REDEMPTION HILL CHURCH

This Week: Pastor Tim Swanson will be preaching on Isaiah 58:3-10



Brenda Allen

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH

What's Going On

Sun. 11/23

All-Age Thanksgiving Service; Communion Sunday

Thur. 11/27-Fri. 11/28

Office closed for Thanksgiving

Sun. 11/30

Sunday Worship @ 10am; Decorating for Christmas

Tue. 12/02

Food Distribution @ 12:30pm

Wed. 12/03

Youth Discipleship @ 7pm

Thur. 12/04

Prayer Gathering @ 7pm

Sat.12/13

Carols in the Courtyard @ 5pm

Sun. 12/21

Christmas Service @ 10am

Sat. 01/10/26

Connect Conference

Brenda Allen is one of our supported missionaries. For thirty-five years, she has served Jesus in West Africa. She now divides her time between Northern California and Guinea.

Ten years ago I encountered a young university student at church. Abraham came over to my house regularly for about a year to talk and pray. He spoke the local language Maninka as well as his mother-tongue Toma, French, English... what a gift! He started working with a missionary co-worker in her after-school clubs. He really had a heart for kids who did not know Christ Jesus as their Savior.

When the opportunity arose about a year into the friendship, my friend Katie and I sponsored him to spend a summer in Ghana where Abraham attended a 3-month training with the Child Evangelism Fellowship, which is called AEE in French-speaking West Africa. He grew in not only Biblical knowledge — his skill set — but also this passion for lost kids.

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When he returned to our area, his studies were finished and it was his desire to work in full-time ministry as a missionary with AEE among Maninka children. In conjunction with the national director of AEE for Guinea and local churches, he continued to serve in Bible clubs. Growing in his abilities in training others who work with kids, he started training Sunday school teachers throughout the region. We kept praying that God would allow him to work full-time with kids rather than be a self-supporting missionary. He needed help in the growing ministry and coworkers.

Another young man, Issack, also started teaching in Bible clubs and I was led to sponsor him to also attend AEE training for 3 months in Senegal, three years after Abraham's attendance. Abraham and I were stoked... a co-worker! After Issack successfully finished the AEE course he wavered for some time with ministry engagement after a failed romance. A year later and to this date he struggles with depression and inertia. (As one who has walked my own road with depression for twenty-three years, I keep praying for him.) No co-worker for Abraham!

For a couple of years with different jobs in different Maninka towns, Abraham was faithful! He came to me one day and told me of a young Sunday school teacher he had met at a training he led. A long and lovely story... after high school Aline came to our town for three years of professional schooling as a health worker. God kept them growing in Him, pure, and they were married three years later. Co-habitation is so common even among believers and a long courtship is rare. What a testimony!

They are now back the town of Kankan where I minister. He is working as an accountant for a school connected to a Bible-believing church. God has provided for "free ministry time" when school is not in session.

I am thrilled that their first daughter was given my name "Mama Brenda." Aline is now four months pregnant with their second child, for whom they anticipate a May birth.

They continue to serve and bless others! May God raise up other co-laborers who can work with kids alongside Abraham!

Pray:

- Julia Basch: Experiencing flare-up of postural tachycardia syndrome.
- Mike Basch: Undergoing PT for wrist.
- Cindy Berg (Wife of Bill);
 Healing & peace during
 recovery from back surgery.
- Phil de Bliek & family:
 Following the passing of his brother, Ray.
- Noel Dachauer: Wisdom on and healing for long-standing health issues.
- Jenn Welch: Recovery from surgery.
- Robin Williams: For gospel seeds sown in others during missions trip to come to fruition.
- Carols in the Courtyard: for opportunities and boldness to invite non-church-attending friends.
- Cheri (Jenn Welch's mom):
 Receiving hospice care. Pray for her salvation & for Jenn as she ministers to her.
- Shirley Oliver: Thanks that cancer's currently in remission; wisdom re: future ongoing treatment.





"The best way to spread Christmas cheer is singing loud for all to hear." — Buddy the Elf

Looking for an easy way to share the Good News of Christmas with your non-Christian friends and family? Invite them to Carols in the Courtyard!

We'll enjoy cookies and hot chocolate as we sing Christmas songs and listen to Scripture readings exploring how and why Christ came into the world. It'll be fun, it'll be festive, and it'll be outdoors — so dress warmly!

Saturday December 13 @ 5 pm.



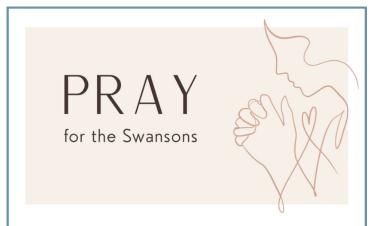
Prayer requests:

- To be an effective witness for Christ in the community of Woodland, CA.
- To be a place where believers truly grow in their relationship with Christ and with brothers and sisters in the Lord.
- For the protection of our leadership team.









