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UPCOMING EVENTS AND NEWS

PASTOR SHAWN OFF — Through Tuesday, February 25

Pastor Shawn is on vacation to enjoy time with his new bride and their children. If you are in need of ministry during this time, please feel free to contact another member of our pastoral staff.

- Pastor Valerie—605-431-5164; vrlinksd@gmail.com
- Pastor Linda—605-381-6964; linda@destiny4square.org
- Pastor Sande—605-390-0446; sande@rushmore.com
- Pastor Dyani—dyaniwaldrop@gmail.com
- Pastor Lyle—lyle@destiny4square.org

WOMEN'S NIGHT— Friday, February 21, 6:00 pm

The ladies of Destiny are gathering for an evening of fun and fellowship. Bring a snack to share.

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY/PIZZA + MOVIE NIGHT CANCELED

All Destiny Men's events are canceled for the next 2 weeks due to the hospitalization of Men's Ministry leader, Matt Davis. Prayers for his healing are appreciated.

DESTINY'S 27TH BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION — Sunday, Mar. 2, 10:00 am

Destiny is having a birthday! Make plans to join us as we celebrate all God has done through the years together.

1st WEDNESDAY WORSHIP — Wednesday, Mar. 5, 6:30 pm

Join us for a night of unadulterated worship in Destiny's office building. All evening classes for adults are paused so we can gather and worship.

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2.15.25 | Elder Jim Waldrop, 1st John Essential Foundations

1 John 1:1-4 We proclaim to you the one who existed from the beginning, whom we have heard and seen. We saw him with our own eyes and touched him with our own hands. He is the Word of life. This one who is life itself was revealed to us, and we have seen him. And now we testify and proclaim to you that he is the one who is eternal life. He was with the Father, and then he was revealed to us. We proclaim to you what we ourselves have actually seen and heard so that you may have fellowship with us. And our fellowship is with the Father and with his Son, Jesus Christ. We are writing these things so that you may fully share our joy.

1 John 4:13-15 And God has given us his Spirit as proof that we live in him and he in us. Furthermore, we have seen with our own eyes and now testify that the Father sent his Son to be the Savior of the world. All who declare that Jesus is the Son of God have God living in them, and they live in God.

1 John 5:4-12 For every child of God defeats this evil world, and we achieve this victory through our faith. And who can win this battle against the world? Only those who believe that Jesus is the Son of God. And Jesus Christ was revealed as God's Son by his baptism in water and by shedding his blood on the cross—not by water only, but by water and blood. And the Spirit, who is truth, confirms it with his testimony. So we have these three witnesses—the Spirit, the water, and the blood—and all three agree. Since we believe human testimony, surely we can believe the greater testimony that comes from God. And God has testified about his Son. All who believe in the Son of God know in their hearts that this testimony is true. Those who don't believe this are actually calling God a liar because they don't believe what God has testified about his Son. And this is what God has testified: He has given us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have God's Son does not have life.

1 John 2:15-20 Do not love this world nor the things it offers you, for when you love the world, you do not have the love of the Father in you. For the world offers only a craving for physical pleasure, a craving for everything we see, and pride in our achievements and possessions. These are not from the Father, but are from this world. And this world is fading away, along with everything that people crave. But anyone who does what pleases God will live forever. Dear children, the last hour is here. You have heard that the Antichrist is coming, and already many such antichrists have appeared. From this we know that the last hour has come. These people left our churches, but they never really belonged with us; otherwise they would have stayed with us. When they left, it proved that they did not belong with us. But you are not like that, for the Holy One has given you his Spirit, and all of you know the truth.

1 John 2:26-27 I am writing these things to warn you about those who want to lead you astray. But you have received the Holy Spirit, and he lives within you, so you don't need anyone to teach you what is true. For the Spirit teaches you everything you need to know, and what he teaches is true—it is not a lie. So just as he has taught you, remain in fellowship with Christ.

1 John 4:1-6 Dear friends, do not believe everyone who claims to speak by the Spirit. You must test them to see if the spirit they have comes from God. For there are many false prophets in the world. This is how we know if they have the Spirit of God: If a person claiming to be a prophet acknowledges that Jesus Christ came in a real body, that person has the Spirit of God. But if someone claims to be a prophet and does not acknowledge the truth about Jesus, that person is not from God. Such a person has the spirit of the Antichrist, which you heard is coming into the world and indeed is already here. But you belong to God, my dear children. You have already won a victory over those people, because the Spirit who lives in you is greater than the spirit who lives in the world. Those people belong to this world, so they speak from the world's viewpoint, and the world listens to them. But we belong to God, and those who know God listen to us. If they do not belong to God, they do not listen to us. That is how we know if someone has the Spirit of truth or the spirit of deception.
