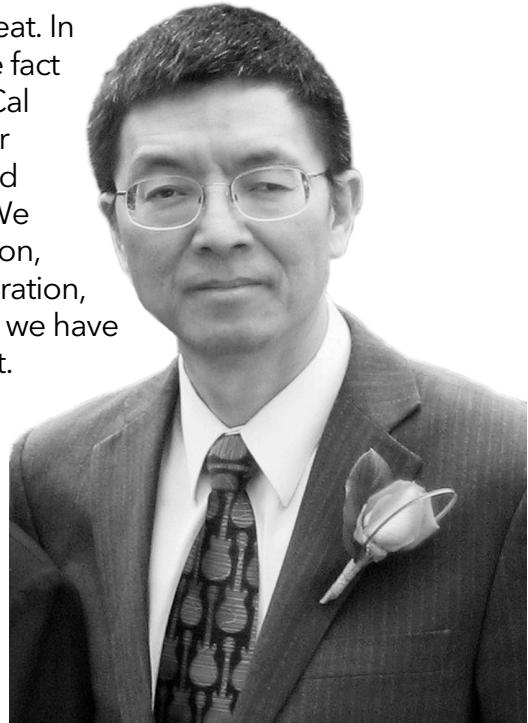


Foreword: *Setting A Memorial Stone* (Joshua 4:4-7)

We have planned and prayed 20 months for this retreat. In the beginning when there was strong opposition, the fact that there hasn't been a combined EFC retreat in SoCal for almost ten years motivated us. We need to gather to break bread, to pray, to worship together. We need to encourage and be connected with one another. We need to listen to the Word of God, to receive one vision, to be inspired with one spirit, to have a common aspiration, to strive for a common goal. It has not been easy but we have experienced the Lord's grace, guidance, and support.

We are thankful for God's provision and answered prayers through the hard work, generosity, and teamwork of SoCal EFCs. The retreat chair, vice-chair, pastors, local chairs, church reps, and all the GA office staff gave their very best to make this retreat happen. When I heard that registration had reached 1,800, I started worshiping God by singing "His Name is Wonderful."



I would like to thank the retreat chairperson and vice chairpersons for their leadership. The chairperson kept reminding us, "yes, the final product is important, but the process is even more crucial." To all the coworkers involved in the preparation, for us this retreat began twenty months ago. We've enjoyed much laughter, tears, prayers, and lessons—they have all become great memories.

The moment has finally arrived, all this labor for a short three-day two-night retreat. We've gathered for God, because He is the most important person. Prepare yourself to get to know God more, to listen to His message, to befriend His people and enjoy His grand family at EFC. Gaze at Christ and experience His transformation power.

This retreat is binding the General Assembly, three SoCal Regions, twenty local EFCs, Women Ministry, and Bridging Conference leaders more closely. Our retreat theme is "Cross Training." We want to equip and inspire you to have a passion to "Rescue Millions of Souls" and to build up His church in both quality and quantity. Please pray that God would equip you to accomplish His purposes.

May this retreat serve as a significant milestone in both EFC's history as well as in your personal, spiritual journey. His servant,

Handwritten signature of Peter Chen.

Pastor Peter Chen, *EFCGA Secretary General*

Welcome!



A message from the retreat chairperson and vice-chairpersons:

Long time no see! We're happy you are here! Making this grand gathering happen was not easy. Let's all relax, listen with an open mind, allow His Spirit to stir up our hearts, and pray for lasting fruit. We truly hope this 2013 All EFC SoCal Retreat will serve as a turbo boost in your spiritual journey.

As we considered having this retreat, God gradually changed our attitudes of "Why go through all the trouble of hosting a joint retreat? It's going to be a huge gathering with lots of work." We realized that we needed God's miraculous guidance and presence to accomplish great things for His kingdom. When we saw representatives from every SoCal EFC work with one spirit, our fear and hesitation turned into joy and enthusiasm. It was quite pleasant as well to work with the General Assembly office staff. God has once again taught us the wisdom that we must not touch God's work without prayer. And it is so true that man does the planning but God make it work. Because we've already seen so much of God's providence, we believe He will bless this retreat greatly!

Please be kind to all our volunteers, staff, speakers, and fellow retreaters. For workers, please be patient and verbally thank or encourage them.

Peter Chen, Su Ming Chiang, Sean Lin, *Retreat Chairperson & Vice-Chairpersons*

Pastor Peter Chen, *EFCGA Secretary General*



Registration

Important: We're happy you are here! You *must* finish the three steps below to complete your registration:

1. **Get your welcome packet**
 - a. You may pick them up for your roommates with their prior permission.
 - b. It includes: tote bag, handbook, name tag, pen, and key card. If you are missing anything, go to the Information Desk.
2. **Look for a key card**—some keys may not be available, due to the previous occupant not leaving in time. You might need to pick up your key later.
3. **Swipe a credit card**—if you are the first one in your room to arrive, you *must* go to the Cashier to swipe a credit card for parking and other potential fees.

Other Fees

1. **Parking**—is \$5/day with in and out privileges. When you exit the lot, give the attendant your room number. When you enter, take a ticket from the dispenser.
2. **Internet**—wireless internet is \$5/day. Available in guest rooms, not meeting halls.
3. **Fitness Center**— is \$5/day, at the Bella Tosca Day Spa (bottom of map).
4. **Room Amenities**—If items from the fridge are consumed or missing (coffee is free), calls are made from your hotel phone, pay-per-view shows are watched, video games played, room service or laundry ordered, etc. you will be charged.

Name Tags

Name tags are color coded to more easily find help. If your tag has a hole punched in the corner, this means you have not paid for meals. If you have not paid for meals and your tag is not punched, please be honest and inform a registrar. Please do not go into the Dining Hall during meals.

For help:

Red—official medical staff

Blue—retreat administration (registration, lost and found, etc.)

Green—small group leaders

Meal FastPass: these people may cut in line for meals. They are rushing to serve.

Gold—pastors and speakers

Purple—worship team

Orange—children ministry staff

We apologize for any mistakes. We rely on each church's local registrar to input your data correctly. With a retreat our size, it's possible you will not receive a replacement for minor mistakes. Please use a Sharpie to make necessary corrections.

How to make this retreat more enjoyable

Do:

1. **Make New Friends**– take advantage of this rare once in a decade weekend to meet new friends in the Lord.
2. **Be Clean**–clean up after yourself and keep yourself clean. Let's be a good witness to each other and to hotel staff. Pets are not allowed on campus.
3. **Be Purposeful**–be on time (allow for walking time) to all scheduled events, bring a Bible, pen, handbook and an open heart.
4. **Be Pure**–do not enter other gender rooms, except for families and married.
5. **Be Safe**–
 - a. Accidents: report accidents and illnesses immediately.
 - b. Kids: must be supervised, and checked in and out of childcare on time. Please help our children staff to have time for meals and their families.
 - c. Pools: available for use *only outside of* scheduled group meeting times. Use it at your own risk. Do not use the pool alone. Adult must be present
6. **Be Polite**–be quiet by 10pm, and in your bed by 12am latest. Turn lost items to 120. Greet one another cheerfully in the Lord. Say "thank you" to hard-working volunteers.
7. **Be Accountable**–tell your small group leader & pastor if you deviate from the schedule. Get their (and parents' if you're <18) permission to leave campus.

