



Remembering the Life of



WARREN WILLIS
March 1, 1938 - December 9, 2023



January 20, 2024
Grace Evangelical Free Church



Warren Willis (1938-2023) dedicated his life to sharing the gospel globally, aligning with Acts 1:8.

Warren grew up in Southern California and attended Leuzinger High School where he was both student body president and president of the Christian club. After graduating in 1955, Warren attended the Lutheran Bible School in Los Angeles and then Pacific Lutheran University, where he met and then married Diane Rosdahl. They had two sons, Bob and Mike. He also attended Dallas Theological Seminary for two years.

Warren served with Campus Crusade for Christ, impacting UC Berkeley during the '60s. In 1975, he became a missionary in Micronesia. It was there that they informally adopted their third son, Asia. From Micronesia, Warren would go on to serve with great effectiveness in Canada and then Outer Mongolia.

Returning to the U.S. in 2000, Warren founded the California School Project in 2002 (now named Decision Point), empowering students for missionary work. In 2006, Diane passed away after a 15-year battle with cancer. They were married for over 44 years.

Warren completed his Ph.D. in 2017. In 2023, he saw the completion of the writing of "The Jesus Man." This book recounts the stories of God's faithfulness over his years of ministry.

In 2008, he married Mary Stoddard and they later moved to Dallas in 2018 to expand the mission efforts of Decision Point in Texas.

Warren Willis passed away at 85 on December 9, 2023. He is survived by his wife Mary, sons Bob, Mike, Asia, and 10 grandchildren.

Order of Service

Welcome

Erik Thoennes

Acts 20:17-24; 36-38

Scripture Readings

Asia Goins

Hebrews 2:10-15

Bob Willis

Philippians 3:20-21

Hank Hornstein

I Corinthians 15:50-58

The Life of Warren Willis

Kellee Popp

Scripture Readings

Rich Hung

II Timothy 4:7-9

Jonathan Medina

Luke 18:28-30

Matthew 25:21

Reflections on Warren's Life & Ministry

Brad Dacus

Brandon Woodruff

Heather Barnes

Carrying on the Legacy

Mark Hopson

Great is Thy Faithfulness

Kenny Clark

I'd Rather Have Jesus

Pastoral Message

Erik Thoennes

In Christ Alone

Kenny Clark

Benediction

Dick Sherwood