

Hearing the Call

"And I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Then I said, "Here I am! Send me." - Isaiah 6:8 ESV

Imagine being in a crowded room. People walking all around you, talking. Going about their lives, not paying any attention to you standing there. The noise is loud, overwhelming and even deafening. In this chaos, you hear a familiar voice calling our name. A soft whisper that cuts through the noise.

This is what it is like to hear God's call to us in life. The world is noisy, full of endless chatter. Something trying to attract us at every move when we turn on the radio, the TV, social media. To distract us from the one person we should be focusing on in life.

In Isaiah 6:8, the voice of the Lord is asking, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" Isaiah responds without hesitation, "Here am I. Send me!"

Isaiah doesn't ask where he's being sent. What will he be doing. He doesn't question God but just answers the call to go. Answering this call isn't easy. It requires us to push away the doubt, the fear, the anxiety of going off to do the unknown. To put your trust in God and follow his voice amidst the chaos and uncertainty.

As Christians, we have been asked to sit and the feet of Christ and listen to what He wants of us. To put our trust in Him even when we're frightened of the outcome. We just need to focus on that voice that's whispering to us, to trust in Him, and follow Him where He leads us.

-Linda Self Administrative ধ্ব Financial Assistant





Week of Prayer for Annie Armstrong Easter Offering - March 3-10, 2024

Upcoming Meetings

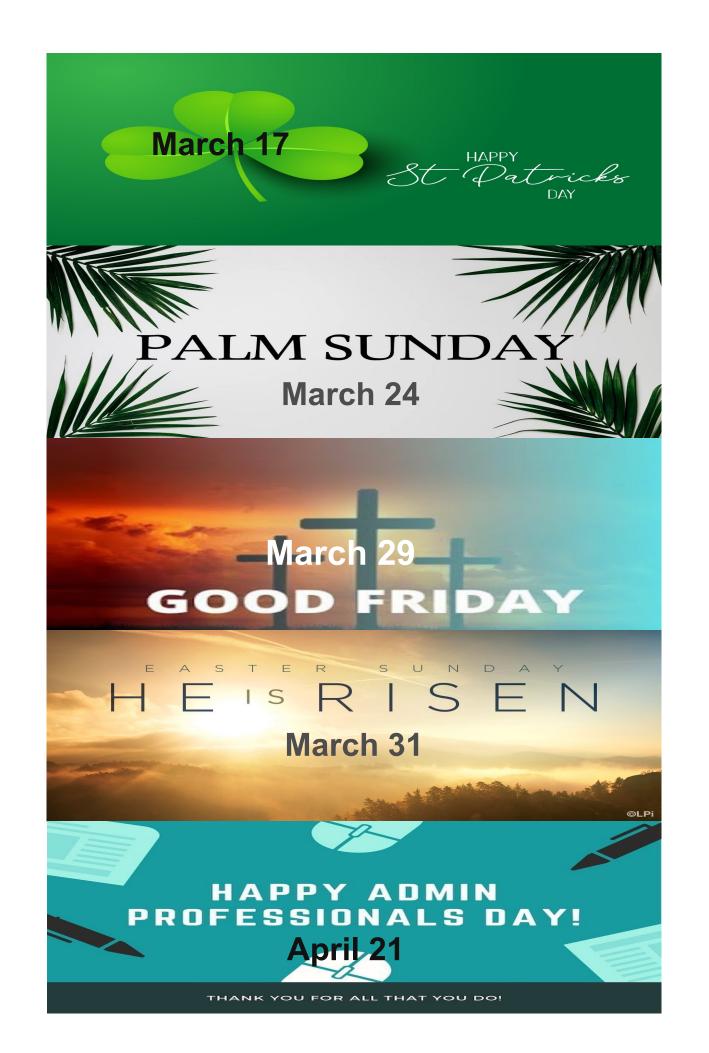
March 7 - Ministry Luncheon March 14 - Missions Committee Meeting March 20 - Administrative Team Meeting March 20 - ADOM Search Committee Meeting April 4 - Ministry Luncheon April 11 - Missions Committee Meeting April 17 - Administrative Team Meeting April 24 - ADOM Search Committee Meeting



Wednesday, March 6 -Monday, March 11, 2024 the office will be closed while Linda is on a mission trip in **Monterrey**, Neuvo Leon, Mexico. The office will reopen on March 12.









Pray for our Pastorless churches

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For a **GBA Annual Meeting** 2024, 2025 or 2026 – normally the last week in September

Please contact the GBA Office if you would be willing to bless the member churches.