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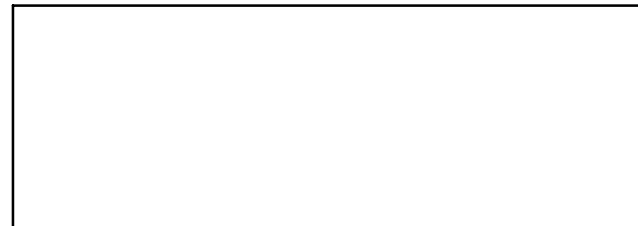
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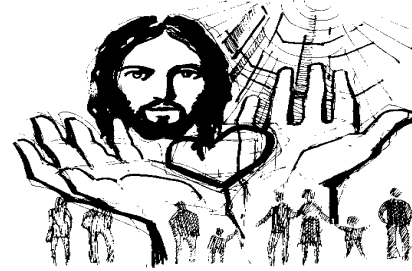


*... woe to me if I do
not preach the Gos-
pel! 1Corinthians
9:16*

**Y hay de mí si no
predicara el
Evangelio!**



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WOMEN OF THE CROSS RETREAT

Sept. 6, 9:a.m.—4p.m.

CCCR Upper Room, 1707 S. Flores St.

Theme: "Let us confidently approach the Throne of Grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help" (Heb. 4:15)

Talks on: God's Grace & Devine Mercy; Mary, Mother of Mercy; a Healing Service; and Witnesses to God's Love and Healing

Come with expectant faith to rekindle the fire of the Spirit, renew your relationship with the Lord, receive the graces God has for you and strengthen your faith.

Retreat & Lunch are free of Cost

Love Offering Accepted

PLEASE BRING YOUR BIBLE

Contact Rebecca Rocha, 210-566-1570 &/
or Cathy Shafer, 210-681-4571

Evening of Renewal & Revival

Sept. 20th, 6:30 to 9 pm

St. Paul- Catholic Church Gym
(behind the Church)

350 Sutton Dr. & St. Cloud,

Theme: The Pearls of St. Paul

Speaker: Fr. George T. Montague, SM

In this year of St Paul, come hear about the great evangelist who left us an example of total surrender to Christ, commitment to proclamation of the Gospel and the conversion souls.

Info: Gloria and Richard Medina 732-2252

Children's Ministry for kids 4-12

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sept.

- 6 Women of the Cross Retreat, CCCR Upper Room, 9 am to 4 pm
- 9th Healing Mass & Anointing of the Sick with Bishop Tom Flanagan, 10:30, CCCR
- 9th Archdiocesan Service Committee Meeting 7-9 p.m., CCCR
- 11th CTSA Channel 15, Hazme Volar, Charismatic Program, 8:00 p.m.
- 13th Archdiocesan Healing Ministry Workshop, 9 - 12 noon at CCCR
- 15th Fanning the Flame, 8:00 p.m., charismatic Program on CTSA Channel 15
- 20th Evening of Renewal & Revival, 6:30 - 9:00 p.m. St. Paul
- 27th Noche de Renovación-Asamblea Carismática, Capilla del CCCR
- 30th Abigail Martinez, Resurrección del Señor 30 de Septiembre 7-9pm

Oct.

- 3-5th TransformSA Conference, Ecumenical Conference co-sponsored by CCCR.
- 12-18 Pilgrimage to Mexico, \$475. Reserve your seat now, See article within
- 25 "Concierto con Jesus" con Pablo Castro, 6—10:00 p.m., Salon de St. Henry's

March 09

- 6-7 Annual Charismatic Conference - MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Noche de Renovación

Sábado, 27, de Sept., 7-9 p.m.

Padre Einer Ochoa

Centro de la Renovación Carismática

1707 S. Flores St.

Tema: Esperanza y Amor (1 Cor 13)

En este año dedicado San Pablo vengan a alabar a Dios, recibir su palabra y una nueva unción del Espíritu Santo para servir a Dios en su gran poder.

