

THE WHOLE TRUTH

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

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FEBRUARY

Superbowl

Packers vs
Steelers



2nd Annual Chili Cook-Off

Winner - Gary & Kari Bowman
2nd Place - Jack & Becky Warren



Valentine's Dance



Dance King & Queen
Bob & Barb Hougardy

March Deadline

FEBRUARY 20th

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SPIRITUAL EDUCATION

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

During the Sermon (ages 3 years-grade 3)

SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY at 10:45 AM

Kingdom Quest (3yrs-gr.3)

Ed. Wing, Rooms 1&2

Joy Harrison, Karin Klemm

Pre-Confirmation (grades 4-6)

Kitchen

Jesus Company

Kari Bowman, Jeremy Cook

Jr. & Sr. High Youth

Ed. Wing, Room 3

GOSPEL Journey Maui

Nikki Nolte

Adult Class

Sanctuary

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

Out of Nothing

Saturday, 7:30 AM - Ed. Wing

Pastor Matt

New Member Class

The Lutheran Difference

Wednesday, 7:00-8:30 PM - Ed. Wing

Pastor Matt



Classes for All Ages

Children's Ministry

NEW Sunday School Program:

Kingdom Quest

We have heard your concerns and found a program we think you will like. Here is what you can expect from the Kingdom Quest Program.

Jesus-centered. The content is very Jesus-centered and Bible based.

Learning with Fun. The lessons use active learning methods; it will probably feel like VBS at times.

Connecting with parents. Kids will bring home sheets called "God Talk at Home".

What is the difference between Children's Church and Kingdom Quest?

Children's Church (during the sermon) will creatively present the morning's Bible event.

Kingdom Quest helps engage the kids in story application and activities such as puppets, crafts, music, snack, and games to name a few.

For maximum impact, the children should attend both Children's Church and Kingdom Quest.

Pre-Confirmation Class

(grades 4-6)

This class is a 3 year course designed to provide an energizing experience in Bible learning that will serve as a strong foundation for confirmation instruction.

With the help of this program, these young adults will relate to the stories in the Bible through:

Worship. Devotional and life-related activities

Friendship Builders. Games and recreation

Service Center. Family involvement activities

Witness Workshop. Arts and crafts with a witnessing focus

ALL children in grades 4-6 are required to participate in this class prior to their confirmation instruction in grades 7-8. Attendance will be taken.

Youth & Adult Bible Studies

Jr. & Sr. High Youth (Sunday morning)

GOSPEL Journey Maui (Jr. and Sr. High Youth) -

Relational, relevant and edgy, *GOSPEL Journey*[®] Maui spiritual reality series is all about real questions and real conversations. Seven young strangers with diverse spiritual worldviews and a Preacher/Wannabe-Surfer named Greg Stier hung out for an entire week in Maui. Together, they went surfing and snorkeling, rode a zipline, watched the sun rise over Haleakala, hiked Molokai, toured a leper colony, and had intense, spiritual conversations. Each day, Greg introduced a new question, triggering intense spiritual dialogue and a tidal wave of emotions. "Is there a higher power? What is the purpose of life? What happens when we die?" Ultimately it boiled down to this: **Can everyone be right?**

Adult Classes

Revelation. (Sunday morning) -

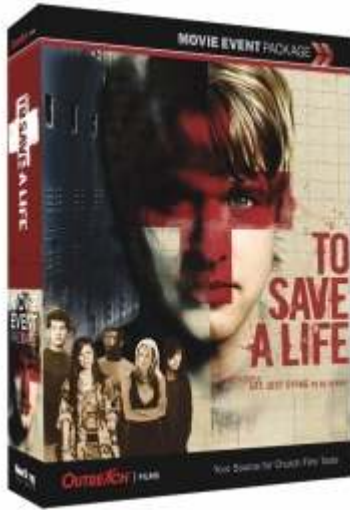
An in-depth study on the last book of the Bible - Revelation.

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.

Out of Nothing. (Men's Bible Breakfast, Saturday morning) -

A study looking at the theories of evolution, the plausibility of random chance, man's spiritual and physical nature, and how God's creation and man's salvation are linked to the person of Jesus Christ.



To Save A Life

Movie Event and Youth Bible Study

The Story

Jake Taylor has it all: friends, fame, a basketball scholarship and the hottest girl in school. What could be better?

Enter Roger Dawson. Roger has nothing. No friends. No hope. Nothing but putdowns and getting pushed aside. Things couldn't get worse... could they?

