Passover and Resurrection (Easter) Events Planned across the North American Division Territory

During this season, people all around the world are remembering the death and resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Listed below are various services that are happening this week and weekend across the North American Division territory.

SATELLITE

Hope Channel will air two live, interactive, Easter-themed programs Easter weekend. A special edition of Let’s Pray, titled “The Seven Last Words of Christ,” airs Friday, April 6, at 7 p.m. ET followed by a live Cross Connection titled “The Empty Tomb.” The three-hour block will replay at 7 p.m. PT. Encore presentations will air Sab., Apr. 7, and Easter Sun., Apr. 8. Check http://www.hopetv.org/watch-now/tv-schedule/ for details and scheduled times in your area. Hope Channel is on DIRECTV channel 368, Glorystar channel 104, or online. MORE

ATLANTIC UNION

Passion Play at the Union Springs Academy (N.Y.) Church, Sab., Apr. 7, at 6 p.m. Come join us for our annual Passion Play event. The students of Union Springs Academy have come together to present the story of the great controversy, starting from the creation of the world and ending with the Second Coming. Through music and action we hope to touch your heart with the story of the love of the One Who came to redeem a sinful world. (40 Spring St. in the gym)

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH IN CANADA

"From Death, to Life, to Life Eternal!" Apr. 6-8, remembering and living the meaning of Easter weekend, at the Sherwood Park, Alberta Church. From a candlelit reflection on the Last Supper to a morning celebration of the resurrection of Jesus, come share in fellowship and worship as we experience anew all that Jesus has done for us. Good Fri. fellowship gathering with communion, Apr. 6, 6:30 p.m.; Sab. worship, Apr. 7, 10:30 a.m.; Easter Sun. resurrection service, with breakfast, Apr. 8, 9:30 a.m. (20 Festival Way)
"The Lamb Wins." Join the Beltsville, Md. Church, Apr. 7, at 9:30 a.m. or at 12 p.m., for this Easter service with special music by the women's choir, children's special events, and sermon by Pastor Kermit Netteburg. You've always known there was more to Easter than bunnies and candy, but what exactly? Why do we celebrate a Man's death on a cross? And what does it have to do with people today? We want you to know the real story because Easter has the power to transform your life! Look back at the origin of this holiday and at a moment that changed the world. You'll love what you learn. (4200 Ammendale Road; 301-937-8118)

Easter Weekend Services, Chestnut Hill Church, Communion Service, Fri., Apr. 6, 7:30 p.m.; Sabbath morning worship, Apr. 7, 10:45 a.m. How do you recognize real love? Real love bears all things. Real love sacrifices itself for what it loves. And real love never fails. This resurrection weekend, come hear the ultimate story of love — about a great sacrifice and an even greater miracle that can still impact our lives today. You can experience real love—come and find out how! (8700 Germantown Ave., Philadelphia, Pa.)

"The Cost," an Easter weekend at Sligo Church, Takoma Park, Md., in the sanctuary: Thurs., Apr. 5, 7:30 p.m., Holy Communion, "Less is More," with sacred chamber music featuring the Tomenko and DiPinto families; Fri., Apr 6, 7:30 p.m., Drama by Steven Moseley, "Likely Suspects - The Whole Bible in One Mystery"; Sab., Apr. 7, at 8:45 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. worship services, "The Cost," message by Sr. Pastor Charles A. Tapp, and music by Sligo Sanctuary Choir and Children's Choir; Sun., Apr. 8, 11 a.m., Resurrection Celebration with music by Christian recording artist Angela Bryant-Brown; Drama, "God's Chisel," and message by Pastor Charles Tapp, "Not a Fan." Reception to follow in the Sligo Atrium. (7700 Carroll Ave.)

"The Seven Last Words of Christ Celebration," presented by seven pastors of the the Baltimore Extended Area Ministerium of the Allegheny East Conference of SDA, Sab., Apr. 7, 4 p.m., at the Miracle Temple Church (100 S. Rock Glen Road, Baltimore, Md.)

