations can be picked up on any Tuesday, Wednesday or Thursday morning by calling Bill Shaw at 215-450-5900. **Please - no expired items**

The following are just a few ways to increase our giving to a much needed charity. North Brevard County has a major need for all you can give, including money.

For the many of you who drop off bags of food in the Church Narthex, **THANK YOU**, and please continue to do so. Your thoughtfulness is a Blessing. The door may be locked, please just knock, staff may be in the office.

SHOPPING:

If or when you are shopping at one of the local markets or a big box store, please consider:

- ⇒ When buying BOGO (Buy 1/Get 1), donate the "free" one as a Pantry donation
- ⇒ Purchasing a case lot dry food as your monthly donation

WEARABLE CLOTHING:

A big need! Before disposing of your out-of-date, too big, too small items, please consider giving them a "second life" - donate them to help Walk About Ministries



Please keep your contributions coming - and MAY GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU!

We are helping people who basically have nothing.

Thank you all for your generous donations!



Bill Shaw 215-450-5900

Activities and Committees (continued)

Helping Hands—LENDING CLOSET: We have a Lending Closet for Medical Equipment, children's items, etc. for TEMPORARY needs. To access these items, please call:

Roger Stairs - 724-228-7758

HERE'S A LIST OF WHAT WE USUALLY HAVE

MEDICAL ITEMS:

Canes
Commodes
Crutches
Ice Machine
Knee Scooter
Pedal exerciser (for post knee surgery)
Raised toilet seat
Shower chairs
Walkers
Wheel Chairs

CHILD ITEMS:

Car booster seats
Car Seat
High Chairs
Pack and Play
Play mat for infant
Sand toys
Scooter
Strollers
Umbrella stroller

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS:

Folding Cot



HELPING HANDS - HEIDI TURNER **GREAT OUTDOORS COMMUNITY CHURCH**

Helping Hands continues to be available to help you year round. We always need volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering or if you need assistance feel free to call Heidi Turner (321) 514-3719, or the appropriate leader for more details.

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|-------------------------|---------------|--------------|--------------------------|
| Home Repairs (Handyman) | John Turner | 321-514-3719 | jihsturner@msn.com |
| Temporary Meals | Linda Snyder | 610-751-5919 | ravenmst20@hotmail.com |
| Transportation | Charlie Wood | 847-609-1222 | charliewood847@gmail.com |
| Lending Closet | Roger Stairs | 724-228-7758 | beaust881@hotmail.com |
| Senior Resources | Bev Houghton | 810-919-1629 | bhoughto10@hotmail.com |
| Respite Sitter | Martha Dayson | 321-268-1460 | jimdayson@bellsouth.net |

Singulars

EVENTS COMING UP

APRIL 19, 2023 - Airboat Ride

On Wednesday, April 19th, the Singulars have arranged for exciting airboat rides from the Midway dock on SR-50. The capacity of the boats is 15 people and we can order multiple airboats, as needed. The event is open to everyone!

Schedule:

- 1:30pm Depart church in a car pool
- 2:00pm Check in at the boat
- 2:30pm Boat ride begins
- 3:30pm Return to dock



Tickets sales at \$48 per person, will be available on Sunday during fellowship time and in the Narthex after the 2nd service.

May 18, 2023 - Brevard Zoo

The Singulars are inviting everyone to join them for one of their most popular events: a tour of the Brevard Zoo, on Thursday May 18, departing from the church at 9:00am. The cost is \$30 per person.

Tickets will be available on Sunday during fellowship time and in the Narthex after the 2nd service.

