



# Kenai Christian Church *news*

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ABC Life Choices  
ABC Life Choice Presents

## HUMAN TRAFFICKING AWARENESS & ACTION EVENT

MAY 09 2019

FEATURING: SPECIAL SPEAKERS  
Be Informed  
See the Need  
Choose Action

PATHS TO  
FREEDOM

DOORS OPEN AT 6PM

KENAI CHRISTIAN CHURCH  
104 McKinley St, Kenai, AK

Accompanied Youth age 14 and older are welcome to attend  
For questions: REST@abclifechoices.org or 283-9062

# GRADUATION

# Life Hurts

If you were to assess our world today, what conclusions would you make regarding the overall state of it? Would you conclude that things are great and headed in very positive direction? Would you struggle with putting into words the conflict between good and evil in the world? My overall assessment would be that in general, life hurts. There are so many things in our world that break my heart. There are multiple causes to fight for that are trying to address these difficulties that

of neglect by Jesus, but instead a life lesson to demonstrate why He came to earth. After being dead for four days, Jesus approached the tomb of Lazarus and spoke him back to life! In that act of compassion and love, Jesus showed that He came to restore the hurt and dysfunction of this world.

# A Reason to Hope

at times it seems overwhelming. Constantly the phone rings at the office of the church to address another hurt, cause, or need. It troubles me that people get sick. It troubles me that corruption is so thick at times it is hard to distinguish truth. It troubles me that injustice is "normal." Sin and evil have left such a destructive trail of tears that it can be paralyzing at times.

## A Reason to Hope

The story of what happened to Lazarus is included in scripture as a reminder to us that we have a reason to hope. When it appears that sin and evil are winning, know that Jesus has conquered sin and evil. When sickness and death feel final, know that Jesus has defeated sickness and death. By raising Lazarus from the dead, Jesus was giving us a taste of our future with Him. May the words he spoke to Martha echo in our hearts from John 11:25-26, "Jesus said to her, 'I am the resurrection and the life. The one who believes in me will live, even though they die; and whoever lives by believing in me will never die. Do you believe this?'" I believe this! And I am grateful to have hope when life at times seems so desperate. Do you believe? It is my prayer that you do already, or someday will.

Placing my hope in Jesus,  
Adam

## Don't Forget Lazarus

An exercise like this can make you feel pretty down on life, but I want to remind you of something of extreme importance: Lazarus. Go read John chapter 11 again and refresh your memory as to what happened in history. Jesus' friend Lazarus became ill to the point of death. Jesus was told about Lazarus' illness prior to his death, yet Jesus delayed in responding. The One who held the power over sickness waited until his friend experienced death to respond. Was Jesus cruel in this decision? Some may argue that He was, but may I suggest that Jesus knew exactly what His plan was. Lazarus dying was no accident

# Youth News

## Celebrations:

- **Kiera Duby was baptized on April 7<sup>th</sup>!**
- The young guys beat the old guys in an epic basketball game that happened right after service on March 31<sup>st</sup>. It was a long game that went into overtime. But the young guys pulled ahead early and won by 4 by the end of time. Thank you to all the people who came to support both teams!

## Coming Up:

- **There will be a youth bonfire night on May 18<sup>th</sup>! All students 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to come for some praise worship, devotional time, and of course, fellowship.** More details on time and the exact location will be given at a later date!
- Wednesday, May 22<sup>nd</sup> is the last day of school! So to celebrate the end of the school year, we will have an "End of the Year Bash" on Wednesday night. We'll play games, hangout, and celebrate all the good things God has done with the youth during our regular group time.
- **It's never too early to start marking dates for summer camp!** This year, camp for middle school and high schoolers, is happening from July 8<sup>th</sup> – July 12<sup>th</sup>. The cost for camp is \$165 if you sign up before the early registration deadline, and \$195 if you sign up past the deadline. The deadline is June 9<sup>th</sup> so make sure you sign up to save some extra bucks! You can grab a sign up sheet in the high school room, or talk to Caleb. But! We also have exciting news! You can also sign up for camp online at [greatlandchristiancamp.org](http://greatlandchristiancamp.org)! So be sure to start marking those calendars and filling out forms to send your kids to camp this year!

# GRADUATION

Be sure to congratulate our new graduates!

*Keira Duby*

*Kylie Jones*

*Alex Miller*

*Sawyer Tugan*

*Brianna Hammond*

# Living Water Christian Mission

Serving Jesus in Gonaives, Haiti

Thanks for taking the time to learn more about our organization. **Living Water Christian Mission** is located in Gonaives, Haiti. Under the direction of Salonique Adolphe, the mission operates three churches and assist three others. They provide two elementary schools, one traditional high school and one high school for adults. They also operate a school to learn a profession and a farm. Eventually a seminary, will be built on the farm land. The seminary now meets at one of their other schools now.

The students at these schools are not orphans, but their families do not have the financial means to

provide their children a quality Christ

-centered education. Sponsorship not only supports students, but assists families as well. In Haiti, as is true in most nations, education is the means out of poverty and into a better quality of life. **Our sponsorship of students has the potential to not only impact families, but neighborhoods, cities and even the nation of Haiti as a whole.** The sponsorship levels are \$30 a month for students in PK-6 grade and \$50 a month for students in 7-12 grades. The higher cost for secondary students is related to the higher costs of textbooks for those grades. For more information on student sponsorship go to

[livingwater.reachapp.co](http://livingwater.reachapp.co)



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# Regular Services

## SUNDAY

Bible Classes 9:45 am

Worship 11:00 am

Evening Service 6:30 pm

## WEDNESDAY

Soul Café 5:45 pm

Bible Study 6:30 pm

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| <p><b>5.5</b></p>  | <p>Sunday Sundae</p>  |
| <p><b>5.9</b></p>  | <p>ABC presents<br/>Human Trafficking<br/>Awareness &amp; Action<br/>Event @ 6:00pm</p> |
| <p><b>5.12</b></p> | <p>Mothers Day<br/>(Evening Services<br/>Dismissed)</p>                                 |
| <p><b>5.19</b></p> | <p>Graduation Sunday</p>  |
| <p><b>5.19</b></p> | <p>Family Fun Night<br/>(In place of Evening<br/>Services)</p>                          |
| <p><b>5.26</b></p> | <p>Evening Service<br/>Dismissed</p>  |
| <p><b>5.29</b></p> | <p>Beginning of new<br/>summer program for<br/>1st-5th grade</p>                        |



# *Announcements*

Praising God for the  
growth of His  
Kingdom!

Keira Duby  
was baptized on  
April 7th, 2019

Congratulations on  
the graduating class  
of 2019

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