



MOTHER'S DAY 2023

JEREMY BELL, TEACHING PASTOR

GENESIS 16:7-13 (NIV)

The angel of the Lord found Hagar near a spring in the desert; it was the spring that is beside the road to Shur. 8 And he said, "Hagar, slave of Sarai, where have you come from, and where are you going?" "I'm running away from my mistress Sarai," she answered. 9 Then the angel of the Lord told her, "Go back to your mistress and submit to her." 10 The angel added, "I will increase your descendants so much that they will be too numerous to count." 11 The angel of the Lord also said to her: "You are now pregnant and you will give birth to a son. You shall name him Ishmael, for the Lord has heard of your misery. 12 He will be a wild donkey of a man; his hand will be against everyone and everyone's hand against him, and he will live in hostility toward all his brothers." 13 She gave this name to the Lord who spoke to her: "You are the God who sees me," for she said, "I have now seen the One who sees me."

JOHN 19:25-27 (NIV)

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother, his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. 26 When Jesus saw his mother there, and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to her, "Woman, here is your son," 27 and to the disciple, "Here is your mother." From that time on, this disciple took her into his home.

NOTES

(THE STUFF THAT STICKS OUT TO ME)



WE ARE CHURCH WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOME,
AND EVERYONE IS WANTED...INCLUDING YOU.

G|C

GOING DEEPER

(SOME IDEAS TO PUT IT INTO PRACTICE)

QUESTIONS TO PONDER:

What feelings and emotions surface when you hear the word “mom?” What is your relationship with your mother like? How has your relationship with your mother affected how you see God?

Read Genesis 16, especially verses 11-13. God tells Hagar to name the baby Ishma-el, meaning “God hears.” What does God want Hagar to know about him? What name does she give God? How does it feel to know that God hears you and sees you?

Read John 19:25-27. Jesus sees his mom, and then instructs both Mary and John to see each other as family. Who are the other “mother figures” in your life? How have they reflected God’s heart in unique ways? How have they shaped you?

A VERSE TO MEMORIZE:

1 Peter 3:12a (NIV) - For the eyes of the Lord are on the righteous and his ears are attentive to their prayer.

TAKE A STEP:

Take a minute this week and reach out to all the moms, adopted moms, grand-moms, and like-a-moms who have reflected God's love in our life and shaped who you are today!

WE ARE CHURCH WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOME,
AND EVERYONE IS WANTED...INCLUDING YOU.

G|C

ALL IN, TOGETHER

GENERAL OFFERING

2023 Weekly Budget: \$10,187
Given May 7th: \$12,474
Difference: \$2,287

2023 Annual Budget: \$529,724
2023 Budget YTD: \$183,366
2023 Given YTD: \$165,209
Difference: (\$18,157)

BUILD YOUR CHURCH FUND

BYC May 7th: \$2,313
BYC YTD: \$43,970
BYC Total Given: \$366,463

STAY CONNECTED

Check out at wearegrace.city
Subscribe to our YouTube Channel
Follow us on Facebook
Follow us on Instagram
Online Giving at wearegrace.city



WE ARE CHURCH WHERE EVERYONE IS WELCOME,
AND EVERYONE IS WANTED...INCLUDING YOU.

