

Hillside Happenings

A friendly Nevada Church, Teaching the Word of God, Sharing the Love of Christ, and Building Stronger Families.

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JUNE 2010

Saddle Up for Saddle Ridge Ranch Vacation Bible School

Tahoe Community Church

June 28 - July 2, 2010 *** 9:15 am - 12:30 pm



Crafts * Music
Recreation * Snacks

Children will study:

Who Am I?

Does God Care About Me?

What Is God's Plan for Me?

How Can I Be Like Jesus?

What Do I Do Now?

James 1:5

**For all kids grades K-6 plus...
NEW! Enhanced Program for 7th &
8th graders!**

**Invite your friends to VBS @ TCC
For more information, contact
Jacky at (775) 901-0870**





JUNE BIRTHDAYS

7 Ken Ralls
 8 Tootie O'Malley
 8 Franca Tracy
 9 David Werle
 14 Jeff Cummings
 16 Chris May
 17 Susie Brumbach
 19 Gary Tate
 21 Kathryn Warner
 22 Lorraine Anderson
 29 Jake Cummings

JUNE EVENTS

7 Preschool Summer Begins
 7 Elder Meeting
 11 Parent's Night Out
 12 Prophecy Study
 13 Church Fellowship—Hot Dogs
 14 Flag Day
 20 Father's Day
 21 Elder Meeting
 24 deCycles Youth Night
 25 Parent's Night Out
 26 Prophecy Study
 27 Camp Fundraiser-Thai One On
 28-7/2 Vacation Bible School

JULY EVENTS

4 Independence Day
 10 Prophecy Study
 11 Church Fellowship-Potluck
 12 Elder Meeting
 26 Elder Meeting

Join us at Thai One On (across from the church) anytime from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm on Sunday, June 27th. Let our Youth serve you breakfast or lunch and a portion will go to their summer camp fund.

Thai One On
Sunday, June 27
10:00 am—3:00 pm

PARENT'S NIGHT OUT

June 11th & 25th 6:00-10:00pm
cost: \$25-for one child
\$30-two children
\$35-three children

The children will be well cared for by our youth and an adult. Please feed them dinner first; snack provided.

Are You Being Spiritually Renewed?

By Pastor Paul Tracy

In some areas of our lives, transactions and relationships that we have include an automatic need for renewal. For example my driver's license requires renewal every few years. The renewal process sometimes requires physical exams and or routine questions to determine if anything has changed. The Department of Motor Vehicles wants to be sure that I am capable of safely operating the cars that I drive. It is a concern not only for my safety but for the safety of the other drivers on the road as well. Likewise, my insurance policies require an annual renewal evaluation of sorts to determine if we will be continuing the business relationship that we have already established.

In his letter to the Church at Ephesus the Apostle Paul instructed his readers to "lay aside their old self", and "be renewed in the spirit of your mind." (Ephesians 4:22-23). Our Christian walk and life need to be renewed regularly too! Our old sinful nature, the world that we live in, and our enemy, work against us and our new nature. This constant pressure and stress wears on us and can eventually weaken us if we are not constantly being renewed and refreshed by the Holy Spirit and the Word of God. Renewal also includes fellowship with fellow believers, sharing one another's burdens and prayer.

Unlike the business world where the process of renewal is rather regular, the process of our spiritual renewal is not. If our spiritual renewal is neglected and avoided it will have a significantly negative impact on our spiritual minds and lives. In fact it might cause us to leave our first love which is Christ. So ask yourself "am I currently being spiritually renewed?" God can and will help you with this process if you let Him and if you do the things that you can do.

Two months ago we began looking at a list compiled by a group called "Revive our Hearts". They entitled this list "40 Evidences That You May Have Left Your First Love." Without continuing spiritual renewal these evidences might describe our current hearts and minds. Here are the next 5.

12) Christianity is more of a checklist than a relationship with Christ
 13) You measure spirituality (yours and others) by performance rather than the condition of the heart
 14) Christianity is defined more by what you "do" than who you "are" ("doing vs. "being").
 15) Your obedience and service are motivated and fueled by expectations of others or a desire to impress others, more than a passion for Christ.
 16) You are more concerned about what others think and pleasing them, than about what God knows and pleasing Christ.



Food Pantry Update

The Food Pantry fed 557 people during the month of April. Our numbers are up again as people search for jobs that are hard to come by during the spring shoulder season. We fed 44 new recipients this month.

The Lord blessed us with a big delivery from the Northern Nevada Food Bank. We were able to get potatoes and bags of apples and oranges for free! The addition of fresh produce to add to our canned food staples, brings lots of smiles from our Food Pantry recipients.

