

He is not here; he has risen! Remember how he told you,
while he was still with you in Galilee:
(Luke 24:6)

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Life in the Light

This month, Davar Church celebrates its 30th anniversary. Members of the youth group share their reflections and experiences below.

What I love about being at Davar are the many opportunities to serve as both a Kids Club leader and a church school teacher. These experiences have truly helped me grow in areas like patience, communication, and mentoring younger children. I've found these group sessions to be deeply meaningful; they strengthen me while fostering positive connections and support in my life
-H.N.

Happy 30th Anniversary to Davar Church! This is where I've grown to love praising God and truly experienced God's love by getting the support when I'm in need. He has also guided me along the path I want to take and all of this has been possible because God brought me to this church. I'm thankful that God chose me to be part of this church and to grow as His disciple here!
-K.I.

One of my most memorable moments at this church was playing basketball with my three childhood friends every week. We would play two-on-two on Saturdays after the service and again on Sundays after lunch. The games were intensely competitive, and we often played until it grew dark. We started playing at a young age—as far back as elementary school. Even though we don't get to play as often now, those weekly games remain some of my favorite memories of growing up in this church. I thank God for bringing me to this church.
-S.K.

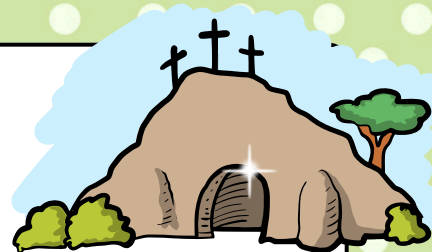
"As I was with Moses, so I will be with you; I will never leave you nor forsake you." (Joshua 1:5)

What I like about this church is that it never forsakes its members. In a time of desperation, God saved my life (no exaggeration) through this church, specifically through the Pastor's daughter and wife. The amount of physical care and spiritual counseling I have received from them has helped me to see the depth of God's unconditional love. I have never met anyone who understands me the way they do and is willing to go to the lengths that they have. It has made me realize how loved and cared for I am by my Father, which has given me a hope for my future that I've never had before. My emptiness has been replaced with His joy and peace. I am so thankful that God has brought me to this church.
-K.T.

I first came to this church as a kid with my parents, but I now know it was because God called me to be here. Through my time here, I came to know that God's word has power and will certainly come to be. He also gave me mentors and surrounded me with friends who are like my sisters and brothers.
-A.N.



Easter



During this year's Easter service, one thing that stood out to me was the importance of believing in your heart - not just understanding with your mind - that Jesus died and rose again to bring us peace.

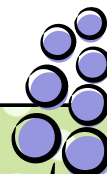
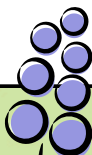
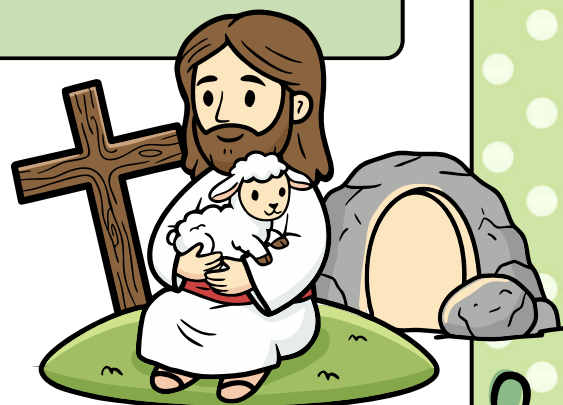
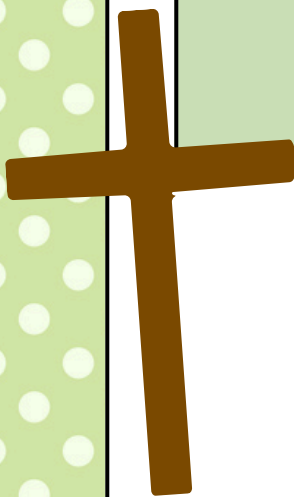
We looked at the story of Lazarus, in which Martha kept saying, "I know." I wondered why she said that instead of fully believing. Then I realized that she may have heard what Jesus said, but was still focused on the physical reality of Lazarus's death.

When I reflect on my life, I haven't really experienced deep pain or downfall in the same way others might. I believe it's because Jesus has already taken all the pain away from me (Isaiah 53:4) and gives me the power to overcome darkness (John 8:12).

I believe this kind of peace is available to anyone who chooses to trust Him. As Romans 10:10 says, "For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved." "...Do you believe this?"

(Jesus).

-K.I.



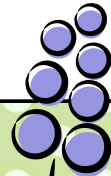
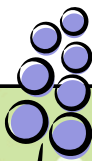
Junior Section

On April 10, 2026, I had an incredible day at the beach with our church youth group and some of our parents, which was the perfect way to spend a super hot day. Going into the water was definitely my favorite part; we spent hours playing in the waves and splashing around. After drying off from the beach, we all headed to a mochi donut shop. The shop had amazing, chewy mochi donuts and delicious boba, which was the perfect treat for such a hot day.
-E.M.

When the Youth went kayaking and to the sea for the Juniors' birthday, it was very fun being able to spend time with my friends. I was thankful that God gave me people who care about me so that they plan events for my birthday and my church friends. I'm thankful that the church made them plan it for me. It's fun just to go on the trip, but it's also fantastic to see stuff that God created! I saw Moon jellyfish and even got to touch them and they were very soft. From there, I learned that even when a jellyfish accidentally splits in two, they still survive and just live on as with the two separate parts. Bit disgusting, but still interesting and I learned something new too. I really liked how silky they were and how wonderfully and creatively God made them!
-Y.S.

On April 10th, I went kayaking with my friends. I had a lot of fun, and liked that we could also go to the beach afterwards.

Once we started kayaking, we went towards an area where there were moon jellies. It was fun looking at and touching the moon jellies. I think the smooth, slimy texture of the jellies were kind of satisfying, but weird to touch. It was a little frustrating that we had to go back to the start and then go back to where the moon jellies were. But, looking back I think that it was good because I got to spend more time kayaking.
-J.M.





On April 18th, I went to Universal Studios with my family for my birthday. It was only the second time I went, but I was amazed with how massive it was and how many rides and stuff there were.

I went on the Mario Kart ride at the Super Mario World area, which was impressive how they could replicate the video game so well.

Then, I went on a tour of the behind the scenes of Universal where they filmed movies like, The Thing, Jaws, Kong Skull Island, Nope, War of the Worlds, etc.

I also went on other rides like Jurassic Park, Transformers, and the Mummy which were my top 3 rides because of how intense and interactive they were.

Overall, it was a great birthday and I hope I can go again someday.

-T.D.



Tomas's birthday celebration at church.

Come & Join Us!

Sunday Worship:

Japanese Service: 9 AM-11AM

English Service: 11 AM - 1 PM

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