Don't:

1. **Harm**–don't do, say, vandalize or encourage anything dangerous or hurtful to people or property. You (and your guardian if you're <18) are financially liable.
2. **Violate Purity**–don't enter other gender rooms, nor be alone with a person of opposite gender.
3. **Leave**–to leave the site or meetings you need 1. your pastor's or official church leader's permission and 2. your parent's permission if you are under 18.
4. **Bring Contraband**–no illegal, immoral items may be brought onto campus (including but not limited to tobacco, alcohol, illicit drugs, fireworks, illegal weapons, or pornography).

Important:

If you break a DON'T rule, we reserve the right to send you home immediately, without refund of registration fees.



Saturday Opening Service

1:00pm-2:00pm • 101 Town & Country Ballroom •

Speaker: Elder Yao-feng Wang, EV • Translator: Pastor David Tsai, LA • Worship: Garrett Lim & Team, EV

A. EFCers

1. What does an EFCer look like? Traits?
2. Where were you 40 years ago? How about 20 years ago ?
3. Did you join EFC within the last 10 years?



B. Fire of Life

1. *"Those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength" (Is. 40:31)*
2. God promises to satisfy our desire with good things and renew our youth (Ps 103:5)

C. The Lord's Disciple

1. *"To prepare God's people for ministry, so that the body of Christ may be built up" (Eph. 4:12)*
2. Fishers of men
3. Enlarge the place of your tent, stretch your tent curtains wide, do not hold back; lengthen your cords, strengthen your stakes (Is. 54:2)

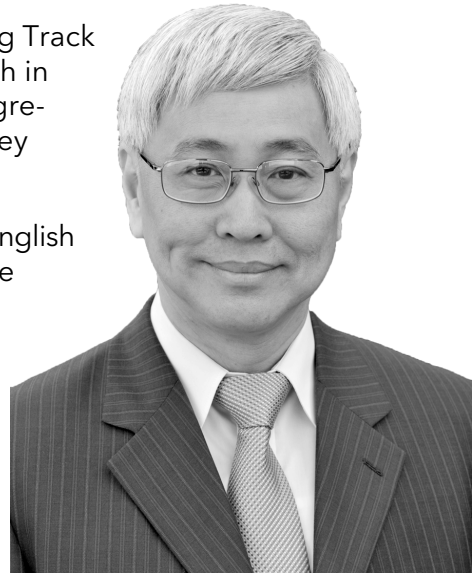
D. EFC's 2020, 200, 20,000 Vision

Dr. Siang-Yang Tan: Bridging Speaker

We are blessed to have Dr. Siang-Yang Tan as our Bridging Track Speaker. He is the senior pastor of First Evangelical Church in Glendale, a multi-language, multi-generational, multi-congregational church. He and his wife Angela live in Arcadia. They have two children, Carolyn and Andrew.

In Bridging Track 1, Dr. Tan will address our senior pastors, English pastors, church chairpersons, elders, and other leaders on the *Essentials For Growing A Multi-language Church*.

In Bridging Track 2a, Dr. Tan will address our Taiwanese and Mandarin pastors and elders on *The Senior Pastor and Church Leadership's Role in Effectively Growing An English Ministry*. In this session, Rev. Tan will share biblical perspectives and his personal experience and convictions on the right attitudes, skills, and approaches for the Senior Pastor and Church Leadership in effectively growing an English Ministry in the church.



Dr. Tan is also a professor of psychology at Fuller Theological Seminary's School of Psychology, having been on faculty since 1985, and previously served as director of the PsyD program and director of training of The Psychological Center. Dr. Tan has authored numerous books and textbooks.

Bridging Track

Objective:

We are hosting a Bridging Track during our retreat in place of our every other year Bridging Conference. The purpose of the Bridging Conference/Track is to help our senior pastors, English pastors, and elders experience a breakthrough in language ministries, intergenerational relationships, and church growth.

Four Sessions:

1. Dr. Siang Yang Tan (Sr. Pastor, FEC Glendale) will teach on "Essentials For Growing A Multi-language Church.."
2. Rev. Cory Ishida Pastor (Sr. Pastor, Evergreen SGV) will lead a breakout group English Pastors and leaders to discuss the health of the local church. Dr. Tan will lead the Taiwanese and Mandarin Pastors and leaders.
3. The third session is a panel comprising six guests from different backgrounds. They will share their experience, ideas, successes and failures, as well as field questions.
4. The final session has two parts, the first portion separated by language with the goal of brainstorming and prioritizing the top action points and proposals for their language group. During the second half, each language group will share their their action points and proposals.

Our prayer is that this Bridging Track will help us becoming more humble and loving as we bridge linguistic, cultural, generational, and theological divides. Let us surrender all previous failures, hurts, and differences to God and fix our eyes upon Jesus, so that we may unite together and accomplish His mission of reaching the lost and sanctifying the saints.



Saturday Bridging #1: *Essentials For Growing A Multi-Language Church*

Dr. Siang-Yang Tan

2:15pm-3:45pm • 114 Pacific Salon 4 & 5 • Dr. Siang Yang Tan on *Essentials For Growing A Multi-Language Church* for Pastors, Ministers, Chairpersons, Elders; other leaders are welcome • Others: please skip to page 10

1. A Biblical Perspective
2. Servanthood
3. Pastoral Graces
4. The Senior Pastor's Role;
5. Right Hiring
6. Staff Meetings and Mentoring
7. Lay Leadership Development
8. Budget Priorities
9. Casting the Vision
10. Healing the Past.

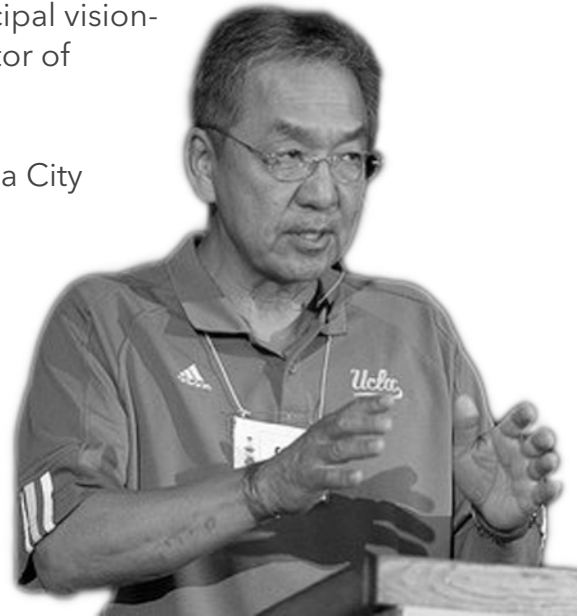
Pastor Cory Ishida: Adult & Bridging Speaker

Staff Position: Founding lead pastor and principal vision-caster of Evergreen SGV, and previous sr. pastor of Evergreen Baptist Church LA

Education: John Muir HS (Pasadena), Pasadena City College, UCLA, Fuller Theological Seminary

Family: Married to Reine since 1969, three daughters and sons-in-law, ten beautiful grandchildren

Favorite books: *The Bible* by the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, *Chronicles of Narnia* by C.S. Lewis, *Radical* by David Platt, *Treasure Principle* by Randy Alcorn, *Prodigal God* by Tim Keller



Hobbies: Going to Disneyland with grandchildren, playing in church basketball league, collecting flashlights, freshwater fishing, watching Trojans suffer when UCLA beats USC in football (Philippians 3:10)

Favorite foods: Spencer steak at Jocko's, roast duck at Sam Woo's, family sweet & sour chicken wings, breakfast anywhere

