

“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

Ministry News

PLANS

It was 10 years ago, back in January 2014, that God inspired us to set in motion plans to launch La Mesa. Little did we know the amazing things He would do through this ministry!

2023 was such an amazing year for La Mesa. Here are a few of the highlights:

- Over 10,000 people were served meals.
- Attendance in Tempe doubled, from an average of 43 people each week in 2022 to 93 in 2023.
- The Mesa location averaged over 110 people each week.
- 7 baptisms between Mesa and Tempe!

At La Mesa, it is not about the numbers, but about the relationships created and nurtured. Praise God for all the lives He touches through La Mesa. There is so much that has happened that we couldn't possibly share it all here.

We do not know all the plans Jesus has for La Mesa in 2024, but we trust Him completely and are happy to follow!

Jeremiah 29:11 – “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.”





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GOD'S PLAN AT WORK

God's plan all started 10 years ago in January of 2014 with a vision by a new young pastor to create an outreach ministry serving the homeless and the working poor. The ministry was called La Mesa and it launched officially in Mesa, Arizona on September of 2014. God's plan began with a foundation built on the solid rock of Jesus where a few volunteers began providing a meal and a church service. Relationships and friendships were created, and it became obvious to everyone that La Mesa was something special. La Mesa **IS** special, and God's plan has been developing and continues to do so today. Since the initial first meal, La Mesa has grown and expanded into Tempe where now over two hundred individuals are fed physically and spiritually every week. God's plan also included the creation of John 1334 Ministries, doing business as "La Mesa Ministries." This new entity was created as an extension of La Mesa to serve the community even more effectively with a Resource Center, a Mobile Loaves Food truck and God's project Eden Village. We are amazed at how God's plan has all come together since 2014 and we can't wait to see where He leads us in 2024. If God is leading you to serve in 2024 please go to our website at: <https://lamesaministries.org/want-to-serve/> and watch how God's plan will begin to work through you.

from the KITCHEN...

- + January 11 - Tempe:
Chicken, Biscuits, Salad, Dessert
- + January 16 - Mesa:
Sloppy Joes, Potato Salad, Corn
- + January 18 - Tempe:
Terriyaki Chicken on Rice, Salad and Rolls
- + January 23 - Mesa:
BBQ Beef Sandwiches, Corn, Coleslaw
- + January 25 - Tempe: TBD
- + January 30 - Mesa:
Lasagna, Salad, Rolls w/Butter
- + February 1 - Tempe: Chili and Cornbread
- + February 6 - Mesa: Meatloaf, Mashed Potatoes
w/Gravy, Salad
- + February 8 - Tempe:
Taco, Beans, Rice and Dessert
- + February 13 - Mesa: BBQ Pork Sandwiches,
Baked Beans, Coleslaw, Fruit and Dessert
- + February 15 - Tempe: Sloppy Joes and Brownies

**Then he said to his disciples,
"The harvest is plentiful,
but the workers are few."
(Matthew 9:37)**

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