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## For the Life of the World - Convocation 2012 Held in Madrid

MADRID, SPAIN - On Tuesday, July 10th, 2012 the International Convocation of the International Communion of the Charismatic Episcopal Church began. Over 500 people from all over the world have gathered in Madrid to share in fellowship, hearing the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist.

Archbishop Craig Bates, Patriarch of the ICCEC, opened the morning session by sharing three scriptures that the Lord had put on his heart - scriptures that the Patriarch hopes will set the tone for the convocation.

Romans 1:16 - "For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes."

2 Corinthians 5:14 - "The love of Christ compels us"

Matthew 11:12 - "the kingdom of heaven has been forcefully advancing, and forceful men lay hold of it"

After sharing these scriptures, the Patriarch said, "All of these scriptures deal with standing strong and firm for the kingdom of God. If we are to stand for the life of the world, we must stand strong and unashamed - compelled by the love of Christ."

After the Patriarch's opening remarks, the speaker for the first day, Archbishop Loren T. Hines, was introduced. Archbishop Hines spoke

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Archbishop Loren Hines

delight in our shame. He delights in Unchanging Love. Many will discover in these days that because God is perfect He doesn't have to be a perfectionist. Because He is perfect, He is able to forgive when we wouldn't. He is able to accept when we just couldn't because we are too afraid to be hurt. People are going to see the Cross in a new light, realizing that God has never been afraid to be hurt in His love for us. The Bride will be breaking out her dancing shoes to dance in celebration with Him in the spirit of Zephaniah 3:17, over His great love over her. Can you imagine this age that we are coming into where the Bride won't be dancing FOR Him, trying to earn his favor, but will dance WITH Him in confidence of His love and favor.

### Shamelessness 7/24/12 A Word from Abp. Chuck Jones

We are in a season where the Holy Spirit is teaching people to live shamelessly before their God. A Bride can't dance with her Bridegroom when her heart is chained to a spirit of shame. The Bride will rise up in these days from the ashes of condemnation and live confident in the love of

the Lover of her Soul. So many continue in the conversation with the evil one about the sincerity of their hearts, and the sacrifice of shame they must offer on the altar of acceptance so that God might believe in them again. The Holy Spirit is revealing the true nature of God's heart in our day. He doesn't

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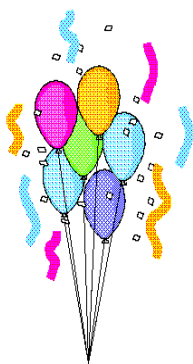
### Special points of interest:

- International Convocation 2012
- Truth Obeyed Will Heal
- The Saint and God's Goodness

# What's Happenin !



The Glorious Deeds of Christ  
A Blog Dedicated to the  
Magnificence of the Cross  
By Fr. Glenn E. Davis  
[www.canonglenn.com](http://www.canonglenn.com)



## Bible Study & Future Events Highlights

### Next Parish Council

Meeting is August 7th at 7pm in the Church office.

### Sunday Morning Bible

Study – Will restart August 26, 9:15am in the Student Council Building, room 145.

4th Day Ultreya – August 14th, Tuesday at the home of Greg & Diane Looker.

Wednesday Night Supper & Prayer – every Wednesday, 6pm at the Law offices of Lansing Roy, 1710

Shadowood Lane Suite 210, office #391-0030.

Youth Fellowship – Meets every Wednesday night at 6:30pm. Check out [www.mycomjax.com](http://www.mycomjax.com) for a complete schedule of events.

Women's Ministry - Bible Study – Our next study will be starting in September.

Save the Date – August 25, Saturday, from 11:30-3:30pm, is our celebration of our Founders' Day. This year we

are having a Fish Fry. Fish, drinks & paper products will be provided. Please bring a side dish to share. Come celebrate our 19th year! Location: Arlington Senior Center, 1078 Rogero Rd Jacksonville, FL 32211-5849

## Truth Obeyed Will Heal

*If anyone's will is to do God's will, he will know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority. John 7:17 ESV*

Obedience is truth obeyed. Obedience is synonymous with the idea of surrender: we choose to yield our wills, desires, and goals to the control and leadership of the Holy Spirit. Obedience is driven by the desire to please our Heavenly Father through

our attitude and actions. We value the leading, guiding and directing of the Holy Spirit more than our personal preferences and opinions. Obedience not only involves acquiescing to the direction of our Father, but also involves delighting in his purposes for us. We acknowledge that God's Word is true and always trumps our selfish wants and wishes.

Healing is made effective in our lives not by navel gazing, but by obeying the will of God. Often we wait for some great supernatural experience to take away our hurt, but God challenges us to abide in him, to love him, and serve others. Obedience, not self-centeredness, brings a deep inner healing of the heart. At times our inner pain is great,

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## Birthdays

### August

8/5 Kim Hunter  
8/6 Lisa Christopherson  
8/8 Marilyn Luck  
8/10 Pamela Dent  
8/10 Hunter Pardee  
8/11 Fr. David Paysinger  
8/13 Meghan Looker  
8/24 Brooke Shimp

8/25 Catherine Looker  
8/30 Paul Lapinski

### September

9/9 Alanna Black  
9/15 Walter MacMillan  
9/17 Aylene Barr  
9/17 Lizz Looker

9/17 Samuel Wooded  
9/20 Courtney Brabson  
9/25 Cathie Shimp

Happy  
Birthday!!!!

