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# Facing Our Fears

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2 TIMOTHY 1:7

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## 2 TIMOTHY 1:7 (ESV)

*For God gave us a spirit not of fear  
but of power and love and self-control.*

**Courage.** It's a necessity if we're going to follow Christ and be Fully Alive in a fallen world. In these precarious days of the Coronavirus outbreak, the need for courage has been amplified. In light of this global pandemic, we are presented with an extraordinary opportunity to lean into the strength of Jesus, to confidently experience His hope and peace, and to lovingly engage in the lives of those around us who are grappling with fear and the unknown. But walking that path will require our courage.

Last weekend, looking at John 10 in our Awaken series, we talked about Christ as our Good Shepherd, referencing Psalm 23:4: "Even though I walk through the darkest valley, I will fear no evil, for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me." As His followers, we have the privilege and responsibility to ultimately trust in His protection ("rod") and His provision ("staff"). Our security is not based on having our circumstances free of darkness or difficulty, but instead, our confidence is to be anchored in His love, power, and sovereignty. That is what enables us to live, with courage, above our fears.

It is that same security of Jesus that Paul reminds us of when he exhorts Timothy—and us—with a bold reminder that God has not given us a spirit of fear, but one of power...and love...and wise discretion.

## NOTES

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# A Prayer

Father, you are the eternal Author of Life:

We are thankful for knowing You and being loved by You.

We are aware of...and deeply grateful for...Your presence in the midst of uncertainty.

You are...and have always been...our refuge in times of crisis.

God, as Your Word teaches us:

We bring before you all the sick and affected and ask for healing and comfort.

We intercede for those who are suffering and dying.

We ask for comfort to those who are grieving, those who are quarantined—feeling lonely in this time of need—may they be aware of Your loving embrace wherever they may be.

Holy Spirit, breathe Your truth and assurance:

Grant wisdom and insight to medical practitioners and researchers.

Grant strength to those serving others in this extreme time of strain.

Grant prudence to those giving guidance to nations.

Grant courage and compassion for the church to shine Your light at this time.

Lord Jesus, Shepherd of Your flock:

You traveled through towns and villages “curing every disease and illness.”

At Your command, the sick were made well.

We petition Your grace to come to our aid—that we may experience Your healing power.

Use us, Your people, to manifest Your power and goodness wherever we may be.

Fill our hearts with Your compassion and gentleness.

We pray this epidemic will subside, and that we all can return to normalcy—overwhelmed with gratefulness for our health and Life as a gift from your hand.

We pray for all who panic, who are overwhelmed with fear—for peace to reign at this time.

We pray for all who experience material damage and loss—may they lean into You, trusting You as their provider.

We pray for this to be a moment in history where many turn to Your mercy and grace—may Your glory shine in this moment of our human history.

In the Power of Your Name,

Amen.

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## UPCOMING SERVICES

» **Mar 21-22** | AWAKEN | The Best Sleeping Position | John 10:22-42 | Dr. Steve Brown

» **Mar 28-29** | AWAKEN | Resurrection Life | John 11:1-44 | Pastor Rob Hemphill

# What's Current

Find out more information at [NorthlandChurch.net](http://NorthlandChurch.net) or ask a connections team member wearing an orange lanyard for assistance.

## EASTER LILIES ORDER FORM

**To honor or memorialize someone you love.**

To place your order by Sunday, April 5, fill out this form (please print clearly) and place it, along with \$10 for each plant, into a tithe envelope found at the offering boxes. Label the envelope "Lilies" and deposit it there. Checks should be made payable to Northland Church. Questions? Email [easter@northlandchurch.net](mailto:easter@northlandchurch.net) or call 407-949-4000. Order them online at [northlandchurch.net/easterlilies](http://northlandchurch.net/easterlilies).

In honor of \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Given by \_\_\_\_\_

Purchased plants will be placed as decorations throughout the church and will be available for pickup in the lobby after the final Easter service.

## Weekly Lent Content

Videos by pastors, blogs for the whole family, and more!

[NorthlandChurch.net/Lent](http://NorthlandChurch.net/Lent)

## Good Friday Service

FRIDAY, APRIL 10 | NOON

[NorthlandChurch.net/GoodFriday](http://NorthlandChurch.net/GoodFriday)

## Easter Worship Services

Join us and invite a friend!  
Volunteers needed!

SATURDAY, APRIL 11 | 5 P.M.

SUNDAY, APRIL 12 | 8, 10 A.M. & NOON

[NorthlandChurch.net/Easter](http://NorthlandChurch.net/Easter)

## Tithes and Offerings

### In our ABCs of being Fully Alive,

"E" stands for "Engagement."

*Engaging people to be Fully Alive in*

Jesus is exactly what Northland's Disaster Response team is doing at this very moment. They deployed to Nashville early last Sunday to partner with First Church of the Nazarene. This dedicated team is representing you, Northland family, as the hands and feet of Jesus bringing supplies, food, and comfort to one of Nashville's hardest hit areas.

You can financially support this relief effort by writing "Nashville" in the memo section of your check, by giving online via the "Support Nashville" button on our home page, or via the app under the designation "Support Disaster Relief."

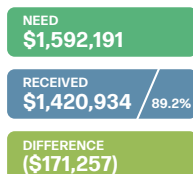
As always, thank you for regularly demonstrating extravagant generosity to those in desperate need. Please keep Judy and the entire Disaster Response team—Joe, Vicki, Natalie, Pat, Walter, Doug, Al, Bev, and David—in your daily prayer as they minister to the practical and emotional needs of so many.

### First Quarter (QTR) 2020

January 1 – March 30



### RESULTS AS OF 3/9/2020



TOTAL NEED FOR QTR  
**\$2,131,132**

PERCENT OF NEED MET  
**66.7%**

Track along with us on the Northland App giving page!

*If you'd like to learn more or have questions related to finances at Northland, contact our finance team at [FinanceTeam@NorthlandChurch.net](mailto:FinanceTeam@NorthlandChurch.net).*

## Ways to Give

Give via mobile text. Text "northland" to 77977.



Download and use the PushPay App.



Give online at [NorthlandChurch.net/Give](http://NorthlandChurch.net/Give) or use the Northland App.



Give by cash or check and drop it in any of our tithe boxes.



Give at the iPad stations located throughout the foyer.

