

— FEATURED ANNOUNCEMENTS —



Are You New?

If you are new to Golden Hills, please stop by the “Start Here” flag on the Plaza after the service. We would love to answer your questions and give you more information about our church.

Quarterly Business Meeting

Sunday, April 25th @ 2pm in the GHCC Brentwood Sanctuary

Join us to hear how God is working at Golden Hills! We'll welcome new members, hear from our pastors, and more. Everyone is welcome to attend and members are expected to be in attendance.



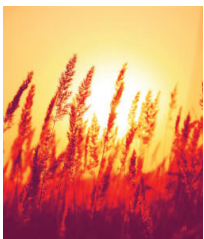
Membership & Baptism Class

Starts Sunday, May 2nd @ 10:30am in W148

Learn more about Golden Hills, along with the importance of church membership and baptism in this 4-week class. Please contact us regarding our childcare situation during this time of social distancing. Register @ [goldenhills.org/classes](https://www.goldenhills.org/classes)

30 Days of Prayer

On April 13, the Muslim World began its holy month of Ramadan. It's not too late to join us as we commit to 30 Days of Prayer for the Muslim World. Pray God will open hearts to the true gospel found only through Jesus. For a PDF prayer guide, email globaloutreach@goldenhills.org



GriefShare: Loss of a Spouse Seminar

Tuesday, April 27th @ 7pm on Zoom

Loss of a Spouse helps men and women grapple with the challenges of being widowed. The 2-hour seminar features an inspiring video, practical advice, and a variety of perspectives on spousal loss. Find encouragement, comfort, and hope.

Golden Hills Podcast

Find it wherever you get your podcasts. Never miss an update by subscribing on Apple Podcasts, Google Podcasts, or Spotify.



NOTES

AN INVITATION

The invitation to accept Jesus' offer of forgiveness is the most important consideration you will ever make. Your eternal destiny hangs on that choice!

Jesus' death on the cross, His burial, and resurrection is our guarantee of complete forgiveness if we will turn to Him and accept His gracious offer.

How does a person accept the Lord's invitation?

- 1 Believe that what Jesus said about you is true: "All have sinned and fall short of the glory of God." Confess your sins to God and agree with Him about your need for forgiveness.
- 2 Receive Jesus into your life by telling Him that you believe that He is your Savior and Lord. Confess to Him your faith in His death on the cross for your sins, that He was buried, and on the third day He rose again. Tell Him you believe He is alive today and you want Him to live in you.
- 3 Commit yourself to follow Him as Lord. Ask Him to teach you His Word and pledge to follow Him wherever He leads. Thank Him for the gift of eternal life that He paid for with His own blood.
- 4 Tell others what God has done for you and learn more about following Jesus Christ as His disciple through Baptism, reading the Bible, and getting involved in a good, Bible-teaching church.

OUR PROCESS FOR DISCIPLESHIP in the context of Christian Community

WORSHIP

Participating in a personal experience of worship in our weekly services and by honoring God in how we live our daily lives.

GROW

Growing in our understanding of what it means to be a disciple through involvement in Bible study and a weekly Small Group.

SERVE

Utilizing our spiritual gifts in an ongoing service experience in the church, the community, and the world.

Our purpose is to glorify God by making disciples who will impact every area of the world for Christ.

GOLDEN HILLS COMMUNITY CHURCH

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BRENTWOOD CAMPUS

2401 Shady Willow Ln, Brentwood, CA 94513
(925) 516-0653
Sunday Services: 8:30am & 10:30am

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ANTIOCH CAMPUS

1800 Woodland Dr, Antioch, CA 94509
(925) 777-9465
No on-site Sunday services at this time

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THE LORD'S DAY
 April 18, 2021

enduring faithfulness

2 TIMOTHY SERIES WEEK 2

MESSAGE FROM GOD'S WORD
Enduring Faithfulness in Suffering
 2 Timothy 1:8-18
 Pastor Phil Ward

OFFERING
 To comply with social distancing guidelines, please place your offering in the containers at the exits or give online @ [goldenhills.org/give](https://www.goldenhills.org/give)

[GOLDENHILLS.ORG](https://www.goldenhills.org)