Thank you for the continued donations of food, soaps, shampoo, lotions, and paper and plastic bags that come from this church body. These donations continue to be very important to us!

Please stop by any Friday from 1:00 on, and join us in our service to the Lord!

Thank you again for your support and prayers for this ministry. God bless you!

Kathy Pavich

A Note from Teacher Kathy

By Kathy Sufka, Preschool Teacher

“There is a time for every season...” and God has led me into a new season in my life—retirement! I trust His leading; He’s been leading me for over sixty years. So, after months of prayer, I am certain “there is a time” and it’s now! I know this isn’t “The End” but rather a new “chapter” in my life. As always, God is faithful and good; this new season will be full of hope and a future guided by Him!

These “preschool years” have been an incredible blessing and privilege. Thank you for allowing me to be part of this ministry. What could be better than shepherding and loving His little children and teaching them about Jesus!

I want to thank this church body and the preschool staff for the countless ways you’ve blessed me and my family over the decades, starting way back in the early 1980’s when Stephen and Sarah attended the preschool, then know as “The Big A Club”!! Thank you for your love, prayers, encouragement, and friendships. I will always love this church and the preschool. Jim and I will continue to pray for you and the ministries here, and I will always have a special place in my heart for you. ☺

Love,
♥ “Teacher Kathy” Sufka



June Prophecy Propaedeutics

By Jeff Van Hatten

People ask: “Are the natural disasters that have befallen the United States during the past two decades an imminent sign of the end of the age or just coincidence?” Perhaps, but the more likely answer is that these are selective judgments against the US for its treatment of Israel and its opposition to His Word. In Genesis 12:3 God, speaking of Abraham and his descendants, states: “And I will bless those who bless you, And the one who curses you I will curse.” God has also declared that He will make Jerusalem a heavy stone (a heavy burden or stumbling block) and that any who lift it (that are burdened with it) will be severely injured – Zechariah 12:3.

Since 1990, many of our Presidents have burdened themselves with Abraham’s descendants. On at least 14 of those occasions, major disasters have struck our country. May 10th was no exception. As Obama was joined in welcoming talks by the Quartet (US, EU, UN and Russia), called a “a significant step toward . . . comprehensive peace in the Middle East” (in other words, the establishment of a Palestinian State with Jerusalem as capital), a series of over 30 devastating tornadoes set down in Kansas and Oklahoma. But wait, there’s more!!

A US judge decides that the Day of Prayer is “unconstitutional” and the DOW drops 1000 points in minutes on NDOP. Coincidence, or is God giving the United States repeated warnings? You be the judge. As for me, I believe God is bringing selective judgments upon our country because of our repeated stances of opposition to Him and His word, and His chosen people.

For a much more detailed discussion and study of these and other end times topics, attend the "Understanding the Times" classes on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at 6pm in the Chapel, or email: profjt2012@gmail.com

This introduction to end times prophecy provided by Professor “J”, aka Jeff Van Hatten.



Sunday, June 20th

Tahoe Community Church is an autonomous church, choosing to affiliate with the Tahoe Baptist Association, the California Southern Baptist Convention, and the Southern Baptist Convention of the USA.

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Weekly Ministry

Sundays

9:00 am Sunday School-All Ages
10:45am Worship, Nursery,
Children's Worship

Tuesdays

5:45 pm Women's Bible Study
7:00 pm Gambler's Anonymous

Wednesdays

7:00 am Men's Breakfast Fellowship
3:30 pm Awesome Kids Grades 1-6
5:45 pm Overeaters Anonymous
6:00 pm Worship Team Rehearsal

Thursdays

9:00 am Women's Bible Study
8:00 pm Youth Group

Fridays

3:00 pm Food Pantry Ministry

Saturdays

6:00 pm Evening Worship

Here to Serve You:

Elders

Jeff Brumbach, Leonard O'Malley,
Mark Peterson, Gerry Wright

Elder Emeritus

Sam Worley

Deacons/Deaconesses

Susie Brumbach, Jacky Daly,
Co-chairman Bob Daly, Franca Tracy,
Jerry Klosterboer, Chairman Bob Pavich,
Kathy Pavich

Tootie O'Malley, Suzette Waite

Church Staff

Paul Tracy, Pastor
Rachela Fazio, Women/Children's Pastor
Shirley Ralls, Director of Administration
Ken Ralls, Custodian

Preschool Staff

Beth Peterson, Director/Teacher
Laurie Blowney, Teacher

Kathy Sufka, Teacher

Franca Tracy, Teacher

Maria Arreola, Asst. Teacher

Catalina Rodriguez, Asst. Teacher

Patti Fontaine, Asst Teacher

Music School Staff

Paul Tracy, Director/Instructor



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