

# Raiders News

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## PRINCIPAL'S MESSAGE: STAND FIRM IN YOUR FAITH

This is why we offer bible study, Foundations 101, a women's bible study, and a men's bible study. If you find yourself needing or wanting to feed your faith a bit more, reach out to me at [rossm@refsd.org](mailto:rossm@refsd.org). I can connect you with a bible study. Also, feedback! You can give us your feedback. If there is a type of bible study or "Life Group" that you would like to see here at Reformation or a topic that you think would be helpful to others, please let me know. I will pass it on to our leadership team. God's blessings! - Mr. Michael Ross

### Stand Firm in Your Faith

I know quite a few people who used to be Christians but have lost their faith. Some of them stopped believing when they went off to college. Their professors said that Christianity was foolish and they didn't want to be known as fools, so they denied Christ. Or classmates told them that the Bible is hateful towards LGBTQ people. They didn't want to be hateful, so they gave up on Christianity. Others started watching YouTube videos that taught that science has disproven God. They didn't want to be anti-scientific, so they abandoned Jesus.

Each person left Christianity for different reasons. But they all had this one thing in common. None of them were feeding their faith. None of them were actively going to church and speaking with their pastor and other Christians. Jesus predicted that these people would fall when he told the parable of "The Sower and the Seed." In his story, Jesus compares our faith to a plant. If our faith is not "fed" and "watered," it will dry up or get choked out by the weeds of life.

That's why Paul told his congregation in Thessalonica to "stand firm and hold fast to the teachings we passed on to you, whether by word of mouth or by letter." Paul knew that it is not enough to just hear the Word of God once. Followers of Jesus need to actively take hold of it, absorbing Biblical sermons, and meditating on what Paul and the other Biblical authors wrote down.

Wherever you might be in your relationship with the Lord, stand firm in the message of God's love for you in Jesus Christ.

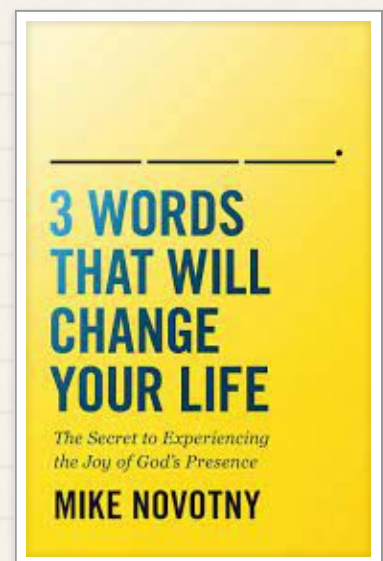
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## NEW MEN'S BIBLE STUDY TO START!

### 3 Words that will Change Your Life by Mike Novotny

GOD is here. That tiny little sentence can change everything. Truly understanding God's presence is the key to more happiness, less boredom, more rest, less rush, more love, less drama, more peace, less fear.

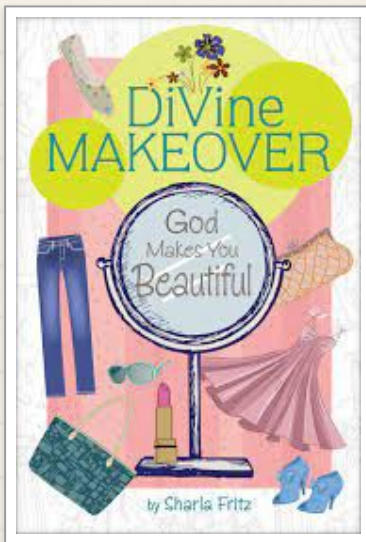
A deeply satisfying life doesn't require a sabbatical, a new career, or a new year's resolution. As long as God is glorious enough and near enough, you can cast aside the cheap substitutes you've settled for and enjoy the life that is truly life here and now. This book will help you shake off the guilt and shame of sin and see yourself as God sees you.



Find the joy he has been waiting to give you as you discover how three little words can revolutionize your relationship with God.

