

THE JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM RETURNS! // We love Christmas here at Quail Lake Church and one of our traditions at Christmas is our Journey To Bethlehem craft show and fair. Gayle Casella is our team leader on this event, and she has scheduled this year’s event earlier to try to avoid being hit by the rain as happened last year. This is a fun event and a chance for us to let the world around us know of God’s love and work on that first Christmas. Hold the date and we will keep bringing you more information on this fun and family-friendly event at Quail Lake Community Church.

FALL FEAST // We will have our annual Fall Feast meal on November 8th at 5:00 PM, which includes a dessert auction. If you are unable to make the dinner please consider donating a dessert to be auctioned. All proceeds from the Fall Feast will be used for Christian Camp Scholarships. More information to come soon please be on the look out.

Tickets:
\$10.00 Ages 6+
Free 5 and under

CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOE BOXES // Samaritan's Purse Operation Christmas Child is now under way for 2026. Briana and Pam have lots of Shoeboxes that need to be picked up, packed and turned back in by Sunday, November 15th! Please plan on packing one or more shoeboxes for children all over the world in poor countries, war torn areas, areas where disasters have hit, and more. It's a beautiful way to share the love of Jesus Christ to lots of children and their families, some of whom have never heard the Good News. We have plenty of shoeboxes and lots of information on how to pack one! Each shoebox requires a \$10 shipping fee that Samaritan's Purse needs to pay. God bless you for sharing your love with the children who will receive the Shoeboxes! If you need assistance, please contact Briana or Pam.

QLCC MANAGEMENT TEAM // We will be starting a brand new ministry group called our Management Team. They will be charged with the care and repair of the campus that God has given to us. It is a team that will not spend much time ever in meetings, but in putting their love and commitment into action. Keep watching for our time of recruitment of team members which will be coming soon. There will be a place for everyone who wants to serve on our team!

**THIS WEEK AT
QUAIL LAKE CHURCH**

- OCT. 13** Program Team // 6:30 PM // North House
- OCT. 14** Awana // 6:00 PM // Chapel
- OCT. 18** Sunday School // 9:00 AM // North House
- OCT. 18** Worship // 10:00 AM // Chapel

**UPCOMING EVENTS AT
QUAIL LAKE CHURCH**

- OCT. 24** Journey to Bethlehem
- OCT. 28** Trunk or Treat
- NOV. 8** Fall Feast
- DEC. 6** Fellowship
- DEC. 24** Candlelight Service

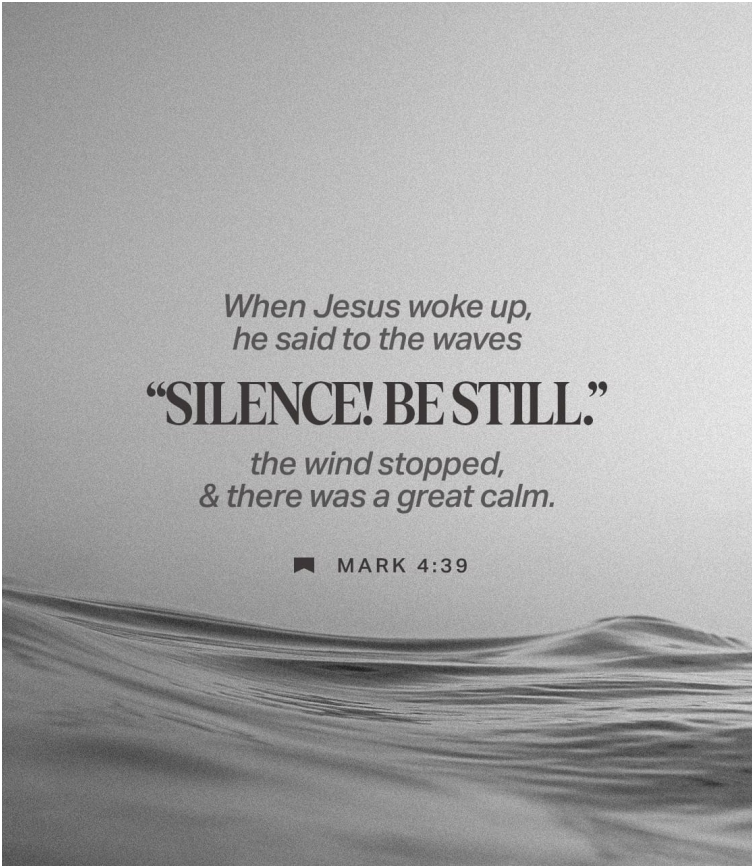
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Welcome to Quail Lake Community Church! We’re glad you’re here to worship with us today. Reach out to us if you have questions. We encourage you to visit our website at www.quaillakechurch.com, and find us on Facebook, Instagram, and YouTube, and download our app from the App Store to keep track of what’s happening at QLCC.