Points for Prayer:

- Continued prayer against confusion and for clarity.
- Identification of the fungal source (there was a hotspot on the PET scan below the pacemaker in an area operated on in 2015, and they aren't sure what it is).
- Healing & eradication of the fungus.
- Protection against emboli.
- Removal of medication side-effects.
- Against spiritual attack and for God's peace and joy to reign continuously.
- Wisdom and direction regarding next steps.
- Thanksgiving: Experiencing God's presence.



The **Connect Conference** is a one-day Bible conference designed to stir the hearts of believers to see the beauty, authority, and sufficiency of Jesus Christ as the Head of the Church.

Through faithful teaching of Scripture, dynamic worship, and intentional fellowship, Connect seeks to strengthen our understanding of the Church's identity in Christ and our response to Him—worship that encompasses our entire lives. Rooted in biblical truth and centered on the gospel, this gathering serves as a call to unity, devotion, and transformation as local churches come together to exalt Christ, deepen their love for Him, and live out His mission in the world.

Date: January 10, 2025

Time: 9am-4pm

Location: Hessel Church, Sebastopol

Speakers include: Dane Ortlund (pastor, author of *Gentle and Lowly*); Tim Challies (author, blogger); Ryan Kwon (pastor, The Gospel Coalition board member); Erik Thoennes (Professor of Theology at BIOLA university).

Worship: led by Shane and Shane

Cost (includes lunch): Early bird price (ENDS TODAY): \$89. Use discount code: RHILLCONNECTS. Regular price: \$109.

For more information and to register, $\mbox{\sc visit:}$

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Have questions? Reach out to Kellen Eddy (kellen@RedemptionHillSR.org).



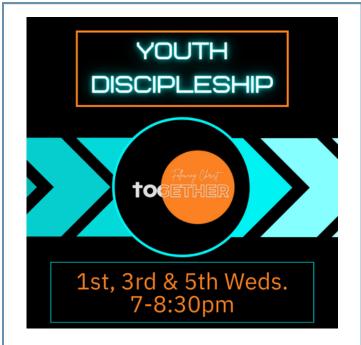
Redwood Gospel Mission is one of our supported mission partners. This year's **Great Thanksgiving Banquet**, where they feed 5,000 of our poor and needy neighbors, is coming up on Wednesday November 26th. They have 600 volunteer opportunities for friends like you.

Nearly every time after someone volunteers, they say something like this: "I volunteered because I wanted to bless others, but I'm pretty sure I got more out of it than I gave. I can't wait to do it again!"

Some of the volunteer roles are for the days leading up to 11/26, others are during the banquet itself. From buying bananas to baking browninges, collecting coat hangers to plating coat pies, photography to baking brownies, collecting first aid, there are many different roles — for everyone aged 3 years and up!

To find out more and to sign up, visit: www.rgm.org/gtb/ or scan the QR code.





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):

1st, 3rd & 5th Wednesdays of each month — RHC Campus. Contact Kellen for more info: kellen@RedemptionHillSR.org





Get In Touch

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Ministry Team

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Wendy Cunningham - Worship Ministry Director

Kellen Eddy - Youth Ministry Director John Hansen - Children's Ministry Director

Sarah Mee - Church Administrative Assistant / Tech Team Administrator Alisa Swanson - Hospitality & Facilities Administrator

First Aid

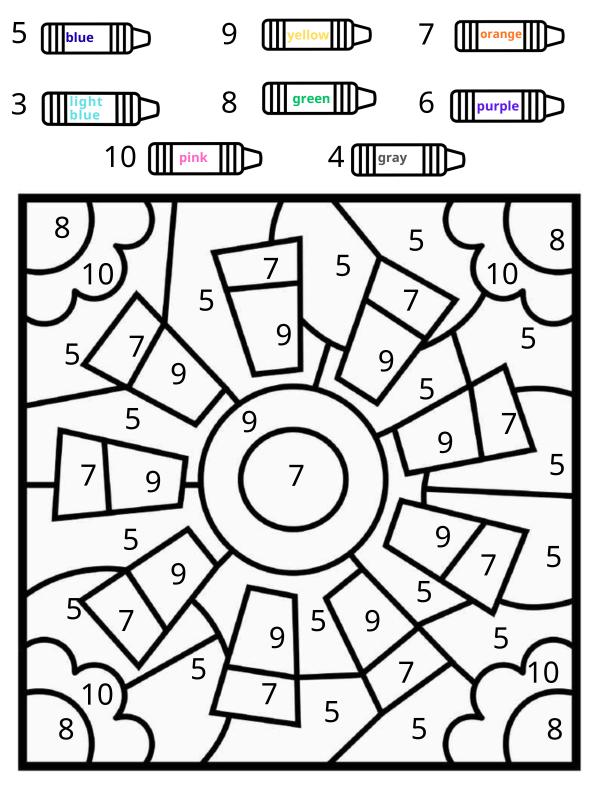
An AED and a Life-Vac anti-choking device are located in the Foyer. A box of other first aid supplies is in the Fireside Room, above the refrigerator.

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:	





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"Then shall your light break forth like the dawn"

Guide Isaiah to deliver his message to the people of Israel

