

BY CRISTIANE LIMA WITH DAVE FRANCO

Why it means so much

A first timer to Toys for Joy confirms that "it's not just a toy" but a chance to implant God's love.

I walked the Toys for Joy event for the first time and couldn't believe what I was seeing. A giant gym-full of toys, floor to ceiling, dazzled the eye. Kids with a toy in each hand and bellies full of food ran around like the wind-up cars. Moms and dads with groceries, clothes and big, beautiful broad-as-their face smiles hugged people they didn't know. People were giving haircuts. Groups were doing Gospel presentations.

And my eyes nearly fell out of my head.

I had been attending the Rock for a year or so, had heard about Toys for Joy and thought I would offer my time to what I anticipated would be a fun event. But like the first man to push off into the open sea hoping to find the other end, I never expected this. It reminded me of...

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Toys for Joy is Rock Church's largest outreach event of the year. We provide thousands of toys, clothes, and grocies to families in nead during the Christmas season. To learn more, visit **TOYS-FOR-JOY.ORG**



WHEN WE GATHER

8am, 10am, 12pm, 6pm

Deaf interpretation available at 10am at Point Loma campus.

Spanish service at 4pm at East County campus.

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Why We Give?

God is the ultimate giver who gave the most precious gift imaginable, His Son, Jesus, to die on the cross for our sins. Our lives are transformed by the gospel of Christ, and the act of giving changes us, making us more like our generous Creator.

WAYS TO GIVE

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MISSION

Save, Equip, Send

Establish global

pervasive hope

ROCK CHURCH

SENIOR PASTOR, ROCK CHURCH

Miles McPherson

A former defensive back with the San Diego Chargers, Miles is the Senior Pastor of Rock Church and founder of DoSomethingChurch.org, a vibrant affiliation dedicated to establishing Pervasive Hope in their communities through proactive community service.

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LOCATIONS

Point Loma San Ysidro San Marcos City Heights East County Online Microsites

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Thank You

Yesterday, thousands of families were blessed by the love of God and received toys, clothes, and food. Thank you to all who supported, donated, and volunteered for this incredible outreach event!

TO LEARN MORE, VISIT TOYS-FOR-JOY, ORG

GLOBAL **EVENTS CALENDAR**

For more events and info visit sdrock.com/events

12.10 & 12.17

Come and See Days **Rock School of Ministry** 9am-1pm | City Heights

12.23

Christmas Services 8am, 10am, 12pm, 6pm | All Campuses

12.24

Christmas Eve Service 4pm | All Campuses

1.3

Rock School of Ministry Vision Night

7-9pm | City Heights

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

MUSLIM OUTREACH

This ministry consists of an effective group of people who want to share the love of Christ with Muslims around San Diego County and the world. We host class trainings and opportunities to have loving, educated conversations about Christ with individuals in Muslim communities.

TO LEARN MORE, EMAIL MUSLIMOUTREACH@SDROCK.COM



WE WANT TO CONNECT WITH YOU

New Here?

We are so excited to have you here! To receive a special message with your next steps, TEXT "CONNECT" TO 52525



FIND YOUR PURPOSE AND PLACE

LIFE Class

Get plugged into your Rock Church family! Experience our unique discipleship pathway. Join us on Sundays at 12pm at all campus locations. For more information and/or to register, TEXT "LIFE" TO 52525



VARIOUS LOCATIONS

rGroups

God created us to have meaningful relationships. Join an rGroup today to enjoy heartfelt community and fellowship in a small group setting as you grow closer to the Lord. To join or lead an rGroup, TEXT "RGROUPS" TO 52525





DECEMBER 9-15 I POINT LOMA CAMPUS ONLY

30% Off Rockpile

The Rockpile Bookstore is having an incredible Christmas sale. Come to the bookstore and receive 30% off storewide!* No coupons necessary; just show up and shop. *SOME EXCLUSIONS APPLY



DECEMBER 21 I 6:30-9PM I POINT LOMA

Floodgate: Christmas

Come worship the Lord together as one church family at Floodgate - Christmas Edition! The evening will be a Spirit-filled gathering of praise and worship with a special Christmas theme.