

Dear Parents & Pastors...*living in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, among whom you shine as lights in the world, **holding fast the word of life**, so that I may rejoice in the day of Christ that I have not run in vain or labored in vain. Philippians 2:15-16*

Have you ever wondered if your spiritual investment in the lives of others will yield a return? Have you ever wondered if all your spiritual labor will one day prove to be in vain? Have you ever wondered if your children will one day walk away from the Faith?

There is no doubt we live in a “crooked and perverse” generation. What can we do to lead those whom we are investing our lives (discipling) to shine as lights in this world and avoid the crooked and perverse paths of life?

Paul wrote to the Philippians, who also lived in a crooked and perverse generation, and admonished them to “*hold fast the word of life.*” The result would be that in the day of Christ he would rejoice because he would then know that he had not run in vain or labored in vain. John echoes this joy...*I have no greater joy than to hear that my children walk in truth. –3 John 4*

No one desires to run or labor in vain. **Paul gives us the prescription for fruitful & joyful ministry...** *Hold fast the word of life.* All of life will tempt us to hold “loose” the Word of life...causing the daily reading of God’s Word to slip off our daily “to do list.”

Holding fast to God’s Word is the goal of *Celebrate the Glory.*

Our desire is to encourage and inspire families to read God’s Word together everyday...and love it! Last year over 100 families gathered together to celebrate the glory of God’s Word, God’s Family, and God’s Beauty. This year we have invited a number of guests whom I believe will truly inspire all of us to hold more tightly to God’s Word.

Would you prayerfully consider joining us and telling others about this event?
Also, **please pray** for God’s glory to be multiplied through this event.

Together for His glory,
Event Director
Marc Jantomaso and family

So then, faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
Romans 10:17