

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2026

REDEMPTION HILL CHURCH



This Week: Pastor Tim Swanson will be preaching on Exodus 5:1-21



MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

KEN TAYLOR

Serving in Japan

What's Going On

Sun. 07/09

Sunday Worship @ 10am;
Promotion Sunday

Sun. 08/16

Sunday Worship @ 10am
(Exodus 5:22-6:13); Post-Service
Prayer Gathering. Youth Beach
Trip @ 12pm

Tue. 08/18

Food Distribution @ 12:30pm

Thur. 08/20

Prayer Gathering @ 7pm

Ken Taylor is one of our supported mission partners. He has been serving in Japan since 1995.

After 16 years as Field Leader for our mission team, I passed on the baton to a new generation of leaders last fall. In just the last eight years, our team increased from twenty to seventy missionaries — with more coming.

Now I am excited to try new projects that will hopefully attract non-Christians in relevant ways that will meet their needs. Japan's Christian population is less than 1%. Reaching the Japanese can be very challenging and takes time. I have opened a new for-profit corporation here in Japan to offer services and events that will try to attract new customers who will become part of a new community and then make relationships that will introduce them to Christ and the church. As part of this, I moved closer into the city center of Tokyo. Normally people will move out to the countryside but given my next season of ministry, this is a big strategic step in reaching the 99% of Japanese non-Christians.

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At the moment I am back in Manila, Philippines for the summer, to equip and empower worship leaders of one of our supporting churches here. Then it's back to preparing for the next season of the Hallelujah Gospel Family. This is a network of fifty choirs in fifty churches across Japan. We have about 1,000 members, 80% of whom are not-yet-Christians, singing black gospel music. It's run like a franchise: these churches own and shepherd the choir communities, creating relationships through which people get saved. I am the overall, main choir director, and I've trained forty choir directors. Many of them are not-yet-Christian themselves, but the pastors of the churches are the ones leading the vision and driving the strategy of their choir. Our model is that local churches are empowered and equipped to start these communities and develop relationships so that they can lead choir members to the Lord.

I produce the musical resources to make that happen, and I train the choir directors. Rather than lead a choir myself, I go around to help teach the different choirs and support the choir directors. So I ask that you pray for me as I prepare the choir resources for the fall, and for more people to come to know the Lord through this gospel ministry.

1. Praise for another successful All Japan Combined concert last June 24, 2026 in Tokyo, Japan, and for the many hundreds of Japanese people in the choir and audience. There were 350 Japanese gospel choir members on stage and about 800 in the audience.
2. Pray for a reservation of a large hall in Tokyo for next year June or July 2027. We have not been able to reserve a hall for next year.
3. Pray for all the preparation for Fall 2026 Hallelujah Gospel Family resources. Textbooks, music charts, instrumentation, etc. that go to about 1,000 gospel choir members.
4. New initiatives to reach the 99% of Japanese through my new for-profit corporation, offering services and events, with the aim of attracting and developing relationships with people to introduce them to Christ and the church.

Pray:

- Jeff & Sarah Caldwell: Married on 08/08.
- Mary Campbell: Recovering from knee replacement 06/29.
- Steve Campbell: Praise for successful foot surgery on 08/04; pray for recovery.
- Brandi Durham: Full healing of knee and ankle.
- Linda Hubley: For comfort from the Lord, his Word, and his people. For continuance of the perfect peace she currently experiences. That she would make the most of every day, especially during the "better" periods between treatments. That she would identify and make the most of opportunities to speak with others about the Lord.
- Kathy Hughes (wife of Dan); Diagnosed with stressed kidney, lung cancer. Dan is caring for her and working full time.
- Greg Jackson: God's guidance and direction, family reconciliation.
- Kevin Moore: Comfort over continued grieving over his daughter, Christine.
- Henry Calvin Schneider: Born to Aaron and Alena on 6/18/26.
- Jenn Welch: That the 5 nodules identified by CT scan are benign and harmless.