Música: Pedro Gama y equipo

Info: Eleanor Hurón, 432-1509



Take Jesus To The Streets

Mt. 10:32-33

9:28:08

ATTENTION ALL PRAYER GROUPS:

You are cordially invited to participate in Take Jesus To The Streets Youth Rally by prayer and intercession and by greeting the youth procession as the Blessed Sacrament arrives at San Fernando Cathedral Plaza at **5:45 pm** and join us for **7 pm** closing Mass celebrated by Bishop Tom Flanagan. COME AND BE BLESSED! For info call 226-7070

3 pm Prayer @ CCCR Chapel

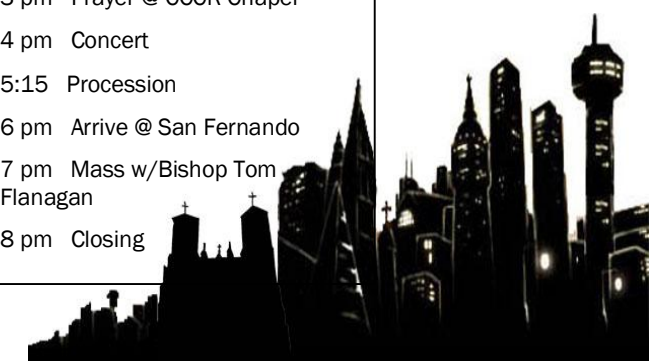
4 pm Concert

5:15 Procession

6 pm Arrive @ San Fernando

7 pm Mass w/Bishop Tom Flanagan

8 pm Closing





Most Rev. Thomas J. Flanagan
Liaison for CCCR



Father Bob Hogan, BBD
Associate Liaison



Rosbel Hernandez
Director

From The Staff

We are thankful for the good turnout of people for the August 23 Prayer Group Training day. Let us get involved in the NEW THINGS that God is doing in our midst. Let us be "practically energized" by the Spirit. It is important to be energized and excited, but it is not enough. We are called to respond to the Lord's leadings with practical steps that help each of us, and our groups, to mature and grow. We want to be those who build our prayer groups on rock by hearing God's words and acting on them (Mt 7:24-27). Let us pray for the spiritual gift of wisdom that shows us the practical ways to respond to the Spirit's leadings, and the spiritual courage to put these directions into practice. One practical way to do this is to contact the Center and let us help you in discerning God's direction for your prayer group so that you can develop a prayer group plan.

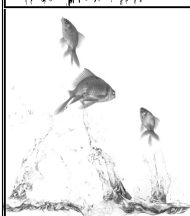
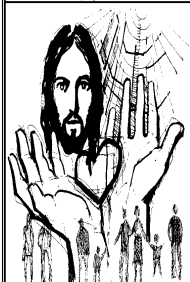
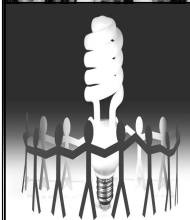
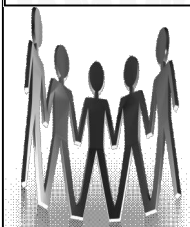
IMPORTANT CONFERENCE COMING!

October 3-5, 2008 is "The Church of the City" Conference on the theme, "Love, Unity and Vision for City Transformation" at Alamo City Christian Fellowship (6500 IH 35 between Rittiman and Eisenhower roads). The Catholic Center for Charismatic Renewal is co-sponsoring this ecumenical conference with **Transformsa.com**. No registration fee is required (offerings will be received). We will also be having our yearly Catholic Charismatic Conference on March 6-7 at St. Mary Magdalen Church.

The two key speakers for the October conference are Charles Whitehead and Bobby Conner. Charles Whitehead from England is the former president of the International Council of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal in Rome. He worked closely with Pope John Paul II at the Vatican. He brings a wealth of background in working with Charismatic Renewal among Catholics and ecumenically. Bobby Conner is the founder of Eagle View Ministries. He believes his calling is to equip the Body of Christ to hear and discern God's voice in our times. (I, Fr. Bob Hogan, will also be speaking). The weekend will include both teaching and times of ministry in the power of the Holy Spirit. Jesus prayed that His people would be one. When we come together, seeking a greater unity, God acts in a powerful way. The conference will be Friday evening beginning at 7:00 pm.; all day Saturday with lunch and dinner breaks (9:30 am to 12; 1:30 pm to 4:00; 7:00 pm evening session); and Sunday evening, beginning at 6:00 pm.

