Happy New Year!

December 31, 2013

Dear Center

Happy New Year from your pastors and staff at Glendale City Church!

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Lighting of the Christ Advent Candle

During the four weeks of Advent as we anticipated Christmas we lit candles for hope, love, joy, and peace. Last Sabbath, we lit the final candle: the Christ candle. “For unto us a child is given, unto us a Savior is born and the order of the world will be upon his shoulders.” Because of the birth of Jesus, our lives are forever changed. We are transformed by his model and message. We light the Christ candle to represent that Christ is truly the center of our lives.

Did you miss the worship service last Sabbath, December 28? If so, you can hear the sermon online: Todd Leonard, “Jesus: The Deconstruction of God” (47:37) http://glendalecitychurch.org/index.php/podcasts.html

This Sabbath, January 4, 2013, Todd will explore these questions in his sermon titled: "Jesus: The Deconstruction of Humanity." What is your concept of the ideal woman? What does the perfect man look like? During his life and ministry, Jesus regularly referred to himself as, “The Son of Man.” How does Jesus compare to your idealized vision of the human race?

Rose Parade 2014 with the Pathfinders! Buy your tickets now, $90. This includes your transportation to the event, breakfast, and seating. Contact Hugh Gardner for details.

You are invited to become a member of the Friends of Music at Glendale City Church. For decades, Friends of Music has provided support for concerts at the church. As we approach the end of the year, please consider contributing. For more information, call the church office at (818) 244-7242.

Connect with our community through service: Glendale City Church is beginning to build relationships with our city! Communitas Congregations, the non-profit we launched last month under Ryan Bell, director, is providing us a couple opportunities to serve during the holiday season. If you are interested in participating in one of these projects, text Ryan at 323-313-4035 with your name and email.

Online Church Campus: City Church Goes Global Very Soon! The Sabbath morning worship will be rebroadcast three times a week for all who are unable (due to distance, health challenges etc.) to be physically present at church. There will be opportunity for viewers to discuss and interact with comments or questions through the chat feature, and to receive counseling or Bible study. We are currently looking for additional chat hosts for the weekly rebroadcasts. Spread the word to those you know: City Church will now be globally available!

Glendale City Church Audio Sermons podcast is now available in the iTunes Store! If you use iTunes, open your app and click on Store. Go to Podcasts and enter "Glendale City Church" in the search window. It will take you to the last 20 episodes, and you can subscribe with iTunes if you want to. Download iTunes at http://www.apple.com/itunes/podcasts/.

Let us know when you want a visit. Our pastoral staff and elders are anxious to meet with you, pray with you, and support you. Help us help you! Contact the church office and Victoria will work with you to set up a visit. If you are being admitted to a hospital, please let our office know. If you know of another member being admitted, get their permission and let us know as well. Hospitals will not contact us due to their patient privacy guidelines. As spiritual leaders, one of our pastors' and elders' highest privileges is special time with you.

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Upcoming Sermons
January 4, 2013 - Todd Leonard
January 11, 2013 - Communion
January 18, 2013 - Todd Leonard