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Frazier Ministry Newsletter

The Face of God in Jesus

Through out the Bible, we find a seeking God. God wanders through history seeking for relationships. We first find God seeking out Adam and Eve to walk with them in the cool of the day. When they sinned, it's God who comes looking-"Adam, where are you?" Throughout history God continues to call His children. God calls and walks with Enoch and the scripture records "Encoh was not for God took him." God calls Abram to walk in fellowship with Him: "I am God Almighty; walk before me, and be blameless." God calls through the tears of the prophet Jeremiah and through the cry of Joel. He calls us through the prophet Hosea as he searches for his wayward wife, "Adam, where are you?"

When nothing else avails, God send his only Son. He comes to us in Jesus. He has spoken and come to us in Jesus. We beheld that face as it were the very face of God: "The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who comes from the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14, NIV).

Thanksgiving Dinner 2023

We trust that you had a blessed Thanksgiving. We enjoyed celebrating Thanksgiving Day on Saturday the 25th November 2023. We had a lot of wonderful food and fellowship. Represented were missionaries, friends, and family from the US, Mexico, Ethiopia, Congo, Kenya, and Zimbabwe. It is a blessing to be able to celebrate an American tradition with other cultures and enjoy different foods too.







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Homiletics

During this semester, I taught a course on Homiletics or preaching. I had 11 students in the class. Students learned the importance of biblical preaching and the steps from the biblical text to the development of a sermon. The students were required to preach a sermon as the final project of the class.

I really enjoyed teaching this class. Most of the students seemed to enjoy the course. Here are a few of their comments:

"Dr. Frazier, Thanks for helping me to see preaching in a different way. You have improved my skills in preparing my sermons in order to engage my congregation. Watching the videos of sermons of exemplary preachers enabled me to prepare different styles of preaching. Thank you, sir, you are the best in training professionals for the best."

"I appreciate the lecturer recommending sermons and other important materials. He shared his personal testimony of failures as well as successes. I was impressed when the lecturer stated that he spends 30 minutes each morning not in reading but in studying the Bible." I want to thank you for your support of our ministry. I enjoy training pastors and future ministers.



One of my Homiletics student preaching in the weekly devotions held by the department and the Religion Students Asso ciation



Prayer Requests and Praises

- We thank God for Rachelle, Joe, Evie, and Maddie being able to come and visit us. We thank God for the Oh's safe travels here and back home.
- We thank God that the rains held off for our Thanksgiving dinner, since we had it outside.
- Please pray for ANU students as they are doing their exams.
- Pray for ANU staff and faculty.
- Please pray for the progress of FATEN.
- Unspoken request.

Here is the link If you wish to give toward the FATEN project, https://give.nazarene.org/donate/faten

Upcoming Home Assignments

Our deputation schedule for 2024 is quite full. Below is our schedule. We don't know the churches that we will visit yet. We would love to see you in one of these churches. Stay tuned!

- July 14-21: Indianapolis District
- July 22-July 26 OPEN
- July 28-August 1: Northwest District
- Aug. 4-10: Intermountain District

- Aug. 11-18: WAPAC District
- Aug. 20-25: Kentucky District
- Aug. 27-Sept. 1: North Carolina District