



Church App

By Randle Elmore

The “Living Springs Mobile App” for Android and iPhone is near completion and will be rolling out soon. What will you be able to do with the “App”?

- Watch the Sunday Services live on your mobile phone
- Have access to tools that will help you grow in your faith
- Find small groups and Bible studies to join
- Give tithes, offerings, and support specific missional needs
- Access special content like podcasts and video teachings, not offered on Sunday
- Register or sign-up for events and volunteer opportunities
- Stay connected to what’s happening at Living Springs with “live notification” of changes and important information

This **free** “App” will allow members and others to stay more connected to all of the various good things happening at Living Springs. Our “App” will also allow us to reach people we would otherwise miss.

Pray for Rome!

Imagine what it was like to live and work in what was once considered the center of the world...the busy metropolis of Rome! You would hear the buzz about the teacher Paul, who was under house arrest. You might work with people who followed countless gods—and a very few who followed only one God. Perhaps you’d watch the gradual persecution of those who followed Jesus, a carpenter who’d died (and came back to life) proclaiming he was the Son of God. Intriguing, right?!

Vacation Bible School is right around the corner! Our theme this year is, **Rome: Paul and the Underground Church**. On July 10-14, we will welcome over 100 children into our doors; providing an experience where they are immersed in Bible-time cul-

ture. Kids and volunteers will explore what it might have been like to live as the church was just beginning. They will experience new traditions, taste new foods, try new arts and crafts projects, and discover that God’s love is the most powerful gift; saving us from our sins.

Please pray over VBS! The week ahead of us holds great opportunities for sharing our faith with kids who are curious. Pray that the hearts of the children would be softened to experiencing God’s love. Pray for the volunteers and leaders, that their time and talents would only be used for God’s glory and nothing else. Pray that God would be our source of strength.

Notes and Quotes From the Church

Mouse

On Trinity of love and pow'r,
Our brethren shield in danger's
hour,
From rock and tempest, fire and
foe,
Protect them where so e'er they
go.

Thus evermore shall rise to Thee
Glad hymns of praise
from land and sea!
Amen.

The Navy Hymn
“Eternal Father
Strong To Save”



Living Springs Leadership Gathering (LSLG) AUGUST 19TH

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Throughout the year, Dave and I have the opportunity to travel to various conferences where we sense what the Lord is doing; which helps us to be more equipped to serve him. The conferences are high energy, deeply immersive experiences, and we leave with hopes of seeing these moves of God lived out in Living Springs. Unfortunately when we return, we often find that we are the only ones excited about it and all at once the energy is lost. It is a daunting task to try to communicate a powerful, organic message and experience secondhand. We decided that we needed a new strategy for communicating these ideas and experiences, and the best way to do that is to move out of the way and allow the original speakers to share with you the same messages we heard; that set our hearts and spirits on fire.

Thus, we have created the Living Springs Leadership Gathering. Saturday August 19, 2017 from 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. we will watch a few of the recorded video teachings that transformed us, then hold a break-out session to discuss how what was said impacted you, and should shape the way we look at doing ministry. We want everyone to attend, and expect that all staff, elders, deacons, ministry leaders, and small group leaders will attend.

From the bottom of our hearts, our family thanks you for all your expressions of love and support through Randy's journey. Your cards and words touch my heart each time I read them. You are truly the body of Christ and we praise God for you. Randy loved you, and I do too! You are our family. God bless you as you continue to do God's work in our community and into the world. Philipians 1:3,4,7. I thank God every time I remember you. In all my prayers for all of you, I always pray for joy. . . I have you in my heart.

Susan Visser

God is up to some amazing things at Living Springs and in the lives of its members. God is shifting the way we need to do ministry in order to reach the world with the Gospel. He's changing the method **NOT THE MESSAGE**, which he has done several times throughout history. The message is always the gift of God, Jesus Christ, and the hope and restoration Jesus offers.

We are asking as many people as possible to join us on this journey of following God's direction. More information will be coming soon on how to register. When you leave this event, you will not be the same after (in a positive way).



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PAY ANY PRICE TO PROTECT YOUR FOCUS

Proverbs 4:25-27 – “Let your eyes look straight ahead, fix your gaze directly before you. Make level paths for your feet and take only ways that are firm. Do not swerve to the right or the left; keep your foot from evil.” It is very easy in this world of distraction to get off track and lose focus. Keep your focus. Broken focus is the real reason men fail. No matter what happens or what comes, don't stop, dig deep and speed up the attack. Beyond your situation lies God's promise for your life. To the man of faith, the one whose focus is on God, every trouble is designed to advance his cause in his spiritual walk with the Lord. The vicissitudes and calamities of this world cannot dictate the direction of the man of faith because their focus is on God Almighty. Rather than derail them from their cause, troubles actually enhance their focus. You determine your focus, nobody else can. Your focus is creating your feelings. Whatever you are feeling now is a product of your focus. You are what you give your attention to. If you give your attention to God, you are what God says you are. If what you are experiencing now is contrary to your desires, stop and take time to change your focus. Pay any price to protect your focus.

Prayer: Lord, create in me a pure heart, O God and renew a steadfast Spirit within me so that I may be able to focus on You alone.