Pope John Paul II in his Encyclical, **On Commitment to Ecumenism** (1995), says that we should "do everything possible, with God's help, to break down the walls of division and distrust, to overcome obstacles and prejudices which thwart the proclamation of the Gospel of salvation in the Cross of Jesus, the one Redeemer of man, of every individual... Complacency, indifference and insufficient knowledge of one another often makes this situation worse. Consequently, the commitment to ecumenism must be based upon the conversion of hearts and upon prayer" (#2). The pope teaches that good ecumenism calls Catholics to know their faith well, so we can present it to others in a way that makes it understandable for them. We are to be honest about our failures and seek reconciliation. We are to unite with our Christian brothers and sisters in humility with the intense desire that God create unity among us. This conference is a wonderful opportunity to respond to Pope John Paul II's call to seek unity.

Come to the conference together with members of your prayer groups. Invite people from your parish who want to see unity among Christians, and want to see the Christian trans-



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CTSA TV, Cable Ch 15, Charismatic Programs:
Be sure to tune in to Fanning the Flame on CTSA with Erica and Michael Rodriguez (Channel 15) every 3rd Monday of the month from 8 to 9 pm. .

Hazme Volar (en vivo), Canal 15 del CTSA (por cable) Segundo jueves del mes a las 8 p.m. Hagan sus llamadas al numero en la pantalla del TV. Anfitriones: Jesús y Evelyn Ramos.

Originalmente de Puerto Rico y ahora de San Antonio, Jesús y Evelyn tienen formación en toda fase de la renovación carismática y además son músicos y cantantes al nivel profesional. Jesús tiene maestría en Santa Escritura y es profesor de La Palabra. Sintonicen al programa, que es en vivo, a las 8:00 p.m. cada segunda jueves del mes y hagan sus llamadas a ellos. Gracias, Jesús y Evelyn! Llamen al CCCR, 226-7545, si tienes preguntas o comentarios. **Prayer Groups at CCCR**

Mondays 7:00 pm to Noon <u>Flame of Love (bilingual)</u> Group Leader: Isabel Martin	Tuesdays 9:30 a.m. Upper Room Prayer Info. Helen, 264-5364, Chapel
Martin Family Music Ministry 645-6004	CCCR Chapel 2nd Tues Healing Mass

Tuesday 7-9pm, Chapel (Bilingue) Jesus, La Palabra de Vida Tree of Life	Miercoles, 7:00 p.m.
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Prayer Group Info Jesus & Evelyn, 487-0432 Capilla/Chapel del CCCR	Update: Bob & Anita Rice Anita is doing much better. Her cancer cell count is way down and the tumors are shrinking. Anita encouraged, Dr. Bob to continue ministering locally . So, if anyone is interested in having Dr. Bob Rice to hold a Eucharistic Healing Service at your parish, please call him at (210) 375-6822.
Healing Mass Every First Wed. Leader: Eleanor, 432-1504	
Jueves 9:30am Sala Alta (Capilla del CCCR) Info: Rosie 923-2502	
Friday, 12 Noon Healing Mass, CCCR Chapel Info: Laura, 333-5913	

Visión de el Movimiento Católico Carismático
Renovando la gracia de Pentecostés en la vida y misión de la iglesia
MISIÓN: Agitar hasta en llama la gracia de Pentecostés dentro y más allá de la iglesia, extender a lo ancho y profundizar el entendimiento que el bautismo en el Espíritu Santo es una herencia Cristiana de todos, y fortalecer la renovación Carismática Católica.

Vision of the Catholic Charismatic Renewal
Renewing The Grace of Pentecost In the Life and Mission of The Church. Being a reminder in the church of the role of the Holy Spirit in all aspects of Catholic life.
MISSION: To stir into flame the grace of Pentecost within and beyond the church, to broaden and deepen the understanding that baptism in the Holy Spirit is the Christian inheritance of all, and to strengthen the Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

KEYS TO CCCR

We are in the process of accounting for all keys given to the different ministries. Please bring the key to the office and re-sign for it and get a security briefing. If you no longer are involved in at least a monthly service where you must open the CCCR or rooms at the CCCR, you must return the key. Please come by or call us. Don't be surprised if your key will not work.

