

WELCOME

April 3, 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 // APRIL 10 // NEXT WEEK // ONE SERVICE AT 10AM

GATEWAY EASTER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Get involved in volunteering to share the love of God with those coming to Gateway for Easter Sunday Service! Sign up now at the volunteer wall in the Gym. Easter Sunday is an egg-stra special occasion and we need your egg-stra help. If you are unable to visit the wall email info@gatewaymerced.org to sign up to help.

YOU'RE INVITED TO GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SUNDAY!

-Good Friday Communion Service Fri., Apr. 15. 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.*

SPRING CLEANUP // SATURDAY, APRIL 9 AT 8AM-NOON

Gateway's excited to invite you all to our Spring Cleanup! For those of you who enjoy cleaning flowerbeds, washing windows, cleaning chairs, cleaning walls and want to partake in helping beautify our campus! Sign up on the Communication Card or by emailing info@gatewaymerced.org.

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!

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.

Contact Me About:

- Baptism
- Becoming a Follower of Jesus
- Church Membership
- Kid's Ministries
- RightNow Media
- Serving at Gateway
- Small Groups
- Worship Ministry
- Youth Ministries
- College/ Young Adults

Comments, Prayer Requests:

- Confidential (Staff Only) Best way to Contact me: Text Call Email

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

Nehemiah Study - Gateway Groups, Merced
"Bond Together/Grow Together" // For the week of 4-3-22

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:**

How do you respond when you are making sacrifices to make something happen and you notice that others around you don't seem to be doing their part?

SUNDAY'S MAIN SCRIPTURE TEXT: Read Nehemiah 5 Together

DIGGING DEEPER: Watch the Generations Video now!

www.gatewaymerced.org/generationgroups

Problems that already exist can come into clearer focus, creating pressure, which can cause internal opposition while working on a project. This was true for Nehemiah's community.

- What does it look like for everyone to sacrifice together for a common goal when some have more capacity than others? Ponder as a group the phrase: *"Not equal gifts, but equal sacrifice"*.
- Take a look at the issues in Nehemiah's day. Compare the practices of the officials in Nehemiah 5:7-12 vs the practices of Nehemiah in 5:14-18.
- Nehemiah was a servant leader. How can we follow his example and prioritize caring for each other and those in our community and still work together for the common goal of Generations?
- Read 2 Corinthians 9:6-8 ... what do these verses say to you, and how does it apply to what we are doing as a church and as individuals?

ACTION STEPS:

Pray and reach out to someone who God brings to mind this week. Check in on them, see how they're doing. Text, call, email, or visit. Think about what they might like best! How is up to you but the goal is to connect and care!

Communication/Prayer Request Card

April 3, 2022

Mr. / Mrs. / Ms.

Name: _____ Change in Contact Info

Email: _____ Birthdate: _____

Address: _____ Apt: _____ City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____ Best Contact Phone: _____

- I'm new to Gateway: 1st Visit I've been here a few times I attend here often I'm a member

If you are a 1st or 2nd time guest, how did you hear about Gateway? _____

GATEWAY COMMUNITY CHURCH
SUNDAYS 9AM & 11AM

NEHEMIAH

Building for Generations to Come



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