## WELCOME April 10, 2022

We're so glad you're here! At Gateway, we believe in joining God to transform our lives and culture to reflect His heart by: Loving God ● Loving Each Other ● Loving His World

#### **WEEKLY SERVICE & MEETINGS** COMPLETE LISTING AT GATEWAYMERCED.ORG

#### SUNDAY

• Sunday Service // In Person (9AM & 11AM) & Live on YouTube (9AM) \*Past messages are available // www.gatewaymerced.org

\*\*Family Room and Nursing Room Available by the Restrooms.\*\*

- Join us for corporate prayer // 8AM // Conference Room & Zoom www.gatewaymerced.org/events
- 1st 5th Grade // 9AM & 11AM // Rooms D1 D4
- 6 Weeks to Kinder // 9AM & 11AM // Preschool Wing
- Catalyst High School // 7PM // Gym

#### TUESDAY

Crossroads Middle School // 7PM // Gym

#### THURSDAY

• INSPIRE College & Young Adult // 8PM // Gym

**JOIN A SMALL GROUP:** 

https://gatewaymerced.org/smallgroups

#### **GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH**

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### GATEWAY NEWS

#### PALM SUNDAY // CELEBRATION SUNDAY TODAY!

We are blessed by all who pledged and committed their time, resources and/ or finances towards the Generations campaign! Today is Celebration Sunday reveal and Palm Sunday! Palm branches will be used towards the end of the service to celebrate. After the service, join us in the back lawn for a picnic. There will be hot dogs, drinks, snow cones and lots of fun activities, as well as an epic chili cook-off!

#### YOU'RE INVITED TO GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SUNDAY!

-Good Friday Communion Service This Friday at 7PM. Childcare available for age 5 and under. RSVP to Brandy at bschwesinger@gatewaymerced.org -Easter Sunday, Apr. 17. Services at 9AM (Live Streamed) & 11AM. Children's Ministry provided for both services. \*Invites available at the offering tables.

#### **MEET AND GREET // APRIL 24**

Are you new to Gateway and/or would like to get plugged into our church? Come and meet some of our Gateway staff and members at our 'Meet N Greet' Sun., Apr. 24 after both services in A4&5. We'd LOVE to get to know you, welcome you, and answer any questions you may have. Don't miss out!

#### **GATEWAY STUDENTS CIY SUMMER CAMPS**

Registrations are open and spots are going quickly (especially for middle school). Go to: gatewaymerced.org/youth for more info and to register your student(s) for the best weeks of the summer. We believe they will have lots of fun getting connected to our groups and encounter Jesus like they never have before!

#### OUTDOOR MOVIE NIGHT // FRIDAY, APRIL 22 // 6:30PM

Bring your picnic, lawn chair & blanket to the back lawn off of Donna Dr. Movie starts at 8PM. Snacks, popcorn and drinks available to purchase to support those going to Uganda Mission Trip!

#### **RIGHTNOW MEDIA // FREE RESOURCE**

We are proud to offer a free, customizable video library to equip families, resource groups, and develop leaders. Choose from more than 2,000 wholesome, educational, and entertaining videos for children, and over 20,000 biblical videos just for you. To sign up and get started fill out the communication card in this bulletin and mark RightNow Media or email info@gatewaymerced.org.

**Comments, Prayer Requests:** 

Worship Ministry Youth Ministries RightNow Media Serving at Gateway

Generations Campaign. share what God has been teaching/showing me during this l'd like to

College/Young Adults

Small Groups

Kid's Ministries

Becoming a Follower of Jesus

**Contact Me About:** 

Baptism

**Church Membership** 

If you are a 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? I'm new to Gat I st Vis I I've be I've been here a few times

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Nehemiah Study - Gateway Groups, Merced <u>"Bond Together/Grow Together"</u> // For the week of 4-10-22

#### FOR YOU AS THE TEACHER/HOST

Remember to begin each Small Group session with a word of prayer as you engage in the Word of God connected to the teaching of God from the past Sunday.

#### **QUICK REVIEW**

What did you hear? Take a look at the message outline together. What impacted you most? Any questions come up for you?

#### **\*OPENER QUESTION OR ACTIVITY:**

Think of a time where you felt, "is this work, job or task ever going to be done?" Did you complete it or is it something that is always an ongoing task? How do you feel about that?

#### SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Read Nehemiah 6 Together

- After reading Nehemiah 6:1-7:3, what stands out to you from this week's text?
- What was the significance of the wall being completed in 52 days? How was it done so quickly?
- Chapter 7:1-3 reveals how the walls secured the city, but the gates allowed for access when needed. Why the need, in the first place, to have a secured city? What do you think, or know, it allowed the Jews to accomplish?

#### DIGGING DEEPER: Watch the Generations Video now!

www.gatewaymerced.org/generationgroups

- How did the celebration this past Sunday surprise or challenge you?
- How has this Generations campaign challenged, encouraged, or spoken to you?
- What feelings or emotions do you have about how this study has manifested itself for your life?
- Just like Nehemiah, there may be a challenge or opposition to any project we set our mind on accomplishing for the kingdom. What type of faith does that call us all to today?

#### **ACTION STEPS:**

Either open a question (what's one thing you can do, change, try, etc. this week in response to the message and the study?) or Specific question for the week's topic.

Next week is Easter Sunday. Name one thing you can do to celebrate the resurrection along with the great things God has done through this Generations campaign.

# GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH APRIL 10, 2022

# 10 AM SERVICE

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