Life verse: "I can do all things through Him who strengthens me." Philippians 4:13

People I admire most: Billy Graham, John Wooden, George Wood

Favorite Disneyland attraction: Soaring over California

Least favorite: Tie between Space Mountain, California Screamin', the Tiki Room

Favorite vacation: Going to Mount Hermon, a week at the beach, a stay at one of the Disneyland Resort Hotels or anywhere with my family

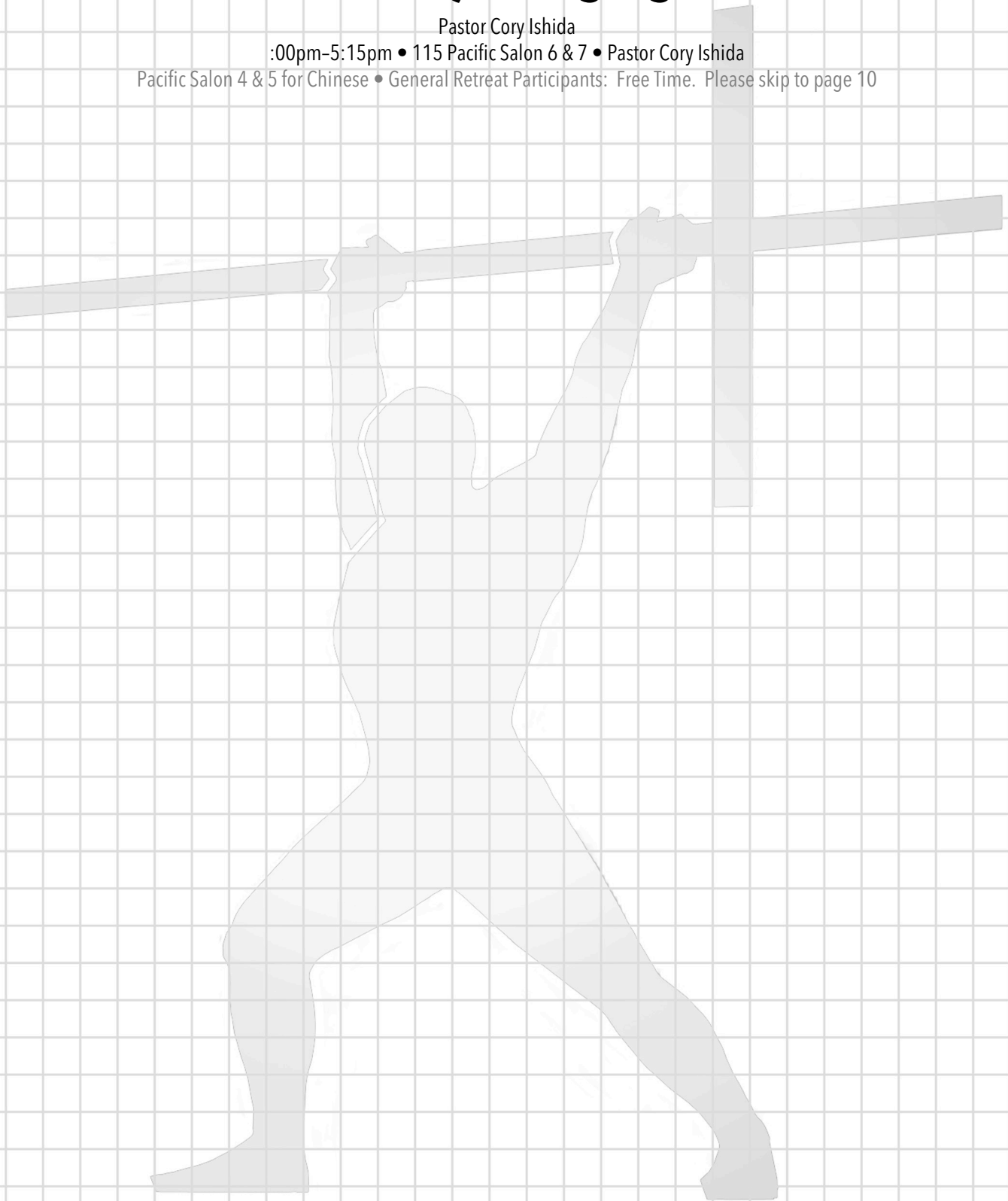
Favorite movies: (1) The Kid, (2) Princess Bride, (3) Miracle, (4) The Greatest Game Ever Played, (5) Westside Story, (6) The Rookie, (7) Invincible, (8) Guarding Tess, (9) Hook, (10) Superman the Movie



Saturday Bridging #2

Pastor Cory Ishida

:00pm-5:15pm • 115 Pacific Salon 6 & 7 • Pastor Cory Ishida
Pacific Salon 4 & 5 for Chinese • General Retreat Participants: Free Time. Please skip to page 10



Larry Bubb: Junior High Speaker

Larry Bubb became a Christian when he was twelve years old, and was ordained when he was twenty-five. He grew up in northern Kentucky, where he graduated #1 from high school and later #1 from Campbellsville University. In addition to playing guitar, he lettered in Varsity Basketball and Tennis. After receiving an M.Div. degree from Southern Seminary in 1980, Larry moved to San Diego to become the full-time youth pastor at the First Baptist Church of Poway. He served there until 1985, when Larry Bubb Ministries was formed. Since then, he has traveled full-time ministering to a wide variety of groups. Larry and his wife Kristen were married in November, 1992.



Larry creatively combines music with comedy and drama to portray God's awesome love. He has spoken and performed in over 30 states and a few countries, made several T.V. appearances, including host of the Emmy award winning show Crosswalk, and performed stand-up comedy. Various songs from his four albums have received radio airplay.

"All these things (accomplishments, etc.) are worthless when compared with the infinite value of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord ..." Philippians 3:8

"I was so uplifted after hearing Larry's message as he employs his gifts of humor and song along with practical Biblical instruction."

Angela Bassett, Academy Award Nominee

"I have performed stand-up comedy with . . . Robin Williams, Jay Leno . . . and David Letterman just to name a few. I found Larry Bubb's approach to performing comedy as professional and strong as anyone I have ever worked with."

Ron Kenney, Stand-Up Comedian

"I have seen Larry work wonders in a disinterested, defensive youth group. The purity of his faith comes across so powerfully in a live setting. I recommend him because he's genuinely one of the funniest, most balanced and most Godly men I know."

Dave Hart, National Youth Worker Journal

"Larry Bubb . . . well, actually I've never heard of the guy."