The Handmaidens Of The Spirit Prayer Group

"It's Harvest Time" Retreat

Saturday, October 11, 8:30 am - 4:30 pm

St. Mary Magdalen's Catholic Church

1710 Clower St., in San Antonio

Speakers include: Greg & Lydia Trainor - Internationally known Catholic Lay Evangelists from Florida

Fr. Anthony Ozele - From Nigeria

Praise & Worship by: Tricia Darrow

Registration: \$10/Lunch tickets will be available for purchase by a SMM's ministry on day of retreat. Information: 210-735-5269

**SEPTEMBER
17TH FAMILY
HEALING SER-
VICE**

**Day Chapel
7:00-8:45 p.m.
Guest Speaker
and Minister**

**Fr. Joseph Mary
Marshall S.M.**

Will conclude with a
"BAPTISM IN THE
HOLY SPIRIT & FIRE
"Matt. 3:11

**IN THE PRES-
ENCE OF JESUS
IN THE BLESSED
SACRAMENT**

**St. Mark The Evangelist
Catholic Church 1602
Thousand Oaks, SA, Tx
78258**

Hosted by The Spirit And The
Word Charismatic Prayer
Group. Info call 490-7820

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

The Service Committee wishes to thank Fr. Bob Hogan for his commitment to the CCCR. In August he celebrated his first year as Associate Liaison. Through his hard work, we have seen great improvements and effectiveness of the CCCR ministries of in the Archdiocese of San Antonio .

The Evening of Renewal and Revival was well received by those who attended. We send out a special thanks to St. Jude's Parish Community for hosting this event. The fellowship was well planned. Our special guest speakers Lloyd & Nancy Greenhaw of G.R.A.C.E. Ministries spoke on "Zeal For The Gold". Lloyd used the analogy of the Olympic Games for pressing on to the prize of the high calling of evangelization in a secular world. Where as, Nancy spoke on releasing the bonds that hold us back from pressing on to the gold of the Holy Spirit... This month our crusade around the dioceses takes us to St. Paul's Catholic Church on September 20th @ 6:30 PM in the GYM. Where our guest speaker Fr. George T. Montague noted author and great charismatic theologian will speak on "The Pearls of St. Paul". So bring the whole family. For INFO call Gloria & Richard Medina @ 732-2252...

Our Youth are encouraging you to take Jesus to the streets along with them on September 28. Come experience an outpouring of the Holy Spirit like never before as we process with Jesus Christ himself in the Most Holy Eucharist through the streets of downtown San Antonio, starting from the Catholic Center for Charismatic Renewal @ 4 PM and traveling down Flores St. and ending at San Fernando Cathedral with a Mass & Fellowship; for more information please contact the Youth Office @ 210-226-7070. All ages are invited.

We look forward to seeing Charles Whitehead, former President of the International Catholic Charismatic Renewal, and President of the National Service Committee in England. He will be one of the Key Note Speakers at "The Church of the City" conference on October 3rd to the 5th at the Alamo City Christian Fellowship Center 6500 IH 35 north between Rittiman and Eisenhower roads (see enclosed brochure). The CCCR is Co-Sponsoring this event. If you would like to minister at this event call Deacon Sonny Arismendez @ 210-734-2633 or Michael Rodriguez @ 210 545-4292 for more information.

I have asked Eleanor Huron to explore the possibility of charting a bus to the National Leaders' Conference in Nashville, Tennessee on November 14th - 16th so please call the Center @210-226-7545 ASAP if you are interested in going.

In conclusion, my brothers and sisters as always please remember to keep up with your spiritual gift of generosity, and support the CCCR with your time, talent, gifts, and prayers.

May God Bless You! Your Brother In Christ, Jerry Syring S.C.C.