Our first meeting, will be on Saturday, January 30th at 9am. If you have signed up for this men's bible study, Mike Ross will be sending you the zoom link ahead of time.





## New Teenage Girl Life Group Starting Soon!

This 8-week study is geared towards teenage girls in middle and high school. This particular Bible study focuses on the inner beauty that we receive because of Jesus' love for us. We will use *"Divine Makeover: God Makes You Beautiful"* by Sharla Fritz. Copies of the book will be provided at no charge to the attendees.

Date and times will be announced soon. If you have any questions, please contact Jennifer Lowndes at [lowndesj@refsd.org](mailto:lowndesj@refsd.org).



## NEW – SCHOOL LUNCH OPTIONS

**Ki's School Lunches** will be available to purchase starting **Tuesday, January 12**. Ordering is LIVE NOW! <https://kis.naturallunches.com/> You can order hot or cold entrees along with fresh fruit and vegetable sides, with a large list of optional add-on items. Ordering will be available for Tuesdays and Fridays, when there is a full day of school for grades K-8. Refer to the attached pages for more information – all of this is on our school website also. You **MUST** order in advance, lunches are not available on-site for purchase on the day of service.

## Parking Lot Reminders

When using the back parking lot for Kindergarten and Grades 2-8:

- Please drive slowly.
- Please do not pass other vehicles unless directed by a staff member. Patience is key; use the time waiting to say a prayer to seek guidance for the day ahead.
- If you need to park and personally go to your student's classroom, please use the front parking lot. We encourage you to set a meeting with the classroom teacher. Please remember that we are trying to avoid having additional adults spending time on campus during the school day to minimize our interactions and exposures.
- If you arrive after 8:30am, please use the front parking lot and students will enter school through the front office.





## Mr. Bohl's Classroom Update

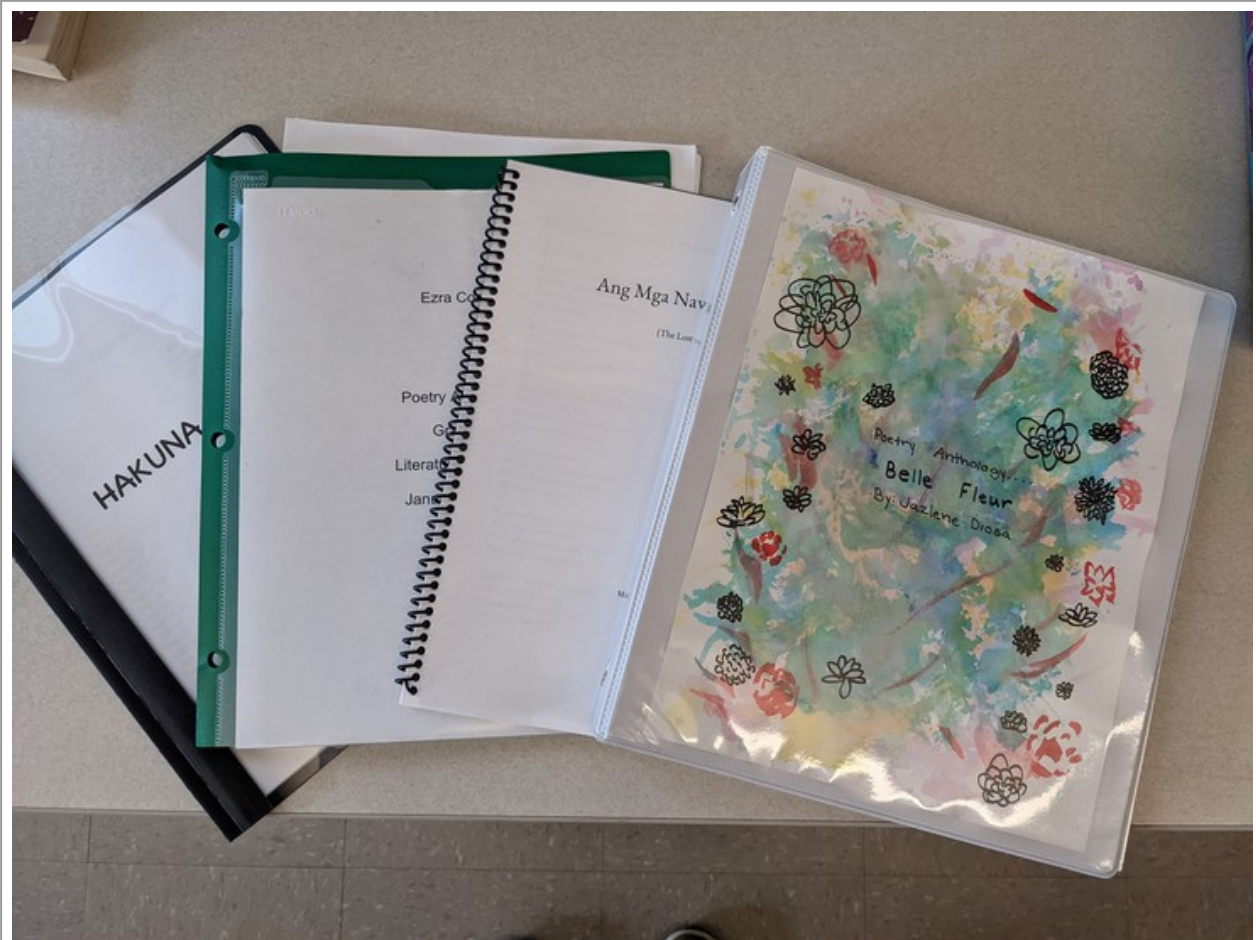
The 7/8th graders have been very busy this school year! A few weeks ago the 7/8th graders completed poetry anthologies where they were to compile an anthology of over 25 poems. They also wrote many of their own poems. It is always amazing to see the types of poems that the upper graders find when putting together their anthologies.