Jake and Roger were best friends when they were kids. But the politics of high school quickly pulled them apart. Now Roger doesn't fit in Jake's - or anyone's circle - and he's had enough. He walks onto campus with a gun in his pocket and pain in his heart and makes a tragic move.

Jake's last-ditch effort can't stop Roger, and the sudden tragedy rocks Jake's world. Something breaks loose inside and sends him questioning everything. Most of all, he can't shake the question *Could I have saved Roger?* In a quest for answers, Jake finds himself looking for the next Roger and reaching out to the outcasts and lonely. But he quickly finds that crossing class castes threatens all his world is built on. And it could cost him his own friends, his girl, his dreams and even his reputation. Is it worth the price to find the answer to his ultimate question: *What do I want my life to be about?*

About To Save A Life

Can a movie change a world? No, but it can move the people who will.

To Save A Life is more than a movie. It's the difference you can make when you use your influence and time for others - whether in your family, neighborhood, campus, community or world. Some people are just dying to be heard and accepted. Don't let 'em have to. Be the person who takes the time to show people they have value. Listen. Reach out. Engage. Imagine if we took the time to show other people we care. To Save A Life dares—no, inspires—you to.

To Save A Life is an awesome movie. But it's only a movie. You can change the world.

Do you know someone who could use a friend?

The St Paul Youth Group
will be hosting a Movie Event & Bible Study
for the Youth of the Conejo Valley

Time & Date TBD (March 2011)

For more information talk to Pat or Teddy Bader.

Kids Activities



PIECES OF LOVE



Send special reminders of your love by creating messages that people can assemble and enjoy.

What you need:

- Large wooden craft sticks
- Tape
- Permanent markers
- Scissors
- Zippered sandwich baggies

What you do:

1. Make a rectangle out of seven craft sticks by placing them next to one another, long side against long side.
2. Tape the sticks together.
3. Turn the sticks over and draw a special picture or message. You can include this Bible verse: "We love because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19, NIV).
4. Cut through the tape to separate each craft stick.
5. Put all the sticks in a baggie.
6. Give your special messages to family members, friends or teachers — along with directions for viewing them.



A LOVE LETTER

In the New Testament, John writes a letter about God's love and the love we should show to other people.

DIRECTIONS: Working from left to right, write down all the 1's in the word blanks. Continue with the 2's and finally the 3's. Then read about love, from 1 John 4:11-12, NIV.

lives 3	in 3	us 3	Since 1	and 3	God 1	so 1	loved 1	his 3
us 1	love 3	we 1	If 2	also 1	is 3	made 3	we 2	ought 1
to 1	love 2	love 1	one 1	complete 3	one 2	another 1	in 3	us 3
another 2	God 2							

1 John 4:11-12, NIV

Answers: Since God so loved us, we also ought to love one another. If we love one another, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us.

Dude, It's All About Jesus

Theme Verse:
**“Jesus answered,
 ‘I am the way and
 the truth and the life.
 No one comes to the Father
 except through me.’”**
 John 14:6

**SonSurf
 Beach Bash
 June 20-24, 2011
 9:00am -12:00pm**



On those hot summer days the best place to be is the beach! Cool off in the sparkling blue waves. Build a magnificent sandcastle. Explore tide pools and collect seashells. The beach is a beautiful natural playground and the perfect place for VBS! As kids explore the wonders of the beach, they'll also discover the **Big Answers to their Big Questions about Jesus. Five essential Bible verses**—including John 14:6—will help them understand who Jesus is and why they need Him. At Son-Surf Beach Bash VBS, kids learn that there is only one truth: **Jesus!**

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help PRIOR to VBS:

- Decorations Coordinator
 - Decoration Helpers
- Donations Coordinator
 - Donation Helpers
- Ordering Coordinator
- Publicity Coordinator
 - Publicity Helpers
- Special Events Coordinator

Special Events Helpers

- Volunteer Coordinator

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help the week of VBS:

- Bible Games Leader
- Bible Story Leader
- Jr. Lifeguards (group helpers)
- Lifeguards (group leaders)
- Recreation Games Leader

- Nursery Caretakers
- Skit Actors

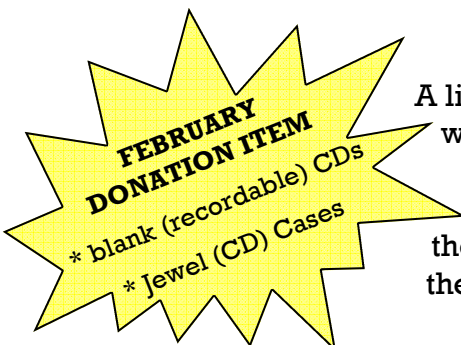
A list of “job” descriptions can be found on the Communications Center.

