

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ:

Hallelujah, Jesus Christ is Lord! He died for our sins on the cross, is risen from the dead and is alive forevermore!

On April 4th from 1:00-5:00, Christians from all over Memphis and the Mid South will be gathering at Redbirds Stadium (AutoZone Park) to exalt Jesus. The Body of Christ is coming together across denominational, racial and ethnic lines to lift up the Head, the Lord Jesus Christ. There is one body, one spirit, one hope, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all. Christians want to lift up His glorious Name.

Many Christians throughout the city have been praying for years, and especially over the last year, for the Holy Spirit to be poured out in our city, nation, and world. We have been praying for a Great Awakening in the Church, and for Memphis to be a city set on a hill holding up the light of Christ for the Nation. Jesus said, "If I be lifted up from the earth, I will draw all men unto Me." He is our only hope and the only answer to our society's downward spiral. Jesus prays, "I do not ask on behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; that they may all be one; even as You, Father, are in Me and I in You, that they also may be in Us, so that the world may believe that You sent Me. (John 17:20-21 NASB)

Several Christians from different quarters were stirred with a similar burden to rent AutoZone Park on Saturday, April 4<sup>th</sup>, the day before Easter, to exalt Jesus. Although the original catalyst for the event was the fact that the American Atheists plan to hold their National Convention in Memphis on Easter weekend, we have no desire to carry signs, picket, or confront atheists. Rather, the focus of the event is simply an expression of the unity of the Body of Christ to exalt our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We are appealing to our brothers and sisters in Christ to begin now to fast and pray and then to gather on April 4<sup>th</sup> under the headship of the Lord Jesus to declare that He is ALIVE! We envision this event as being one step towards a much broader vision for the body of Christ. Our hope and deep desire is that there will be a great move of the Holy Spirit that utterly transforms the Church and our community and brings many souls to the Lord Jesus. He is worthy—worthy that all know Him, worthy that all experience His marvelous grace, worthy that all live forever to the praise of His glory.

A broad-based leadership and planning team is coming together throughout the Christian community and all are invited to participate. Please see website for updated information about the event and future planning meetings.

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