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THE HAND-OFF, PART 1

The ripple effect of loving others in the name of Jesus.

I had been invited to a Teen Challenge graduation ceremony for men trying to break serious drug habits when I found myself standing next to a dude named Robert, who was still in the program. He was a short, thick, powerful-looking guy from the gangs and heroin scene of Santa Ana. But he wore a smile that was so filled with the joy of Christ, I couldn't help but be taken by him.

I knew that the requirement to graduate from the program was for these guys to find employment, and it occurred to me that I could remedy that for Robert. So I offered him a job at my caulking company.

When Robert arrived on the job site, it was an exciting time because shortly after, guys started coming to Christ. No one could listen to Robert and not feel like they had been hit by a tidal wave of love. After getting out of the program, he even started going back to the streets, bringing guys out of the gang life.

One day, I noticed something different about him. He had large purple spots underneath his skin and protruding bumps that appeared to be tumors. Later he confided in me that he had contracted AIDS from sharing needles during his gang days. At the time, in the...

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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 expression for believers to declare that they now belong to Jesus. It is an outward representation of the inward work of grace through faith. If you are feeling the tug at your heart to be baptized, register today! SDROCK.COM/BAPTISM



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GLOBAL EVENTS CALENDAR

October 11-13

Men's Fall Retreat

Pine Valley Bible Conference Center
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October 12

Cafecito de Mujeres

10am-12pm | East County
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October 18

Floodgate

7pm | Point Loma
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October 20

Baptisms

12pm | All Campuses
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October 24

Young Adults UNITED

7pm | City Heights
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THIS WEEKEND! | OCTOBER 11-13 | PINE VALLEY

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 (including Pastor Miles!), and receive what the Holy Spirit is planning in their lives. Hurry, spaces are filling up!

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IF YOU ACCEPTED JESUS TODAY, TEXT "SAVED" TO 52525
SHARE THE GOSPEL MESSAGE WITH A FRIEND BY TEXTING "SHARE" TO 52525

MINISTRY HIGHLIGHT

SPIRITUAL WELLNESS MINISTRY

Self care. It's not just a nice concept, it is essential for a healthy life balance. Find that balance with the Spiritual Wellness Ministry! Form healthy habits and receive support, fun, and self care every Saturday at 10am.

FOR MORE INFO, VISIT SDROCK.COM/SPIRITUALWELLNESS.



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We are so excited to have you here!
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FIND YOUR PURPOSE AND PLACE

LIFE Class

Get plugged into your Rock Church family!
Experience our unique discipleship pathway.

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND/OR TO REGISTER, TEXT "LIFE" TO 52525



VARIOUS LOCATIONS

rGroups

Have you been feeling the need for community? Don't just come to church on Sundays, join an rGroup and build meaningful relationships through a small group setting.

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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 dGroup journal. Enjoy the journey!

TO START A DGROUP, TEXT "DISCIPLE" TO 52525



OCTOBER 26 | 8AM-3:30PM | POINT LOMA

Anchored in Love

A day just for you! Anchored in Love is a young women's conference hosted by Wonderfully Made, Friends of Bethany Hamilton and Rock Church. Join us at this inspiring one-day event designed to help you discover your true beauty, purpose, and worth. Save your seat today!

REGISTER AT LOVEANCHORED.COM



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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