Let's Look at the Book of Acts ~ June 23, 2013

"The Loosening of the Belt...Preparing for the Harvest Feast, Part 1" Acts 9:31-43 (NASB95)

31 So the <u>church</u> throughout all Judea and Galilee and Samaria *had* peace, being *continually* built up; and it continued to increase *by continuing to* go on in the fear (*reverence*) of the Lord and in the *encouragement* of the Holy Spirit.

Peter's Ministry

- 32 Now as Peter was traveling through all *those regions*, he came down also to the **saints** who lived at Lydda.
- 33 There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years, for he was paralyzed.
- 34 Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; get up and make your bed." Immediately he got up.
- 35 And all who lived at Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord.
- 36 Now in Joppa there was a <u>disciple</u> named Tabitha (which translated *in Greek* is called Dorcas); this woman was full of *good and charitable* works, which she continually did.
- 37 And it happened at that time that she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her body, they laid it in an upper room.
- 38 Since Lydda was near Joppa, the **disciples**, having heard that Peter was there, sent two men to him, imploring him, "Do not delay in coming to us."
- 39 So Peter arose and went with them. When he arrived, they brought him into the upper room; and all the widows stood beside him, weeping and showing all the tunics and garments that Dorcas used to make while she was with them.
- 40 But Peter sent them all out and knelt down and prayed, and turning to the body, he said, "Tabitha, arise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter, she sat up.
- 41 And he gave her his hand and raised her up; and calling the **saints** and widows, he presented her alive.
- 42 It became known all over Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.
- 43 And Peter stayed many days in Joppa with a tanner *named* Simon.

Upcoming Events

- For any of the FREE classes listed below, please fill out a registration card found in the Foyer information area and place it in "The Box" or give to an usher, or you can now register online @ www.lgministries.org under Class/Event Registration.
- NOW July 26th ~ Rummage Sale Donations Drive (fundraiser for Jim & Emily Ohlinger's move to Uganda) ~ call ahead & drop off your donations to Chuck or Emanuel in the church foyer (please don't just drop items off) ~ see flyer on the info. wall for the specific days/times and a list of acceptable items for donation. If you have any items to donate, please text Chuck @ (253) 320-8260 or call Emanuel @ (253) 283-1059. We also need volunteers to help with the Rummage Sale which will be on 8/3 from 9 am-3 pm ~ please see Emily Ohlinger if interested in helping.
- → July 1st & 8th ~ Intensified Evangelism (Adult Education Class) @ 6-7:30 pm ~ a study of the purpose, motive, and biblical methodology of evangelism (Classroom #1).
- → July 8th 12th ~ Vacation Bible School (VBS) @ 9 am-12 noon. Please call Becky Fortin @ 584-3778 or email her @ yep@lgministries.org to register your children & to get more information, or you may now register online under Class/Event Registration.
- → July 14th & 21st ~ Intro. to Living Grace Church Class @ 12 noon-12:45 pm ~ this class will explain our core values, mission, & ministry. If you are new or have never attended this class, please join us (upstairs classrooms).
- → July 20th August 10th ~ CAP (Christian Athletic Program) ~ Summer Season
 (kickball/flag football) begins from 10:30 am-12 pm @ Concordia Lutheran School field (Tacoma) for boys/girls ages 5-14. Any questions, please call Michael Wheelock @ (253) 353-9311.
- → July 26th 28th ~ Bolder Generation Teens Retreat ~ Twin Harbors State Park in Westport, WA. The cost is \$35, and everyone will be carpooling from the church ~ please meet at the church at 12 noon on 7/26. To register or for more information, please see or call Emanuel @ (253) 283-1059.

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