If you are interested in volunteering, please sign-up on the Communication Center or talk to Nikki Nolte (mnnolte@gmail.com).

DONATIONS NEEDED:

A list of needed donations will be available soon.

Stay tuned to the weekly Good News, the Donation Center and the March issue of The Whole Truth for more information.





St. Paul Communication Center

- FEBRUARY -

12- Valentine's Dance (sponsored by SPY)

15- Board of Directors (6:30pm), Board of Elders (7:30pm)

- MARCH -

6- Crop Hunger Walk (1:00pm @ CLU)

9- Ash Wednesday ~ Worship (7:00pm)

15- Board of Directors (6:30pm), Board of Elders (7:30pm)

16, 23, 30- Lenten Dinner (6:00pm) & Worship (7:00pm)



Please send **ALL** church related emails to:

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Thank You!

February Anniversaries

- 2 Jack & Beverly Richardson
- 3 Ty & Melissa Twine
- 10 Paul & Mary Brown



Birthdays

February Birthdays

- | | | | |
|----|--------------|----|----------------|
| 1 | Keith Coburn | 15 | Pat Bader |
| 3 | Teddy Bader | 18 | Edith Bogeberg |
| 14 | Andrew Haas | | |

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



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(www.ChurchWorldService.org)

33rd annual Conejo Valley CROP Hunger Walk

California Lutheran University

Sunday, March 6, 2011

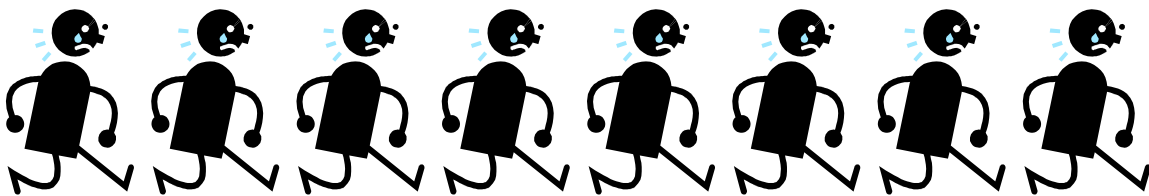
****Walk starts at 1:00 pm****

CROP Hunger Walks help children and families worldwide -- and right here in the U.S. -- to have food for today, while building for a better tomorrow.

Each year some two million CROP Hunger Walkers, volunteers, and sponsors put their hearts and soles in motion, raising some \$16 million per year to help end hunger and poverty around the world and in our own communities. Our local efforts are making a huge difference.

And you can be a part of it!

Please sign-up at the communications center to walk, donate, or sponsor someone. Below is a general description of the walks that are available. If you would like more information about this event please see Becky Warren.



6.2 mile (10K), 4.5 mile, or 20 minute 'campus stroll' available.

***25% of funds will be shared locally with:
The Conejo Valley Meals on Wheels, Westlake Village Meals on Wheels,
MANNA – Conejo Food Bank, and Lutheran Social Services***

Kimberly in El Salvador



The start of the New Year feels like a fresh start. Things seem new and exciting, and I think we're all ready to see where God takes this ministry he has built in El Salvador.

The New Year has marked many new things for our ministry. It's a time of transitioning from a heavily staff-run ministry to a student and staff-led ministry, and we continue to pray for more student leaders to be built up. While this is an incredibly exciting time, it is also going to be very challenging. We're realizing that our team, which started out as 7, has expanded to 15 with Salvadorian staff and students. Please pray for us as we're figuring out what it looks like to work together in a respectful, God-glorifying way through language and cultural differences.



Everyone at the staff retreat took time to pray specifically for our students and on-campus

Fortunately, the year started with a retreat for our team in Guatemala with the staff and some of the student leaders. This event, held for all the staff for Campus Crusade for Christ in Central America, was a sweet time to see the way God is moving in other countries in Central America and to spend time together as a staff team reflecting on the things God is doing in our ministry. Also, this week was a great time to include our student leaders in a lot of the planning for the next semester, present the bigger vision of reaching the world- not just El Salvador- for Christ, and share some more intimate, less "work" related time with them. We even had the chance to enjoy two of our student leaders, Fiore and Fatima (age 22 and 23), playing pranks on each other (like unscrewing the bed frame...unfortunately, Fiore was too tired to fix it before falling asleep)! Bonding at its finest! The last few weeks were spent in preparation for my biggest highlight of January... FRESHMEN SURVIVAL KITS! We gave out over 300 bags to the new students. Through this event we were able to show Christ's love in a tangible way and introduce a lot of people to Vida Estudiantil. My hope is that we can continue with the relationships we've started to form with these students.



