

WELCOME

Keyport Bible Church – June 26, 2022

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VBS “Space Odyssey”:

This year's VBS is July 11 - 15! Space Odyssey focuses on astronauts learning about God's amazing creation and His desire for a relationship with us through the Genesis account of creation, Adam and Eve, and Noah! For more information & to sign up, please visit our website.

VBS needs snack and craft supplies! Please see the Herald for more info!

Potluck - July 17:

Please join us for a Potluck after service on July 17. Feel free to bring a dessert as well as your assigned dish below.

Last names O-Z: Salad or Side Dish

Last Names A-N: Main Dish

LOOKING AHEAD

July 11 - 15: VBS

July 17 @ 11:15 am: Potluck

July 30 @ 2 pm: Food Dehydration Class

August 6: All Church Picnic

August 24: All Church Mariners Game

October 7 - 9: Women's Retreat

Where Christ is Center & People are Family

PRAYER REQUESTS

Persecution: *Christians in Turkey*

On June 5, at the end of Sunday service, CCTV video footage in Mardin showed a mob of 50 Muslims attacking an Assyrian family, Yilmazes, with sticks. After beating the family, the mob set the family's what fields on fire. The Yilmaz family members are the only remaining Christians in the area.

International Christian Concern (ICC) writes, “The incident took place on the same day that priests traveled to the village to lead mass and inaugurate the Mor Gevargis Church after restoration work began in 2005. The church had reportedly been closed for 100 years...(meaning it had been) impacted by the genocide against Christians in Turkey during the early 20th century.”

Some witnesses stated that the core of the attack is a property dispute. Since the genocide, issues regarding land ownership of churches and surrounding areas arise frequently. The family told Asia News, “*They threatened us, saying that they would not allow us to live in the village. But we are not scared. We will continue to stay here.*”

Jeff King, ICC's president, said, “*The pressures faced by Christians living in eastern Turkey can be quite significant. Today, many families are the only Christians left in their village, whereas the village used to be entirely or significantly Christian before the genocide. As a result, they often come under pressure from their neighbors. Sometimes, this takes the form of a land dispute; sometimes, it takes the form of more direct violence.*”

DISCUSSION GROUPS

Our desire is that everyone would experience the blessing of joining a Sermon Discussion Group. If you'd like to join one, please let us know!

OUR PASTORS

Senior Pastor: Matt Daniells

Youth Pastor: Jonathan Morris

Support Pastor: Mike Chinn