

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!

☑ God's Design for Relationships

Join us for our last Saturday series on God's Blueprint for Relationships. This **October 24, 2026, 6PM**, we will talk about **"When Sorry Is Not Enough,"** with Dr. Jasmine Joy Trono. Everyone is welcome.

☑ Small Group Leaders & Facilitators Meet-up

Pastor Nic will meet with Groups 9 & 10 **October 18, 2026, 7PM** at the Center.

☑ Hermeneutics Session 4

The Hermeneutics Class scheduled for October 25, 2026 is **CANCELLED**. Instead, the next meeting will be on **November 22, 2026**.

🙏 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!

Schedules for Services:

English Service:

Morning 10:00 AM
Afternoon 01:00 PM

Cebuano Service:

Afternoon 04:00 PM

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The Wrong Wall

ACTS 6:8-7:53

Unstoppable: A Sermon Series Through the Book of Acts

Part 2: The Church Under Fire

October 18, 2026 | Ptr. Nic Sy

SERMON NOTES

I. GOD IS NOT LIMITED BY LOCATION

God has never been limited by the places where we expect to find him.

We may not say this, but some of us have quietly decided that there are places where God cannot meet us.

II. GOD'S DELIVERER WAS MET WITH REJECTION

The deliverer they rejected was the deliverer they needed.

When God's Word exposes something uncomfortable in our lives, what is our first response?

III. GOD CANNOT BE CONFINED BY A BUILDING

We can become more devoted to the house of God than to the God of the house.

Never let what God has given replace the God who gave it.



“THE WRONG WALL”

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

For the week of October 19–25, 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.

Has anyone ever told you something embarrassing *about you* but way too late? What was it? Were you grateful or a little annoyed?

GROUP DISCUSSION

Read Acts 6:8–7:53

1. Stephen, chosen to serve the widows at the tables (Acts 6:5) would now be used by God to speak to the Sanhedrin. Read Acts 6:11–14. What were the two charges brought against Stephen, and how did his opponents make them stick when they couldn’t win the argument? Now compare Matthew 26:59–61. What similarities do you notice between Stephen’s trial and the trial of Jesus? Is there an ordinary area of service in your life that God might be using to prepare you for something more?

2. Read Acts 7:2–8 and Hebrews 11:8–10. Where did God first appear to Abraham, and what is significant about Stephen’s observation that Abraham did not possess even a foot of the promised land? How does Abraham’s willingness to trust God’s promises without seeing their complete fulfillment challenge the way we sometimes measure God’s faithfulness by our circumstances? Is there an area in your life where God is calling you to remain faithful even though you have not yet seen the outcome you hoped for?

3. In Acts 7:27, an Israelite pushed Moses aside and asked, “Who made you a ruler and a judge over us?” Why do you think people often resent the person who tries to correct them or make peace? Think of a time when someone, perhaps a parent, a friend, or a loved one, told you a hard truth. How did you respond at first, and is there someone God may be using to speak into your life right now whose words you have been pushing aside?

4. Acts 7:39 says that even after God set Israel free, “in their hearts they turned to Egypt.” Why do you think we sometimes miss the very things God rescued us from? In Acts 7:41, Israel was “rejoicing in the works of their hands” before the golden calf. What are some respectable “golden calves” that we rejoice in more than God today? Which one tugs at your heart the most?

5. Read Acts 7:48–50 and then 1 Kings 8:27. Why is it significant that Solomon, the very man who built the temple, said the same thing Stephen did? Now read Isaiah 66:1–2, including the part Stephen did not quote. What kind of “place” does God say he looks to? As our church has just celebrated another anniversary, what traditions are we thankful for, and how can we make sure that “we’ve always done it this way” never keeps us from following where God is leading next?

6. In Acts 7:51, Stephen says, “You always resist the Holy Spirit.” The word for “resist” pictures someone leaning their whole weight against a door to keep it shut. What are some quiet, even polite, ways Christians resist the Spirit (e.g. when reading the Bible, in a sermon, in small group, in prayer)?

NEXT STEPS

It’s possible to be busy defending the things of God yet end up resisting God himself.

- **TRUST HIS PRESENCE.** I will trust that God is with me even when my circumstances are difficult or his promises seem far from fulfillment.
- **RECEIVE HIS WORD.** I will listen to God’s Word with humility and put into practice what he is teaching me, even when it challenges my attitudes or choices.
- **RELEASE MY IDOLS.** I will examine what I value most and surrender anything that has become more important to me than following Jesus.
- **SURRENDER MY HEART.** I will stop making excuses when God confronts me and respond with repentance, faith, and obedience.

CLOSING THE SESSION

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

- Pray for a humble and surrendered heart that trusts God’s presence, obeys his Word, treasures him above his gifts, and responds willingly to the leading of his Spirit.
- 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

October 19	Acts 6:8–15	October 23	Acts 7:30–43
October 20	Acts 7:1–8	October 24	Acts 7:44–53
October 21	Acts 7:9–16	October 25	Psalms 118:1–4
October 22	Acts 7:17–29		

