

May 13, 2016



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To All the Friends of James Hickson Lee:

Each of us who have loved and been loved by James Hickson Lee
are no doubt experiencing similar feelings of shock,
overwhelming sadness,
and profound loss at his death Friday morning, May 6.
Know that we are not alone!!
In life and in death we belong to God.
As the Apostle Paul wrote the saints in Thessalonians:
"We grieve, but not as those who have no hope."
Our confidence is that James is even now enjoying the overwhelming love of God
and a glad reunion with all the saints who have gone before him – his beloved
grandparents, J.J. Baskin, our NCFA hurricane survivor Mrs. B,
our matriarch Jane Mack the list is long
But even that hope of glory does not stop our tears,
and we remember that Jesus wept when his good friend Lazarus died.

On **Saturday, May 7, the NCFA Session** met with representatives from Mission
Presbytery Committee on Ministry: Bill Poe, retired pastor, most recently Presbytery
Stated Clerk, and Chairperson Marie Baker, from Hope Presbyterian.
Bill Poe explained that the Session would select an Interim Moderator,
who would arrange preachers for Sunday worship
and support the Elders and their ministry committees.

At the Session's request, Pastor Trish Holland agreed to serve as Interim Moderator.
Together we will continue to **Live the Vision** of our mission as a multicultural
congregation:

Worship on Sundays at 10:15am will continue each Sunday as usual.

The 8:30am Worship Service will resume in the fall.

Adult Sunday School at 9:30am in Room 7.

Tuesday Night Men's meeting at 6:30-7pm in the Kitchen.

Wednesday Night Supper at 6:30pm, Ministry Meetings and/or Praise Service.

Thursday Night ACTS Study led by Rev. Jeff Saddington at 7pm,

May 19 – June 30.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – June 17, 18, 19.

THIS SUNDAY, May 15, after worship and refreshments, we will have a
SERVICE OF WITNESS TO THE RESURRECTION
GIVING THANKS FOR THE LIFE OF ROBERT PEÑA
followed by a luncheon in the Fellowship Hall

When are services for Pastor Lee?

1) Viewing

Date: Thursday, May 12, 8am-8pm

Friday, May 13, 8am-8pm

Saturday, Sunday, and Monday, May 14-16, 8am-5pm

Location: Cook-Walden Funeral Home

6100 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX

2) Visitation/Prayer Service

Date: Monday, May 16, 7-9:30pm

Location: Cook-Walden

3) A Homegoing Celebration for James H. Lee

Date: Tuesday, May 17

Time: 11am (Doors open at 10am-best chance to sit with church family at this time)

Location: Shoreline Church

15201 Burnet Rd. Austin, TX

The Rev. Thomas Daniel, leading

We are expecting many out-of-town guests. If you can provide bed and breakfast in your
home for Monday, May 16 or more, please email Viola Lee, vhl1118@aol.com

Memorial Fund Information

James worked tirelessly for his ministry. In honor of his life and vision, we ask that you con-
sider making a donation to the James Hickson Lee Memorial Fund . Mail to New
Covenant Fellowship of Austin, 1507 Wilshire Blvd, Austin, TX 78722.

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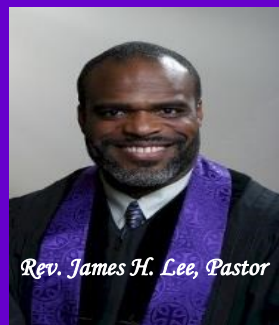


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A May 5th Letter from Pastor James



Rev. James H. Lee, Pastor

Dear NCF Family and Friends,

Today I had the privilege of attending a “Working for Wellness” luncheon for the Austin Clubhouse. The testimonies from the members were very inspirational. These individuals have gone from being very successful leaders to having their lives impacted by illness and a diagnosis.

There was mutual joy by those involved in the Austin Clubhouse community: members, family members, staff, investors, volunteers, and board members.

One of our ways of implementing our vision at NCFA is to use sacred and secular institutions to minister to our community. Well . . . Foundation Communities and Austin Clubhouse are partnering together, and we will have a satellite Austin Clubhouse opening up in January 2017! This is amazing, considering the great need in Austin.

As Cinco de Mayo comes to a close, we remember a group of resilient people in Puebla, Mexico, who defeated the French Army on May 5, 1862. Today it has become a great celebration across our nation with dancing, parades, mariachi music, etc.

As we continue to transition, please avail yourself of our Vacation Bible School (VBS). There will be training, decorating, and hosting the VBS during the week of June 13th and concluding on Father’s Day, Sunday, June 19th. The theme is “**Surf Shack**,” and the scriptural reference is ***Nehemiah 4:14b: Remember that the Lord is great and awesome.*** Please register your children and sign up to volunteer. I am still humbled by our youth washing the feet of our children. To God be the Glory! Amen!

Genesis Presbyterian Church and Turning Point Fellowship have graciously paved the way for us to celebrate the life of Robert Peña at 12:30pm in our sanctuary on Sunday, May 15th. Please keep Roxanne Vallejo, Cheyenne, and Precious in your prayers. Our hearts break for the many people mourning their loved ones.

I encourage you to make plans to attend the **commencement service for our two seminarians** who are graduating on **May 22nd** at 2pm in the sanctuary of **University Presbyterian Church**. I look forward to attending the Board of Trustees meeting when we affirm the recommendation of President Ted Wardlaw and confer **Master of Divinity degrees** to **Matthew Aldas** and **Christine Wagner**, who were both recipients of awards during our Austin Seminary Alumni Luncheon.