Agape Feast and Communion, Fri., Apr 6, 6:30 p.m., and "He Is Alive" Sab., Apr 7, 11:30 a.m., West Chester, Pa. Church. The Agape Feast is a time for our church to come together and share a meal together and reflect on how God has blessed us through His Son over the past year. The Sabbath worship program was designed with you in mind. It tells the story of redemption from the foundation of the world until Jesus comes again. The narrative delivery and musical selections are all connected to create a spiritually rich and reflective celebration of the life, death and resurrection of Jesus. We welcome any and all to come be a part of this powerful service. Come celebrate the Life, Death and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

Resurrection Celebration Weekend, Spencerville, Md. Church, to commemorate and celebrate the plan of salvation. Tenebrae Service, Fri., Apr. 6, at 7:30 p.m., in recognition of the death of Christ on the cross for our sins. The Pro Musica of Washington Adventist University will provide the music for this service to include some of the most beautiful, moving choral pieces written by Christian composers through the centuries. The service intersperses Scripture readings with music for a moving portrayal of this critical moment in the plan of salvation. Sab., Apr. 7, 11 a.m., celebrate with us the resurrection of Jesus with music and word fitting to this special occasion. Our choir will be joined again by the Columbia Collegiate Chorale of Washington Adventist University and by a professional brass ensemble.

LAKE UNION

"His Last Days," an Easter Cantata, Sab., Apr. 7, at 10:45 a.m. Join the Green Bay, Wis. Church for a special service to worship God, marvel at the work of redemption and celebrate the matchless love and sacrifice of Jesus our Savior! Come enjoy a program filled with music (including choir and various musicians), narration, and multimedia presentations. Please extend an invitation to your family, friends, and neighbors. (1414 Shawano Ave.; 920-494-5245).
"Easter Passion Play" at Andrews University, Sab., Apr. 7. Rotations start at 10 a.m. and depart every 30 minutes. The Easter Passion Play offers a chance to witness first-hand a dramatization of the greatest story ever told. This indoor-outdoor walking experience begins in the Howard Performing Arts Center with well-known scenes from Jesus' life revealing his love and mercy. This is a free offering to the community but reservations are required. (8975 Old U.S. 31, Berrien Springs, Mich.)

Easter Choral Celebration Concert, Andrews University, Sab., Apr. 7, 8 p.m. The Andrews University choral ensembles under the direction of Stephen Zork, present their annual Easter Choral Celebration concert. (Andrews University's Howard Performing Arts Center, 8975 Old U.S. 31, Berrien Springs, Mich.)

"The Cost," Spring Revival Week, Apr. 1-7, at Praise Fellowship Church in South Bend, Ind. Hear powerful messages on "The Cost" that focus on Christ's passion week. Relive Christ's passion, rediscover His power and be transformed by His love! What did it cost God to love us? Join us at 7 p.m. Sun.-Fri. (except Thurs.): Sun., Triumphal Entry; Mon, In Remembrance of Me; Tue., Gethsemane; Wed., Pilate's Dilemma; Fri., Calvary. Sab., Apr 7, 11 a.m., "The Cost of Loving You," a great controversy themed dramatic presentation that illustrates God's decision to save humanity despite the cost to Himself and the risk to the universe. (54301 Maple Ln.)