Billy Graham, Evangelist



Saturday Evening JH #1: ***Journey To The Cross***

Pastor Larry Bubbs

Worship in Music: 7:30pm-8:00pm • 104 California

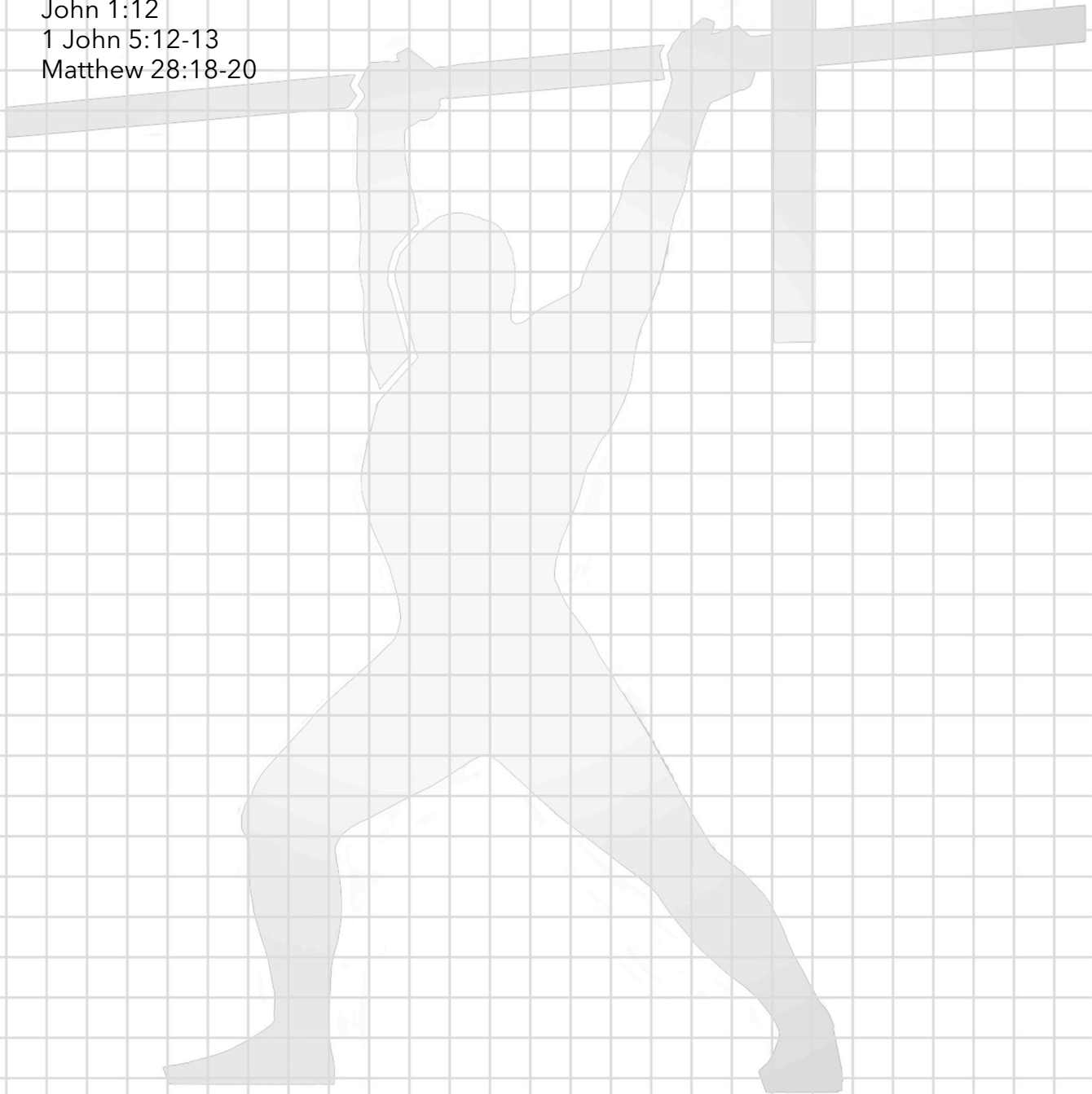
Worship in Word: 8:00-8:50 • 103 Golden West