Prayer Continued:

- Robin Williams: Recovering from oral surgery 07/01.
- Jim Zillion (Cliff's step-father): Removal of fluid on lungs; wisdom for doctors re: possible heart surgery.
- Ben Benning (Carolyn VanGorkom's father) - recovery from a broken hip; for Carolyn & Melody as they care for him in Cameron Park.

Save The Date:

Sun. 09/06

Taco Sunday-Outdoor Service
& lunch

Sat. 09/12

NorCal Women's Conference

10/16-10/18

Man Camp

Sat. 10/24

Harvest Party

Serve with the Food Distribution

1st/3rd Tuesday
12:30pm - 2:30pm



Help Wanted



Could you help with the Hospitality Cleanup once per month (preferably the 3rd Sunday)? Responsibilities include clearing away the refreshments and washing any dishes. Contact Alisa (Alisa@RedemptionHillSR.org) for more info.



Solano Valley

Church of the Month ❤️

Points for Prayer:

- A future home for our church. Pray that God would open the right doors, give our elders wisdom, and clearly direct our next steps.
- A Worship Ministry leader. Pray for someone who loves Christ deeply, embraces the mission and values of our church, and can help lead our congregation in God-centered worship.
- Our fall spiritual growth journey. Pray for wholehearted participation in our six-week church-wide emphasis called Following Jesus in Philippians; pray for spiritual growth, and for many opportunities for our people to invite friends and neighbors to join us.
- Our family. Pray for me as I travel to Little Rock to care for my sister and my 90-year-old mother. Pray for my sister as she has, and recovers from, major surgery. Pray for strength for our family, and wisdom as I help care for both my sister and my mother.

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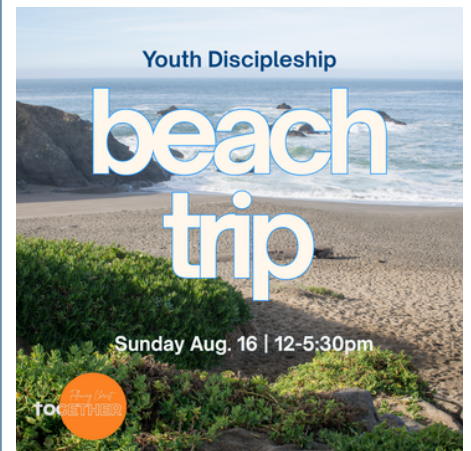


Ministry Leadership Certificate — Registration Now Open

Venture Church Network is excited to offer the Ministry Leadership Certificate (MLC) Program, a transformative series of high-impact courses through Western Seminary's Center for Leadership Development. Thoughtfully curated by VCN's leaders, this program equips pastors, ministry leaders, and lay leaders with practical skills, biblical wisdom, and effective leadership tools for faithful and fruitful ministry.

Developed to answer the call of Ephesians 4:12, "to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ," the MLC is more than a certificate program. It's an opportunity to gain confidence in God's word and grow alongside fellow ministry leaders to advance the Kingdom. We invite you to take a BOLD next step in your ministry journey and join us.

- Course Overview: visit <https://www.venturechurches-ncnv.com/mlc/>
- Cost: \$300, plus the cost of books
- Start Date: September 8, 2026
- End Date: June 18, 2027
- Orientation Meeting: September 8, 2026
- Contact: [Andy Flowers](#), Director of Leadership Education



Beach Day - Sunday, August 16
Bring your own lunch. We will leave from the church after service (12:00pm). Please RSVP to kellen@redemptionhillsr.org. Pick up at RHC 5:30pm.



Taco Sunday

On September 6 we'll be holding an outdoor service, followed by a taco lunch. There'll be food, fun, and fellowship! We'll also have volleyball and waterslides. It's a great opportunity to invite your non-church-going family, friends, neighbors, and coworkers. Sign up in the Foyer to bring food.

