Dear Son'Spot Family,

Praise the Lord. It is a blessing and privilege to be in God's presence and to see Him manifest. That's our desire each time we meet, to invite the Lord's presence and for His Holy Spirit to manifest through us however He wants. We meet Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings at 7pm for Bible, prayer, and fellowship. On Sunday mornings at 10am we gather for worship, ministry, and fellowship. We also have an outreach meal on Thursdays at 5pm and we deliver food bags each week to about eighty families. And we host a Bible study each week at the county jail. Our purpose in all activities is to lift up the name of Jesus. People are born again, encouraged, and set free. Praise the Lord!

<u>Upcoming Ministry Gatherings</u>

We are hosting an annual Men's Gathering at The Son'Spot on Friday night, February 16th at 7pm, and Saturday morning, February 17th at 10am. Similarly, we will also host a Women's Gathering on Friday night and Saturday morning on March 9th and 10th. There will be worship, Word, ministry, and fellowship at each meeting. We have some lodging at The Son'Spot, and there are also hotels nearby. Lunch will be provided at The Son'Spot on Saturday. There is no charge for these gatherings. At each meeting our desire is for God to speak through each one as He desires, with a Word, song, message, prayer, or music. When you come, let God's Spirit have His way in you. Zechariah 4:6, Galatians 5:16, and 1 Corinthians 14:26 & 31. Please pray and ask God if you are to attend. If you have any questions, contact us.

There is a Cross Walk down the boardwalk on Good Friday, March 30th at noon. National Day of Prayer is in front of City Hall on May 3rd at noon. The **Jesus At The Beach** Music & Ministry Festival will be on July 30, 31, August 1, 2018.

Summer Missionary Opportunities

There are missionary opportunities everyday in Ocean City and where you live. In Ocean City millions of people from many nations will visit this summer. We have opportunities here at The Son'Spot to be a full time missionary with us for the summer. There are also opportunities for youth or other groups or families to serve as missionaries for a week, usually Sunday evening through Saturday noon. And people can help just for a day. This is a great opportunity to practice sharing the Gospel.

From June to September we gather everyday (except Wednesday) at 10am for sharing the Word and prayer, then complete work projects, and at 5pm go on the boardwalk for outreach ministry. We gather again at 8pm for praise, worship, Word, prayer, fellowship, and ministry. Additionally, the food ministry includes dinner on Thursdays at 5:30pm, and breakfast on Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays, and Saturdays at 7:30am. We also deliver food bags and minister to people in their homes each week.

Each morning hundreds of people come in for breakfast. They are mostly international students here to work for the summer. We pray with them, love them, and share the Gospel of Jesus with them. Frequently people share testimonies from the front about what God has done in their lives and how to be born again. Similar ministry occurs with the Thursday dinner while serving several hundred people. The reason for the food ministry is not to physically feed people, but to provide the opportunity to lift up the name of Jesus to our quests.

The Lord uses the visiting groups to help in all these activities. Also during the boardwalk outreach they carry crosses, pass out scripture tracts, share one-on-one, pray, do dramas, sing songs, and help dig the hole for the sand sculptures. And they provide the many hands needed to prepare, serve, and clean up for the food ministry.

Please pray and ask the Lord if HE is sending YOU. It's all about Him, and we want to receive the ones HE sends to accomplish His purposes. As the Bible says in Zechariah 4:6, it's not by our power, might, talents, intelligence, or anything else, but it is by God's Spirit that ministry is accomplished. Without God's Spirit, it is only flesh and of minimal value.

Good News For The New Year

In Ephesians 1:3-6, & 11, God said that He chose us and made us His children because of His own purpose. Colossians 3:1-4 tells us to keep our hearts and minds fixed on things in heaven, not on earth. And that our real life is Christ. 2 Timothy 2:4 says that a loyal soldier on active duty wants to please his commanding officer and so does not get mixed up in the affairs of civilian life. Also verses 20-26 says those who make themselves clean from all those evil things will be used for special purposes. And 2 Timothy 3:14-17 says to continue in the truths that you were taught and firmly believe. And that all scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching the truth, rebuking error, correcting faults, and giving instruction for right living, so that the person who serves God may be fully qualified and equipped to do every kind of good deed. In Isaiah 43:18-19 God said do not cling to events of the past or dwell on what happened long ago. Watch for the new thing I am going to do. It is happening already, you can see it now. I will make a road through the wilderness and give you streams of water there.

To summarize these scriptures, for the New Year God has chosen us for His purpose; to be heavenly minded; to be a loyal soldier; to make ourselves clean by obeying the His Word, so we can be used for special purposes; to be qualified and equipped by reading and applying the scriptures. God's Word in our life. Consider if God has a specific scripture that He wants you to speak over yourself and over your family members for this year, such as: I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me. No weapon formed against me shall prosper. He who began a work in me will complete it until the day of Jesus Christ. Seek first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things will be added unto me. Delight yourself in the Lord and He will give you the desires of your heart. As for me and my family, we will serve the Lord. This is the day the Lord has made, I will rejoice and be glad in it. I am more than a conqueror in Christ Jesus. By His stripes I have been healed. Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ and you will be saved, you and your family.

Remember the spiritual principle of speaking the Word:

- The power of life and death is in the tongue. Proverbs 18:21
- We reap what we sow. Galatians 6:7
- Faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the Word. Romans 10:
- Don't be deceived by just listening to the Word, but put it into practice; apply it in your life. James 1:22
- Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every Word from the mouth of God.
 Matthew 4:4

Thank You

Thank you for your prayerful, financial, and ministry participation. We pray that God blesses you because of your faithfulness to Him. Please continue to pray with us for God's will to be accomplished everyday. Blessings, Anointing, and Substance, in JESUS, we pray,

Gary and Cathy