1 Corinthians 9:24-25

John 1:12

1 John 5:12-13

Matthew 28:18-20

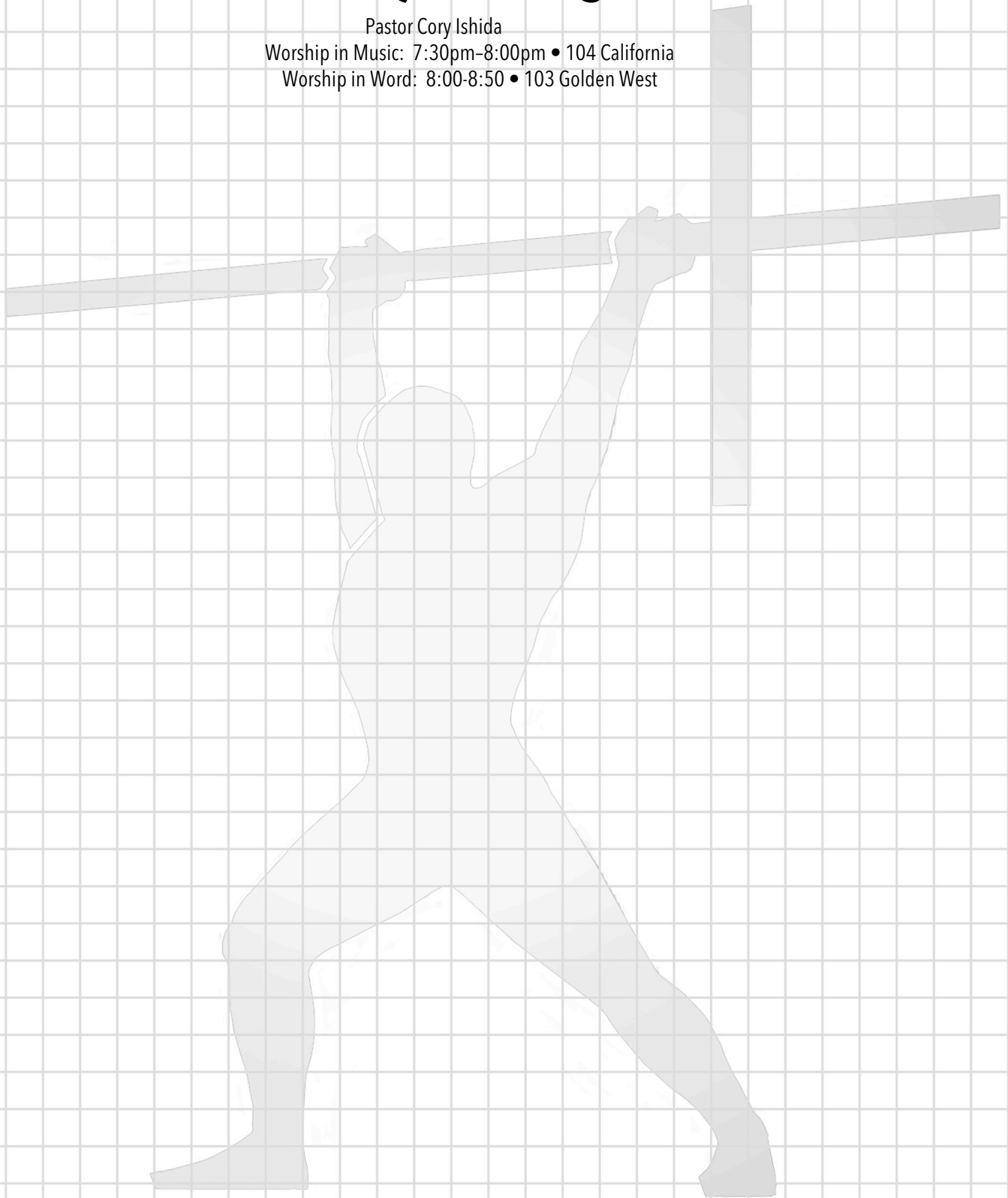


Saturday Evening Adult #1

Pastor Cory Ishida

Worship in Music: 7:30pm-8:00pm • 104 California

Worship in Word: 8:00-8:50 • 103 Golden West



Saturday Evening Small Group #1

9:00pm-9:45pm
Various locations



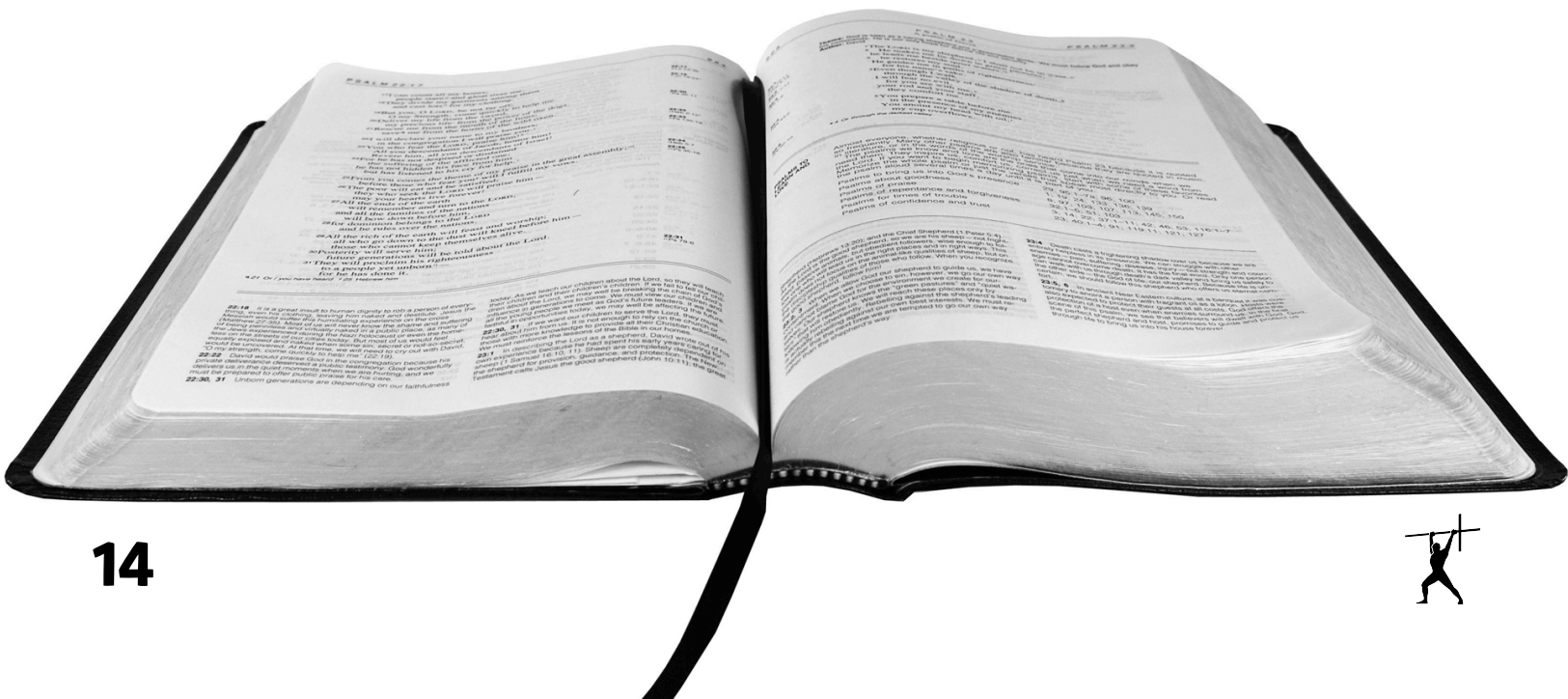
Cross Training

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Sunday Morning Date With God

You and God

7:00am-7:35am • 104 California



Sunday Morning JH #2

Be Like Kobe?

Pastor Larry Bubb

Worship in Music: 7:30pm-8:00pm • 104 California

Worship in Word: 8:00-8:50 • 103 Golden West

truck = _____ (not really)

1. The main goal/purpose of the Christian life is to _____
"And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son . . ." (Romans 8:28-29 NKJV)

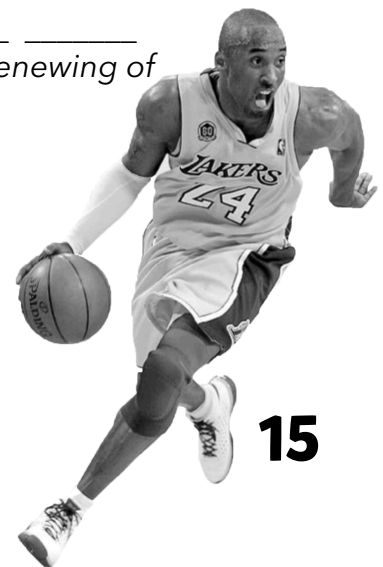
2. Before we do anything we should ask W _____ W _____ J _____ D _____ ?
"For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps." (1 Peter 2:21 NASV)

3. We will become more like Jesus when we get _____
*"Consider it pure joy, my brothers, whenever you face trials of many kinds, because you know that the testing of your faith develops perseverance. Perseverance must finish its work so that you may be mature and complete, not lacking anything."
(James 1 :2-4 NIV)*

"In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while you may have had to suffer grief in all kinds of trials. These have come _____ so that your faith--of greater worth than gold, which perishes even though refined by fire--may be proved genuine . . ." (1 Peter 1:6,7 NIV-IBS)

4. We will become more like Jesus when we spend _____
"Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your minds . . ." (Romans 12:2 NRSV)

*"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus."
(Philippians 2:5 KJV)*