ST. PAUL AND THE WORD

St. Paul , a man of his word and the man of the New Testament wrote thirteen of the twenty-seven books in the New Testament. They are filled with a passionate call to Jesus Christ and speak of the strong conviction of Paul's life. He believed what he lived and lived what he believed. He was so positive that Jesus was the Messiah promised in the Old Testament that his writings speak of "hoping to make every man complete in Christ. For this I work and struggle, impelled by that energy of his, which is so powerful a force within me" (Col. 1: 28-29). "If our hopes in Christ are limited to this life only, we are the most pitiable of men" (1 Cor. 15:19). What a powerful witness these and many other statements are.

St. Paul's ministry was mainly to the Gentiles so they could receive the message of salvation. He who was a Pharisee, a strict observer of the law, and a persecutor of 'The Way,' defends with his life the message that was revealed to him on the road to Damascus. He preached to the Jewish people first and held on to the hope for them to come to know their Messiah. "Brothers I do not want you to be ignorant of this mystery lest you be conceited: blindness has come upon part of Israel until the full number of Gentiles enters in, and then all Israel will be saved" (Rom 11:25-26).

It is St. Paul who informs us that Jesus "was seen by five hundred brothers at once, most of whom are still alive," (1 Cor. 15:6) he declared. This statement is positive proof that the Resurrected Lord was seen by others besides the Apostles. He also reveals to us the fact of his visions and revelations saying that he knew a man in Christ (Paul) who "was snatched up to the third heaven" and "was snatched up to Paradise to hear words which cannot be uttered, words which no man may speak" (2 Cor. 12:2, 4). This must be a strong reason that he was so positive about the message and the urgency to proclaim it. He writes, "Christ is living in me. I still live my human life, but it is a life of faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me" (Gal.2:20). "My entire attention is on the finish line as I run toward the prize to which God calls me - life on high in Christ Jesus" (Phil. 3:14). It is a call to all of us to focus on the finish line.

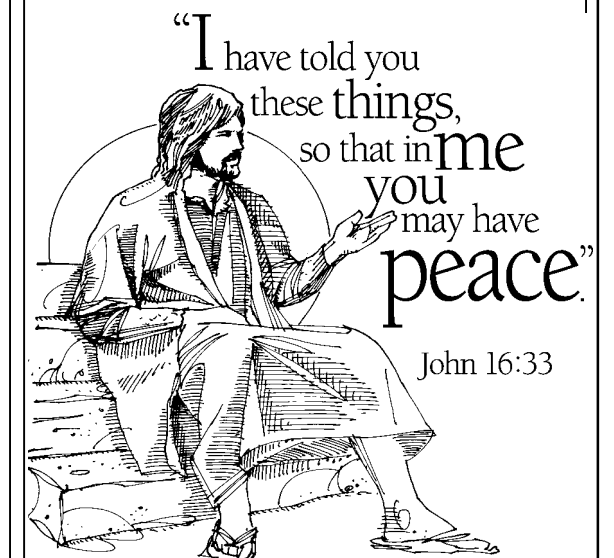
Many of the Letters of St. Paul proclaim to us who we are and what is expected of us. We are "sealed with the Holy Spirit who had been promised" (Eph 1:13); we are "created in Christ Jesus to lead the life of good deeds which God prepared for us in advance" (Eph. 2:10). "All who are led by the Spirit of God are sons of God" (Rom. 8:14). "Are you not aware that you are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwells in you"?(1 Cor. 3:16 - 17)

Seeking Spiritual Direction?

We often emphasize the need for spiritual direction to those of us in any type of leadership. Whether we are involved in prayer group leadership, core group leadership, healing ministries, music ministries, teaching, preaching, etc., we should all be prayerful. Reading Scriptures and books on spiritual growth, and belonging to a prayer community for support, is part of being prayerful. Nevertheless, some of us may also need spiritual direction and do not know who to confide in.

Terrie Becan, spiritual director, is available by appointment on Tuesdays at the Charismatic Center for those who want to talk with someone. She will pray with you, helping you discern the Will of the Father in your situation.

