

“The joy of the Lord is your strength.”

- Nehemiah 8:10

Sunnyside Family,

As we head into the summer I have some exciting things I wanted to bring to your attention. It has been an incredible scholastic year and our staff have been working extra hard to strengthen our church and prepare us to better serve our community.

> **New Community Playground Grand Opening: Sunday, June 17th at 11:00AM**

The tuition of our Building Blocks Preschool and the hard work of many staff and volunteers have made our new playground possible! Grand Opening will be Sunday, June 17th and it will be accompanied by a BBQ as well. This is a community event, so invite everyone you know with kids!

> **New Summer Series called, “Rest,” begins: Sunday, June 24th**

We'll take 8-weeks this summer to dive into what Jesus and His Word have to say about rest. I am SO excited about this journey with you. My friend, *Pastor A.J. Swoboda*, will be our guest speaker on June 24th and he'll have his new book for sale called, [Subversive Sabbath](#), which is an incredible read. It's the most refreshing book I have read in a long time.

> **Leadership Changes**

We have made *two part-time hires*: Shane Atkisson as our janitor and Maddie Oistad assisting with church communications, social media, and more.

With regards to our Church Council, Kristin Macy has rejoined the team after much prayerful consideration. Justin Strother, who has been an incredible asset, has decided it be best for him to step down from the Council at this time. He, his wife Kristen, and daughter Kalialah will continue to be a vibrant part of our church family.

> **Special Summer Event: Wednesday, August 22nd at 6:30PM**

Mark your calendars for an historic event being planned by our Church Council and it will include Food Trucks, a night of praise, and an honoring of our past and present leadership. More details COMING SOON!

> **New Website Coming Soon**

In today's world a website is the front door to a church. In light of this, we are having ours updated to be geared towards guests and incredibly user friendly. Stay tuned—our new website launch date is coming soon!

Our prayer for you is that this summer, though active and fun, will be filled God's joy as you find deeper rest, rejuvenation, and renewal through more and more of your life being submitted to the Lord Jesus Christ. May our Good Shepherd satisfy you, lead you beside quiet waters, make you lie down in green pastures, restore your soul, protect you, empower you, and cause goodness and mercy to follow you every day of your summer and your life!

By His grace,
Pastor DJ & Jenny

