

Welcome to Church!

We are glad you chose to join us today to worship our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. We hope that your stay will be both meaningful and memorable.

We are a church that seeks to bring glory to God, to build the local church through discipleship and to fulfill the Great Commission.

Here are some activities going on with us!

☑ Hermeneutics Class (Session 3)

Hermeneutics Session 3 resumes on **August 30, 2026** at 7PM. (Not August 23.)

☑ Newcomers Orientation

Are you new to our church or interested in learning more about who we are and what we do? Join us for our Newcomer's Orientation on **September 12, 2026** at 7PM.

Come and hear about our mission, ministries, and ways you can get connected. Whether you're just visiting or considering making this your church home, we'd love to get to know you! Refreshments will be provided.



How can we pray for you?

Inviting you to join our **Prayer Meeting, Tuesdays at 7PM**. You may **send your prayer requests and praise reports** by text (0912 130 6148), by writing them on the prayer cards provided, or by sending us a private message on our Facebook page.



Discover life with our Small Groups.

Looking for **deeper connections** and a **closer walk with God**? Our small groups are where we cultivate meaningful relationships and grow in faith together. Want to join? Visit our Information Booth after the service to find the perfect group for you!



Stay for fellowship and refreshments.

Stick around after the service for **coffee and connection**! It's the perfect chance to meet some friendly faces, learn more about our small groups, our ministries, and discover all that our church has to offer. We'd love to see you there!



Free Blood Pressure and Sugar Check-up.

Encouraging those who wish to monitor their Blood Pressure & Blood Sugar levels to **avail of our free check-up**, happening **every after Sunday service**!

Schedules for Services:

English Service:

Morning 10:00 AM
Afternoon 01:00 PM

Cebuano Service:

Afternoon 04:00 PM

2nd Floor,
Northgate Center.
across Gaisano Country Mall
Banilad, Cebu City.

ways to give TITHES and LOVE GIFTS

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**GET IN TOUCH
WITH US!**



LIVING WORD NRA
Worship God. Advance His Kingdom.

This Jesus

ACTS 2:14-41

Unstoppable: A Sermon Series Through the Book of Acts

Part 1: A Spirit-Filled Beginning

August 23, 2026 | Ptr. Nic Sy

SERMON NOTES

SIGN #1. THIS JESUS WHO WAS CRUCIFIED

We do not let experience explain Scripture; we let Scripture explain experience.

Reflect: Have we become so familiar with the signs that we have missed the Savior?

SIGN #2. THIS JESUS WHO WAS RAISED

The tomb of David is occupied, but the tomb of Jesus is empty; Scripture doesn't point to dead heroes, but to the living Lord.

Reflect: Is the resurrection simply a doctrine you affirm or a truth you live with everyday?

SIGN #3. THIS JESUS WHO NOW REIGNS

Reflect: Is Jesus someone you just visit on Sundays, during a crisis, or when it is convenient? Or is he someone who reigns over your decisions, your finances, your future plans?

Don't stop at the gift; bow before the Giver. Don't marvel at the experience; submit to the Exalted King.

“THIS JESUS”

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

For the week of August 24–30, 2026

GETTING STARTED

To the facilitator: Use this section to introduce the topic. If possible, give a brief recap of the sermon.

Share a memorable point, a spiritual lesson, a personal application, a question, or something that challenged you from the sermon last Sunday.

When you're talking to someone who speaks a different language, what do you do?

GROUP DISCUSSION

Read Acts 2:14–41

1. Why can people witness the same thing and interpret it so differently? What does Peter do in verses 16–21 to help them understand what they are seeing? What does this teach us about allowing Scripture to interpret our experiences rather than allowing our experiences to determine what Scripture means?

2. Read Joel 2:28–32 in full, the passage Peter quotes in Acts 2:18–21. Which parts of this prophecy were clearly happening that morning at Pentecost and which parts had not yet taken place? What do you think it means for us today that some of God's promises are already being fulfilled while others are still ahead of us?

3. Peter says that Jesus was delivered up according to “the definite plan and foreknowledge of God,” while at the same time he tells his hearers, “you crucified and killed” him. How do these passages hold together God's sovereignty and genuine human responsibility? Why is it comforting to know that human sin and evil cannot ultimately derail God's purposes? Is there a situation in your life where you presently need to trust God even though you cannot yet see what he is doing?

4. It is possible to be fascinated by the signs (e.g. an answered prayer, a powerful sermon, a spiritual gift, etc.) without ever truly following them to Jesus himself. Where have you noticed yourself more excited about a blessing than the One who gave it? What is one way that you can redirect yourself toward Jesus and his Word instead of letting powerful experiences and feelings get the better of you?

5. Peter's conclusion in verse 36, that God has made Jesus both “Lord and Christ” means his authority reaches into every part of life, not just the religious practices. Is there an area in your life that you tend to keep off-limits from Jesus' authority (whether finances, relationships, time, future plans, etc.)? What would it look like to hand over that area to him?

6. Notice the progression in Peter's use of Scripture: Joel helps explain what God is doing, Psalm 16 explains what God did in raising Jesus, and Psalm 110 explains where Jesus is now and who he is. How does this progression strengthen Peter's answer to the crowd's question, “What does this mean?” Which of these three truths (i.e. the promised Spirit, the resurrection, or the present reign of Christ) do you think Christians most easily neglect today? How would taking that truth more seriously affect the way we live?

NEXT STEPS

Don't stop at the sign. Follow it to Jesus.

- **FOLLOW THE SIGNS.** I will let Scripture interpret my experiences rather than letting my feelings determine what is true.
- **TRUST THE RISEN CHRIST.** I will live like Jesus is truly alive, and not just something that's theological.
- **BOW TO THE KING.** I will stop treating Sunday obedience and Monday obedience as two different things.

CLOSING THE SESSION

Close the session by taking the time to pray for one another. Consider the following as you pray:

- Pray for eyes to see past the signs and settle instead on this Jesus: crucified for your sins, risen as proof of what he's promised, and reigning even now over every part of your life.
- Pray for relationships to grow with other Christ-followers, that you will encourage and care for one another.
- Pray for your unsaved family, friends, and loved ones.
- Pray for protection, provision, healing and comfort for everyone who's going through physical, emotional, mental and spiritual pain.

BIBLE READING GUIDE

August 24	Acts 2:14–21	August 28	Acts 2:37–41
August 25	John 16:7–15	August 29	Psalms 109:21–29
August 26	Acts 2:22–24	August 30	Psalms 109:30–31
August 27	Titus 3:3–7		