

BY ROBERT BOYLE

THE LAST MESSAGE AND **MOMENTS OF LISA BOYLE**

A husband's glimpse of hope after the passing of his wife.

It was early morning of December 13, 2017 when I woke up feeling like the world was about to end. The fact that Lisa, my wife of 32 years, lay in hospice, the result of a long battle with muscular dystrophy that she would soon be forced to concede, brought its own daily fear. But this was different. Something in me said I needed to get to her now instead of at 10am when I would typically visit.

I raced to her side to find her awake and spry and highly aware of who I was; the lack of oxygen to her brain had been causing her some fogginess lately. But not this morning. She looked great.

"Hi Bobby!" she said with wide eyes as if she was expecting me. We talked like two people who had shared a life together and yet there was an urgency about our time.

When it was time for me to go, she had an adorable request. "Come back at lunch, okay, honey?" she said. "And bring 12 rolled tacos."

"Twelve?" I chuckled while holding her hand. Cute as her request was, it was a reminder how hard...

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LOCATIONS

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OCTOBER 11-13 PINE VALLEY BIBLE CONFERENCE CENTER

Men's Fall Retreat

Men, don't miss out! Every year, over 400 men and youth come to worship. reconnect with friends, eat amazing meals, participate in group activities, listen to insightful speakers, and receive what the Holy Spirit is planning in their lives. Hurry, registration ends soon!

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OCTOBER 18 | 7PM | POINT LOMA

Floodgate

Floodgate is back! Experience the presence of God as all five Rock Church campuses come together for a powerful night of extended worship led by our Floodgate team and special guest, Mack Brock. Be sure to arrive early because it's always a full house.

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GLOBAL EVENTS CALENDAR

For more events and info, visit sdrock.com/events

October 11-13

Men's Fall Retreat

Pine Valley Bible Conference Center sdrock.com/mensfallretreat

October 12 Cafecito de Muieres

10am-12pm | East County sdrock.com/cafecito

October 18 Floodgate

7pm | Point Loma sdrock.com/floodgate

October 20 **Baptisms**

12pm | All Campuses sdrock.com/baptism

October 26

Anchored in Love

8am-3:30pm | Point Loma loveanchored.com

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MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

RUNNERS AND TRIATHLETES MINISTRY

We use running and other workouts as a fun way to ensure the participants hear the gospel of Jesus Christ while they train morning runs at 7:30am on the Point Loma campus front steps. FOR MORE INFO, VISIT SDROCK.COM/RUNNERS





VARIOUS TIMES

Calling All Creatives!

Don't miss out on the incredible opportunity to be a part of the Living Nativity and Bethlehem marketplace this Christmas! We are looking for builders, painters, actors, singers, dancers, hair and make up artists, and costume designers.

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HAPPENING WEEKLY

Become a Do **Something Disciple**

A Discipleship Group (dGroup) is a closed group of 3-5 believers who meet together weekly for the purpose of accelerated spiritual transformation through discipleship and accountability. Download the study guide, reading questions, and journal.

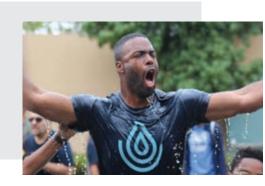
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rGroups

Have you been feeling the need for community? Don't just come to church on Sundays, get plugged in! Join an rGroup today and connect with others by building meaningful relationships through a small group setting

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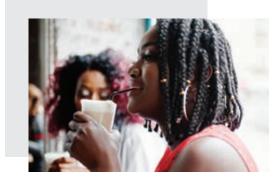


OCTOBER 20 | AFTER 12PM SERVICE | ALL CAMPUSES

Baptism

Are you a new believer? Or maybe you've been a Christian for a while but have never been baptized. Baptism is an amazing time for believers to declare that they now belong to Jesus. It is an outward symbolic representation of the inward work of grace through faith. If you are feeling the tug at your heart to be baptized, register today!

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OCTOBER 12 | EAST COUNTY | 10AM-12PM

Cafecito de Mujeres

Ladies, invite your Spanish speaking friends for coffee! Nos gustaría invitarlas a nuestra reunión global para que todos nuestros ministerios en españoles se reúnan en un mismo lugar y disfrutar de un tiempo de compañerismo, adoración y crecer juntas a través de la Palabra de Dios. No Cuidado de niños.

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