GROWING YOU GROWING THE KINGDOM

Mark 4:1-41 NLT

THE FILTER FOR THE FAITHFUL

Once again Jesus began teaching by the lakeshore. A very large crowd soon gathered around him, so he got into a boat. Then he sat in the boat while all the people remained on the shore. (2) He taught them by telling many stories in the form of parables, such as this one:

THE FARMER GOD

(3) “Listen! A farmer went out to plant some seed. (4) As he scattered it across his field, some of the seed fell on a foot-path, and the birds came and ate it. (5) Other seed fell on shallow soil with underlying rock. The seed sprouted quickly because the soil was shallow. (6) But the plant soon wilted under the hot sun, and since it didn’t have deep roots, it died. (7) Other seed fell among thorns that grew up and choked out the tender plants so they produced no grain. (8) Still other seeds fell on fertile soil, and they sprouted, grew, and produced a crop that was thirty, sixty, and even a hundred times as much as had been planted!” (9) Then he said, “Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand.”

YOU GOTTA WANT IT

(10) Later, when Jesus was alone with the twelve disciples and with the others who were gathered around, they asked him what the parables meant. (11) He replied, “You are permitted to understand the secret of the Kingdom of God. But I use parables for everything I say to outsiders, (12) so that the Scriptures might be fulfilled: ‘When they see what I do, they will learn nothing. When they hear what I say, they will not understand. Otherwise, they will turn to me and be forgiven.’” (13) Then Jesus said to them, “If you can’t understand the meaning of this parable, how will you understand all the other parables? (14) The farmer plants seed by taking God’s word to others. (15) The seed that fell on the footpath represents those who hear the message, only to have Satan come at once and take it away. (16) The seed on the rocky soil represents those who hear the message and immediately receive it with joy. (17) But since they don’t have deep roots, they don’t last long. They fall away as soon as they have problems or are persecuted for believing God’s word.

(18) The seed that fell among the thorns represents others who hear God’s word, (19) but all too quickly the message is crowded out by the worries of this life, the lure of wealth, and the desire for other things, so no fruit is produced. (20) And the seed that fell on good soil represents those who hear and accept God’s word and produce a harvest of thirty, sixty, or even a hundred times as much as had been planted!”

PAY ATTENTION: USE IT OR LOSE IT

(21) Then Jesus asked them, “Would anyone light a lamp and then put it under a basket or under a bed? Of course not! A lamp is placed on a stand, where its light will shine. (22) For everything that is hidden will eventually be brought into the open, and every secret will be brought to light. (23) Anyone with ears to hear should listen and understand.” (24) Then he added, “Pay close attention to what you hear. The closer you listen, the more understanding you will be given—and you will receive even more. (25) To those who listen to my teaching, more understanding will be given. But for those who are not listening, even what little understanding they have will be taken away from them.”

DO YOUR JOB, LET GOD DO HIS

(26) Jesus also said, “The Kingdom of God is like a farmer who scatters seed on the ground. (27) Night and day, while he’s asleep or awake, the seed sprouts and grows, but he does not understand how it happens. (28) The earth produces the crops on its own. First a leaf blade pushes through, then the heads of wheat are formed, and finally the grain ripens. (29) And as soon as the grain is ready, the farmer comes and harvests it with a sickle, for the harvest time has come.” (30) Jesus said, “How can I describe the Kingdom of God? What story should I use to illustrate it? (31) It is like a mustard seed planted in the ground. It is the smallest of all seeds, (32) but it becomes the largest of all garden plants; it grows long branches, and birds can make nests in its shade.” (33) Jesus used many similar stories and illustrations to teach the people as much as they could understand. (34) In fact, in his public ministry he never taught without using parables; but afterward, when he was alone with his disciples, he explained everything to them.

WHO ARE YOU?

(35) As evening came, Jesus said to his disciples, “Let’s cross to the other side of the lake.” (36) So they took Jesus in the boat and started out, leaving the crowds behind (although other boats followed). (37) But soon a fierce storm came up. High waves were breaking into the boat, and it began to fill with water. (38) Jesus was sleeping at the back of the boat with his head on a cushion. The disciples woke him up, shouting, “Teacher, don’t you care that we’re going to drown?” (39) When Jesus woke up, he rebuked the wind and said to the waves, “Silence! Be still!” Suddenly the wind stopped, and there was a great calm. (40) Then he asked them, “Why are you afraid? Do you still have no faith?” (41) The disciples were absolutely terrified. “Who is this man?” they asked each other. “Even the wind and waves obey him!”

SO...WHAT NOW?

QUIT QUIET QUITTING

FRUIT FROM FAITHFULNESS

LIFT YOUR LIGHT

TRUST THE TIMING

CALM IN CHAOS

AWANA // Join us for Awana every Wednesday from 6:00 PM to 7:30 PM.

TRUNK OR TREAT // We will be setting up booths for kids from all over the area to come and have a safe place for Halloween. That is going to take place on Wednesday, October 28 on our central parking lot. We will need fun trunks or booths and lots of candy. A donation bin for candy donations will be located at the chapel entrance. We’ll keep you posted on this fun event for kids of all ages!