

The Greatest Story

Living Right Side Up in an Upside-Down World

Luke 6:17-26

 **P O R T N A Z.org**
porterville church of the nazarene

MARK PITCHER, Lead Pastor

Welcome to Port Naz • We're glad you're here!

Sunday, May 28

Worship Services, 8:30am & 11:00am

Children's Church, K-6th, 8:30am & 11:00am

Small Group Discipleship Ministries for all ages, 9:45am

No service tonight • Prayer Lab resumes June 4

Wednesday, May 31

Adults and Children (K-6th), 6:30pm • Youth (7th-12th), 7pm

Nursery through Preschool for parents who are on campus

Porterville Church of the Nazarene

Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm • 559.784.3305 • welcome@portnaz.org

2005 W. Olive Avenue • Church and Preschool

Port Naz Christian Academy

Monday-Friday, 7:30am-5:30pm • 559.784.KIDS(5437) • pnca@portnaz.org

Karen Pitcher, Director

PASTOR MARK PITCHER

Our Lord doesn't want us to be comfortable or feel normal living in an **upside-down world**. That life is destructive to the abundant life that our Lord has given us, and it makes us ineffective in following Christ. To be a disciple of Christ, we need to live **right side up** in an **upside-down world**.

The Setting, *Luke 6:17*

Jesus descends from the mountain, ready to present to His disciples the New Covenant, living right side up in an upside-down world. When Jesus said, *blessed are you...*, He was saying, "Here are the ingredients that result in absolute contentment, fulfillment and happiness in life. You can be happy in this life, you can be content, fulfilled, and blessed."

Blessed & Woe #1, vs. 20 & 24

Upside-down living is living in the riches and resources of this world.

Right side up living is living in the riches and resources of God.

Blessed & Woe #2, vs. 21 & 25

Upside-down living is self-centeredness.

Right side up living is living in Christ-centeredness.

Blessed & Woe #3, vs. 21b & 25b

Upside-down living is living for themselves.

Right side up living is living in the flow of God's forgiveness.

Blessed & Woe #4, vs. 22 & 26

To whatever extent a follower of Christ experiences persecution, he or she can take joy in the fact that their persecution puts them in an elite group who has done far more to change the world for the better than the persecutors have.

LifeChange

ASSISTIVE HEARING DEVICES

Port Naz is equipped with a hearing assistance system • Receivers are at the Welcome Center

HOLY COMMUNION

If you need help receiving Communion elements, please let an usher or staff member know

PASTORAL PRAYER

A pastor is available to pray with you > Prayer Hallway, east of the Worship Center, during Worship through song

SERMON BROADCASTS

KTIP > 1450 AM Radio • Podcasts > Google Play & iTunes • Website > portnaz.org
CDs & DVDs available for purchase with an order envelope > Welcome Center

CONDOLENCES

To **Pam Thompson** with the passing of her beloved father, **Kenneth Andrews**

CONGRATULATIONS

Joey & Rachelle Agustin with the birth of daughter, **Ryder Grey**, granddaughter of **Joel & Pastor Colene Wiens** and niece to **Uncles, Karlin & Alex**

DEADLINE TODAY

Dodgers vs. Mets • Game & transportation, \$45 • Purchase in Lobby Game day, Tuesday, 20th, Dodger Stadium

LIFE AT PORT NAZ

First Response Team formation

If you are interested and possess a current CPR/First Aid/AED Certification, please let us know by providing your contact information > Connection Card

Port Naz Christian Academy • Summer & Fall enrollment
Ages 2-6 years, Monday-Friday; 2, 3 and 5-day schedules available
For more information, contact **Karen Pitcher**, 784.5437

JUNE

Youth Promotion • Sunday, 4th

Missions Council Meeting • Monday, 5th, 6:30pm, Room 301
All interested persons are welcome

A Taste of the Summit, Everyone has INFLUENCE • Sunday, 11th, 9:45am
Sample GLS video with **Mark Miller** of Chick-Fil-A • Adults & youth invited

