



*November 5, 2017*

# MESSAGE NOTES

## Ready. Set. Go! | Part 1

*Then the eleven disciples left for Galilee, going to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. When they saw him, they worshiped him—but some of them doubted! Jesus came and told his disciples, “I have been given all authority in heaven and on earth. Therefore, go and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. Teach these new disciples to obey all the commands I have given you. And be sure of this: I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”*

Matthew 28:16-20 (NLT)

*“God sent his Son into the world not to judge the world, but to save the world through him.”*

John 3:17 (NLT)

*The Lord isn’t really being slow about his promise, as some people think. No, he is being patient for your sake. He does not want anyone to be destroyed, but wants everyone to repent.*

2 Peter 3:9 (NLT)

### **How does an ordinary Christ-follower like me “get ready” to share Jesus with others?**

#### **1. Live a \_\_\_\_\_ life.**

*Devote yourselves to prayer with an alert mind and a thankful heart. Pray for us, too, that God will give us many opportunities to speak about his mysterious plan concerning Christ. That is why I am here in chains. Pray that I will proclaim this message as clearly as I should.*

Colossians 4:2-4 (NLT)

#### **2. Live an \_\_\_\_\_ life.**

*Live wisely among those who are not believers, and make the most of every opportunity. Let your conversation be gracious and attractive so that you will have the right response for everyone.*

Colossians 4:5-6 (NLT)

# GRACE NEWS

***If you want more information or to volunteer with any of these opportunities, please make a note on the Let's Connect card.***

**What's up with the 9:41?** Why do the church bells chime at 9:41 every day? Why does church start at 9:41 on Sunday? Matthew 9:37-38 says 'Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. 38 Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." We are praying for laborers and we are praying that God would equip us to be harvesters! Set your phone alarm and join us in praying at 9:41 am every day for our community, and the (941) area code.

**Congratulations to Patricia Barrett** – our new Children's Ministry Leader! If you are on the team or interested in joining the Children's Ministry team, there is an upcoming training at the Cape Coral Campus on November 12th. Please let Patricia know if you are interested, or indicate on your Let's Connect card. We will carpool from here at 8:30 am.

## **Save the Date for upcoming Christmas Festivities (more details to come):**

**December 17th 7:00 pm – Blue Christmas Service** - If you have experienced a loss and this is a hard Christmas for you, you are invited to this special service for encouragement, comfort, hope and peace.

**December 23rd – Caroling and Candlelight Trolley** rides 6:30 & 8:00 pm, \$5.00 for adults, kids 10 and under free with adult.

**December 24th – Christmas Eve Morning service at 9:41 am**

**December 24th - Contemporary Candlelight Christmas Eve at 9:41 pm** Celebrate the birth of Christ with traditional carols and Holy Communion.

# LET'S CONNECT

PLEASE TEAR OUT AND DROP IN BOXES AS YOU EXIT

Date:     /     /      1st Time Visitor

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Birthday:     /     /      Male    Female

I would like to meet with the pastor.

## MY DECISION TODAY

- I said **YES** for the first time, and became a follower of Jesus.
- I decided to **RENEW** my relationship with Jesus.

*We have resources to help you with your decision.*

# PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAY FOR: \_\_\_\_\_

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Public Prayer List     For Pastors Only

I WOULD LIKE INFORMATION ABOUT:

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I can help with the Fall Events.

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## Christmas Decorating Team NOW forming!

There will be an informational meeting next Sunday, November 12th after the service at 11:00 in the Gathering Place Meeting room.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Pastor's Bible Study** - Tuesday mornings, 7:30am at the Vamo Starbucks (8394 S Tamiami Trail).

**Step Up** – AA meeting Wednesday mornings at 7:00 am in the Gathering Place Meeting room.

**Prayer Hour** – Wednesdays, noon – 1 pm in the Worship Center. Come to a quiet place to pray, pray over requests or if you are in need of prayer.

**Acts 2:42** ('They committed themselves to the teaching of the apostles, the life together, the common meal, and the prayers') Gathering – Wednesday evenings, join us for dinner at 6:00 pm followed by Small Group. All are welcome!

**Faith & Fellowship Bible Study** – Saturdays at 8:00am at the Potter's Park Pavilion. Coffee and donuts served during a Bible study – Church Can Happen Anywhere! Please join us or let us know if you would like to volunteer.



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