



## Mother's Day Tribute

In recognition of Mother's Day Pastor Chris's message focused on the Legacy of a Godly Mother. Following the message we handed out gifts to the mothers. Pastor Chris had asked three of the Daughters to give a tribute of their Mothers. We started out singing the song Happy the Home When God is There. After we sang verse one Caryl Shaw spoke about what an important part her Mother Betty Costa had played in her life. After we sang verse two Tuta Hillard gave her tribute of her Mother Justine Hillard and shared a poem written by her brother. After we sang verse three Debbie Machetta was joined by her two sisters and shared some special thoughts of her Mother Roberta King. After each tribute the daughters gave their mothers a rose. In closing Kim Foreman shared some thoughts about her mother and closed in prayer. It was a very touching and special Mothers Day service.

## Vacation Bible School

For All Ages Including Adults

July 27th - August 1st - 6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Our next planning meeting for all workers will be on Saturday, June 21st at 9:30 a.m. at the church. Don't forget to mark your calendars. We are excited and are looking forward to this year's VBS.

## Congratulations

Congratulations to Alex and Lisa Villafuerte on the birth of their daughter Jasmyn Marie, who was born on April 30th at 6:50 p.m. Jasmine weighed 8 lbs. 14 ounces and was 20 inches long. Baby and Mom are doing fine.

## Baby Dedication & Baby Shower

We will be having a baby dedication for Jasmyn Marie Villafuerte on Sunday, June 1st during the morning worship service. After the morning worship service we will be having a "His & Her" baby shower and a potluck luncheon. Everyone is invited.

## Upcoming Sermons

### Sunday Mornings

"Embracing our Humanity"

June 1 ~ Our Natural Emotions

June 8 ~ God's Will and Mine

June 15 ~ Facing Temptation

June 22 ~ Life as a Human Being

### Sunday Evenings

"The Book of Revelation"

June 1 ~ Washed in the Blood

June 8 ~ Four Trumpets

June 15 ~ The Fifth & Sixth Trumpet

June 22 ~ The Angel and the Scroll

## Associate Pastor

Our Associate Pastor Ken Hillard will be leading the church while Pastor Chris is in Africa on Mission.



## We're Younger than We Think

When I was first called to be pastor at First Southern, I was informed that the average age of members was "about 75, maybe 80". I thought to myself "wow, these senior citizens are really senior". When I preached for the first time, I did see a lot of older faces looking back at me. But even so, an average age of 75 seemed a bit high to me.

Over the next year, people would ask about First Southern and I would respond "It's a great church. God has blessed us." If they pressed for more details, I would respond, "Well, the average age is 75". They seemed impressed that the average age of the church exceeded the average American life span.

A few weeks ago I decided to analyze the age of church members and regular attendees. I used an easy statistical method to establish the median age. With the help of our able church secretary, we secured a church directory and began to cross out names. With a pink highlighter we crossed out the oldest member - Mabel (92). Then with a green highlighter, we crossed out the youngest member - Rachel (8). We went back and forth: pink-green, pink-green, pink-green.

All members over 80 were soon marked pink and all members under 40 were marked green. Next, the 70-year olds and the 50-year olds were marked out. Now, at this point we had to look at our database and get exact birthdates. A few people who were 61 years old were green lined (young people). A 63-year old was red lined (old person). After ten minutes' effort, we finally came to the median aged person; the person who represents the average age of our church. If you want to know the median age of First Southern, you'll have to ask Linda Furuyama, because I won't tell you.

## Kim's Corner

The day before Mother's day, I saw her in the parking lot at the Bay Fair mall. An old Asian lady was standing by a car and waving her hand toward me. For a brief moment, I thought I saw my mother. The lady was waving to her daughter. I watched them embrace. I couldn't hold back my tears any longer. Mother, I really miss you. It has been five years since you left us.

## To My Mother

You taught me how to walk  
Like a lady  
In this world

On our monthly outing to the village market  
I would hop and jump ahead of you  
Hurrying to get to the bustling market place where  
Vendors called to customers with their exotic wares  
I was impatient with your measured walk  
I would pull your skirts to hurry

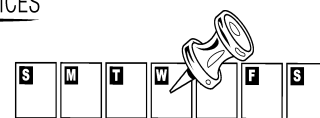
Instead, you stopped in the middle of the road  
Told me to look at those scurrying people  
You whispered to me to watch how they walked  
Pointing out how unbecoming  
Like a grass hopper, when a woman sway her  
hip and shoulder  
Like a duck, when a woman walk her feet  
pointing outward  
Then you showed me the proper way to walk  
"Take your step one foot over another as though  
you are walking on a rope in the air"

I watched you closely for the first time  
On that dusty, gravel road  
Lined up with tall poplar trees  
You were different even to my seven year-old eyes  
You had short curly hair when others rolled their  
hair to the back of their head  
You had a western dress when others had *hanbok*  
(Korean traditional dress)  
You were tall and handsome  
Villagers called you "Modern Woman"  
With reverence and envy

Since that day, I practiced everyday to walk straight  
One foot over another like a ropewalker  
When I am afraid of falling  
I think of that "modern woman" who had shown me  
A road out of that little village



Sunday School 9:30 am  
Morning Worship 10:45 am  
Evening Worship 6:00 pm



Mid-Week  
**WORSHIP SERVICES**

Wednesday Evening Family Fellowship  
5:00 p.m.