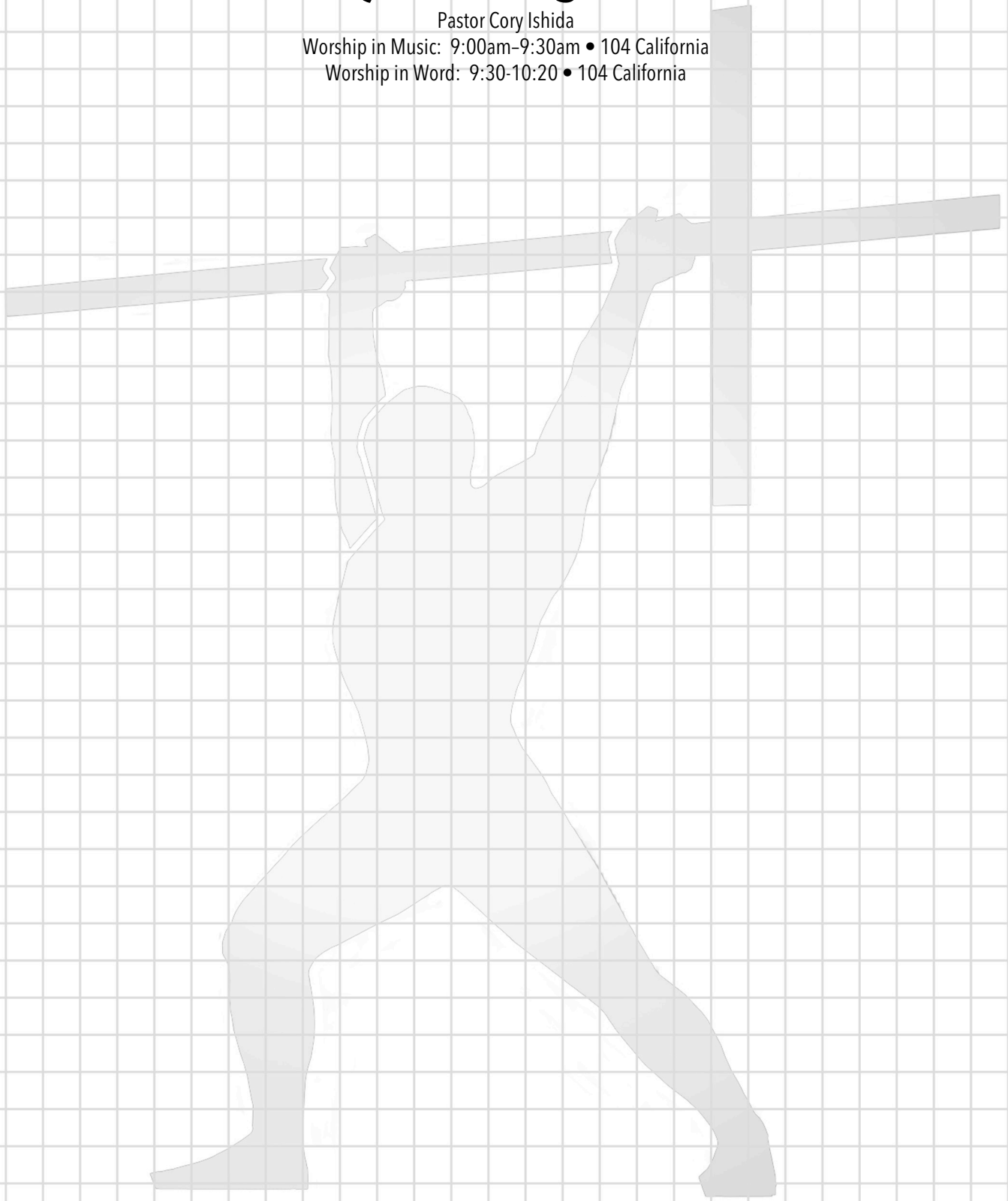


Sunday Morning Adults #2

Pastor Cory Ishida

Worship in Music: 9:00am-9:30am • 104 California

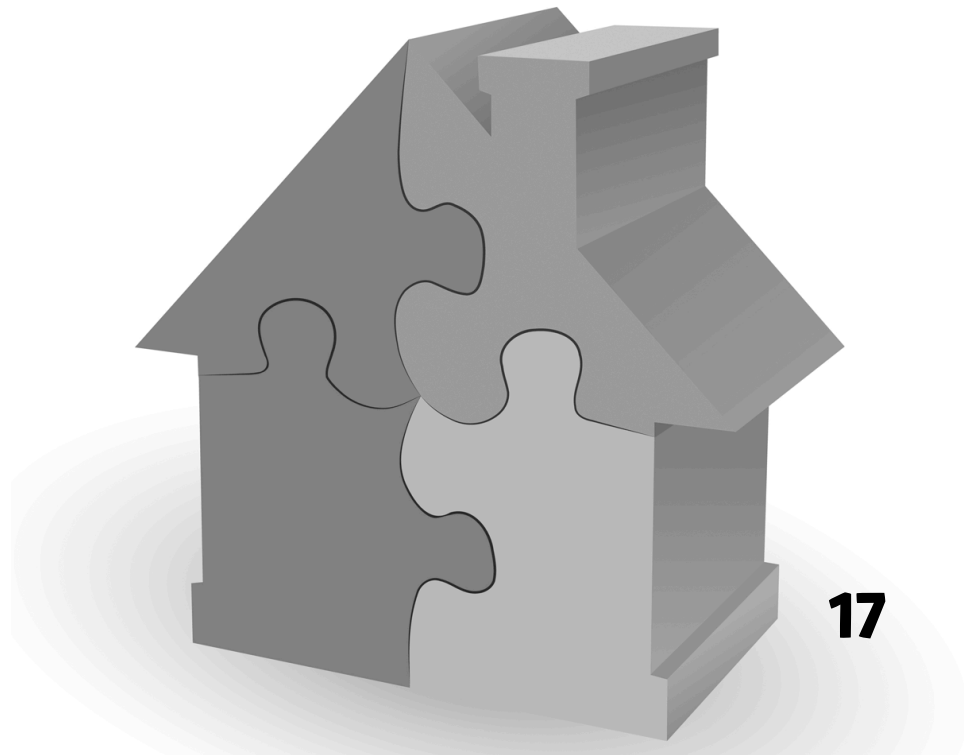
Worship in Word: 9:30-10:20 • 104 California



Sunday Morning Small Group #2

10:30am-11:30am
Various locations

Cross Training



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Retreat Highlights

Big truths I learned

Session 1:

Session 2:

Session 3:

Session 4:

Bridging 1:

Bridging 2:

Favorite sermon story:

Sins I'm convicted of:

Friends

Funniest or most memorable thing that happened with friends:

Old friend I got closer to:

New friend:

Email:

Cell #:

New friend:

Email:

Cell #:

Personal

How I see God changing my life

What resolutions have I made at this retreat?



Sunday Bridging #3

Pastor Panel Discussion

2:30pm-3:45pm • 114 Pacific Salon 4 & 5

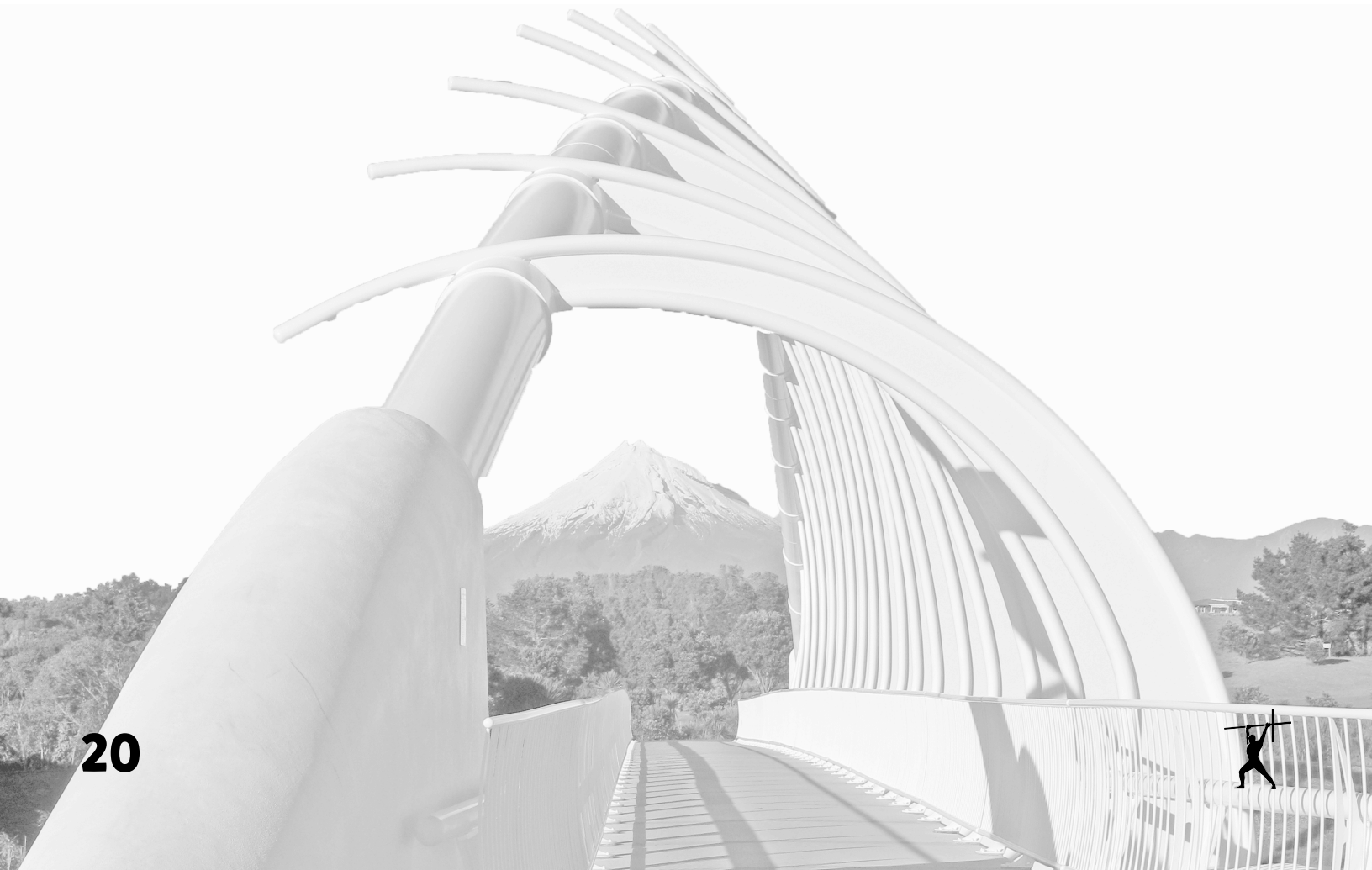
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Sunday Bridging #4