TODAY & THIS WEEK

TODAY, APRIL 18TH

10:30 AM Discovering the Trinity, Zoom
Civil Conversations, Zoom

MONDAY, APRIL 19TH

7:00 PM GO Praise & Prayer, W129/130

TUESDAY, APRIL 20TH

6:00 AM Men's Bible Study, Zoom
9:00 AM Women's Bible Studies, Zoom
7:00 PM GriefShare, Zoom
Women's Bible Studies, Zoom
Kairos, HS Amp

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21ST

7:00 PM What Did You Expect? Marriage Class, W131
Middle School (MSM) Small Groups, MS Amp

THURSDAY, APRIL 22ND

9:30 AM Women's Bible Studies, Zoom
7:00 PM High School (HSM) Small Groups, HS Amp

FRIDAY, APRIL 23RD

7:30 PM MOPS Mom's Night Out, Plaza

PROGRAMS FOR KIDS & YOUTH

SUNDAY SCHOOL (*Walkers-4 Year Olds*) – 10:30am

During this period of reopening, we encourage all other ages to sit with their family in the main service



JOIN A GROUP TODAY!

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SERMON OUTLINE

I. UNASHAMED SUFFERING FOR THE GOSPEL (2 TIMOTHY 1:8)

- A. Being unashamed of Christ or his servants
 - 1. To many, Jesus is shameful (**1 Corinthians 1:22-24**)
 - 2. To many, Jesus' servants are shameful
- B. Like Timothy, we are invited to join Paul in suffering for the gospel (**2 Timothy 1:8c**)
 - 1. We ought not to suffer for being sinful, but for being Christians (**1 Peter 4:12-16; Matthew 5:10**)
 - 2. We suffer for, or because of, the gospel (**Philippians 1:29; 1 Corinthians 1:18**)
- C. Our share of suffering is empowered by God (**2 Timothy 1:8c; Romans 1:16; 2 Timothy 1:7**)

II. THE GOSPEL OF GOD'S GRACE (2 TIMOTHY 1:9-12A; ACTS 20:24)

- A. God's sovereign grace to save and sanctify (**2 Timothy 1:9**)
 - 1. Salvation is by grace through faith (**Ephesians 2:8-9**)
 - 2. God chose us to be saved and sanctified (**Ephesians 1:4-5; 2 Thessalonians 2:13-14**)
- B. God's eternal grace for sinners (**2 Timothy 1:9; Ephesians 1:4-5**)
- C. God's visible grace (**2 Timothy 1:10; Titus 2:11a, 3:4**)
- D. God's efficacious grace (**2 Timothy 1:10**)
 - 1. Death is abolished, and life and immortality are brought forth (**Hebrews 2:14-15; Romans 5:20-21**)
 - 2. The gospel makes this known
- E. God's missional grace (**2 Timothy 1:11-12a**)
 - 1. Paul was appointed to herald, carry, and explain the gospel (**Ephesian 3:7-12**)
 - 2. The gospel mission is the reason why Paul suffered and why we will suffer with Paul (**2 Timothy 1:12a; 2 Timothy 3:12**)

III. GUARDING THE GOOD DEPOSIT, WHICH IS THE GOSPEL (2 TIMOTHY 1:12B-18)

- A. God will guard the gospel (**2 Timothy 1:12v; Jeremiah 1:12; Isaiah 55:11**)
- B. How we can guard the gospel (**2 Timothy 1:13-14**)
 - 1. By being clear, accurate, and faithful to it (**2 Timothy 1:13**)
 - 2. By the Holy Spirit (**2 Timothy 1:14; 2 Timothy 1:7**)
- C. The shamed and unashamed (**2 Timothy 1:15-18**)

SERMON REFLECTIONS

1. When you think of "shame", what comes to mind? What would being ashamed of Christ, the gospel, or other Christians look like?
2. What are some ways Christians today suffer for the gospel? Are there instances when Christians claim to suffer for the gospel but are in fact suffering for another reason? Give examples.
3. Why is the gospel called "the gospel of the grace of God" (**Acts 20:24**)?
4. How would you summarize what Paul writes in verses 9-12a? What aspects of God's grace leads you to praise God for His grace (**Ephesians 1:6**)?
5. What are some tangible ways to guard the gospel? Why is it so important that we guard "the good deposit"?