

## Faith Promise: See What Happens

Revelation 6-7

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The cross demands more than observation. The cross demands participation.

*"I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the Word of God and the testimony they had maintained."* Revelation 6:9

When we suffer alone, we want to sit down and shut up.

*"After this I looked and there before me was a great multitude that no one could count, from every nation, tribe, people, and language STANDING before the throne and in front of the Lamb. They were wearing white robes and were holding palm branches in their hands. And they cried out in a loud voice: 'Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne and to the Lamb.'" Revelation 7:9-10*

When we suffer together, we want to stand up and sing out.

"God doesn't explain suffering. God surrounds it." Eugene Peterson

*"Then one of the elders asked me, 'These in the white robes—who are they, and where did they come from?' I answered, 'Sir, you know.' And he said, 'These are they who have come out of the great tribulation; they have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, they are before the throne of God and serve Him day and night in His temple; and He who sits on the throne will spread His tent over them. Never again will they hunger; never again will they thirst. The sun will not beat upon them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb at the center of the throne will be their shepherd; He will lead them to springs of living water. And God will wipe every tear from their eyes.'" Revelation 7:13-17*

### Five for the Drive

#### A family conversation starter for the ride home

1. What kind of situations or images stir compassion inside of you?
2. How would you feel if all your friends deserted you when you were sick or suffering?
3. What makes it difficult for you to join in someone else's suffering?
4. What are specific ways you and your family could show compassion to someone this week in order to share God's generous love?
5. How can you partner with the church to choose compassion in a world of suffering?

## Ministry Opportunities

For more information about these and other events, go to [SavannahChristian.com/Events](http://SavannahChristian.com/Events).

### Global Gathering

**12:45 – 2 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 10**

#### The Link across the lake

Do you have a heart for what God is doing through our church in Savannah and across the world? Join us for food, fun and fellowship at this special Global Gathering as we hear some of our local and global partners speak about their ministries in Savannah, India, Zimbabwe and Ukraine. Families are welcome. Lunch is provided. No registration needed.

### Men's and Women's Golf Scramble

**9 a.m. – 2 p.m. Monday, Nov. 18**

#### Savannah Quarters

Come to our first-ever Golf Scramble! Connect with others at Savannah Christian and, more importantly, with people who need to know Jesus. Put together a team of four people: three from any Savannah Christian campus and someone who does not attend church. This will be a morning of fun and fellowship followed by lunch together and prizes. Bring your own equipment. Tickets are \$70 per person. We have space for only 30 teams so purchase your ticket online at [SavannahChristian.com](http://SavannahChristian.com) soon.

### Military Children's Christmas Fun Day

**9 a.m. – noon Saturday, Nov. 30**

#### kidstreet, Henderson Campus

Military parents, bring your children for a day of Christmas fun while you enjoy a little time away. Your kids will have fun making crafts and playing games. Register at a Connection Kiosk or email Melody at [mpullin@savannahchristian.com](mailto:mpullin@savannahchristian.com) by Wednesday, Nov. 20.

## 2013 Giving and Attendance Through October

**Average Weekly Attendance:** 7,494

**Year-to-Date: General Giving:** \$11,911,180 **Faith Promise (Global Outreach):** \$1,099,355

**Online and Connection Kiosk Giving** (29% of total giving): \$4,273,209

**Transfers and Baptisms:** 1,240

**Relentless Capital Campaign received:** \$8,450,779

**Relentless Capital Campaign pledged:** \$9,144,954