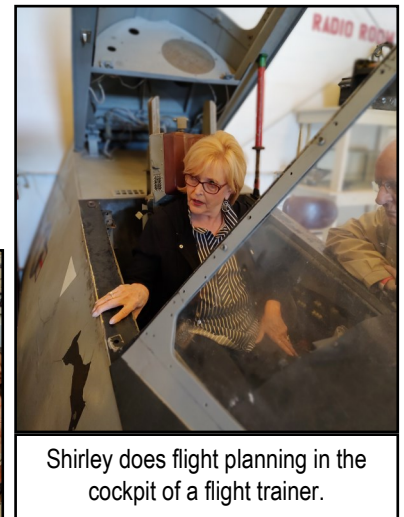


A Chaplain's exhibit from WWII

**Singulars visit the
Warbird Museum
Titusville
Thursday, March 16**



The Singulars having a great time touring the Warbird Museum on Thursday, March 16



Shirley does flight planning in the cockpit of a flight trainer.

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

The Great Outdoors Community Church
Fellowship Hall
Saturday, April 15
8:00 AM

All men at TGO are invited to join us
for breakfast, fellowship and
an informative speaker!

Tickets will be available in Fellowship Hall
between church services
April 2nd and 9th
For more information, please contact:
Bill Miller 32-474-0785

BREAKFAST MENU \$12.00

Scrambled eggs
Potato casserole
Bacon
Sausage
Fruit
Biscuits & Gravy

LIBERTY LODGE AND OUR ANNUAL CAR WASH

LIBERTY LODGE MINISTRY

*The men of Liberty Lodge will present an informative
program along with an update of their ministry.*

ANNUAL CAR WASH 10:00AM- 1:00PM

*After breakfast, the men from Liberty Lodge will
assist the Breakfast group with the Annual Car Wash*

DONATIONS WILL BE GIVEN TO LOCAL CHARITIES



**Cars, trucks and golf carts will be
washed for a love donation**



Photos from prior years



WIC

WOMEN IN THE CHURCH

April Fellowship Catered Luncheon & Business Meeting
Fellowship Hall
Tuesday, April 11, 2023 10:00am
Cost \$15.00

Opening Prayer

Dolly Akers, WIC Chaplain

Business - Peg Apgar, President

Discussion & Vote - 2023-24 WIC Annual Budget

Installation of 2023-24 Officers

Devotion

by: Dick Harleman

Music

Sue and Dick Harleman

Secret Sister

2023 Reveal

Next season draw

Catered Luncheon

**Children's
Hunger Program:**

**A box to receive
donations will be
set up at the WIC
Luncheon. See
page 7 for a list
of needed items.**

**Reservations
will be taken
in Fellowship Hall
between church services;
and in the Narthex
after the 2nd service**

March 26 and April 2



March 16, 2023

Michael and Keila Dawson, Missionaries serving in the Amazon Rainforest of Venezuela, visited our Mission Committee.

Michael showed two short videos and answered questions about their work with the Yanomamö tribe, who in the late 1940's thought they were the only people in the world. In 1953 Joe and Millie Dawson began their service with New Tribes Missions in Venezuela. The fifth child of ten was Michael, who only knew the language of Yanomamö until he learned English at the age of 7. He is also a pilot with MPAS Mission Padamo Aviation (mpaviation.org).

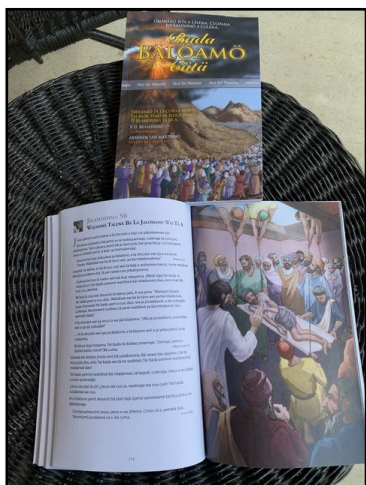
For years the Dawsons have shown the "Jesus" film throughout Venezuela. A new audio device is now available to them that is solar-powered, called a Torch. It has the entire New Testament and other stories in the Yanomamö language. Michael is trying to get these Torches into as many homes as he can. Getting them to the tribes is dependent on shipping. He has asked for prayers on the transportation. The Missions Committee decided to fund over 50 of these Torches; when the separate account has enough funds they will send a crate to Venezuela.



Keila and I at the Caracas airport



Placing torches on the Mavaca and Ocamo Rivers.