MID-AMERICA UNION

Dramatic monologue by Pastor Tim Cress, Apr. 6, 7, 7:30 p.m. at the LifeSource Adventist Fellowship Church, Denver, Colo. Explore the events from Jesus Christ's life that changed the course of history as seen through the eyes of His youngest apostle, John. This monologue chronicles the imprisonment of John, the last living disciple of Jesus' twelve, while locked away in a cave prison on the isle of Patmos. "John" remains full of humor and resolute in his faith in Jesus and God. (6200 W. Hampden Ave., 303-988-8371)

“The Ultimate Marathon: Jesus’ Last Week,” nightly, Apr. 1-6, 7-8 p.m., by the Youth Ministries of Denver, Co., South Church. Enhance your relationship with Jesus as 12 different young people speak about Jesus: the King, the Messiah, the Teacher and Healer, the Prophet, the Servant and the Sacrifice. Teens will also present the music, prayers and Scriptures. It's for the whole church and for your friends and neighbors. Bring your junior and earliteen kids. They will be invited to study for baptism in the weeks to come. Don't miss a night! Special book awards will be given for attendance! (2675 S Downing St., 303-744-1271)

NORTH PACIFIC UNION

“Journey to the Cross,” at Kelso-Longview Church, Apr. 6-8. Come experience this moving portrayal of Easter and the story of Jesus. The free event is a yearly opportunity to reconnect with the story of Easter. 7 p.m. nightly. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. (1185 Westside Hwy, Kelso, Wash.)

Easter Brunch at Mount Ellis Elementary, Sun., Apr. 1, at 10 a.m. in the gymnasium, with the students presenting a short program following the meal. (3835 Bozeman Trail Road, Bozeman, Mont.)

"Journey to the Cross" at Spokane Valley Church, Wash., the 5th annual outdoor walk-through event. Visitors will be surrounded by the story and events in the life of Jesus 2,000 years ago. With a cast of over 250 people, visitors will experience miracles and defining moments in Jesus’ life. Last year over 4,200 people experienced the power of the story of Jesus. Apr 5-8: 7 p.m.Thurs., 6-9 p.m. Fri., 4-9 p.m. Sat., and 4-9 p.m. Sun. (1601 S Sullivan Rd.) MORE

"It's Friday, but Sunday's Coming!" at the Zillah, Wa. Community Adventist Church, Fri, Apr. 6, at 7 p.m.; Sab., Apr 7, at 10 a.m. You are invited to invited to listen to six Biblical lives and their stories (202 5th St.; Info: 509-834-3899)

"Celebrating Christ," a multiple-day praise and worship celebration of Christ's death and
resurrection, Apr. 5-8, at **Tacoma, Wa. Central Church**: Thurs., Apr. 5, 6:50 p.m., Agape Feast with a fellowship meal, interactive sermon and communion; Fri., Apr. 6, 6:50 p.m., Vespers with music and sermons; Thur., Apr. 7, 10:55 a.m., Easter Church Service with baptisms; Sab., Apr. 7, 6:50 p.m., Sabbath Vespers with a documentary on the resurrection of Christ; Sun., Apr. 8, 7 a.m., early morning prayer service. (1301 S Baltimore St.; 253-752-6637)

"**Rave to Cave... and Beyond!**" by the **Puyallup, Wash. Church**, is a Passion Week series focused on Jesus' daily words and actions during His last week on Earth, prior to the Cross. Think about it... Jesus lived in human flesh for 33 years, yet one-third of the four Gospels dwell on His last 47 days, with most of that portion focused on Palm Sunday through Resurrection Sunday! Looks like God is highlighting that time frame, doesn't it? During this nightly series attendees watch and listen to Jesus, with correlating music on each specific day and then ask, "What does this tell me about God?" Sun. - Fri., Apr. 1-6, at 7 p.m.; Sab., Apr. 7, 11:30 a.m. and Sun., 8 a.m., followed immediately by a potluck brunch. Come and bring a friend! Held at **Northwest Christian School**, 904 Shaw Rd. Info: (253) 848-5548.

"**He Has Risen!**" A dramatic Easter musical, Apr. 5-8, 7 p.m. at the **Auburn, Wa. Adventist Academy Church**. Join us to experience the story of Jesus Christ in a powerful and personal way. This is a great opportunity to introduce Jesus to someone dear to you. Free, no tickets required. (5010 Auburn Way S; 866-386-8710)

"**The Borrowed Tomb,**" an indoor dramatic musical of Jesus Christ's death and resurrection, Apr 6, 7, at 7 p.m. at the **Yakima, Wa. Church**. This hour and 15 minute production includes a cast of 30, wonderful lighting and set that will really make the story of Christ's life, death, and resurrection come alive. (507 N 35th Ave.)

