## Miracles of Faith Community Church (ELCA)

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75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
THANKS BE TO GOD!

November 18, 2017

Church Council and/or the Reverend Peggy White Faith Lutheran Church 16548 Ferris Avenue Los Gatos, CA 95032

Dear Council Members &/or Pastor White:

You may remember that our church was recognized at this year's Synod Assembly in honor of our **75**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary** of ministry in Oakland. **Miracles of Faith Community Church**, formerly known as Faith American Lutheran Church, has been an active force for good in our diverse neighborhood since December of 1942. That's why we are locally known as *The Community Church for the Church's Community*.

On **Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**, we will kick-off our 75-day **"Love Your Neighbor" Campaign**, beginning with our **Anniversary Celebratory Luncheon** at **1:00PM** and our **75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebratory Service** at **3:00PM**. You are cordially invited to join Bishop Mark Holmerud, area pastors, local dignitaries, our members, friends and neighbors as we **celebrate our past** impact, **proclaim our present** ministry, and **affirm our future** service to our surrounding neighborhood.

It is our hope that our sister churches in the Sierra Pacific Synod will show their solidarity with a congregation born during WWII. You can do that in several ways:

- Send several representatives from your church to our December 10<sup>th</sup> events
- Place a **Tribute Ad** in our Anniversary Keepsake Booklet
- Send a **\$75 love offering** in honor of our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary
- Pray that our **75**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary "Love Your Neighbor" Campaign** is successful
- Save the date February 16<sup>th</sup> for our culminating celebration

We thank you in advance for supporting our **75**<sup>th</sup> **Anniversary "Love Your Neighbor" Campaign**. Checks may be made payable to **Miracles of Faith Community Church** and placed in the self-addressed stamped envelope provided or paid directly to our church's Paypal account. If the holidays are financially tight, please remember this is a 75-day campaign from December 10, 2017 through February 16, 2018.

If you wish to place a tribute ad, please submit your ad for the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Booklet in JPEG format to Mary Brown at <a href="maryb86@comcast.net">maryb86@comcast.net</a> as soon as possible (no later than Friday, December 1<sup>st</sup>) to insure its inclusion. If you need help creating an ad, call Mary Brown at 510-599-4902 or the Church Office Tuesday – Thursday between 10:00AM - 3:00PM.

It is my privilege to serve God in this caring, dynamic ministry. Here at Miracles of Faith, we believe in *miracles*. I know a great *victory* lies ahead. If you have any questions or wish to actively participate in our 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary, please don't hesitate to call.

With gratitude,

Pastor Gress

Rev. Greggory L. Brown, Pastor