This is the King of Glory book that we just finished translating into Yanomamö and have gotten printed. We will be taking this printed book back to the jungle with us.



The "TORCH" - containing the entire New Testament and other stories, in the Yanomamö language



Arata man listening to the first chapter of John. He was so happy!



Concert Schedule 2022 - 2023

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| Sunday | November 6, 2022 | 6:00 PM | Tribute Quartet |
| Wednesday | November 9, 2022 | 7:00 PM | Veterans Day Program |
| Wednesday | November 30, 2022 | 7:00 PM | Brevard Chorale |
| Sunday | December 4, 2022 | 7:00 PM | Christmas Cantata |
| Sunday | December 11, 2022 | 6:00 PM | The Allen's Family |
| Sunday | January 8, 2023 | 6:00 PM | Kings Brass |
| Sunday | January 29, 2023 | 8:30AM 10:00 AM | Voices of Lee Voices of Lee |
| Sunday | February 5, 2023 | 6:00 PM | Eirinn Abu |
| Sunday | February 26, 2023 | 6:00 PM | The Guardians |
| Sunday | April 2, 2023 | 7:00 PM | Easter Cantata |
| Wednesday | May 3, 2023 | 7:00 PM | Brevard Chorale |

LOVE OFFERING received during each concert

GREAT OUTDOORS COMMUNITY CHURCH

144 Plantation Drive, Titusville, FL 32780

www.tgochurch.org

For more concert information call: 321-385-9731

You Are Invited. . .

The Great Outdoors Community Church
will present a concert of Easter music:

Sunday evening, April 2, 2023
Beginning at 7:00 pm

Various musical selections will be
offered by soloists, instrumentalists,
the Bells of Praise and the GOCC Choir.

The public is invited to attend

Easter Musical

Welcome New Members



Karen & Jeff Basanta



Tracy & Randy Chrispen



Melissa & Bruce Fischer



Jeanne & David Cooper

Welcome New Members



Lynn & Michael Dillingham



Lucy & Barry Grim



Bonnie & Harold Green



Terry & Frankie Huff

Welcome New Members



DiVoron & Bill Lites



Catherine Costello & Peter Maselli



Jen & John Lopata



Donna & Michael Matz

Welcome New Members



Tass Saada



Dianne & Ned Wilford



33 new members joined the church, Sunday, March 19, 2023
Not pictured: Linda Carter, Martha Murphy,
Richard and Debra Wade



Joann & Robert Whitmoyer

Pictorial History: Building a Church

The GREAT OUTDOORS CHURCH began in 1990 as a Bible study group meeting in the library. A Sunday morning church service grew out of the Bible study, and in 1992 the first annual meeting was held with six trustees elected to serve this burgeoning church.

In 1993, a couple from Michigan visited The Great Outdoors and the church. Rev. Ken and Kathy Vanderbroek were vacationing, and shortly after that, Pastor Ken was asked to pastor the new church. Pastor Ken preached his first sermon on December 12, 1993.

During the early years of the church, services were held in Plantation Manor. Pat Hopper began a choir. Volunteers set up chairs, some free used hymnals were obtained, and the Word was preached from the Plantation Manor Lectern. A card table was used for a communion table.

In April of 1994, permission was sought from TGO to construct a church building. Jack Eckerd granted permission. He donated the land to the church provided that a Christian church could be built within a three-year period and that it would only be used for Christian purposes. On June 14, 1994, Mr. Eckerd's offer was accepted and plans were begun for the proposed church building.



1997

Flanked by chapel board members and fundraisers, Jack Eckerd (2nd from left) turned the dirt at a recent ground-breaking of The Great Outdoors Interdenominational Chapel.