"**Alive,**" the Easter story told in song and Scripture, Sab. Apr 7, 10 a.m. at the **Oasis, Idaho Church**. (501 N. Curtis Rd., Boise)

"It's Still the Cross," Sun., Apr. 8, 10 a.m., at the **Richland, Wa. Church**, Easter Brunch to follow. The TriCities Men's Chorus will present a musical program highlighting God's gift of salvation. (1807 McMurray Ave.)

"**The Borrowed Tomb,**" Apr. 6-8 at 7 p.m. (Doors open at 6.) This Easter Musical at the **Coeur d'Alene, Idaho, Church**, takes us back over 2000 years where we can witness the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ through the experience of two members of the Sanhedrin - Joseph of Arimathia and Nicodemus - plus Mary Magdalene and others. It is an experience for the whole family which will not soon be forgotten and will touch hearts with His story of grace. To reserve tickets call (208) 664-5473. (111 E Locust Ave.)

**PACIFIC UNION**

"**The Voice,**" the story of John the Baptist crying in the wilderness until the whole world hears. Join **Redlands, Ca. Church** and their drama ministry, **Know Him Productions**, for the telling of the Easter story from this man's perspective. Free performances at 7 p.m., April 6 and 7. (520 Brookside Ave.; 909-793-6337) MORE

"**The King of Kings,**" the classic silent film based on the last week in the life of Christ, at the **Glendale, Ca., SDA Church**. Wed., Apr. 4, 7:30 p.m. This 1927 film was the first to premier at Grauman's Chinese Theater in Hollywood, Cecile B. DeMille, producer. Organist Christian Elliott will provide music for the film. Tickets/$15. (610 E. California Ave.; 818-244-7241)

Special Easter weekend of fellowship and reflection at the **Long Beach, Ca. Church**: Fri., 7 p.m., "The Passion of the Christ," a film on the last 12 hours of Christ's life (6 p.m.; refreshments served); Sab., 11 a.m., Easter service; 4 p.m. Communion; Sun., 6:30 a.m., Sunrise service in the parking lot with song and meditation. Breakfast will follow. (1001 E. 3rd St.; 562-437-2805).

"**The Challenge of the Cross**" at the **Berean Church**, presented by Womens' Ministries. Sab., Apr 7, 4 p.m. (4211 W Adams Blvd, Los Angeles, Ca., 323-735-2238).
"Reflections at the Cross: Where Joy and Sorrow Meet," an adaptation of Leslie Hardinge's book, performed at the White Memorial Church by students and friends of San Gabriel Academy. Fri., Apr. 6, at 7:30 p.m.; Sab., Apr. 7, 5 p.m. Through dramatization and music, it is the students’ hope and prayer that those who attend will find a renewed understanding of Christ and His purpose here on earth. Free admission. (401 N. State St., Los Angeles, Ca.; 626-292-1156)

"Amazing Grace," a cantata presented by the Ridgecrest, Ca. Church Choir, 10:40 a.m. Sab., Apr. 7. (555 West Las Flores Avenue)

"At The Cross," (Fri., Apr. 6, 8 p.m) a dramatic presentation of the events of Calvary and the effect they had on the lives of those who were there. Produced and directed by Kenneth Wade. The Resurrection and Second Coming, (Sab., Apr. 7, 11 a.m.) a presentation of music and narration featuring the Sanctuary Choir, soloists, audience participation in hymn singing and a string quartet under the direction of Joyce Geeting, internationally renowned cellist. Simi Valley, Ca. Church (1636 Sinaloa Rd.)