## Truth Obeyed Will Heal continued

but God's grace received through obeying his word brings deep and abiding healing.

Truth obeyed, said the Puritans, will heal. The word fits, because we are all spiritually sick — sick through sin, which is a wasting and killing disease of the heart. The unconverted are sick unto death; those who have come to know Christ and have been born

again continue sick, but they are gradually getting better as the work of grace goes on in their lives.

The church, however, is a hospital in which nobody is completely well, and anyone can relapse at any time. Pastors no less than others are weakened by pressure from the world, the flesh, and the devil, with their lures of profit, pleasure, and pride, and, as we shall see

more fully in a moment, pastors must acknowledge that they the healers remain sick and wounded and therefore need to apply the medicines of Scripture to themselves as well as to the sheep whom they tend in Christ's name.

All Christians need Scripture truth as medicine for their souls at every stage, and the making and accepting of applications is the

administering and swallowing of it.

J. I. Packer, *A Quest for Godliness*, 1990, reprint (Wheaton, IL: Crossway, 2010), 65, paragraphing added. HT: Justin Taylor

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## Prayer Needed

### *For the Church Worldwide*

Fill it with truth and peace. Where it is corrupt, purify it; where it is in error, direct and reform it. Where it is right, strengthen it; where it is in need, provide for it; where it is divided, bring it into unity.

### *For the CEC*

Bless the CEC and Patriarch, bishops, other clergy, and the congregations committed to their charge with a Spirit of

grace through Your Holy Spirit, to live according to the example of Your Son, and to reveal the power of Your love to all those around us.

### *For Our Diocese*

Bless our Bishop, the clergy, and all of the people of our diocese. That we may grow together in the grace and knowledge of Your Son, and work in unity for the building of Your kingdom.

### *For Our Parish*

Lord Jesus, you have called our church to bring others to faith in You and to invite them to join us on the path of life. Give us the strength and courage to invite others to come and meet you. Put one person in my path today who I can invite to Church.

## THIS BLOOD'S FOR YOU

Please include your  
prayers

## The Saint and God's Goodness

*The Lord is good, a strong refuge when trouble comes. He is close to those who trust in him.*

[\*Nahum 1:7 NLT\*](#)

What does it mean for God to be good? It means in him, there is nothing deceptive, misleading, evil, or impure. All of God's motives are honest, loving, grace-filled,

and kind. In him, we can trust and find a place of security, rest and peace. As we place all of all reliance on him, he is pleased and he responds in sympathy, mercy, provision, and blessing. A saint is not one who has achieved great spiritual heights, but one who trusts in the simple goodness of God even in the

darkest of nights.

That God is good is taught and implied on every page of the Bible and must be received as an article of faith as impregnable as the throne of God. It is a foundation stone for all sound thought about God and is necessary to moral sanity.

A. W. Tozer, [\*The Knowledge of the Holy\*](#) (New York: Harper & Row, 1961), 88.

The saint is not one who tries hard to be good, but one who surrenders to [God's] Goodness.

E. Stanley Jones, [\*In Christ\*](#) (Nashville, TN: Abingdon, 1980)

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about what it means to be Charismatic. He began with a brief history of the Charismatic movement within the Roman Catholic Church and then spoke about the root of the word itself. He then challenged the church at large to always remain focused on listening to the voice of the Holy Spirit, learning from the Holy Spirit and following the direction of the Holy Spirit. The Archbishop relayed several stories of the Holy Spirit moving in the midst of the Eucharist at the cathedral in Manila, emphasizing the point that our celebration of the Eucharist should be full of passion, energy and life. He challenged the church to always view our entire celebration of the Eucharist as worship - from the beginning of the procession to the final dismissal.

The 2012 International Convocation continued the first evening with the celebration of Eucharist, the Patriarch presiding. The liturgy incorporated stylistic cues in music, dance and spoken word from ICCEC parishes all over the world and truly showed the face of the international church. During the homily the Patriarch spoke from Ephesians 3:14-19.

Wednesday morning's session continued with Archbishop Charles Jones speaking. Archbishop Jones'

talk focused on the Eucharist with what he called a "pastoral emphasis" - discussing the importance of the Eucharist to our daily lives and our relationship with Jesus. The Archbishop's talk covered three points: relationship, presence and sacrifice. During his talk, Archbishop Jones said "The Eucharist is the most Charismatic thing I can think of. If Charismatics can believe in a piece of cloth with healing power, why would it be hard for them to believe that bread and wine becomes the body and blood of Christ?"

Wednesday evening continued with a Eucharist celebrated by the Patriarch. Following the morning session from Archbishop Jones, which focused on the importance of Eucharist and called all of us to approach each Eucharist with a passionate expectation of an encounter with Jesus, there was a profound spirit of joy and anticipation for the evening's celebration. At the beginning of his homily, the Patriarch said "After hearing Bp. Jones this morning, I spent the entire day looking forward to this Eucharist! I can't wait to get behind that altar." The Patriarch went on to speak further about the importance of having a personal relationship with Jesus and looking only to Him in all aspects of our lives.

