

# WELCOME TO MARINERSCHURCH

Inspire people to **follow Jesus**  
and fearlessly change the world.

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**Mariners Church**  
is a place where you can ask  
questions, worship God freely  
and find community for life.

**Ines Franklin** Lead Pastor • Chapel

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weekend service times  
**Sun, 9&11a**

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Take a minute to fill out the card below and bring it to the  
**Welcome Center** on the patio where you'll find friendly people  
ready to answer your questions and **help you get connected.**

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- I'm **new** to Mariners
- Please sign me up for **The Compass** weekly e-news
- I'm interested in a **Life Group / Series Group**
- I'm interested in **servicing**  **on campus**  **through Outreach**

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# Celebrate DIFFERENTLY

During the Christmas season, we celebrate how God saw us when we were far off and sent us the greatest gift; His Son Jesus. **This Gift of love compels us to love and care for the poor and marginalized among us.** As a church we are committed to caring for the thousands of people in our community experiencing poverty and crisis this season.

## HOW WILL YOU CELEBRATE DIFFERENTLY?



### CHRISTMAS WISH LIST

*A gift for someone in need*

Take a gift tag from a Christmas tree on the patio. Purchase the gift and return it to the drop off bins on campus during weekend services.



### SIGN UP FOR A SERVE EVENT

*Invest your time*

Serve at an upcoming outreach event this holiday season. Help with Thanksgiving meals, Christmas parties and more.



### SUPPORT OUTREACH MINISTRIES

Outreach Ministries is not funded through the general church budget, but by sacrificial giving from the people of Mariners Church.

Outreach serves thousands of people year-round, leveraging volunteers and maximizing each dollar given to multiply impact both locally and globally.

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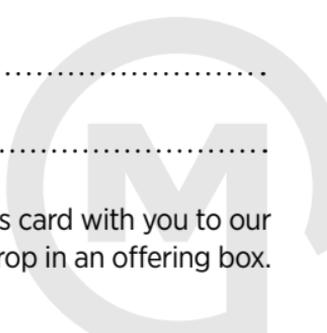
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# NEHEMIAH'S GENEROSITY

Nehemiah 5:14-19

## Position

*Moreover, from the twentieth year of King Artaxerxes, when I was appointed to be their governor in the land of Judah, until his thirty-second year—twelve years—neither I nor my brothers ate the food allotted to the governor. Nehemiah 5:14*

### The great outcry of the people

*Now the men and their wives raised a great outcry against their fellow Jews. Some were saying, "We and our sons and daughters are numerous; in order for us to eat and stay alive, we must get grain." Nehemiah 5:1-2*

### The reality of injustice by others

*But the earlier governors—those preceding me—placed a heavy burden on the people and took forty shekels of silver from them in addition to food and wine. Their assistants also lorded it over the people. Nehemiah 5:15*

## Motive

### Reverence for God

*But out of reverence for God I did not act like that. Instead, I devoted myself to the work on this wall. All my men were assembled there for the work; we did not acquire any land. Nehemiah 5:15b-16*

### Justice and compassion

*Furthermore, a hundred and fifty Jews and officials ate at my table, as well as those who came to us from the surrounding nations. Each day one ox, six choice sheep and some poultry were prepared for me, and every ten days an abundant supply of wine of all kinds. In spite of all this, I never demanded the food allotted to the governor, because the demands were heavy on these people. Nehemiah 5:17-18*

## Reward

*Remember me with favor, my God, for all I have done for these people. Nehemiah 5:19*