THE MESSAGE

Running With The Giants

Tom Hughes

1. Don't	God's
with your	.
2. Trust God:	
•Even if it	·
•Even if it	·
•Even if	don't.
3. When you must wait,	focus on what's happening
, not what	t's happening
4. Even	cannot
to w	hat God has in mind.

Hebrews 12:1 (NIV) - Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witnesses. let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles. And let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us.

Genesis 18:10b-15 (NLT) - 10b...Sarah was listening to this conversation from the tent. 11 Abraham and Sarah were both very old by this time, and Sarah was long past the age of having children. 12So she laughed silently to herself and said, "How could a worn-out woman like me enjoy such pleasure, especially when my master—my husband—is also so old?"

¹³Then the Lord said to Abraham, "Why did Sarah laugh? Why did she say, 'Can an old woman like me have a baby?' 14Is anything too hard for the Lord? I will return about this time next year, and Sarah will have a son."

¹⁵Sarah was afraid, so she denied it, saying, "I didn't laugh."

But the Lord said, "No, you did laugh."

Genesis 16:1-2 (NIV) - 1Now Sarai, Abram's wife, had borne him no children. But she had an Egyptian maidservant named Hagar; 2so she said to Abram, "The Lord has kept me from having children. Go, sleep with my slave; perhaps I can build a family

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p3 through her." Abram agreed to what Sarai said.

2 Peter 3:9 (NIV) - The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient...

Psalm 37:7 (NLT) - Be still in the presence of the Lord, and wait patiently for him to act. Don't worry about evil people who prosper or fret about their wicked schemes.

Genesis 21:6-7 (NIV) - 6Sarah said, "God has brought me laughter, and everyone who hears about this will laugh with me." ⁷And she added, "Who would have said to Abraham that Sarah would nurse children? Yet I have borne him a son in his old age."

Romans 8:24-25 (MSG) - ²⁴That is why waiting does not diminish us, any more than waiting diminishes a pregnant mother. We are enlarged in the waiting. We, of course, don't see what is enlarging us. 25 But the longer we wait, the larger we become, and the more joyful our expectancy.

James 1:2-4 (MSG) - ²Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, ³because you know that the testing of your faith produces perseverance. ⁴Let perseverance finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything.

Isaiah 64:4 (MSG) - Since before time began no one has ever imagined. No ear heard, no eye seen, a God like you who works for those who wait for

Hebrews 11:11 (NIV) - And by faith even Sarah, who was past childbearing age, was enabled to bear children because she considered him faithful who had made the promise.

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Financial Update

2023 General Budget: \$8.500.000.00

YTD 03.31.2023 - Requirement:

\$1,961,538.46

YTD 03.31.2023 - Offering: \$2,174,406.92

March Kingdom Offering: \$53,671.96 YTD Kingdom Offering: \$155,911.95



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Service Times:

- Saturdays | 6pm (south)
- Sundays | 9am & 11:15am (south)
- Sunday [Fusion, 18-35] | 6pm (north)

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CHRISTIAN Welcome



April 29 & 30, 2023

Worship God Become part of His Family Extend His Kingdom



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INFORMATION

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UPCOMING EVENTS

We're so glad you've chosen to join us!

Christian Assembly (CA) is a community started in response to God's grace shown to us through Jesus Christ. That grace compels us to lead spiritually convinced and unconvinced people to complete commitment to Jesus Christ.

We don't profess to have all the answers. but we do believe there is a God who is worth knowing and following. Whether you are simply curious about Jesus or have been a long-time follower of Christ, we welcome you and are excited you are with us todav.

Enjoy the service!

Tom Hughes & Mark Pickerill Co-Lead Pastors

NEW?

- We'd love to meet you! Stop by our **New People's Table** in the lobby where we have a welcome gift for you.
- There is a Connection Card in the seatbacks that you can use to ask questions, submit a prayer request or just let us know you're visiting. Fill it out and drop it in the dropbox at the New People's Table.
- If you have an infant or you'd like your child to be with you during service, there is a **family room** that is equipped with a live feed of the service as well as a private nursing room for mothers. The courtyard is also available with a live feed. Just ask an usher!



The Bible is filled with the true stories of the "giants of faith" who were simply real people who faced these same challenges and more. God has a good race set out before each one of us. The good news is that you don't have to run your race alone. Invite a friend and join us next weekend as we continue in our new series Running With The Giants and see how God will use their faith then to build your faith now! Next weekend is a Communion weekend.



Men, register now for **THE** men's event of 2023. This is the "Contend" Men's Conference happening Friday, May 19 (7pm-10pm) & Saturday, May 20 (8am-2pm) on our campus here at CA. We will learn how Scripture encourages us to contend in the areas God has given us influence over. Cost is \$35. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/men



Our Kids Church Program is offered during all services for children from birth to 5th grade. For more information stop by CHURCH the Kids Church tent or visit: cakidschurch.com

We offer programs for both middle and high schoolers. For grades 6th-8th, we meet on Saturdays (6pm-7:15pm) and for grades 9th-12th, we meet on Wednesdays (7pm-8:30pm). For more info, please visit: castudents678.com





Fusion is one of our weekend services and is specifically geared toward 18-35 vear olds. We meet on Sunday nights 6pm at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north). Join us! For more info, visit: cafusion.com

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Elam Ministries

Please continue to pray for Elam Ministries and for God to move in the Iran Region and beyond.

> For more info, please visit: elam.com

Foster Care Awareness Event

Sunday, May 21 | 1-2:30pm 2435 Colorado Blvd. Rm 30 (North)

Join us as we learn about the foster care crisis in LA County and how we can respond as believers. We will share various ways to get involved such as Care Communities, which are CA teams that wrap around and support foster families. Lunch will be provided for those who register.

> For more info and to register: cachurch.com/kingdom

Baptism Class

If you've decided to trust Jesus, we encourage you to be baptized. Our next baptism class will be on Sunday. May 21 at 1pm in Rm. 100 (south sanctuary hallway). Our next baptisms will be on June 10/11. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/baptisms

Partnership | 1-Day Class

Whether you are newer to CA or have been here for years, join us for our 1-day Partnership class (normally done over 4 weeks), on Saturday, June **3 (9am to 3pm)**. Partnership is an important step towards belonging where you will get to meet some of our pastors and learn our church history, values & beliefs. Lunch included. No childcare. For more info and to register, please visit: cachurch.com/partnership

Women's Bible Study

Join us for our current session of Women's Bible Study as we finish up the Gospel of John. We meet on Tuesday nights (7pm) and Wednesday mornings (9:30am) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north sanctuary) for worship, a teaching time and discussion groups. For more info and to register for free childcare, please visit: cachurch.com/wbs

Conversations About Jesus

We invite you to the table for authentic Conversations About Jesus as we discuss His relevance today and His impact in our own stories. Thursday nights (7pm) - May 4, 11, 18 & 25 at Lucky Baldwins in Pasadena. Bring a friend, a coworker, a family member and any questions you have. You are welcome to the table. For more info, please visit: cachurch.com/conversations

Women's Bunco Night

Ladies, join us on Monday, May 8 (7pm-9pm) at 2435 Colorado Blvd. (north). for Bunco May-nia! Bunco is a fun and simple dice-rolling game and a great way to connect with other women. Invite some friends and join us! Cost is free. Please RSVP at: cachurch.com/buncomaynia

Audition For The Worship Team

All vocalists and instrumentalists are invited to come audition to join the CA Worship Team on Saturday, May 6 (1pm). For more info, location and to secure your audition slot, please email: worship@cachurch.com