The final Eucharist of the 2012 International Convocation was celebrated on Thursday, July 12. As on the previous two evenings, the final Eucharist incorporated a variety of stylistic cues from CEC churches all over the world. A highlight of the evening was a song performed by the children titled "For the Life of the World." While several children led the singing, the rest entered the sanctuary clothed in traditional dress from all over the world, waving flags of various nations, and dancing.

During his homily, the Patriarch once again focused on the need for all of us to have a deep personal relationship with Jesus that transcends everything else in our lives. Drawing again on the Gospel passage about the Samaritan woman at the well, he called on the entire ICCEC to enter into true worship. He said, "True worship is plunging ourselves into the Love of Christ."

For the complete story and full audio of the messages go to [www.cechome.com](http://www.cechome.com) website for both download and streaming.



Bishops and Archbishops of the Patriarch's council



"For the Life of the World." Children's performance



## OUR MISSION & PRIORITIES



The mission of our church is to bring the rich sacramental and liturgical heritage of the early church, the power of Pentecost, and the infallible truth of Scripture together in one expression of Christ's church for this generation, providing a home for all Christians who seek a vital, powerful energetic, and yet stable church in which to grow in love with one another and in our knowledge and love of God.

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### August Daily Office

Date	AM Psalm	PM Psalm	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
1-Wednesday	72	119:73-96	Judges 3:12-30	Acts 1:1-1	Matt 27:45-54
2-Thursday	71	74	Judges 4:4-23	Acts 1:15-26	Matt 27:55-66
3-Friday	69:1-38	73	Judges 5:1-18	Acts 2:1-21	Matt 28:1-10
4-Saturday	75,76	23,27	Judges 5:19-31	Acts 2:22-36	Matt 28:11-20
5-Sunday	93,96	34	Judges 6:1-24	2Cor 9:6-15	Mark 3:20-30
6-Monday	80	77	Judges 6:25-40	Acts 2:37-47	John 1:1-18
7-Tuesday	78:1-39	78:40-72	Judges 7:1-18	Acts 3:1-11	John 1:19-28
8-Wednesday	119:97-120	81,82	Judges 7:19-8:12	Acts 3:12-26	John 1:29-42
9-Thursday	145	85,86	Judges 8:22-35	Acts 4:1-12	John 1:43-51
10-Friday	88	91,92	Judges 9:1-16,19-21	Acts 4:13-31	John 2:2-12
11-Saturday	87,90	136	Judges 9:22-25,50-57	Acts 4:32-5:11	John 2:13-25
12-Sunday	66,67	19,46	Judges 11:1-11,29-40	2Cor 11:21b-31	Mark 4:35-41
13-Monday	89:1-18	89:19-52	Judges 12:1-7	Acts 5:12-26	John 3:1-21
14-Tuesday	97,99	94	Judges 13:1-15	Acts 5:27-42	John 3:22-36
15-Wednesday	101,109:1-4,20-30	119:121-144	Judges 13:15-24	Acts 6:1-15	John 4:1-26
16-Thursday	105:1-22	105:23-45	Judges 14:1-19	Acts 6:15-7:16	John 4:27-42
17-Friday	102	107:1-32	Judges 14:20-15:20	Acts 7:17-29	John 4:43-54
18-Saturday	107:33-43,108	33	Judges 16:1-14	Acts 7:30-43	John 5:1-18
19-Sunday	118	145	Judges 16:15-31	2Cor 13:1-11	Mark 5:25-34
20-Monday	106:1-18	106:19-48	Judges 17:1-13	Acts 7:44-8:1a	John 5:19-29
21-Tuesday	121,122,123	124,125,126	Judges 18:1-15	Acts 8:1-13	John 5:30-47
22-Wednesday	119:145-176	128,129,130	Judges 18:16-31	Acts 8:14-25	John 6:1-15
23-Thursday	131,132	134,135	Job 1:1-22	Acts 8:26-40	John 6:16-27
24-Friday	140,142	141,143	Job 2:1-13	Acts 9:1-9	John 6:27-40
25-Saturday	137:1-6,144	104	Job 3:1-26	Acts 9:10-19a	John 6:41-51
26-Sunday	146,147	111,112,113	Job 4:1-6,12-21	Rev 4:1-11	Mark 6:1-6a
27-Monday	1,2,3	4,7	Job 4:1,5:1-11,17-21,26-27	Acts 9:19b-31	John 6:52-59
28-Tuesday	5,6	10,11	Job 6:1-4,8-15,21	Acts 9:32-43	John 6:60-71
29-Wednesday	119:1-24	12,13,14	Job 6:1,7:1-21	Acts 10:1-16	John 7:1-13
30-Thursday	18:1-20	18:21-50	Job 8:1-10,20-22	Acts 10:17-33	John 7:14-36
31-Friday	16,17	22	Job 9:1-15,32-35	Acts 10:34-48	John 7:37-52