Jack Eckerd Breaks Ground for Chapel

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| <p>Home & RV lot owners at the resort raised \$300,000 in less than 3 years for the church building. Worship services are currently held every Sunday morning in Plantation Manor, the resort's 14,000sq ft recreation hall.</p> | <p>Construction of the 300-seat chapel is slated to begin in the Fall '97. Mr. Eckerd is distinguished as one of Florida's prominent business leaders, as well as a noted philanthropist. Founder of Eckerd Drug store, Jack</p> | <p>was named "Floridian of the Year" in 1989 for his ongoing crusade on prison reform and juvenile rehabilitation. Jack Eckerd is founder and owner of The Great Outdoors RV/Nature and Golf Resort.</p> |
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A Building Committee was named and a Finance Committee was organized. A kick-off fund raising campaign was held in November of 1995, led by the Fund Raising Committee.

Enough money had been collected by August 1, 1997 (20 months later) for construction of the new church to begin. Plans were drawn and a local contractor was named. Many in our congregation were involved in the construction process as well. Cam Pelletier headed a group of church members who constructed the platform, choir area, sound booth and the large cross at the front of the sanctuary.

A large variety of committees were appointed to handle a myriad of details that were required to complete a complex of this nature. Construction decisions were handled by the Building Committee. Furniture had to be selected, paint colors chosen, carpeting to coordinate with the pews, landscaping, irrigation system, alarm systems, etc. Various members of the church donated the pulpit, communion table, organ, piano, office furniture, steeple and chimes. There was a drive for members to buy the pews as well as pledge funds for new hymnals. A small cross with a stained glass insert, which had been used in the Plantation Manor, was placed on our new communion table to remind us where God had taken the congregation in just a few short years. The words which state our church's theology: "Jesus Christ, Crucified, Risen, Returning" were placed over the Narthex doors for everyone to see as they entered the sanctuary.

Pictorial History: Building a Church (continued)

The people in the Great Outdoors Church worked together in a marvelous spirit of unity to plan, design and pay for the building. The church building, landscaping, paving, land and all interior furnishings were completely paid for during the construction phase. That amounts to a figure in excess of \$750,000. The first official service was held on Palm Sunday, April 5, 1998.

In 2000, a reception was held for Pastor Ken and Kathy who were retiring. Because they and their service were so deeply appreciated, our Church Board has designated Pastor Ken as our Pastor Emeritus. A parsonage was purchased in the spring of 2000 and Pastor Jeff Moody was issued a call to become the new pastor. He preached his first sermon on July 30, 2000. As the congregation grew, Pastors David Murton and Weston Hyde joined as Minister of Visitation and Minister of Administration.

Our church continued to grow. During the winter months, we made several attempts to have two worship services, but our congregation valued staying together to the extent that we decided to go back to one service. In order to accommodate the larger numbers during our worship services, we established closed circuit television in Fellowship Hall. As our numbers continued to grow, it became obvious that we needed more room in Fellowship Hall as well as in the sanctuary. We also needed a larger choir room along with more office, storage and parking space. In order to begin a plan for our future needs, the Church Board established a Long-range Planning Committee in 2002. It was through this committee that God began to cast a vision for further expansion. He brought together men and women of extraordinary talent, experience and training, to plan, organize, fund raise and lead in the \$1,004,900 expansion of our facilities. The contractor broke ground in February of 2009 and the project was completed in August of the same year. Throughout this project, God has blessed our church with a spirit of unity and excitement. There have been many challenges along the way and we have seen God work through each one of them. We give Him glory for His enablement, His faithfulness, His grace and His loving kindness.

In 2011, upon the retirement of Pastor Moody, God again blessed us. In 2012, Dr. David Price, with his wife, LuAnn, came to lead our congregation. Under Pastor David's guidance and acumen, the attendance of the church has grown to where, during peak season, two services are needed to accommodate everyone. Upon the retirement of Pastor Wes and Pastor Dave, Pastor J.B. Kump and Pastor Dan Zahn came on staff. Pastor J.B. as Minister of Small Groups, Retreats and Visitation and Pastor Dan as Minister of Visitation and Prayer.