God has really blessed us this first week of school. I've had the opportunity to reconnect with some of the girls I met last semester, and those friendships are really starting to go deeper. I've seen many of the students involved with Vida Estudiantil really start to take ownership of this movement and of their faith. They are boldly sharing their faith and are pursuing deeper relationships with God, and through that they are reflecting Christ to each other. I've also had the opportunity to meet many new students, all in very different places in their walk with God (many don't even realize he wants to walk with them). Though there is still so much work to be done, I am confident that God is building up a generation of men and women in El Salvador who are steadfastly following after him.

- Kim Courtney

Prayer Requests:

- Team Unity (between STINTers, staff and students)
- Student leaders
- Developing relationships with new students
- Our next outreach is the week of Valentine's Day... pray that God's love would really be shown



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**

For more information or to volunteer please
contact the person listed below.

MANY Ministries, ONE Church

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Ushers	Paul Brown	805 371 9774	v65brown@aol.com
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Kingdom Quest (3y-Gr.3)	Nikki Nolte	805 373 9240	mnnolte@gmail.com
Pre-Confirmation (Gr.4-6)	Nikki Nolte	805 373 9240	mnnolte@gmail.com
Jr. High & High School	Nikki Nolte	805 373 9240	mnnolte@gmail.com
Adult Study	Pastor Matt	805 367 6390	PastorMatt@StPaulAgoura.com
Cleaning	Jeremy Cook	805 300 3362	JeremyCook@email.com
Thursday Bible Study Refreshments	Bob Hougardy	818 889 8039	RHoug@aol.com
Youth	Pat & Teddy Bader	818 865 9687	StPaul.Youth@hotmail.com
Meals for those in Need	Shirley Kaub	805 497 3755	GKaub@aol.com

Serving Saints

	20-Feb	27-Feb	6-Mar	9-Mar (Ash Wed)	13-Mar
Elder	Pat Bader	Pat Bader	Jim Lobitz	Jim Lobitz	Jim Lobitz
Greeter	Karen Levine	Marjorie Brown	Edith Bogeberg		Dottie Glander
Welcome Center	Beverly Richardson Marjorie Brown	Joy & Emily Harrison	Harry & Dottie Glander		Irma Wahl Edith Bogeberg
Ushers	Ray & Christine Montgomery Gene & Lily Strategos Teresa Baumann	Del & Mary Hoffmeier Teddy Bader	Dottie Glander George & Shirley Kaub		Conny Thompson Paul & Mary Brown Stan & Erika Owens
Altar Guild					
Acolyte	Grumm	Ryan Harrison	Christian Cook	Christian Cook	Grumm
Fellowship	Dee Martin	George Segesvary	Rose Marie Lobitz		Hope Paulson
	Dave Burns	Dave Burns	Dave Burns	Dave Burns	Dave Burns
	Joe McGriff	Joe McGriff	Joe McGriff	Joe McGriff	Joe McGriff
Musicians	Tony Campadonico	Tony Campadonico	Tony Campadonico	Tony Campadonico	Tony Campadonico
	Andrew Grumm	Jim Lobitz	Bob Hougardy		Lisa Weaver
	Nikki Nolte	Susan Knauer	Barbara Hougardy	Susan Knauer	Jack Warren
	Bob Hougardy	Lisa Weaver	CiCi Stephan	Lisa Weaver	Susan Knauer
Singers	Barb Hougardy	Melissa Twine	Emily Harrison	Jim Lobitz	Ashley Burns
Video Tech	Jeremy Cook	Eric Stephan	Barbara Hougardy		Kyler Cook
Nursery					
Kingdom Quest	Christy Stephan	Janet Ayers	Shirrell Cook		Lisa Grumm
3y-Gr.3					
Pre-Conf.					
Gr. 4-6	Jeremy Cook	Kari Bowman	Jeremy Cook		Kari Bowman
	Feb 25-26	Mar 4-5	Mar 11-12		Mar 18-19
	Weaver Grumm	Ayers Bowman	Harrison Nolte		Nolte Ayers
Cleaning					
	24-Feb	3-Mar	10-Mar		17-Mar
Thur. Bible	Pastor Matt	Bob & Barb Hougardy	Del & Mary Hoffmeier		Conny Thompson Janet Ayers

February 2011

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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