Terrie has been involved in the Charismatic Renewal for many years. She was trained in Spiritual Direction at Oblate School of Theology. She is married with five adult children. Call the cen-



† Healing Masses And, Or Healing Services

2nd Mon.: St Agnes (804 Ruiz St) 6pm
2nd Mon: St. Bonaventure, (1918 Palo Alto)7pm
Last Monday: St James, 907 W Theo, 5:30pm
Tues.: CCCR Chapel (1707 S. Flores), 10:30am. Salt, water, oil & religious articles blessed
1st Tues. St. Vincent De Paul's Chapel (4422 W Loop 410) 7pm
1st Tues: St. Jude (130 S. San Agustin) 7pm
Last Tues: St. Cecilia (125 W. Whittier), 7pm
1st Wed. CCCR Chapel (1707 S. Flores), 7pm
3rd Wed. St. Lawrence (236 E. Petaluma) 7pm
3rd Wed., Holy Family 152 Florencia, 7pm
3rd Wed., St. Mark's Day Chapel (1602 Thousand Oaks Drive) 7pm
Last Wed, San Juan de los Lagos (3231 El Paso St.) 7pm
Third Thurs: St. Phillip of Jesus (131 Bank) 6pm
Last Thurs: St Mary Magdalen (1710 Clower) at 7pm
Last Thurs: St. Phillip of Jesus (131 Bank) 6pm Children Healing Mass

Fri.: CCCR Chapel (1707 S. Flores), 12pm Salt, water, oil & religious articles blessed
1st Fri: St. Agnes (814 Ruiz) 7pm Exposition 8am-6:50pm
1st Fri. St. Dominic's (5915 Ingram Rd.) 7pm to 4am
1st Sat. St. Agnes 9AM devotion to Our Lady with the four mysteries of the Rosary&Mass at 10am
Sun., The Grotto, (5700 Blanco Rd) 2-4 pm

ARCHDIOCESE HEALING MINISTRY WORKSHOP

SAT. SEPT. 13, 08 - 9AM to 12NOON
CCCR Chapel

CHARACTERISTICS OF OCCULT BONDAGE

"Don't let your people practice divination or look for omens or use spells or charms, and don't let then consult the spirits of the dead. The Lord, your God hates people who do these disgusting things..." (Deut 18: 10-12)

Pedro and Nelda Palacios 680 3255

Peregrinacion – Pilgrimage to México

Pilgrimage to Marian sites and St. Michael Archangel. Siete días y seis noches. Seven days & 6 nights pilgrimage. \$475, fechas (dates) 12-18 de Octubre. We will visit (visitaremos): Zacatecas: Santo Niño de Atocha and San Juan de los Lagos; México City: Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe (OLG), San Miguel de los Milagros; and Monterrey: Basílica of Our Lady of Guadalupe. CCCR sponsored Pilgrimage to Marian sites and St. Michael Arcángel .

Reserve seat with a non-refundable \$100 deposit per person.

Reserve un asiento con un deposito sin retorno de \$100 por persona. Info:Santa, 226-7545

Precio no incluye comidas, propinas, tarifas de entrada, viajes de taxi opcionales etc.

El precio solo incluye el hospicio de hoteles y viaje de ida y vuelta a Ciudad de Mexico (con sus respectivas paradas, por ejemplo Zacatecas, etc

Taller de Sanación de la Arquidiócesis de San Antonio

SÁBADO, 13 de SEPT. 08 9AM/12PM
CCCR

OBRAS de SATANAS ACTIVIDAD en el OCULTISMO

"No ha de haber en ustedes nadie que practique adivinación, astrología, hechicería o magia, nadie que practiqué encantamientos of consuele los espíritus; que no halle ningún adivino o quien consuele a los muertos. Porque el Señor le repugna los que hacen estas cosas (Deut 18: 9-12)

Josie Gonzalez 210-924-9976

Kids Say The Godliest Things

Séptimo Seminario Anual de Fe Para Mujeres

Viernes Y Sábado, 3 y 4 de Octubre
Centro Católico para la Renovación Carismática

1707 S. Flores St., San Antonio

Viernes, 7-9 pm Sabado, 8:30 am - 5:30 pm

Tema: Las Bodas del Cordero (Ap:19:7)