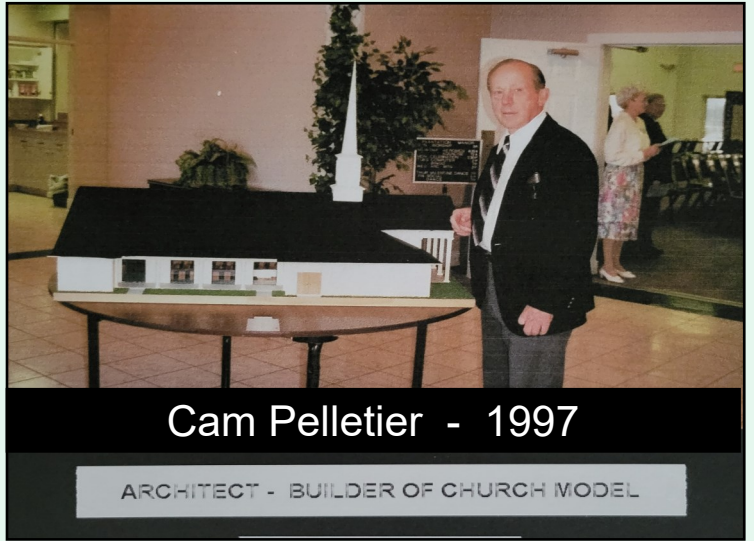
Membership in the Great Outdoors Church consists of members and associate members. Associate members are those who continue their memberships in their home churches, but wish to also maintain a membership in this church. We encourage all those who are not yet members to contact our ministerial staff or our Evangelism Team (currently called the Outreach Team) to apply for membership in this dynamic congregation of God's people.

The church welcomes everyone, whoever they are and whenever they are in the area, to worship in our church. There is always a warm and friendly group of people who will be delighted to greet you and welcome you as a worshipper.

God is blessing Great Outdoors Church and He has located us in a unique place—The Great Outdoors Premier RV and Golf Resort. We praise Him for providing this place of worship for the TGO people and our desire is that