### "Pray for Our Men and Women in Uniform"

**Mike Brown** - Son-In-Law of Al & Jane Thornell  
**Branch** - Marines **Rank** - Master Sergeant  
**Assignment** - Stationed in Miramar

**Nate Fielding** - Grandson of Lillian Fielding  
**Branch** - Army **Rank** - PFC Medic  
**Assignment** - Iraq

**Jenny Merritt** - Great Niece-in-law of Jean Johnson  
**Branch** - Marines **Rank** - Corporal  
**Assignment** - Iraq

**Kevin Seigal** - Son of Elliott & Teresa Seigal  
**Branch** - Air Force **Rank** - Sergeant  
**Assignment** - Travis Air Force Base

**Todd Shaw** - Son of Bob & Caryl Shaw  
**Branch** - Army **Rank** - Staff Sergeant  
**Assignment** - 101<sup>st</sup> Airborne Special Forces

**Devon Henesley** - Grandson of Jean Johnson  
**Branch** - Navy **Rank** - Petty Officer 3<sup>rd</sup> class  
**Assignment** - Overseas

# June Calendar

- 1st - Baby Dedication/Baby Shower - 12:30 p.m.  
- Church Council - 5:00 p.m.
- 4th - Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship - 5:00 p.m.
- 8th - Lord's Supper - 6:00 p.m.
- 9th - Rest Home Ministry - 11:00 a.m.
- 11th - Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship - 5:00 p.m.
- 15th - Happy Father's Day
- 18th - Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship - 5:00 p.m.
- 21st - Vacation Bible School Meeting - 9:30 a.m.
- 23rd - Rest Home Ministry - 11:00 a.m.
- 25th - Wednesday Dinner & Fellowship - 5:00 p.m.
- 26th - Open Door Mission - 6:15 p.m.
- 28th - Men's Breakfast - 8:30 a.m.  
- Women's Fellowship - 10:00 a.m.



- 15th - Timothy Connolly
- 18th - Lillian Kopet
- 20th - Char Fortner
- 28th - Gertrude Hankins



- 8th - Clarence & Dorothy Silva
- 10th - Tony & P.J. Lewis
- 13th - George & Esmeralda Bocar
- 14th - Al & Jane Thornell
- 23rd - John & Roberta King
- 27th - Don & Eldora Walton



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**Off to Africa** — Pastor Chris will be on mission to Africa from June 24 to July 11. This will be his eleventh journey to the same university community in Rwanda. He will be staying at the Christian Fellowship House near campus. Pastor Chris will be teaching university students and local pastors.



Rwanda

“and pray for me, that God may open a door for the message, so that I may proclaim the mystery of Christ...Pray that I may proclaim it clearly, as I should. [Colossians 4:3 & 4]



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## Pray for Pastor Chris and the Mission Team while in Africa

	ON	IN	WE PLAN TO	THEREFORE Pray for
Tuesday	24-Jun	SF USA	Depart	Traveling Mercy
Wednesday	25-Jun	London England	Stop Over	Gentle & Humble Heart
Thursday	26-Jun	Kigali Rwanda	Arrive	Open Door to Gospel
Friday	27-Jun	Butare Rwanda	Rest	Team Unity
Saturday	28-Jun	Butare Rwanda	Renew Friendships	Faithfulness of Leaders
Sunday	29-Jun	Butare Rwanda	Local Church Service	Boldness to Proclaim
Monday	30-Jun	Butare Rwanda	Teach Seminars	Answer Questions Wisely
Tuesday	1-Jul	Butare Rwanda	Teach Seminars	A Fearless Testimony
Wednesday	2-Jul	Butare Rwanda	Teach Seminars	Graceful Speech
Thursday	3-Jul	Butare Rwanda	Teach Seminars	A Clear Proclamation
Friday	4-Jul	Butare Rwanda	Teach Seminars	Gentle & Humble Heart
Saturday	5-Jul	Butare Rwanda	Teach Seminars	Peace in Africa
Sunday	6-Jul	Kigali Rwanda	Local Church Service	Boldness to Proclaim
Monday	7-Jul	Butare Rwanda	Planning meetings	Faithfulness of Leaders
Tuesday	8-Jul	Goma Congo	Site visit	Open Door to Gospel
Wednesday	9-Jul	Goma Congo	Site visit	Answer Questions Wisely
Thursday	10-Jul	Kigali Rwanda	Depart Africa	Traveling Mercy
Friday	11-Jul	Home USA	Arrive	Team Unity



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