

The Springfield Redeemer

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The LORD will march out like a champion, like a warrior he will stir up his zeal; with a shout he will raise the battle cry and will triumph over his enemies. Isaiah 43 :13

June 1, 2016, Vol. 5, Ed.6 Trust Jesus • Pray Daily • Seek Unity in Christ • Love Goodness • Share Your Faith

March For Jesus A True Mixed Multitude! by Roberta D'Amico

This year the March for Jesus was “reborn”, as event leadership was transferred to Iglesia Apostolica Renovacion (IAR) - Apostolic Renewal Church! What a transformation it was! On May 7th, 2016, a new standard was set as marchers with



banners, balloons, and rejoicing proceeded down State Street to City Hall.

The March gave Springfield a “shot in the arm,” Pastor C.S. Cooley said, “to see Christians not just carrying on, but exhibiting the diversity [in] the Body of Christ. The true meaning of God’s love was displayed as many believers from diverse cultures came together under the banner of Jesus.”

Hundreds marched down State Street with a City of Springfield police escort before and behind them providing traffic control. Banners, flags, dancers, and music gave praise to our Lord all the way to City Hall. More and more joined along the way until the steps of City Hall were full. Pastors gathered to pray and a pathway was made to the doors of City Hall. As they prayed, their prayers went up to enter our governmental halls to strengthen and give courage to our leaders. Two people went up and anointed the doors to City Hall!

Meanwhile the Holy Grounds Coffee House was open to minister and serve ‘holy ground’ coffee that day. Pastor Scott’s vision has come to fruition and others are taking the seeds of the gospel from here to other places. The IAR has plans to expand the distance to be marched along State Street and begin from American International College instead of Federal Street, and invite other New England States to participate next year! Let us practice daily walking with God so we are ready to glorify God, make known the Name of Jesus, and demonstrate the unity of the Body of Christ March for Jesus, 2017!

Motivated By Faith Offers More

Sunday is a day of worship services at Holy Grounds Coffee House. In the morning at 11 a.m., Pastor Melvin Coleman comes in with the Boundless Love Impact Ministries congregation followed by the regular Sunday afternoon Coffee House Church at 2 p.m. For several weeks Pastor Scott had been teaching. Now that he is away, Pastor Renzo leads. Finally, at 6 p.m. our newest ministry, Motivated by Faith Ministries, where Pastor Bobby Quinones and his wife, Minister Kimberly are preaching and teaching on Sunday evenings.

Pastor Bobby brings an excellent Biblical message and they are also expanding their ministry to include help for people in need. True to their calling, they not only believe in sharing the Word with the needy, but are following Christ’s instruction to his disciples in Matthew 25:35–36. *“For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you made me your guest,³⁶ I needed clothes and you provided them, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.”*

On May 1, 2016, as I was in the area at 6 p.m. when they have their service, I stayed to see what God was doing with Motivated by Faith. Pastor Bobby says, "Believe God. He is the solution to everything. Faith grows like a plant. When things go badly or prayer is not answered in the way we expect, doubt comes in. To allow doubt is like chopping down the plant that is growing. Instead, cling to God. God can do big stuff - believe Him for big problems!"

They have produced a colorful flyer advertising their outreach service. Twice a month they now will be offering a hot meal, home cooked food, and free clothing. The day I fellowshiped there, the food was plentiful and delicious and there were piles of clothing of all sizes for all ages. It is exciting to see what God is doing in Springfield at Holy Grounds, and with this ministry, Motivated by Faith. Pastor Bobby and Minister Kimberly's energy is truly motivating.

Marriage with God Holy Matrimony

by Roberta D'Amico

Marriage is a great mystery that must be discovered. As a married couple, you may be finding that being married exposes many things. A husband and wife find out things about one another that no one else knows. The marriage relationship is an opportunity to have our strengths and weaknesses exposed so we can grow in our knowledge of God and allow Him to grow us to be like Christ. A right understanding of marriage is very important to God. He instituted it to represent and reflect His image. To see self as just male or female is an insult to God. He created man and woman. They were one soul split in two (Adam and Eve are the prototype) and when they get married, they are to become one again. Husband and wife



are to serve each other, and learn to know one another. This takes patient study of the other - their personality, way of thinking, and their relationship with God. They become one through adversity,

shared joys, happiness, and tears. God uses it to knit their hearts together.

You may be single, perhaps waiting to get married, or single again, a widow as I am. Then God is your husband, and you are married to Him. He expects you to remain faithful as you would to an earthly husband. You can serve Him greatly in this role, learn to know Him intimately, and spend time with Him. The marriage relationship is only for this life, as a prelude to our everlasting relationship to God. As everything in this life is but a shadow and a rehearsal for things to come, so our relationship with God will be more exciting, more fulfilling, than anything here. The bi-monthly Marriage Seminar, held Saturday afternoons at Holy Grounds at 4 p.m., incorporates a variety of topics. On the Saturday I attended, the topic was "While You Are Waiting." I immediately asked, *waiting for what?* and found that the discussion was on what you are waiting for in your life and what you are doing while you are waiting. No matter if you are waiting to grow up, get married, have grandchildren, retire, or waiting for Christ's return, we can be serving God while we are waiting!

Ongoing Events at Holy Grounds Coffee House

SUNDAY SERVICES 11 a.m., 2 p.m., 6 p.m.
MON thru FRI MORNING BIBLE STUDY 7:30 a.m.
WED BIBLE STUDY 4:30 p.m. & TJ RECOVERY 6:30 p.m.
THURSDAY Women's Bible Study 1:00 p.m.
SATURDAY Sabbath 9-12,
1ST, 3RD SAT MONTHLY MARRIAGE SEMINAR 4 p.m.

SATURDAY LUNCH on vacation-See you in SEPTEMBER!

For more Information call 413-301-0918

Saturday Night Activities – 7 P.M.

June 11 – Diane and Doreen will play music

June 18 – Open Table

June 25 – Open Mic with Kathy