Services in the Manor 1997



Cam Pelletier - 1997

ARCHITECT - BUILDER OF CHURCH MODEL



Jack Eckerd breaks ground 1997



FEBRUARY 9, 1997



**Front: Jim Swan, Pastor Vanderbroek & Jack Eckerd
Far right: Cam Pelletier 02/09/1997**



CONSTRUCTION OF GREAT OUTDOORS COMMUNITY CHURCH

1997 / 1998



CONGREGATION WALKING FROM PLANTATION MANOR TO NEWLY BUILT

GREAT OUTDOORS CHURCH PALM SUNDAY

APRIL 1998







THE GREAT OUTDOORS CHURCH

Furnishings and Extra Needs

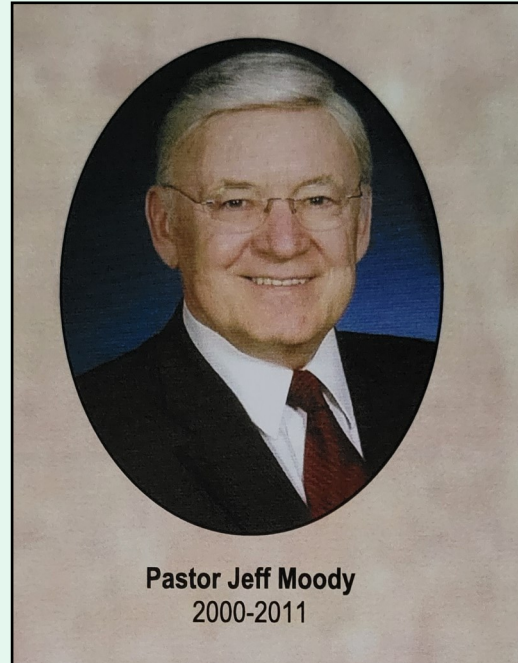
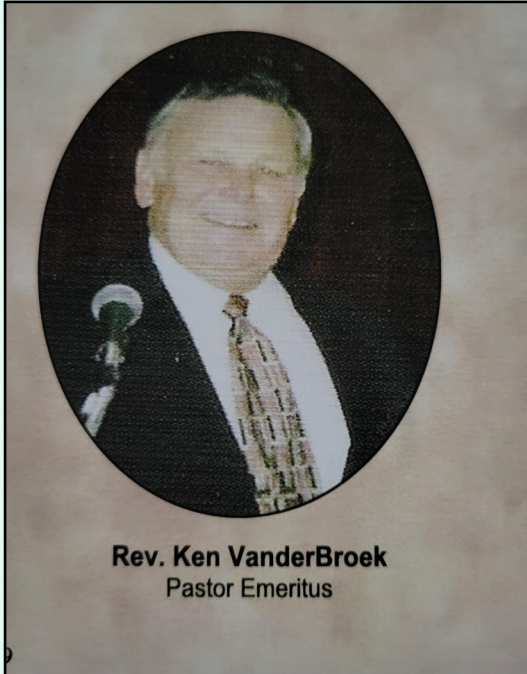
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| 1...Pews | \$800.00 each | \$28,000.00 |
| 2...Kitchen | \$1,000.00 Appliances \$3,000.00 Cabinets | \$4,000.00 |
| 3...Landscaping: | | \$20,000.00 |
| | \$3,500.00 Sod | |
| | \$7,000.00 Plantings | |
| | \$6,000.00 Sprinkler System | |
| | \$3,500.00 Fill & Grading | |
| 4...Hymnals | \$10.00 each | \$3,000.00 |
| 5...Tables | \$200.00 each | \$3,000.00 |
| 6...Chairs | \$30.00 each | \$3,600.00 |
| 7...Sign | estimate cost | \$5,000.00 |
| TOTAL AMOUNT NEEDED | | \$82,600.00 |

If you would like to SHARE in the above items, make your check out to The Great Outdoors Church Furnishing and Extra Fund.



IN OUR OWN HOME, AT LAST - APRIL 5, 1998

**THANK YOU to our Pastors:
For your love, kindness and guidance through the years
We are so blessed!**



GOCC PILGRIMAGE TO ISRAEL - FEBRUARY 2023 - PART 2



Susan Fortune waiting for a spot to take prayers & praises to the Wailing Wall



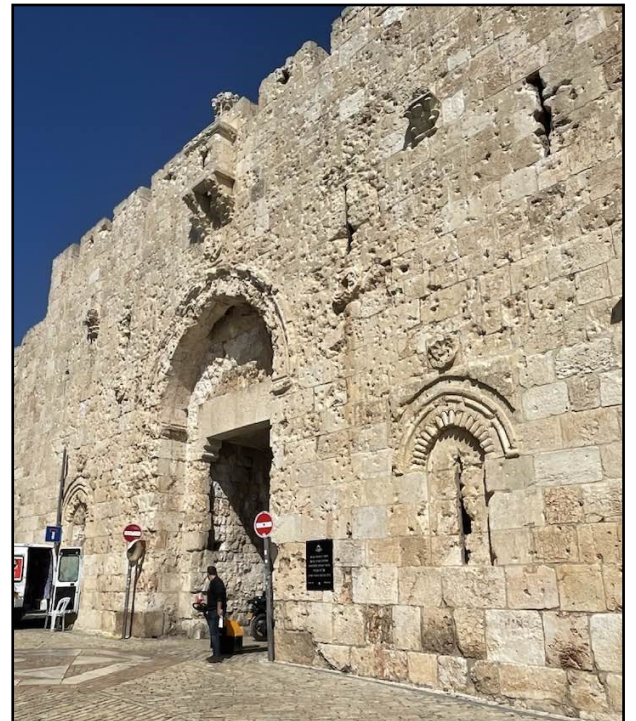
Maris Tracy praying at the Wailing Wall



Lunch at the Nazareth Village, a re-creation of the town in Jesus's time. Authentic food from the period, served as it might have been - in a tent.