"Tracing the Footsteps of Jesus," Wed. - Fri., Apr. 4-6, 7:30 p.m.; Sab., Apr 7, 2 p.m., at Rolling Hills Estates, Ca. Church. An unforgettable journey to Jerusalem, exploring Jesus’ passion and where it took place! Five powerful presentations that bring the story of Jesus to life: Presenter, Pastor Tony Moore. Free child care provided for each meeting. (28340 Highridge Road; 310-541-1819)

Passover Seder with Beth Shalom Seventh-day Adventist Congregation. The Passover Seder is the traditional symbolic meal telling the Passover story from a Jewish-Christian perspective. Two venues:
  - Sun., Apr. 8, 6:30 – 8:15 p.m. Canoga Park Adventist Church, 20550 Roscoe Blvd, Winnetka, Ca. (RSVP Paul Lippi at (805) 512-7793, BSSDATHousandOaks@gmail.com;)
  - Tues., Apr. 10, Vallejo Drive Church, 300 Vallejo Dr, Glendale, Ca.; Erin Stone (818) 625-2909, egstone@earthlink.net. Tickets, $10/adult; $6/child.

“Once Upon an Eternity,” a powerful Easter musical celebration, Sab., Apr. 7, 6 p.m., in the Loma Linda, Ca. University Church. This dramatic performance, adapted from the book Epic by John Eldredge, showcases a broad spectrum of talent including costume design, choreography, singing, and acting. Come get swept up in the beauty, the tragedy, and the triumph of God’s plan of salvation. Sponsored by the LLU School of Religion Humanities Division, as part of the “Art that Heals” humanities arts and lecture series. (11125 Campus St.)

“The Last Words of Jesus," Sab., Apr. 7, 11 a.m., at the Oakland, Ca. Elmhurst Church. This awe-inspiring cantata was written and composed by Bay Area renowned composer, arranger, pianist and organist Teri Simmons with the San Francisco/East Bay Mass Choir. Teri is a member of the Elmhurst Church and has received numerous awards and certificates. She was honored as an Outstanding Musician in 2009 and voted as Outstanding Organist during the 1999 Bay Area Gospel Academy Awards. In 1997 she received the coveted ORBY Award for Professional Leadership from the Bay Area National Chapter of Operation Reach Back. Lunch will be provided for our guests immediately following the service. (9658 Thermal Street.)

Easter Communion Service, Sab., Apr. 7, 11 a.m., at the Victorville, Ca. Church, featuring Jeff and Anika Clark with musical selections such as "Via Dolorosa" and the children’s hymn, "Alive, Alive, Alive Forevermore.” Pastor Raewyn Hankins, newly appointed senior pastor, will share the Easter message with her two associates. Pastor Suzanne Hebert will speak on the events of "Good Friday," Pastor Kyle Dever will present a message on the significance of "Holy Sabbath," and Pastor Hankins will deliver a homily celebrating "Resurrection Sunday." (16070 Lorene Dr.)

Passover and Resurrection program at the Central Spanish Church, Los Angeles, Ca., Wed., Apr. 4-14. Join for special sermons on the life of Jesus. On Apr 7, come for a concert with the church choir where God will be glorified and exalted as our only Savior. In Spanish in the main sanctuary; in English in the youth chapel. (1366 S. Alvarado St., Los Angeles, Ca., 213-381-1905)
“SonRise Resurrection Pageant,” at Southern Adventist University, Collegedale, Tenn., Sab., Apr. 7, starting at 8:45 a.m., departing every half hour from 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 a.m. All 7,000 free tickets are "sold out". The annual pageant portrays Christ’s last days, with 500 costumed cast members, live animals, and dramatic sets. The one-mile walk-through event recreates six interactive scenes from the Bible. Started in 1996, attendance at this event ranges from 6,000 to 10,000 people annually. SonRise is a collaboration of Southern Adventist University and the Collegedale, Tenn. SDA Church.