Currently, we are going through the book *The Phantom Tollbooth*, a story where our main character is a student who is bored with life and doesn't want to do anything- even though he has plenty of toys and things to do. (Sound like anyone you might know 😊) There are plenty of puns and figurative terms from literature that are used literally. Mr. Bohl has been reading it and seems to get a little too much into it if you ask the upper-grade students as there as often many groans from the bad jokes during readings.



In History, we just finished up the Industrial Revolution where we used the History Channel series *The Men Who Built America* to take an up-close look at Andrew Carnegie, John D. Rockefeller, J.P. Morgan, Cornelius Vanderbilt, and Thomas Edison, among others.

In art, the students have been studying street art. We looked at various examples of street art around the world and even many places where you can find it here in San Diego! We talked about what street art means and why it is used. The students were also tasked with giving their thoughts on if it is a good thing or not. They are getting a chance to practice stencil spray paint art of their own! We have not quite finished as of this newsletter, so stay tuned for updates on that!







## Preschool Information for Summer and Fall 2021

In order for us to plan ahead and be prepared for your students in the summer and fall, please help us by sharing your plans with us. Often, some students change their schedule for the summer months or take a break from preschool entirely.

If your student will be away from Reformation Preschool for longer than 4 weeks/1 month, please let us know the last day they will attend school and the first day that you are requesting they re-enroll. A \$300 Registration Fee must be paid to re-enroll and return to preschool. As you know, our classrooms have been full and we will give priority to your requests to re-enroll before we accept newly enrolling students. But we must know this request well in advance so that we can best accommodate your child.

A reminder that your child's \$300 registration fee will be due by June 30th, 2021 for the 2021-2022 school year, unless your child will only be here for the summer months (June July, August) then you will be billed \$25 per month registration for those months.

Please complete this form by February 1, 2021.

## Summer and Fall Registration 2021

### 2021-2022 Re-Enrollment Survey

This school year has been an interesting one! We have still been welcoming new families to our school, while in a typical year we say hello or goodbye to only a few grade school students during the school year. What an amazing thing to see God continue to bless our school even during these uncertain times, and we are grateful that we are here to provide an outstanding Christian education for families who are looking for it. Almost every one of our grade school classrooms is full this school year!