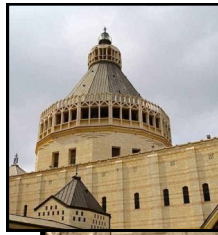
Dome of the Rock, built on the ruins of the Temple of Jerusalem



Jerusalem Gate into the Old City
Notice the bullet holes from the 1948 War of Independence



Interesting photo: Wayne and Pam Bolton are standing near the top arch of a door. In Jesus' time, 1st Century, the walkway would have been down 6 feet, exposing the entire door.



The towering cupola of the Church of the Annunciation in Nazareth stands over the cave that tradition holds to be the home of the Virgin Mary. Here, it is believed, the archangel Gabriel told the young Mary, aged about 14, that she would become the mother of the Son of God.



The tomb was small, only 4 of us at a time. Here, Roy Larson is exiting the tomb. It is thought Joseph of Arimathea chiseled out the entrance to be high enough so he could walk straight in, instead of stooping down (which is how tombs were usually made). Butch and Bev Gardner with a stone that would have sealed the tomb.



At the Garden Tomb, all of us celebrated Holy Communion, with small olive wood chalices, a gift to each of us from the on-site Missionary



Back left: Tom/Joy Harriger, Angela Woznick
Front left: Dan/Ann Powell and Pastor JB Kump
Right back: Kevin Garbin and Front: Roy Larson



This tomb is documented to have been owned by Joseph of Arimathea, who was given permission to take the body of Jesus from the cross. This tomb is one of two places archeologists and historians pinpoint as the probable place Joseph took the body of Jesus. As we know from Luke 24:1-12, when the women went to the tomb, they didn't find the body of the Lord Jesus.



Looking through the gate (see photo to the left) there are stones laid out for several bodies (these would be for the family of Joseph of Arimathea). The arrow points to the place where Jesus was laid.



Parts of the original wall around Jerusalem - where Jesus walked.

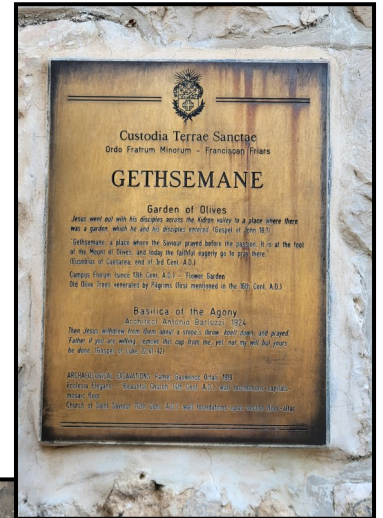
Jerusalem Old Town—Narrow streets with shops and homes on each side. Not many changes from Jesus' time.



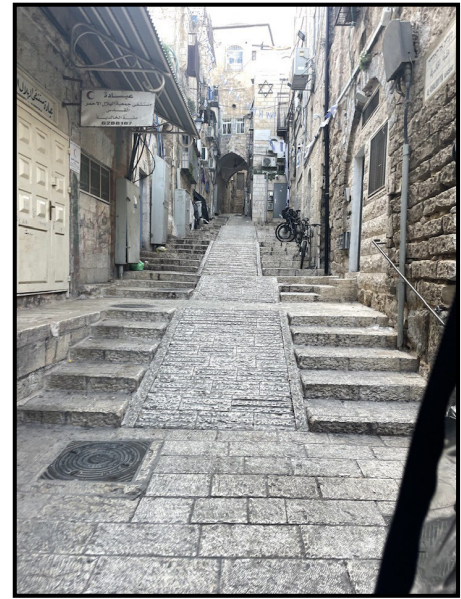
Mount of Olives - Olive tree from the time of Jesus - over 2,000 years old.



The Upper Room: Last Supper
Our guide, Jad, showing us how they would have been seated - on the floor with cushions. No table, no chairs.