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PRAY

for the
Swansons

Points for Prayer:

- Removal of any fungus on the valve, pacemaker, and in the blood as well as medication side-effects.
- Protection from infectious emboli and vegetations.
- Restoration of natural ventricular heart beat
- Clarity in decision-making and the fungal source.
- Thwarting of spiritual schemes/attacks in light of Revelation 12:10-11.
- Christ's renewing strength, peace, and joy.
- God will be glorified in this affliction and, as John 9:3, says "...that the works of God might be displayed in (me)."



NEW CREATION

with Gloria Furman

SEPTEMBER 12, 2026
SANTA ROSA BIBLE CHURCH

NorCal Women's Conferences

Join us for our third NorCal Women's Conference on September 12, 2026!

This biennial, one day Bible conference for women takes place at Santa Rosa Bible Church in Northeast Sonoma County from 8am-3:30pm. Our day will be full of rich teaching, impactful worship, great food and fellowship! Come and be encouraged - we don't want you to miss it!

We are so excited to have Gloria Furman with us this year! She is the author of so many fantastic books. Such as *Treasuring Christ when your hands are Full*, *Missional Motherhood*, and *Glimpses of Grace*, among others! She and her husband Dave serve at Redeemer Church of Dubai. She has a passion for equipping women in the church and is such a great resource!

We will be enjoying 3 teaching sessions and a beautiful time of worship! A light breakfast, coffee bar, delicious lunch, and other goodies are provided!

Your ticket includes a swag bag along with all meals, snacks and coffee! We throw in all the fun and fellowship for free!

Cost is \$85 per person* and includes lunch and snacks.

Registration closes August 30th.

You don't want to miss out on this dynamic speaker, engaging worship, and a fresh word from the Lord.

Register at [NorCalWomensConference.com](https://www.NorCalWomensConference.com) or via the QR code above.

NEW TO REDEMPTION?

Hi there!

Whatever your background or situation, we're glad you've decided to join us this morning. You might find it helpful to know that:

- There are bathrooms available in the lobby and in the courtyard.
- Nursery services are available for infants. We also dismiss children for age-appropriate learning (toddlers through 5th Grade) during the main teaching time (except on the 5th Sunday of the month).
- A nursing room and changing facilities are available in the Sanctuary building.

Refreshments are available after the service - please stick around and say hi!

We look forward to getting to know you!

FIND COMMUNITY

Hungry for deeper, authentic relationships? We've got Men's, Women's, and Youth Discipleship Groups to help us grow together in grace. We meet weekly to discuss Scripture and pray. *Contact the Church Office for location and availability.*

Men's Groups

Mon. Evenings - Santa Rosa
Tues. Evenings - Rohnert Park
Weds. Evenings - Santa Rosa

Women's Groups

Weds. Mornings - Santa Rosa
Weds. Evenings - Rohnert Park
Thurs. Evenings - Santa Rosa

Youth (6th-12th Grade):

Youth Discipleship is now on its summer schedule.
Contact Kellen for more info: kellen@RedemptionHillSR.org



Online Giving

Get In Touch

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Ministry Team

Elders:

Tim Swanson - Pastor/Elder
Kelly Hubley - Elder

Staff:

Wendy Cunningham - Worship Ministry
Director
Kellen Eddy - Youth Ministry Director
Sarah Mee - Church Administrative
Assistant / Tech Team Administrator
Alisa Swanson - Hospitality & Facilities
Administrator

First Aid

An AED and a Life-Vac anti-choking device are located in the Foyer. A box of other first aid supplies is in the Fireside Room, above the refrigerator.

LET'S CONNECT!

We'd love to get to know you better and welcome you into our family. If you're ready to get connected, please fill out a few details and leave this in the offering box on the back wall of the Sanctuary. Or, better still, scan this code and fill it out online. Someone will be in touch soon.

First name:

Last name:

Email:

Phone:



**But the king of Egypt said to them,
Exodus 5:4**



**"Moses and Aaron, why do you take
the people away from their work?"**