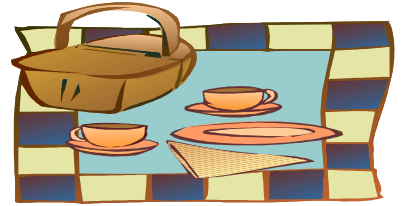


THE WHOLE TRUTH

"Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." John 8:32



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OUR SINCERE THANKS

God shows his love for us in so many ways.

Our family is overwhelmed by the marvelous outpouring of love from our dear Christian friends at St.Paul. We consider all of you as part of our loving family. Harry and I have always felt so at home among you and with you.

God was with all of us as we celebrated Harry's fantastic new home with the Lord. Our family is so very, very grateful for your love and support, and we ask God to bless all of us as we continue to worship together in His precious name.

Gratefully, Dottie and family

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SPIRITUAL EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

During the Sermon (ages 3 years-grade 3)

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY at 10:45 AM

Big Wave Discovery (ages 3-12 years)

Ed. Wing, Rooms 1&2

*Joy Harrison, Kari Bowman, Amy Ye,
May Young, Paul & Paula Wan,
Qihong Wang*

Jr. & Sr. High Youth

Rec. Center, Room 3

GOSPEL Journey

Nikki Nolte, Jeremy Cook

Parenting Class

Rec. Center, Room 2

Your Child - essentials of Discipline

Karin Klemm, Becky Warren

Adult Class

Rec. Center, Room 1

Revelation

Pastor Matt

WEEKDAY CLASSES

Thursday Morning

In the Dust of the Rabbi

Thursday, 10:00 AM - Ed. Wing

Pastor Matt

Men's Bible Breakfast

Home Run King

Saturday, 7:30 AM - Ed. Wing

Pastor Matt



Classes for All Ages

Please notice the location change of many classes on Sunday morning due to the addition of Worship and Sunday School Classes for Conejo Valley Chinese Christian Church (CVCCC).

Children's Ministry

Big Wave Discovery

(ages 3-12)

Keep your kids riding the wave of Jesus love with Big Wave Discovery!

They will imagine getting together with friends at the beach to learn **biblical answers** to their **big questions about God, Jesus, the Bible, prayer, the Church, and more.**

Kids will discover that their faith in God is grounded in the truth of the Bible. Each uncovered truth will strengthen their approach to every situation in life.

Youth & Adult Bible Studies

Jr. & Sr. High Youth

GOSPEL Journey. (Sunday morning) -

What happens when you bring together seven unlikely strangers, throw them right in the middle of the Rocky Mountains and take them on a journey through the gospel message as it unfolds throughout the story of the Bible? Raw, real and riveting discussions, an emotional breakdown or two and a few shocking surprises!

This unscripted reality series unleashes seven very different students on one unforgettable quest, to understand the gospel message straight from the pages of Scripture. Extreme challenges like white water rafting and rock climbing along with powerful illustrations from nature and life are used to lead these students on a journey toward Jesus in an edgy and relevant way.

Adult Classes

Revelation. (Sunday morning) -

An in-depth study on the last book of the Bible - Revelation.

Your Child—essentials of Discipline (Parenting Study, Sunday morning)

Parenthood is one of the most challenging and rewarding experiences most of us will ever have! But in the middle of busy days, runny noses and carpooling, we sometimes forget to enjoy the journey.

This video seminar, with Dr. James Dobson (founder of Focus on the Family), is here with answers, insight and solutions to one of the biggest challenges every parent encounters: **discipline**.

Essentials of Discipline features the most up-to-date research on parenting, humorous animated vignettes, "mom (and dad) on the street" interviews and the practical, approachable teaching that can only come from America's most trusted authority on parenting issues, Dr. James Dobson.

As you view and discuss the Essentials of Discipline videos, you will gain the practical understanding, dynamic biblical principles, and encouragement you need to shape your child's will without breaking his or her spirit, and feel confident in your ability to handle discipline in a positive way.

In the Dust of the Rabbi. (Thursday morning) -

An on-going video based study by Ray Vander Lann. It is a study in how Jesus and the disciples lived and looking at what we can learn from it and apply to our lives.

