

# Don't forget to stay connected during the week!

Would you like to serve and see what God can do IN you and THROUGH you? We would like to talk to you. Let us know through your connection card or in person with one of our leaders...

A big part of our church's DNA is going out to serve to those in need, so we want to invite you to link arms with us as we serve our community. Stay tune for our next community service events.

Do you have kids between 12 and 18? Our Youth Group is a safe, fun, and purposeful place where they can grow in their faith, make friends, and discover what God has planned for their lives. We'll see them this Tuesday at 7PM.

Every Wednesday we'll have our midweek WOW service—a time to worship, learn, and connect with God. We'll see you at 7PM!









# **NEXT RIGHT STEP 2.0**

I will give thanks to the Lord with my whole heart; I will recount all of your wonderful deeds.

Psalm 9:1 (ESV)

- Our church movement is **MISSIONALLY** healthy.
- Our church movement is **SPIRITUALLY** healthy.
- Our church movement is **FINANCIALLY** healthy.

# Phrase for 2025: NEXT RIGHT STEP.

Verse for 2025

Let me hear of your unfailing love each morning, for I am trusting you. Show me where to walk, for I give myself to you.

Psalm 143:8 (NLT)

Hear my prayer, O Lord; listen to my plea! Answer me because you are faithful and righteous. 2 Don't put your servant on trial, for no one is innocent before you.3 My enemy has chased me. He has knocked me to the ground and forces me to live in darkness like those in the grave. 4 I am losing all hope; I am paralyzed with fear. 5 I remember the days of old. I ponder all your great works and think about what you have done. 6 I lift my hands to you in prayer. I thirst for you as parched land thirsts for rain. 7 Come quickly, Lord, and answer me, for my depression deepens. Don't turn away from me, or I will die.8 Let me hear of your unfailing love each morning, for I am trusting you. Show me where to walk, for I give myself to you. 9 Rescue me from my enemies, Lord; I run to you to hide me. 10 Teach me to do your will, for you are my God. May your gracious Spirit lead me forward on a firm footing. 11 For the glory of your name, O Lord, preserve my life. Because of your faithfulness, bring me out of this distress. 12 In your unfailing love, silence all my enemies and destroy all my foes, for I am your servant.

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# What to do in difficult times?

- Talk with God about your **SITUATION**. (V 1-4)
- Remember God's **REPUTATION**. (V 5-8a)
- Follow God's **DIRECTION**. (V 8b-10)
- Make God's Glory your MOTIVATION. (V 11-12)

Closing Question: What is my NEXT RIGHT STEP?

You need to persevere so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised.

Hebrews 10:36 (NIV)

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- 2. What "next right step" might God be inviting you to take now—in your prayer life, relationships, generosity, or service?
- 3. What obstacles or distractions could keep you from moving forward in faith? How can you guard against them?
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