Special Easter Weekend activities at the Collegedale, Tenn. Community SDA Church: Fri., Apr 6, 7 p.m., Communion Service; Sab., Apr. 7, special worship services at 9 a.m., 10 a.m. & 11:30 a.m.; Sun, Apr. 8, Sunrise worship service at 6:45 a.m., with singing, special music, homily and a surprise visitor who will sing to us. Pancake Breakfast – 7:30 a.m. – 8:15 a.m. “New Life” Easter Egg hunt, 8:30 a.m. “Triumphal Entry” Easter parade, 10 a.m. (Kids will have a chance to “decorate” their bikes, scooters, wagons, strollers, etc. for parade). Petting Zoo, 9-11 a.m. (4995 Swinyar Dr.)

"Bow the Knee," a dramatic musical. The performance will lead the audience on an unforgettable spiritual journey through the eyes of a Roman centurion. The moving story line culminates in the dramatic and joyful resurrection of Jesus Christ. Sab., Apr. 7, 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m., with refreshments to follow the 4:00 p.m. presentation. Calhoun, Ga. Church (1411 Rome Road, 706-629-5470).

Passover Seder - Join Beth-El Shalom Messianic congregations at St. Petersburg, Fl. or New Port Richey, Fl., to see the Passover seder come alive. Learn the meaning of each of the traditional food items and ceremonies. They will have a full service with all the food items such as matzah, charoset, maror, etc., everything except the full dinner. Preregistration is necessary. Come and enjoy this special time with us. All are welcome. Free admission, limited seating. Two venues:

- Friday, April 6, at 7:00 p.m., 1701 29th Ave North (at 17th St.), St. Petersburg (Info: 727-345-7777)
- Sabbath, April 7, at 5:00 p.m., 6209 Congress St., (Just south of Main St) New Port Richey

Easter and the Resurrection, Sab., Apr. 7, 11 a.m. Enjoy the Conyers Adult Choir, Legacy Bell Choir, Youth Choir with narration. (1437 Highway 138 SW)

“The Living Dramatization of the Last Supper,” performed at Asheville North Church, on Friday, April 6, at 7:00 pm. In addition, the church choir at Asheville North has planned an Easter program for the 11 o’clock service on Sabbath, April 7.

"Uncommon Insights on Jesus the Savior," a thought-provoking Easter weekend series, with Dr. Ron Clouzet.at the Hendersonville, N.C. Church, Apr. 5-8, 5:30 p.m. nightly and Sab., 9:30 a.m. Refreshments nightly. Join us for the following programs: Thu, 5:30 p.m., "Why Jesus Died Before the Cross"; Fri, 5:30 p.m., "Why Christ Did Not Think He’d Resurrect"; Sat, 9:30 a.m., "Why He Rested in the Tomb"; Sat, 5:30 p.m., "Why Is Jesus the First-Born of the Dead?"; Sun, 5:30 p.m., "Why Christ Promised to Return." (2301 Asheville Hwy.)

"Doubtstorms" at Naples, Fl. Church, Apr 7, 11 a.m. Come and worship with us with as we celebrate the resurrection of Christ with music and a powerful sermon. What does the resurrection say about our Doubtstorms? Doubtstorms are those turbulent days when the enemy seems too big, the task too great, the future too bleak and the answers too few. (5050 Davis Blvd.)

Inter-Faith Lord’s Supper at Gordon Hospital in Calhoun, Ga. Apr 5, at 7 p.m. Worshippers will gather about a giant candlelit cross! The Savior (costumed) will assist in Footwashing Service. Last year’s service included Christian believers from seven different denominations! (1035 Red Bud Road; 706-624-5000)

Cantata: “The Empty Tomb” at the Miami, Fl. Spanish Church, Sab., Apr. 7, at 11 a.m. Come enjoy the music and some drama scenes telling the story of Christ’s death and resurrection. (862
SW 4th Street)

"He is Risen!" at the Hialeah, Fl, Spanish Church, Apr. 7, at 11 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. (1425 E 1st Ave.; 973-652-4850)