Home Run King. (Men's Bible Breakfast, Saturday morning) -

This study aims to weave two passions into one. The first is a passion for the game of baseball—America's time-honored pastime. The second is a passion for growing into the husband, and spiritual leaders God has called us to be.

Kids Activities



HERO Sandwich

To celebrate the Bible's many heroes, make this sandwich for a picnic.

What you need:

- An adult to help
- Shredded lettuce
- Olive oil and vinegar
- Seasonings (salt, pepper, oregano)
- Italian crusty bread (six inches per person)
- Mayonnaise
- Sliced meat
- Sliced cheese
- Sliced tomato
- Construction paper
- Scissors
- Pencil
- Toothpicks
- Tape



What you do:

1. Drizzle shredded lettuce with oil and vinegar; sprinkle with seasonings.
2. Cut bread in half lengthwise and spread mayo on both halves.
3. On bottom half, layer meats, cheese, tomato and lettuce.
4. Top with other half of bread. Cut in half.
5. Cut paper into small triangles. Write your favorite Bible heroes' names on them.
6. Tape the triangles to toothpicks to make pennants. Stick in sandwich halves. Enjoy!



action packed faith

The greatest "super men" who ever lived put their faith into action.

Directions: Match each Bible character to the correct description.

- | | |
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| Noah | 1. This disciple wrote a gospel, recounting many events in Jesus' life. |
| Stephen | 2. This man responded to God's commands, including the order to move. God made many promises to this man and his descendants. |
| Abraham | 3. This man was eager to rebuild Jerusalem. He helped the people protect their city, reminding them that God was on their side. |
| Luke | 4. This man, who became king of Judah at a young age, obeyed God's laws and helped people repent. |
| Nehemiah | 5. God saved this honest, hard-working man from destruction by having him build a place of safety for his family and every kind of creature. |
| Josiah | 6. This man stood by God's Word, showing strength of character even when faced with persecution and death. |

On the lines below, write your name and describe how you're a "hero" for God. What are some ways you put your faith into action?

Name: _____

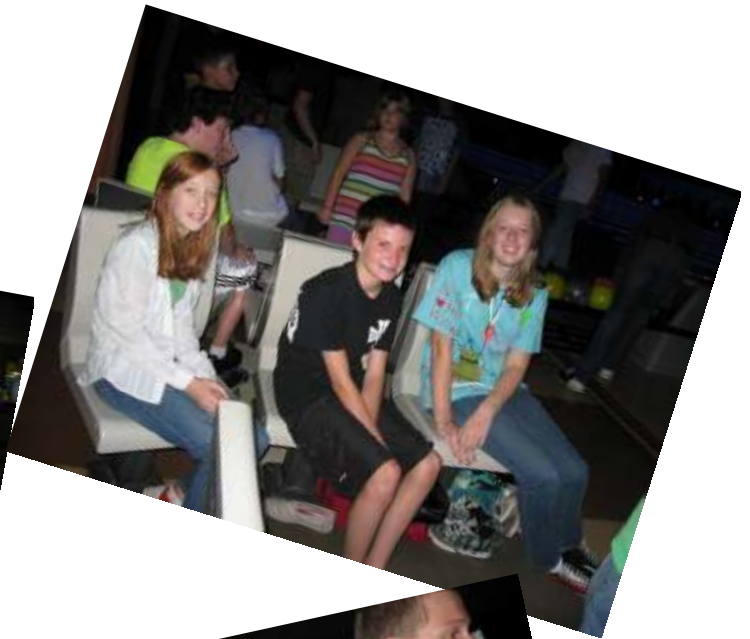
Answers: Noah 5, Stephen 6, Abraham 2, Luke 1, Nehemiah 3, Josiah 4.

Youth Corner

LOCK-IN 2011

We had 16 kids and 5 adults come to the lock in. We had dinner together, and Pastor Matt did a bible study activity with them. Then we went bowling at Woodlake Bowl check out the photos below. We came back and had an activity in the sanctuary, made our annual stroll to 7-11, then came back and watched some movies. After parents picked the kids up around 9, we all went home and slept till church on Sunday.

A special thanks to Justine, Pastor Matt and Ashley Burns (high bowling score of the night!!) who stayed all night with us.



