Forward to Freedom
First Farragut

Our Tree is Blooming!

Be sure to check out the tree and count the open blooms. Each bloom represents $10,000. Thank you to everyone who attended the Advanced Commitment Dinner and helped our tree to bloom.

There are also a lot of butterflies popping up around here. It's starting to feel like spring, maybe mother nature will get the idea soon!

Next Sunday is Commitment Sunday

Please join us in making a commitment and helping us to move "Forward to Freedom!"

A Leap of Faith

By Rabbi Daniel Estreicher Torah from Dixie Staff Writer

While the great miracle of the splitting of the Red Sea is well documented, many people are not aware of the important factor, which was needed for this event to take place. Hashem was unwilling to perform this awesome miracle until He saw man's willingness to exhibit faith in Him. Therefore, it was not until Nachshon (Nahshon) the son of Aminadav of the tribe of Yehudah bravely jumped into the water, showing unbelievable faith in Hashem the sea actually parted. Because of Nachshon's great act of faith, the position of leadership and royalty was bestowed upon his tribe of Yehudah. The great King David descended from this tribe, as well as the Mashiach (Messiah) who will bring the ultimate redemption.

We can learn several very important lessons from Nachshon. First, we must all be active members in the service of Hashem. We cannot expect to sit back and wait for miracles to happen. We must first show we are deserving by taking the initial step ourselves.

Secondly, we must realize every one of us can make a difference. We have no idea how great our potential really is until we step forward. Even though a certain cause may be dangerous or unpopular, if we are willing to take a leap of faith, we can affect eternity. This is what Hashem wants from us, and it is up to us to meet His challenge.

Rabbi Daniel Estreicher has been a teacher at the Yeshiva High School of Atlanta for more than two decades. .

A special Thank you to Teresa Belles and Connie Griffith. They did a wonderful job of planning and preparing food for our Advanced Commitment Dinner. It looked beautiful here. We were able to feed all 98 guests with food leftover that we donated to the mobile meal program.

Key Campaign Dates

Saturday March 7th

7:00 AM—7:00 PM— Prayer Vigil

Sunday March 8th

Great Day of Commitment and Celebration!

Prayer Walk

Thank you to those who have joined us on the prayer walk. If you have not joined the prayer walk yet, the posters will remain up until March 8th.

Prayer Vigil

Please join us for a prayer vigil on Saturday March 7th, 7:00 a.m.— 7:00 p.m. Sign-ups will be available on Sign-Up Genius. Look for the link in this week's Wednesday Newsletter. There will be several prayer stations set up; a prayer labyrinth, candles, and stained glass window prayer. Sign-ups will be for one-hour increments. Consider coming with a group or Sunday school class.

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Many other persons are already assisting as well, including other laity, your church staff, and more. We thank God for the sharing of time and talents from these faithful and committed souls. Please uphold these persons, and the church, with your prayers, as we move forward with a Vision of Hope in Christ's name!