Mi amor (Cantares 2:10-13)

Donativo de \$6 para el almuerzo

ST. MARK'S "FAMILY WEDNESDAYS"

1602 Thousand Oaks, San Antonio

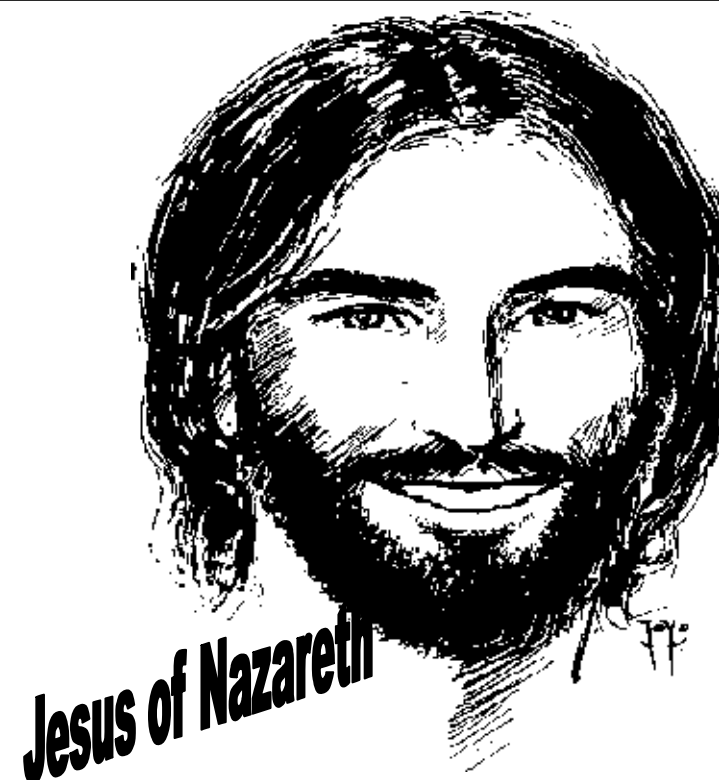
SEPT. 3RD & 10TH, 7—8:30 p.m.

Informal **LIFE IN THE SPIRIT Seminar**

Christopher Hall Building, Room 202

Hosted by The Spirit And The Word Charismatic Prayer Group.

Info call - 490-7820



We went camping this summer with our kids. On the day we were going to go fishing, our 6 yr. old son, Michael James, said, "We're not going to catch any fish because it's too hot already. Well? We will if God lets us. Well, God and Jesus." Then our 4 yr. old son, Abram Joel, said, "Michael, God and Jesus are the same [person]." When we feed our children the Living Word, God's Word definitely comes to life in their everyday lives.

I was holding our 1 yr. old daughter, Julia Monique, when I opened the refrigerator door trying to decide what to make for dinner that night. All of a sudden Julia started saying, "Jez Jez. Jez Jez." I knew that is her word for saying Jesus. I smiled and wondered how she was prompted to say His name. Then I remembered that we have a Sacred Heart of Jesus magnet on the Freezer door. While I was fixing to make dinner, she had her eyes fixed on Jesus. Hallelujah! Both sent by: Erica – SA, TX

Send all your stories to kidsforjc@yahoo.com or mail them to the CCCR at 1707 S. Flores, SA, TX 78204 attn: Erica Rodriguez.

Editors Note: A child that says the Lord's name after seeing His picture is wonderful. Sadly, I discovered through a non-religious documentary that children were more prone to name marketing logos than recognize an image of Jesus. Some children completely blanked out when they saw a picture of our Lord.

Certainly, it is far more important to instill in our children to love Him with all their minds, soul, and heart. Nonetheless, an image of our Lord is a constant reminder of He that loves them and invites them to love Him, themselves, and others.

Let's welcome images of our Lord, our Lady, the angels and saints in our homes. These images are visible signs, that speak to the world in volumes. Although, we have yet to meet them face to face we acknowledge them by creating pictures of what our hearts speak of them. We love Jesus and all His kingdom. Amen!