**Check back after summer for more exciting happenings!!!
And don't forget to keep "sticking your neck out for Jesus"**



St. Paul Communication Center

Tip of the Month

Change may be good, but it's not necessarily easy. Switching from the laid-back fun in the sun of summer to rules, homework, and routines can be a big jump for parents and children alike. But with a little preparation and the right attitude, it doesn't have to be so hard.

- ◆ Stay positive
- ◆ Create Routines
- ◆ Establish fun traditions

“One of the most precious gifts we can give our children is our confidence that they will find their way.”

August 19th—Movie Night @ dusk

SAVE THE DATE: LoVEest 2011—will be held on Saturday, September 10th from 3:00 pm—7:00 pm. Come join us at the Garden Of The Worlds for an afternoon of food, music and fellowship—all for a GREAT cause!



If you have an immediate prayer need let our prayer chain pray for you.

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August Birthdays

9	Livie Richert	22	Sarah Buchkosky
12	Karen Levine	22	Trey Twine
13	Jim Lobitz	24	George Kaub
14	Erika Owens		
17	Pat Miller		



Birthdays

August Anniversaries

2	Tony & Patty Zank
10	Matt & Nikki Nolte
22	Gary & Sharon Petit
24	Egon & Dolores Kritsch
27	Jim & Rose Marie Lobitz





CVCCC

**STAY TUNED FOR MORE NEWS AND EVENTS FROM OUR NEW EXTENDED
CHURCH FAMILY**

**In Christ,
Pastor Tsai**

Updates from around the World.



This past week, July 24th, I had the privilege of being able to speak at St. Paul. It was such a joy to be able to share a little about my year and see the way God has moved in your hearts to love his people in El Salvador as much as I do. None of this would have been possible without your prayers, encouragement, and financial support. All I can do is praise God for this body that he has built up! Thank you for continuing to partner with me in the work God has called me to in El Salvador.

In Christ,

Kim

Kimberly in El Salvador



Since coming home, I've been talking to a lot of different people about my year in El Salvador—the difficulties, the growth we've seen, the differences between cultures, why I'm going back. It's been incredible to reflect back on this year— to think through how much we've seen God do and also to think about where this ministry is going. I cannot even begin to put into words the ways we've seen students grow this year, but here are a few highlights from our last month in El Salvador:



Going away party!
So humbled by the love these students have for me, even though I don't deserve it at all

Two students, Jose and Rafa, are meeting with each other to study the book of Romans. They are also planning other hang-out times with guys from Vida Estudiantil—we are on our way to being completely student-led!



Students helping at a local orphanage that works with abandoned children, pregnant youth, and children trying to escape from gangs

Increased focus on prayer within the movement- The prayer team (and there actually is a team now!) set up a prayer chain for the students to stay in touch and be praying for each other while they are on vacation.



"Look at the nations and watch—and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told." Habakkuk 1:5

Story time: Maria is our Spanish tutor. She speaks better Spanish and English than I do. She's grown up in a Catholic home, but as we've gotten to know her over this year, and as she'll readily admit, her relationship with God is not something that is important to her. Our final week in El Salvador, as we were saying our good-byes, we got to spend a final day with Maria. As we talked with her, Natalie asked her what she knew about grace. And what we found was that she had no understanding of that word. Even though she had grown up in the church, she had no concept of grace. We were able to share the gospel with her that day, to present Christ's sacrifice- a sacrifice based in his grace and love for us, and while she's not ready to commit her life to God, I'm praying for the opportunities we'll have to continue to speak with her next year. This is the thing that gets me so excited about going back to El Salvador. There are so many people there who claim to believe in God, but there is so much that I see in their lives (and often my own as well) that contradicts this belief. If we truly believed, we would love people with a self-sacrificial, life-changing kind of love. We would not fear man. We would not measure ourselves against the world. And we would do all of this not solely to be a "good" person, but it would be a natural response to the overwhelming love and gratitude we have for our Savior, Jesus Christ. This is my prayer for the students I work with- that they would see God for who he really is, not just the God they've created to make them feel better when school is hard, and that as their love and knowledge of God increases they would begin to transform lives around them. We're working towards a new generation of believers in El Salvador, those who are moved to action to change the entire social, political, and religious structure in El Salvador. It might seem like a big dream, but I've seen the start of that this year. God has promised that he will bring all things together under Christ's feet, and that is my prayer for El Salvador.