by Language

4:00pm-5:15pm • 115 Pacific Salon 6 & 7 for English
Pacific Salon 4 & 5 for Chinese • Others: Free Time. Please skip to page 21



Sunday Evening Session #3

Pastor Larry Bubb

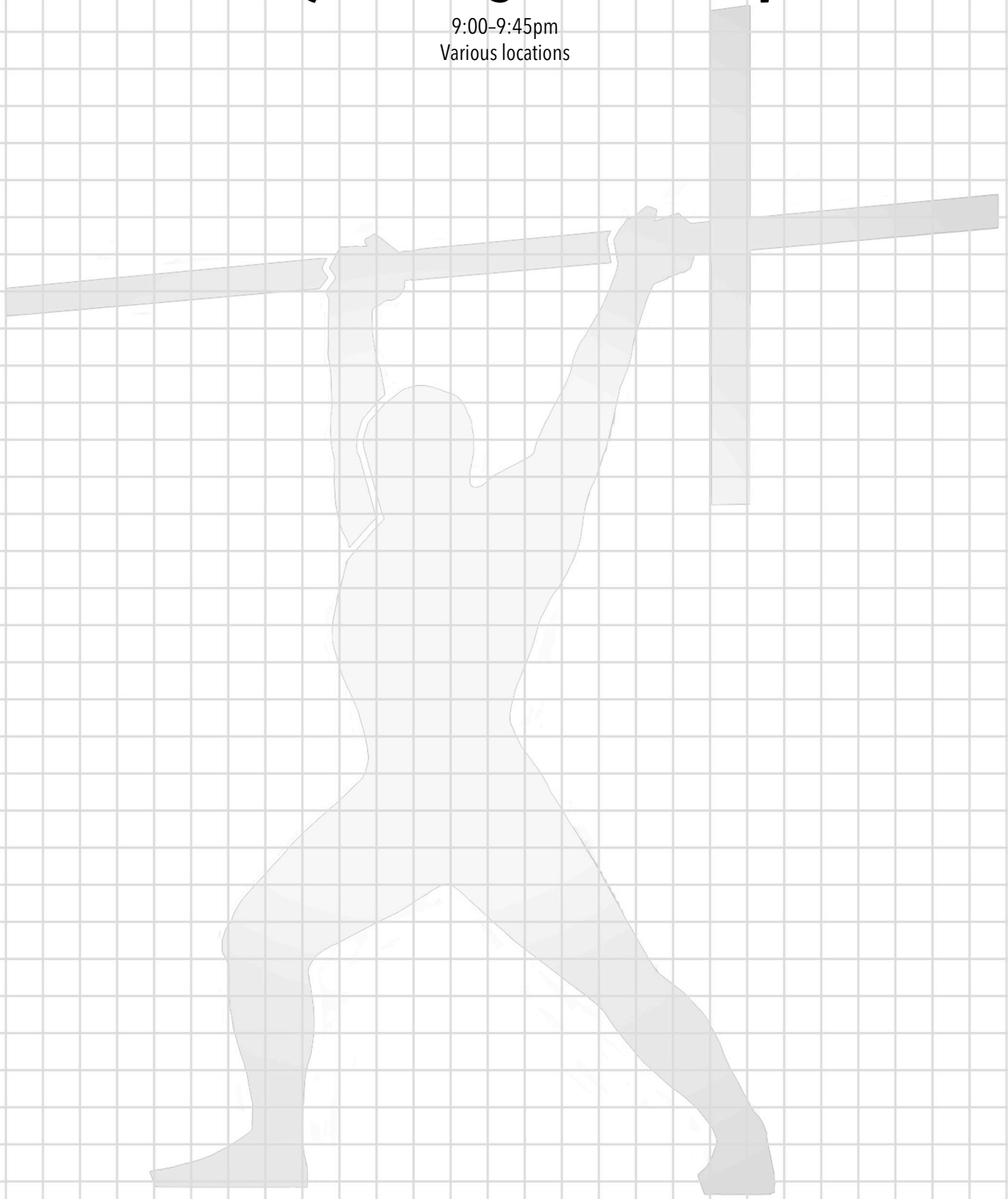
Worship in Music: 7:30pm-8:00pm • California

Worship in Word: 8:00pm-8:50pm • JH 103 Golden West • HS through Adult 104 California