Movie Night, I'm Not Ashamed • Sunday, 25th, 5:00pm

YOUTH

- Elev8 Retreat • This weekend, Point Loma Nazarene University
 - Summer Escape Retreat • Sunday-Wednesday, June 9-12, PLNU
 - Jr. High Hangout • Thursday, June 15, RushAir Sports, Bakersfield
 - Shave Ice & Bowling • Thursday, June 29
 - Jr. High Camp, 7th-8th • Mon.-Fri., July 31-August 4, Sugar Pine, Oakhurst
 - Sr. High Camp, 9th-12th • Monday-Friday, July 17-21, Lompoc
- Registration/info packets > Youth Info table, W. Hallway & Welcome Center
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INTERGEN

- Adult Co-ed Volleball • Mondays, June 5-August 7, Port Naz
 - Kids Mini Camp, 4th-6th • Friday-Saturday, June 9-10, Visalia Naz
 - Dodger Game • Tuesday, June 20, Dodger Stadium, L.A.
 - District Family Camp • Tuesday-Sunday, July 4-9, Sugar Pine, Oakhurst
 - Volleyball Camp, 3rd-8th • Monday-Wednesday, June 26-28, Port Naz
 - Men's Golf Retreat • Friday-Sunday, July 28-30, Monarch Dunes, Nipomo
 - District Kids Camp, 3rd-6th • Sunday-Thursday, July 30-August 3, Sugar Pine
- Registration/information brochures > Welcome Center
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NEW TO PORT NAZ?

We want to meet and greet you. Please fill in this Connection Card and present it at the Welcome Center to receive our gift for you.

TELL US ABOUT YOU

- 1st time Guest
 - 11 & Under
 - Return Guest
 - 12-20
 - Regular Attender
 - 21-30
 - Member
 - 31-40
 - 8:30am Worship
 - 41-50
 - 9:45am Small Group Discipleship
 - 11:00am Worship
 - 51-60
 - 61+
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LET US KNOW

Are you new? Have a change of info? Want to sign-up, RSVP, or let us know...?

CONNECTION CARD

RSVP _____

Missing/Need Visitation _____

Email _____

Phone _____ Birthdate _____

City & Zip Code _____

Address _____

Name _____

INTERESTED IN?

- I'm new to Christ, what's next?
 - Baptism
 - Membership
 - Small Group Discipleship Ministries
 - An appointment with Pastor:
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LifeChange

I NEED HELP WITH

Please contact me regarding:

- Addictions
- Children
- Family
- Finance Management
- Grief
- Marriage
- Parenting
- Youth

I WOULD LIKE TO RECEIVE

- The eNews
- Tithe/Giving Envelopes
- My eMail and/or address is on the other side of this card

ONLINE CONNECTION CARD



<http://portnaz.org/connection/>

PRAYER REQUESTS • COMMENTS

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DISCIPLESHIP MINISTRIES FOR ALL AGES

ADULTS

Early Morning Prayer
Tuesday, 6:00am • Worship Center
Pastor Mark Pitcher

Truth Seekers Bible Study
Wednesday, 6:30pm • Room 301
Greg & Chris Hanger

Recovery Groups • Room 309
NA Men & Women • M-T-W-Th, 6:00am
NA Men & Women • Monday, 7:00pm
AA Women • Tuesday, 7:00pm
GA Men & Women • Thursday, 6:00pm

Feeding the Homeless
4th Saturdays
Pastor Peggy & Rollin Buffington

Men

The Book of Isaiah Bible Study
Monday, 6:30am • Panera
Mike Uptain

Bible Study & Fellowship
Wednesday, 6:15am • RJ's Cafe
Pastor Mark Pitcher

Seniors

Healthy Hearts Exercise • 9:00am
M - W - F • Gym

Living Proof Bible & Fellowship
Wednesday, 6:30pm • Rms. 303-304
Pastor Tom Griffith

Ambassadors Men's Fellowship
2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 10:00am

Women

The Good Book Bible Study
Thursday, 6:30pm • Room 301
DVD Series by **Kyle Idleman**

CHILDREN

K-6th Grade
Wednesday, 6:30pm • Room 112
Bible, Games, Music, Snack Bar

YOUTH • Jr. & Sr. High

Bible & Fellowship
Wednesday, 7:00pm • Room 401

Early Morning Prayer
Saturday, 8:00am • Room 402
Matthew Day & Jen Mawson

COMMUNITY & FAMILY LIFE

Pastor Chad & Voni Ramage
cramage@portnaz.org

PURE DESIRE MINISTRIES

Pastor Kristy Johnson
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PRAYER REQUESTS

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Attendance last Sunday • 726