



If you're newer to Church of the Open Door (COD) or simply looking to find out more about this church family, we invite you to be part of COD 101! This is a seven-week class to help you get to know us. It will start on Sunday, January 12 at 9am and we'd love for you to join. Questions? Contact info@churchofthependoor.com or sign up on our Church Center app.

COMING SOON

ELDER BOARD CANDIDATES

Voting is currently open for our elder board candidates. Listed alphabetically, they are: *Harout Ayvazian, Robert Gray, Matt Ketterling, Ed Newkirk, Steve Quatro and Ericson Salmo*. Members of the church have been sent a ballot and voting instructions.

FIRST FRIDAY DINNER

Ladies, the Friday night dinner group will kick off the new year this Friday, January 3 at 6:30pm at Marie Callendar's in Azusa. They'd love to welcome you to this time of friendship over a meal. Questions? Contact Coordinator Holly Toro at 858-776-2795.

JUNIOR HIGH WINTER CAMP

Our junior high students will be heading to Camp Pondo February 7-9, 2020. A \$50 deposit will hold your child's spot for this weekend that includes amazing worship, teaching, community, & epic free time. Questions? Contact info@churchofthependoor.com or sign up on our Church Center app.



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THANK YOU FOR COMING TODAY...

Welcome! We are so glad you are here! There are multiple ways for you and your family to connect with our community on campus:

Visit our **Connect Center** in front of the Worship Center.

Grab a **Welcome Packet** to find out more about our church, ministries, and ways for you to get connected. Attached is a coupon for you to enjoy a complimentary drink from our coffee shop - **Sixth & Hope** - located just north of the Worship Center

We would love to get to know you better or pray for you! Let us know you joined us today by filling out a **Connection Card** located in the seat in front of you.

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

YTD GENERAL FUND: \$1,919,400.83
YTD NEEDED: \$2,142,980.77
YTD PRINCIPAL PROJECT: \$398,905.00

SUBSCRIBE!

Receive all the latest info by downloading our church app, *Church Center*, in your app or play store or subscribe to *The Open Door Weekly* at info@churchoftheopendoor.com.

THIS WEEK AT COD:

WEDNESDAY
Happy New Year!

FRIDAY
First Friday Dinner 6:30PM

For more information on upcoming EVENTS, visit our website.

New Year's Resolutions and the Christian Life

John 13-17

At the end of each year many of us write out a list of New Year's resolutions we want to practice in the coming year. What do our New Year's resolutions reveal about us? What do these changes have to do with a Christian who has been saved by God's grace through faith in Jesus Christ? How can we use our New Year's resolutions as a means to worship Christ?

New Year's resolutions reveal at least three things about us.

First, New Year's resolutions can reveal our fears and worries for the coming year. Jesus does not promise that we will be able to avoid our fears, but he does guarantee that he is greater than them.

Second, resolutions reveal how limited our self discipline is. Jesus teaches us that self-discipline by itself is weak, but discipline empowered by the love of God is life changing.

Third, resolutions can be a first step towards revealing the deepest desire of our redeemed hearts. Once we have identified the thing we want most in 2020, Jesus teaches us to ask the Father for it!

Community and Family Time of Prayer: As we close 2019 and anticipate 2020 together as a church family, I want to create a time and space right here and now for us to reflect, talk, and pray together. My goal is that we as individuals, families, friends, or discipleship partners would use this time to identify the deepest desires of our redeemed hearts, and then we would ask God for it together!

Matt Ketterling

MAIN IDEA

New Year's resolutions might be a first step in revealing the deepest desires of our redeemed hearts.



There's still time to "purchase" a reserved seat along the parade route for the Rose Parade on January 1! To get more info, stop by the Rose Parade Ticket table out front today. Your involvement in this fundraiser helps students raise money for winter camp!