This week’s text is Christ Jesus’ priestly prayer in ***John 17:20-21, “I ask not only on behalf of these, but also on behalf of those who will believe in me through their word, that they may all be one.***

I pray for every broken relationship to be mended. I pray God’s joy, peace, and healing to cascade through areas of sorrow, chaos, and illness.

Grace and Peace,
Pastor James

1 Thessalonians 3:12-13

May the Lord make you increase and abound in love for one another and for all, as we do for you, so that he may establish your hearts blameless in holiness before our God and Father, at the coming of our Lord Jesus with all his saints.

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Prayer Request



Lift up the family and friends of
Pastor James Lee.

Lift up the congregation of NCJ for
God's clear guidance going forward.



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N C F A SUNDAY MORNINGS

NCFA Sunday Schedule

8:30am - Worship Service
1507 Wilshire Blvd.

*8:30am The Early Worship Service is
expected to resume in the fall.*

10:15am - Worship Service

**1507 Wilshire Blvd.
9am Adult Sunday School
10am Fellowship
10:45am - Children's Church**



NCEFA SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 8:30am -- Wilshire Blvd.

*The Early Worship Service is expected
to resume in the fall.*

NCEFA SUNDAY WORSHIP AT 10:15am

**We would love to have you and your family come
share in the CELEBRATION OF
THE GOOD NEWS!**

**We are worshiping in the Fellowship Hall
of Genesis Presbyterian Church on the Wilshire Campus
starting at 10:15 a.m.**

Real Church...
Real People...
Real Simple...

**New Covenant Fellowship of Austin PC(U.S.A.) is a
racially diverse community informed by the Bible,
empowered by the Holy Spirit, and motivated to share
God's love with all. In response to God's love, we are
called to equip disciples to faithfully serve, to encour-
age seekers to joyfully commit, and to implore all to
worship our Lord, as we love our neighbors,
grow in grace, and live by faith.**

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4th Anayah Mojica
5th Said Bohn-Hall
10th Dexter Lee, Sr.
11th Placid Unegbu
Dana Williams
13th Mallorie Muñoz
16th Caly Fernandez
Kathryn Aldas
17th Luke Oglesby
20th Fortune Unegbu
21st Philippe (Jimmy) Bohn
Robert Booth
26th Lillie Daniels
Dexter Lee, Jr. (DJ)
Margaret Spinks
28th Alex Hernandez
31st Pam Nemir
Cathy Trifiro
Janet Masters

Session Members

*Rev. Trish Holland
Interim/Moderator
*Elder Kathy Smith
Clerk of Session
*Rev. Oliver Smith
Administration & Personnel
*Elder Bill Harris
Buildings & Grounds
*Elder Randy Mojica
Children and Youth
*Elder Ben Hooks
Discipleship & Men's/
Women's Ministry
*Elder Mary Jo Mojica
Finance & Stewardship
*Elder Robert Booth
Congregational Life/
Lay Ministry
*Elder Vernon Bailey
Missions/Evangelism
*Elder Matthew Aldas
Worship & Membership

Deacons

Kathryn Aldas
Ashley Phillips
Scott Phillips
Carol Saddington, Chair
Cathy Trifiro
Roxann Vallejo

MAY 2016

15th Day of Pentecost
8:30am Early Worship at Wilshire
The Early Worship Service is expected to resume in the fall.
9-10am Adult Sunday School
9:45m Psalm 150 Praise
Team Rehearsal
10:15am Worship at Wilshire Blvd.
Rev. Bill Harris, preaching
Sunday School Ages 3-5
(Rm. 1); Grades 1-5 (Rm. 7)
12:30 Service of Witness to the
Resurrection of Robert Peña
16th 7-9:30pm Visitation/Prayer Service
with family of Pastor Lee at
Cook-Walden Funeral Home
6100 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin
17th 11am Homegoing Service
for Pastor James Hickson Lee at
Shoreline Church, 15201 Burnet Rd
18th Activities cancelled for today.
22nd Trinity Sunday
9-10am Adult Sunday School
9:45m Psalm 150 Praise
Team Rehearsal
10:15am Worship at Wilshire Blvd.
Rev. George Holland, preaching
Sunday School Ages 3-5
(Rm. 1); Grades 1-5 (Rm. 7)
12:15pm C & Y Meeting
2:00pm APTS Commencement
University Presbyterian
Church—2203 San Antonio
Street. Austin

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REGISTER TODAY!
JUNE 17 - 19

Questions?

See Elder Randy Mojica or Elder Danita Nelson

Friends, Family, and Neighbors are Welcome

Ages 3 - 10

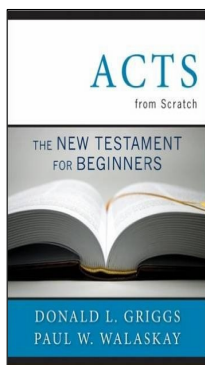
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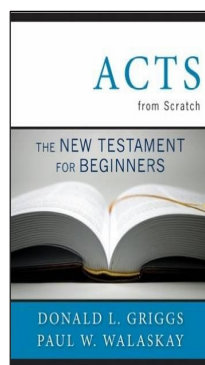
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The Acts of the Apostles

6 Thursdays at 7pm:

*May 19, 26 and
June 2, 9, 16, and 23,*
in the Fellowship Hall.



4 Books Remain for Purchase!

Ever heard of a **FIRE** that will never be put out??

See the Holy Spirit in Action!

COME, ALL ARE WELCOME!!

TACO's with the DADs!!

I ♥ YOU MORE
THAN TACOS!



Switchin' it up a bit! Join us Sunday Morning at 9.15 on
June 19th and we'll "taco" 'bout great dads!!