YOUTH CONNECTION

*Wednesday Night Bible Study *Sunday Morning Bible School *Children's Church (during Sermon): Ages 9 and under

Upcoming Youth and Family:

- March 17th: High School Fellowship (12pm-2pm)
- March 24th: Family Day (TBA)

<u> Youth Minister</u>:

Caleb and Ashley Gervin
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(c) 760-898-9776

Ashley: gervin@usc.edu (c) 760-625-6935

- March 31st: CVRM Community Service (4pm-6pm)



*Times and events are subject to change, so please check with Caleb or Ashley for more information.

COLLEGE & YOUNG ADULT CONNECTION

UPCOMING EVENTS

- March 17th: High School Fellowship (12pm-2pm)
 - March 24th: Family Day (TBA)
- March 31st: CVRM Community Service (4pm-6pm)



OUTREACH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

This team offers home bible studies, hospital and home visits, shut-ins visits, baptisms, and any encouragement needs. This team also offers general maintenance duties - such as minor home/yard work and heavy lifting.

SPANISH MINISTER: Raye Kramar (c)(760) 580-1954 **FAMILY MINISTER:** John Rice (h)(760) 347-3928

Ministry Team Members:

Jim Sultzer Rafael Rodriguez Garry Sage Marco Aparicio Bob Tripp Nick Macias Henry McNulty



Paul's Ponders

How would you define church growth?

There are different ways to identify growth in a church and some of them have nothing to do with numbers. However, if the numbers at a church are growing, they are probably doing something right. God counted numbers. Look at the many times participants are counted; the feeding of the 5,000, the 120 believers in Acts one, the 3,000 added to the church and so on. What matters most is that there are people learning about Jesus and that leads to belief which leads to faith and obedience.

Look at the elements of church growth in Acts 2:42-47. First the disciples were devoted. They were disciples being renewed into the image of Christ. They were not members. There is a difference in perspective. They were devoted to learning, fellowship, sharing, and prayer. They liked being together and actively gave of themselves and their belongings to help others. They seemed to be together all the time, or as much as possible, not just "prescribed times". They were happy and sincere. They spent a lot of time praising God. They communed and gave because they wanted to. The people around them were impressed. And God added to their number.

May we be more like the early church.

Just Pondering

AVECES PIENSO

Quizás, todos en esta vida soñamos con llegar a ser independientes y un día tener una casa, un lugar donde podamos mirar crecer a nuestros hijos. Con la crisis inmobiliaria cuantos de nosotros nos vimos afectados a abandonar el sueño que con tanto esfuerzo y dedicación, habíamos dedicado a ese rinconcito al que llamábamos mi casa. Ese día comprendí que tu casa está donde está tu corazón. Nunca le pude llamar verdaderamente mi casa, porque le pertenecía a los acreedores, sin embargo hace algunos años recibí las llaves por el carpintero de Galilea con el interés pagado y con el título de propiedad a mi nombre. Una casa nueva, donde no existe la oscuridad, donde el HIJO es la luz, un lugar donde aprendí a soñar otra vez. Es agradable para mí decirte que siempre vas a ser bienvenido. Todos soñamos con regresar a casa después de días de ausencia, o de una jornada larga de trabajo, pero una casa es mucho más que ventanas, paredes y puertas; es un lugar cálido, abrasador, tranquilo donde la paz de una carita sonriente espera por ti. Juan14:1-3»No dejen que el corazón se les llene de angustia; confien en Dios y confien también en mí. 2 En el hogar de mi Padre, hay lugar más que suficiente. Si no fuera así, ¿acaso les habría dicho que voy a prepararles un lugar? 3 Cuando todo esté listo, volveré para llevarlos, para que siempre estén conmigo donde yo estoy.

Yo soy tu hermano Gilberto.....

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS



ON-GOING EVENTS

SUNDAY MORNING:

Bible Classes for all ages at 9:15a.m.. Donuts and coffee are provided in the kitchen before and after class. Worship Service at 10:15. Headsets for Spanish translation are provided during Worship Service.

CHILDRENS BIBLE HOUR:

Bible Hour for young children is located in the large classroom next to the kitchen.

An announcement will be made to dismiss the children to the classroom.

SUNDAY EVENING SMALL GROUP STUDY:

Please see the insert for our "In the Word" Sunday Evening/Afternoon Bible Study locations. Group leaders are available for more information.

SKY VALLEY WORSHIP & BIBLE STUDY:

4:00pm starts the combined Worship Service/In The Word Bible Study for the DHS/Sky Valley areas.

LADIES' TUESDAY BIBLE STUDY:

Please join us for an uplifting study and fellowship with other women of faith every Tuesday morning from 10-11:30am. The current study is the book "Wild and Free".

MEN'S WEDNESDAY MORNING PRAYER:

Wednesdays at 7:30a.m., the men meet at the church building for prayer and then go out for breakfast.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT CLASSES:

Wednesday Bible Class at 6:00p.m.

SUNDAY SERMONS:

Sunday Sermons can be accessed on YouTube under "Nick Macias" account.

SERMON NOTES

CAUSES AND COMMUNITY EVENTS

secret sister

Remember to pray for your Secret Sister and put a card or note of encouragement in the red basket in the kitchen.

Thank you, Helene and Randi



LAST WEEK

Attendance: 130 **Contribution:** \$5,335 **Kids for Kids:** \$138

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Jim Sultzer	3/2	Joe Sidoti	3/23
Ernest Anderson	3/3	Daisy Torres	3/23
Cynthia Finnell	3/3	Nicole Macias	3/25
Jean Avington	3/5	Jordan Burton	3/29
Nick Moreno	3/6	Raylene Higa	3/30
Andrew Alvarez	3/10	Sharon Anderson	3/31
Jan Vaccarello	3/10		-
Lisseth Aparicio	3/12		· 1
Jeanne Brady	3/13	Constant For i	Control 1
Theresa Jones	3/13	M. L. Michael	
Yosaris Torrez	3/17	\ Marc	h/
Ed Holmes	3/18	I ware	1 1 /
Elaine Robinson	3/19		
Jim Bible	3/23		

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES



John & Diana Burton
Mike & Christine Dawson
Calvin & Cindy Worth
David & Noemi Sanchez
Glen & Gwen Dods
Bob & Maria Tripp
3/34
3/3
3/4
3/8
3/19
3/22
3/22

DIRECTORY CHANGES

Please be sure to let the office know if you have any contact information changes or additions.

Thursday Night ~ Ladies Night:

Caring and Sharing

'An evening of fellowship and encouragement'

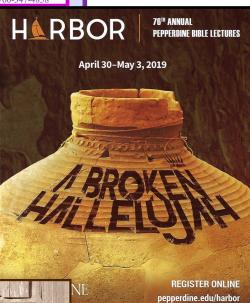
When: Thursday, March 28th Time: 6:30pm

Where: TBA

What to bring: A Snack To Share

Who: Ladies of *ALL* ages

Contact: Caryl Brennan: 760-902-3959 or Mary Jo Biggers: 760-347-48







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GATHERINGS:

Sunday: Bible Study: 9:15am ~ Worship Service: 10:15am

Wednesday: Bible Study: 6:00pm

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