Over the year, we grew into 40+ students, 6 student leaders, 2 campuses, 3 students joining staff, and lives changed (more than we will ever know). I'm going into next year with plans to expand onto a 3rd campus, discipleship planned for at least 30 girls, girls ready to start discipling other girls, and more than any of that is the fact that the greatest desire of our staff and students is to see increased depth in relationships with God and to see lives transformed by the gospel.

Ask of me, and I will make the nations your inheritance, the ends of the earth your possession. Psalm 2:8

El Salvador belongs to the Lord!

"Look at the nations and watch— and be utterly amazed. For I am going to do something in your days that you would not believe, even if you were told." Habakkuk 1:5





Where do
YOU fit in?

Now you are the body of Christ,
and *EACH ONE* of YOU is a part of it. **1 Cor. 12:27**

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	7-Aug	14-Aug	21-Aug
Elder	Pat Bader	Pat Bader	Pat Bader
Greeter	Marjorie Brown	George & Shirley Kaub	Edith Bogeberg
Welcome Center	Irma Wahl & Edith Bogeberg	Bev Richardson & Marjorie Brown	Jeremy & Shirrell Cook
Ushers	Mel & Linda Howry Egon & Dolores Kritch	Jeremy & Shirrell Cook Ted & Ruth Hubbard Edith Bogeberg	Ray & Christine Montgomery Gene & Lily Strategos Teressa Baumann
Altar Guild	Karin Klemm	Karin Klemm	Karin Klemm
Acolyte	Christian Cook	Grumm	Christian Cook
Fellowship	Hope Paulson	Christine Montgomery	Dee Martin
Musicians	Dave Burns Tony Campadonico Barron Steele	Dave Burns Tony Campadonico	Dave Burns Tony Campadonico
Singers	Cici Stephan Susan Knauer Shirrell Cook Lisa Weaver	Holly Bruehl Emily Harrison Bob Hougardy Barb Hougardy	Jack Warren Lisa Weaver Susan Knauer Ashley Burns
Video Tech	Kyler Cook	Jeremy Cook	Eric Stephan
Nursery	Jeremy & Shirrell Cook	Lisa Grumm	Karen Levine
Big Wave 3y-Gr.3	Joy Harrison	Kari Bowman	Kari Bowman
Cleaning	6-Aug Bill Weaver Justine Ayers	13-Aug Linda Howry Conny Thompson	20-Aug Nikki Nolte Gary Bowman
Thur. Bible	11-Aug Beverly Richardson	18-Aug NO STUDY	25-Aug George & Shirley Kaub

Remaining Serving Saints Schedule... on backside.



We need YOUR help to keep the church looking great. The **cleaning crew** is in need of more willing servants. The more crews we have the less often each serves. Talk to Jeremy Cook to sign-up (jeremycook@email.com).

	28-Aug	4-Sep
Elder	Pat Bader	TBA
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Welcome Center	Dottie Glander	Del & Mary Hoffmeier
Ushers	Conny Thompson Paul & Mary Brown Stan & Erica Owens	TBA
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Cleaning	27-Aug Bill Weaver Nikki Nolte	3-Sep Justine Ayers Conny Thompson
Thur. Bible	1-Sep Janet Ayers Conny Thompson	8-Sep TBA



PASTOR'S SUMMER OFFICE HOURS:

- ⇒ Monday: off
- ⇒ Tuesday: 1-4
- ⇒ Wednesday: 9-4
- ⇒ Thursday: 1-4
- ⇒ Friday: 9-1

...Or by appointment



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
31 8 am - Music 9:45am - Worship 11 am - Bible study 11:30am - CVCCC @ 12pm - Youth 4:30pm - AA	1 office closed	2 6:30pm - Fitness	3 7pm - CVCCC	4 10am - Thur Bible 6:30pm - Fitness	5 8pm - CVCCC Youth	6 7:30am - Men's
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