Sunday Evening Small Group #3

9:00-9:45pm
Various locations



Morning Morning Date With God

You and God
7:00am-7:35am • 104 California

Monday Morning JH #4

Cross-Training To Get In Shape

Pastor Larry Bubb

Worship in Music: 7:30pm-8:00pm • 104 California

Worship in Word: 8:00-8:50 • 103 Golden West

I Peter 3:18

I Corinthians 9:24-25

A. The 4 things we need physically to get in shape are the same we need spiritually.

1. Food = Bible (Matthew 4:4)

2. Air = Prayer (I Thessalonians 5:17)

3. Rest = Fellowship (Hebrews 10:25)

4. Exercise = Witnessing (I Peter 3:15)

B. How to keep running the race when our feelings change so we can in turn help train others to run the race

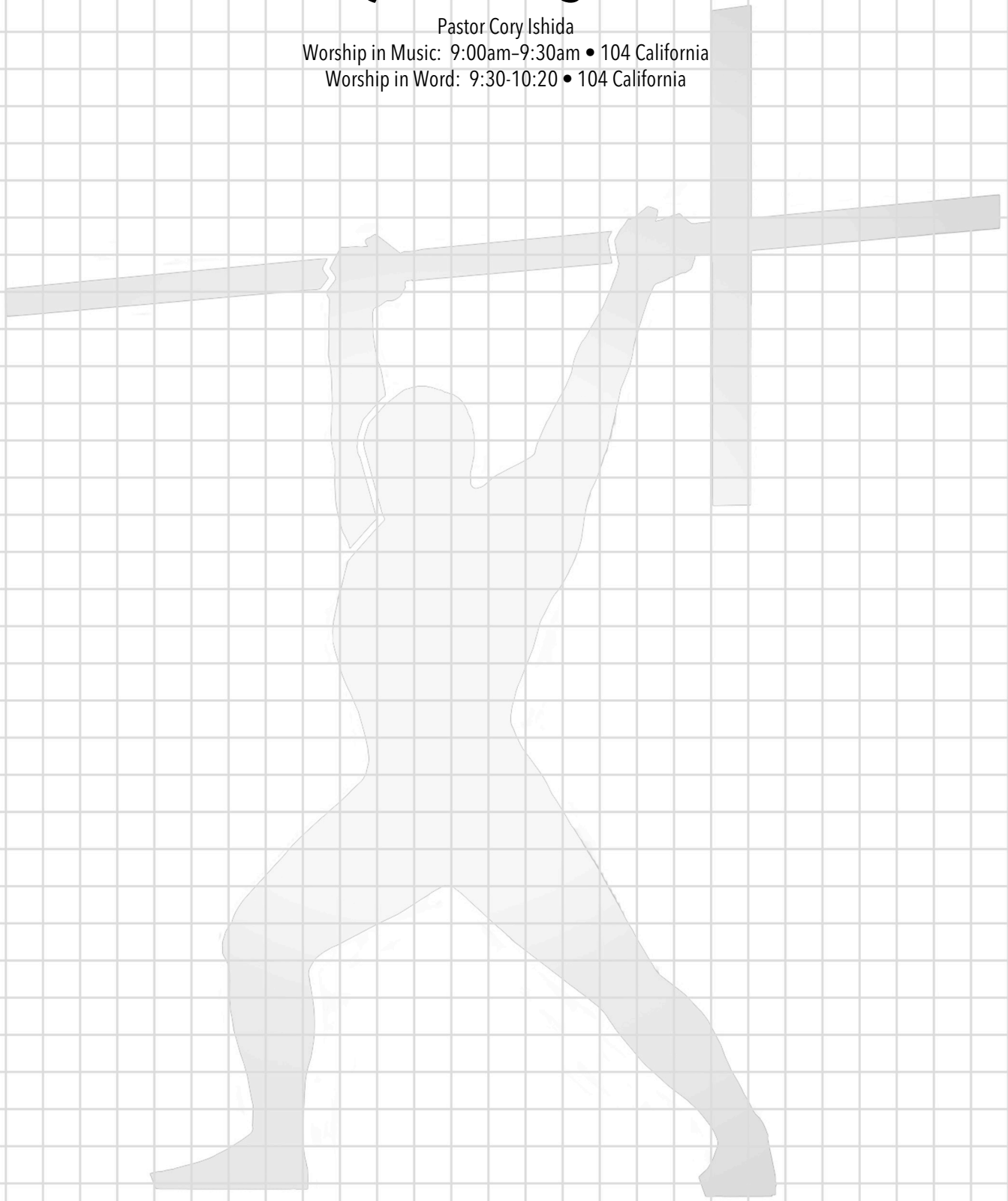


Monday Morning Adults #4

Pastor Cory Ishida

Worship in Music: 9:00am-9:30am • 104 California

Worship in Word: 9:30-10:20 • 104 California



Monday Closing Service

10:30am-12:35pm • 101 Town & Country Ball

Speaker: Rev. Chuang, OC • Translator: Pastor David Tsai, LA • Worship: OC Team

A. **EFCer**

1. Spiritual teamwork, Acts 6:3-4

- Peter—fire of power
- Paul—fire of evangelism
- Barnabas—fire of love
- Esther—fire of mission

2. Passion for evangelism, 1 Cor. 9:16-17



B. **Fire of life:**

1. Fire of service, Acts 10:44-47

2. Power of praise, Acts 16:25-26

The secret of victory: “the blood of Jesus”, “praise the Lord”

The pouring of the Holy Spirit: “gifts and power”, “stand against and serve”

C. **The Lord’s Disciple:** take off old self, love one another, torch of the Gospel (Acts 2:41-47)

1. The Great Commission, Mat. 28:18-20, Mark 6:12-13, Mark 16:20)

2. The Greatest Commandment, Mat. 22:37-39, Acts 2:46-47



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Dr. Herbert Lee

Dr. Tom Fong

Nurse Alli Chen

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Vice, Mandarin: Su Ming Chiang

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Rover: Tim Wu

Ministry

Devotional Reading: Byron Jung, Bertram Wang

Live Translation: EFC LA

Lord's Supper: Philip Chen, EFC Chino Valley

Music: Garrett Lim, EFC EV & guests

Small Groups: EFC OC, SGL volunteers

SGL Training: Danielle Mailloux

Logistics

A/V Equipment: Joel Lee & EFC LA

Print: EFC EV (tag, bag, book, banner)

Retreat Logo: Lucas Zung

Signs: EFC Rowland Heights

Slideshow MC: Peter Guei

Sound Sculpting: Dann Chen, Melissa Tran

Speaker Hospitality: Albany Lee



Please Read

1. **Parking:** remember where you parked. Remove valuables. Neither EFC nor the Hotel are responsible for lost or stolen items.
2. **Registration:** after 1pm on Saturday the office will move to Terrace Salon 1, 120. See page 3 for more instructions.
3. **Rooms:** is 2 per double bed, up to 4 per room. ≥ 1 occupant must be ≥ 18 , and a credit card *must* be on file. You may *not* cook in your room (per Fire Marshall Code). No smoking in rooms. Do not move furniture. You are liable for any damages.
4. **Fees:** make sure your roommates understand costs for pay-per-view, video games, snacks, laundry, room service, etc. It is common courtesy and a good witness to leave \$1 or \$2 per person each day (Sunday and Monday)
5. **Check out:** Before you leave on May 27, check the front desk if your room has incurred any expenses.
6. **Noise:** please keep the noise level down after 10pm, and do not run in the hallways.

Children Ministry

1. **First check in:** Allow time for initial check in to fill out data (food allergies, medical condition, contact phone, etc.).
2. **Restroom:** Please bring your younger child(ren) to use the restroom before sending them to Children Ministry.
3. **Pick up window:** Parents, please note pick up times. Child staff needs time to prepare for the next session. From the time pick up begins, you have ten minutes to get your child(ren). After that, you will be charged \$1/minute.
4. **Sickness:** If your child has any of these symptoms, he/she should stay in your room (must be free ≥ 24 hours to return): fever over 100.4, persistent cough, pink eye/eye inflammation, running nose with yellow discharge, diarrhea, vomiting.
5. **Food:** Do not bring food to Children facilities. Exception: children with allergies should bring own food in a marked container.
6. **To Bring:** For younger kids, please bring diapers, wet wipes, drink in his/her own diaper bag and mark the bag and all items.
7. **Nursing:** If your child needs to be nursed, please leave the activity center to feed.
8. **Extra Clothes:** If your younger child has not or is just learning to be toilet trained, please prepare a set of clean clothes.
9. **Crying:** If your child cries for more than 15 minutes we will notify you to come.

God bless you, enjoy a safe drive home!

*And the peace of God,
which transcends all understanding,
will guard your hearts and your minds
in Christ Jesus...Whatever you have learned or received
or heard from me, or seen in me—put it into practice.
And the God of peace will be with you.*

Philippians 4:7, 9