Even though we are still welcoming new families this year, we are also beginning to look ahead to the next school year. In an effort to help us begin that process and plan accordingly, we are asking you to share your thoughts regarding re-enrolling your student here at Reformation for the 2021-2022 school year. We are not requiring you to put any money down or make any Registration payments at this time. We are simply asking for your thoughts and plans.

Please complete the Google form survey below to indicate whether you plan to re-enroll your student at Reformation next year or not. If you are unsure at this time, please indicate that as well. This will help us understand our enrollment size for the 2021-2022 school year and plan teaching assignments.

To help speed up the planning process, we ask that each family fill this out immediately. We have begun receiving new enrollment inquiries for the upcoming school year, so we want to be able to answer accurately when we are asked if we will have space in our classrooms next year. If you have any questions about this Google form, speak to Mr. Ross directly.

Thank you for helping us plan for next year!

## 2021-2022 Re-Enrollment Form



## Dress Code Reminders

- Please take a moment to refresh our school's uniform policy. Details are found on pages 20-23 of the School Handbook, which can be found online: [https://a916ffd6132790ff0925-072b1e3e147e6666674a9fae4af79d58.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com/uploaded/h/0e10830343\\_1598298479\\_handbook-2020-2021.pdf](https://a916ffd6132790ff0925-072b1e3e147e6666674a9fae4af79d58.ssl.cf2.rackcdn.com/uploaded/h/0e10830343_1598298479_handbook-2020-2021.pdf)
- Please remember that all pants should be 'Dockers-style' uniform pants, not leggings or other tight-fitting pants. When girls wear skirts or dresses, they must wear shorts as well.
- Shirts are to be plain white, red or navy blue polo-style/collared shirt or blouse.



## Lost & Found Items

Along with current COVID-19 prevention efforts to reduce the number of additional people on campus comes a difficulty for parents trying to locate misplaced student belongings. We encourage all families to label all your student's items (sweatshirts/sweaters, lunch bags, water bottles, etc.) so they can be easily returned to your student when found on campus. If your student is missing an item, please contact his or her teacher for assistance in locating it.

Jewelry and other Items of substantial value will be in the office. Please check there as well. We have had odd items fall out of cars and backpacks in the morning. Thank you.





## Wednesday Chapel available on YouTube

Parents and families are invited to join us for our weekly chapel worship service, Wednesday mornings at 8:30am, using videos through YouTube. Chapel services, along with Reformation's weekly worship services, are available on our YouTube channel at <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCM0y6DBdor8AryGfhd2cfYA>.

Wednesday chapel services are streamed live at 8:30am and also posted online for viewing at your convenience. Please join your Reformation family for these worship opportunities. For more details about weekend worship at Reformation Lutheran Church (Saturdays at 6pm and Sundays at 8am), go to <http://www.reformationsandiego.org/worship-services/>

## Arrival Time Encouragement

School days begin at 8:30am. Students in grades K-8 need time to transition and prepare for their school day to be successful. In many classrooms, students are filling in daily planner pages or completing other preparations before 8:30am. Please make every effort to bring students to school early enough (as early as 8:00am) to help them prepare for a successful school day.

## JOIN US FOR WORSHIP

**ON SATURDAYS AT 3:00 PM & SUNDAYS AT 10:30 AM**

## Reformation Family Calendar

*Wednesdays at 8:30am - Live-Streamed Chapel Service - everyone is welcome!*

Foundations 101 - Sundays starting January 24 at 9:00 am

Men's Bible Study - Saturdays starting January 30 at 9:00 am



A monthly calendar is updated on our website, and a full school year calendar is available also. Click here to review these calendars. (<http://reformationschoolsd.org/calendar/>).





## About Us



The eternal truths of God's Word are the foundation of our school, its curriculum, and all its activities. Our goal in Christian education is to provide each child with the maximum development of God-given spiritual, physical, and mental abilities. We offer Christian education in our Preschool (ages 2.5-5) and Grade School (K-8).

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