Gathered at the foot of the Mount of Olives in the Garden of Gethsemane, while JB reads scripture of when Jesus prayed before the Passion. From Top Row: Butch/Bev Gardner, Jackie/Eric Valdes, Kevin Garbin and Angela Fragnito; Middle Row: Ken Tracy, Gary/Dottie Johanson; Bottom row: Wayne/Pam Bolton, Tom Harriger and Sue Pruet; On benches: Doris Moran, Shirley Kump, Maris Tracy, Joy Harriger, Roy Larson, Jan/Marc Lundeberg, Rita Walker, Richard Fortune, Geanine Moulton, Angela Woznick, John/Sherry McGath, Ann/Dan Powell



The streets Jesus would have walked



Station 1



Station 3

**VIA DOLOROSA
STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

1. Condemned to death
2. Carried His cross
3. Falls for the first time
4. Meets His mother
5. Simon on Cyrene helps Jesus carry the cross
6. Veronica wipes the face of Jesus
7. Jesus falls for the 2nd time
8. The women of Jerusalem weep over Jesus
9. Jesus falls for the third time
10. Jesus is stripped of His garments
11. Jesus is nailed to the cross
12. Jesus dies on the cross
13. Jesus is taken down from the cross
14. Jesus is placed in the sepulcher



Station 4



Station 5



Station 7



Station 12



Station 9



Humbly, we walk in Christ's footsteps

Secrets in Our Garden



The heart of the Memory Garden resides in the gazebo where, under a suspended walnut cross, a granite tablet is inscribed with these commandments of God:

You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your mind. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. *Matthew 22: 37-39*

The gazebo offers seating and shelter for meditation and contemplation. We are encouraged to carry these words with us as we go about our daily lives and to interact accordingly with the world around us.

Open from dawn to dusk, all are welcome to enjoy the beauty and serenity the garden provides.

An Easter Prayer

*That you gave your one and only Son,
that we might be called your children too.
Lord, help us to live in the gladness and
grace of Easter Sunday, everyday.*

*Let us have hearts of thankfulness
for your sacrifice.*

*Let us have eyes that look upon
your grace and rejoice in our salvation.*

*Help us to walk in that mighty grace
and tell your good news to the world.*

All for your glory do we pray, Lord,

Amen.

April 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| | | | | | | 1 Wedding 4:00 |
| 2 Communion PALM SUNDAY 8:30 am Worship Svc S 9:30 am Fellowship FH 10:00 am Worship Svc, S, LS 7:00 pm Easter Musical | 3 11:00 am Ray Z's Bible Study, FH | 4 9:00 am Outreach Committee Meeting, CR 10:00 am WIC Board Mtg, FH | 5 | 6 8:00 am Prayer, Zoom 10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, LS 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH 2:00 pm Bell Choir, FH 6:30 pm Thursday Evening Bible Study, Zoom | 7 GOOD FRIDAY 9:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry, N 10:00 am Choir Practice, S 12:00 pm Good Friday Service, S | 8 9:00 am Church Board Mtg., FH |
| 9 EASTER 8:30 am Worship Svc S 9:30 am Fellowship FH 10:00 am Worship Svc, S, LS | 10 11:00 am Ray Z's Bible Study, FH 4:00 pm Memory Garden Mtg., CR | 11 10:00 am WIC Luncheon, FH | 12 1:00 pm Care-Givers, AD 6:30 pm Prayer Meeting, FH | 13 8:00 am Prayer Zoom 9:00 am Missions Comm. Mtg., CR 10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, LS 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH 2:00 pm Bell Choir, FH 6:30 pm Bible Study, Zoom | 14 10:00 am Choir Practice, S | 15 8:00 am Men's Breakfast, FH Followed by Annual Car/Cart Car Wash - GOCC parking lot |
| 16 25th Anniversary Celebration 10:00 am Worship Service, S, LS 11:00 am Fellowship, FH | 17 11:00 am Ray Z's Bible Study, FH | 18 | 19 | 20 8:00 am Prayer, Zoom 9:00 am Mission's Mtg., FH 10:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, LS 11:00 am Pastor's Bible Study, FH 2:00 pm Bell Choir, FH 6:30pm Thurs. Evening Bible Study, Zoom | 21 9:00 am Prayer Shawl Ministry, N 10:00 am Choir Practice, S | 22 |
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