

“And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them.” — 1 John 4:16

Tuesday Night BIG NEWS:

Housing Won't Solve Homelessness, But Community Will!



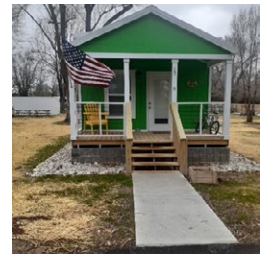
What an amazing conference in Springfield, Missouri, where 35 men and women from across the country gathered to learn about Eden Village. All the attendees had the same thing in common, their love for Jesus and the desire to serve the homeless community. Eden Village is a tiny home community for the chronically disabled homeless population under the management of the Gathering Tree. Their Mission is to first build relationships then a community where the residents feel loved and supported by people they know and trust. The Gathering Tree founders, Dr. David and Linda Brown, sold their comfortable

home in 2010 and moved into an urban loft in downtown Springfield where they started to meet the homeless living on the streets of downtown Springfield. Their hearts were passionate for the people they met, and they began serving coffee and donuts one day a week at the Gathering Tree where they would create relationships with their homeless friends much like La Mesa.

As they became more and more popular, they eventually started serving meals 5 days a week. In 2016 they realized they were not doing enough to help their friends and they came up with the idea to build Eden Village. In 2018 their first resident moved into their new one bedroom one bath 398 square foot home. The interior was totally complete and matched the personality of the resident. Today they have 55 homes with 2 more communities in the development stage. Dr David and Linda Brown were spot lighted on the Kelly Clarkson show as Linda was recognized as the National Good Neighbor of the Year for her work with Eden Village.

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The purpose of this conference was to offer their blueprint for success to those who are committed to do the same thing in their own cities. The Gathering Tree is offering a licensing agreement for those that would like duplicate and develop their own Eden Village. Currently Eden Village partners are creating communities in Wilmington, North Carolina and Kansas City, Kansas. La Mesa is now considering duplicating an Eden Village in the east valley of Phoenix, Arizona. If you would like to be involved or would like to know more about this amazing opportunity, please reach out to Rick McClellan at rick@LaMesaMinistries.org



Here at La Mesa we are always trying to reach more people and share the love of Jesus. On April 28th, we are launching our **second La Mesa location in Tempe** in partnership with Beautiful Savior Lutheran Church! It will be a meal and service just like we do on Tuesday nights in Mesa.

In John 13:34, Jesus tells us “A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another.” We are thrilled to be sharing the love of Jesus in Tempe at the end of the month.

Come join us starting April 28th! The address is 1337 West 11th St., Tempe, AZ 85281. See you there!

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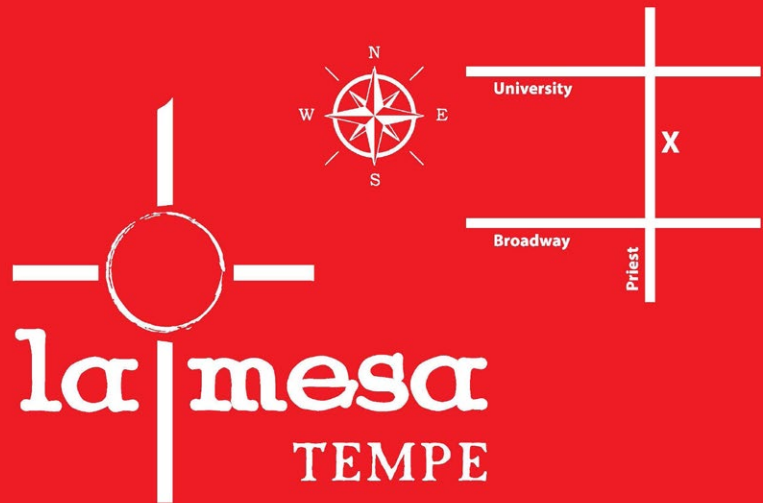


A Look at The LaMesa



FROM THE KITCHEN...

- ✦ April 5:
Burgers and Hot Dogs, Fruit
- ✦ April 22: He Is Risen!
Easter Celebration
Turkey, Mashed Potatoes and Gravy,
Corn, Rolls and Butter, Pies
- ✦ April 19:
Breakfast Casserole, Biscuits and
Sausage Gravy, Fruit
- ✦ April 26:
One of Sammie Jo's Specialties, Fruit



**Starting
April 28th**

**Beautiful Savior
Lutheran Church**
1337 West 11th Street
(between University & Broadway)
Tempe, AZ 85281

Join us Every Thursday for
6:00 pm Free Homemade Meal
6:30 pm Worship

We welcome all for the meal, the service or both!

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*Tuesdays Wednesday, and Thursday by appointment
from 9am to 2pm. Tuesdays 10am to 6pm.*