

Missionary Highlight



Rachel Zupke – Life in Messiah

The Lord has opened doors for me to return to Israel for the summer from June 10 to September 5. I will be serving at the Shelter Hostel in Eilat, Israel. I have been to the shelter several times for short visits and have always been impressed with its hospitality and welcoming atmosphere.

John & Judy Pex opened the Shelter Hostel in 1984. As former hippie travelers who both found the Lord in Eilat, they both believed that a hotel where non-believers could mix with believers in a natural and home-like setting would present good ministry opportunities.

Judy Pex wrote a book, *Walk the Lord*, and here's a quote from it. "While acknowledging that Jesus was Jewish, most Israelis would comment belief in Him as a betrayal of one's roots or the acceptance of something foreign. Tragically, part of the responsibility for this extreme attitude rests with Christianity. Before I became a follower of Jesus, I believed as most Jews do, that the Crusaders, Hitler and the Nazis were all Christian. I didn't know the difference between institutionalized Christianity or Christians in name only and true followers of Jesus."

Prayer Requests:

1. Consider praying for me on a daily basis. For my health, for God's nearness and protection and to do the things God wants for me to do.
2. My connections at the hostel; that there will be lasting relationships with enduring lessons for both me and those I meet.



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Weekly Events & Opportunities

- A Parent's Room (back of the sanctuary) and Nursery (downstairs) are available for **families with young children**.
- **Bluewater Church Retreat** will be July 26-28. You can sign-up in the lobby. If you are interested in baptism at BCBC, please fill out a Connect Card & drop it in the offering plate.
- **Sunday morning prayer time** is meeting in Room 101 off the Coffee Bar area from 9:30-10am. All are welcome!
- **Menard's Rebates** – If you have Menard's 11% Rebate slips that you aren't planning on sending in, you can turn them into the office. The church will send them in & use the rebates towards future purchases.
- The **Lynx Island** property that was donated to the church several years ago is to be sold on a contract for deed on July 15 per a purchase agreement that was executed on 6/10/2024. Please contact David Hebig if you have any questions or concerns.
- Do you have a **heart for prayer**? Would you like others to pray for you? Please contact the office or send an email to prayer@ifalls covenant.org to learn more about the Prayer Team and the guidelines to participate in it.

Weekly Calendar –

- Prayer Gathering – Mondays at 6:30pm; contact Lynn Peterson with questions. (218.324.0508)
- Prayer & Praise – Tuesdays at 6:45pm; contact Kimberly Nyborg with questions. (218.324.1202)
- Celebrate Recovery – Tuesdays at 7pm in Room 200; led by Will Davies (218.240.1003) & Mary LePage (218.206.4814).
- Bible Study at Coffee Landing – All men are welcome to join Dick Frederick (218.290.0703) on Wednesday mornings at 7am for a time of connection, coffee & study.
- Young Adults – Thursdays at 7pm in the lower level; contact Kathy Galusha (286.5727) or Carol Anderson (324.2470) with questions.

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James 1.22-27

22 But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. 23 For if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like a man who looks intently at his natural face in a mirror. 24 For he looks at himself and goes away and at once forgets what he was like. 25 But the one who looks into the perfect law, the law of liberty, and perseveres, being no hearer who forgets but a doer who acts, he will be blessed in his doing. 26 If anyone thinks he is religious and does not bridle his tongue but deceives his heart, this person's religion is worthless. 27 Religion that is pure and undefiled before God the Father is this: to visit orphans and widows in their affliction, and to keep oneself unstained from the world.