SOUTHWESTERN UNION

Eighth Annual "Resurrection Pageant," Sab., Apr. 7, at the Keene, Texas Church. There will be six presentations, beginning in the church sanctuary, each about 2-1/2 hours in length, beginning at 10 a.m., 11:30 a.m., 1 p.m., 2:30 p.m., 4 p.m. and 5:30 p.m. Experience this depiction of the life and ministry of Jesus during the last week leading up to, and including, the events of His crucifixion and resurrection. There are nine different scenes that portray the incredible story of selfless ministry, changed lives, unfair judgment, unspeakable tragedy, dashed hopes and grace. The audience members will find themselves within each scene as the actors and Pageant Crowd members reenact the story in what seems like real-time windows into those moving events. Join us as the pageant moves to the Southwestern Adventist University campus for the Jerusalem Marketplace, the Ministry of Jesus (including references from the narrative of John 12), the Last Supper, the Garden of Gethsemane, the trial before the Sanhedrin, Pilate's Judgment Hall, the Via Dolorosa and the Crucifixion. The pageant will conclude in the university gymnasium/auditorium with the Resurrection scene.

Each year some 4500-5000 people attend this moving reminder of the great gift of grace that Jesus Christ has provided to everyone who is willing to accept it. Tickets are free but required as a tool to manage the number of attendees that participate in each presentation. Pageant tickets are available at various local business locations on a first come-first served basis. (114 S. Fairview St.)

“The Resurrection Experience,” Sab., 2-6 p.m. at the new Baton Rouge, La., Church, beginning hourly in the sanctuary. Join us for this indoor/outdoor walking dramatized event beginning with the Garden of Gethsemane through Pilot's court, to the Crucifixion and ending with the Resurrection. Come and experience for yourself, and be drawn closer to our Savior. (12247 Jones Creek Rd; 479-426-3895)
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3-26-12 Hope Channel Announces Two Live, Interactive Easter Programs

Hope Channel invites you to watch, and join the discussion, during The Seven Last Words of Christ, a special two-hour edition of the popular, live call-in program Let's Pray! Immediately following will be a special live edition of Cross Connection titled The Empty Tomb. Cross Connection is one of Hope Channel’s new live, call-in Bible study programs that follows Let’s Pray! each Monday through Thursday evening.

“These will be two great programs to tell your church, family, friends, and neighbors about,” says Let’s Pray! co-host Pastor David Franklin. “Kandus Thorp and I will cover, from several perspectives, the seven famous final statements Jesus made while He was hanging on the cross.” Joining the Franklin and Thorp will be US Senate Chaplain Barry Black, Pastor Randy Roberts from the Loma Linda University Church, and other guest experts.

“But the Easter story doesn’t end with Christ’s sacrifice,” says Pastor Oleg Kostyuk, host of Cross Connection. “The fact that He conquered death with His resurrection is just as important to our faith.” Kostyuk will discuss with viewers what Christ’s resurrection means for our lives today. He’ll be joined by Pastor Shawn Boonstra, host of Disclosure: The Future Revealed; Pastor Brad Thorp, host of Beginnings; and Chantal Klingbeil, host of storyline.

The live Let’s Pray airs Friday, April 6, at 7:00 p.m. ET (4:00 p.m. PT) followed by the live Cross Connection. The three-hour block will replay beginning at 7:00 p.m. PT (10:00 p.m. ET). Encore presentations will air Saturday, April 7, beginning at 2:00 p.m. and 11:00 p.m.; and on Easter Sunday, April 8, beginning at 11:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. ET. Hope Channel is on DIRECTV channel 368, Glorystar channel 104, or online at www.HopeTV.org.

To have your prayer request, question, or comment aired during Let’s Pray, you can call 877-7-LETS-PRAY (877-753-8777, or connect via Facebook, Twitter, or by sending a link to your YouTube video to LetsPray@HopeTV.org. Learn more at www.HopeTV.org/LetsPray.

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