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## **Hillcrest Happenings for 55+**

**Thursdays** Thursdays 6:15p Mon and Thurs 9:00a Tues and Thurs 9:00-10:15a Thursday Morning Coffee Rev and Flow exercise group Pickleball

Spanish Trail Campus 9-Mile Campus NW Hall A

Spanish Trail Campus

3 semesters in 2024: the next semester begins in January

#### **DECEMBER:**

Sunday, December 10 1 pm Tuesday, December 12 Wednesday, December 20

5:30 pm

10 am

10 am

New Journey Christmas

@ The Barlow's

55+ Christmas Banquet NW Hall

No Wednesday night activities One morning service at each campus

No Connect Groups

Christmas Eve Services

Sunday, December 31

Sunday, December 24

3 and 5 pm, 9-Mile Campus 3 pm at the Spanish Trail Campus

Life in Motion

Wednesday, December 27

No Wednesday night activities One morning service at each campus

No Connect Groups

# **HILLCREST 55+ NEWSLETTER**

**DECEMBER 2023** 





<sup>\*</sup> Classes are for 10-weeks, 2x/week;

### **Merry Christmas!**

For me, and for your **S**.enior **A**.dult **L**.eadership **T**.eam, this is the time of year to plan ahead for 2024 and 2025! Thanks to all who have filled out and turned in the trip questionnaires we sent to you in the last newsletter. Knowing what out-of-town excursions you might be interested in is already helping us make some plans. In light of your responses, 2024 seems to be the year for us to "swing for the fence" with what came across as your #1 dream trip,

### Hillcrest's Alaska Bible Study Land and Sea Tour, August 3 - August 15 With Pastor Jim Locke

Registration/Booking for this great trip has now begun, and several have already signed up and paid a deposit!

Booking early is essential for a Large Group trip like this one, as we have reserved quite a number of cabins on the *Holland America ship, Noordam,* and Holland America will not hold those cabins very long.

#### So....

# Book as soon as you can, preferably before the New Year! A \$50 deposit will hold your cabin.

Forty-two went on the 1st Alaska excursion in **2017**, and that trip was unforgettable! We hope for even more to join Pastor Jim and me this time around!

The estimated cost, **excluding airfare**, starts at around \$3200/person, but upgrades will be available. If you have Sky Miles or other airline credits, you can apply those credits toward the airfare through our travel agent to save some money.

Booking early will guarantee that you will be on the same flights as our group, and you will have the best choice of the ship's cabins. See across the page for the details of the trip... By the way, this trip will be open to ALL adults, and may be an excellent opportunity for some of you to travel with one of your children or adult grandchildren on a special trip!

So, call Debbie in the church office for the specifics, and let's have the best trip ever!

#### Other Trip plans for 2024

Our Nashville trip was great; we filled up the bus for this one!

I believe the highlight of the trip was when GARTH BROOKS walked onto the stage at the Grand Ole Opry the night we were there! What a Treat!

So what is next???

Maybe.....San Antonio?

The Grand Canyon?

An overnight "Mystery Trip??

Stay tuned!

Brother Pat

### Join Pastor Jim for the Hillcrest

### 2024 Alaska Bible Study Land and Sea Tour

Sponsored by the Hillcrest 55+ Ministry

(but not limited to those 55+!)

August 3-15, 2024

### aboard Holland America's Noordam

#### **Cruise Tour Itinerary:**

3 Fly to Vancouver, Canada

8/4 Board the Noordam, sail away

8/5 Cruise Day 2: the "inside passage"

8/6 Cruise Day 3: Ketchikan

7 Cruise Day 4: Juneau

8/8 Cruise Day 5: Skagway

8/9 Cruise Day 6: Glacier Bay

8/10 Cruise Day 7: College Fiord

/11 Whittier, Anchorage, then to Denali aboard the Wilderness Express

8/12 Denali

3/13 Denali

3/14 Anchorage

8/15 Fly Home



Book Early for best pricing!

**Inside Cabin** 

\$3200

Oceanview Cabin \$3600 Veranda Cabin

\$4100

- ♦ Prices are estimated, and are per person, 2/cabin
- ♦ Prices include all lodging, bus transfers, meals aboard ship, taxes, port charges
- ♦ **Prices DO NOT include airfare** (we will be traveling a s a group, but exact prices will only be known when each person books his/her flight). **The estimated cost for round-trip airfare should be \$1100-\$1400/person.**
- ♦ Also not included in the cost are: tips, travel insurance (recommended), meals while on land, and optional shore excursions
- ♦ Call Debbie Godwin at 850-476-2233 for Booking information