

Hillside Happenings

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

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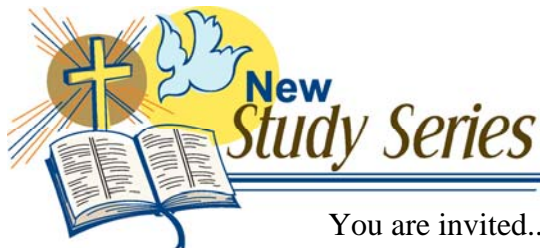
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OCTOBER 2010



November 7, 2010

Mark Your Calendar Now
to attend our annual church
meeting Sunday, November 7th
Potluck at 12:00 Noon
Meeting at 1:00 pm



Discipleship Mentoring Class **"Believe as Jesus Believed"**

Starts Sunday, October 17th at 9:00 am
Contact Leonard or Tootie O'Malley
at (775) 588-0503

Cost is \$8.00; books will need to be ordered

Youth Retreat with **Will Snipes** **October 15 and 16, 2010**

For more information, contact Pastor Rachela Fazio
(775) 588-5860 ext. 12

And don't miss the chance to hear Will give us the
message on Sunday, October 17th.

Preschool Parent's Club
Annual Fundraiser at



Thursday, October 21st
6:00-7:30 pm

Join us for a night of food and
FUNdraising. A percentage of your
food bill comes back to the preschool.
There will also be a silent auction
so bring your checkbook
and your appetite

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South Lake Tahoe CA



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Brian Beverage
- 4 Karan Peterson
- 8 Mike Furno
- 7 Patti Fontaine
- 9 Beth Peterson
- 11 Karen Beverage
- 11 Paul Waite
- 12 Samantha Brumbach
- 14 Dawn Havens
- 15 Patrick Flanagan
- 16 Sarah Flanagan
- 18 Cassandra Tracy
- 23 Ashley Furno
- 28 Danielle Daly

OCTOBER EVENTS

- 3 9:00 am Worship Begins
- 10 Church Fellowship Lunch
- 11 Elder Meeting
- 15-16 Youth Retreat
- 25 Elder Meeting
- 29 Nevada Day—Closed

NOVEMBER EVENTS

- 2 Election Day
- 7 Daylight Saving Time Ends
- 7 Annual Church Meeting
- 8 Elder Meeting
- 14 Church Fellowship Lunch
- 22 Elder Meeting
- 25 Thanksgiving Day

Food Pantry Update

By Deaconess Kathy Pavich

The Food Pantry fed 519 people during the month of August. We fed 34 new recipients during this month.

Our friend Jeanie Stead is making a good recovery from her broken hip. Please continue to pray for a quick recovery. You may have been in church the Sunday I made a plea for help for the food pantry. In Jeanie's absence we will continue to have a need for more volunteers to step up. We are also looking for someone to commit to the food pantry and become a backup in directing this ministry, along with Bob and me. God did bless us with several new people who have been able to join this ministry and things have been running very smoothly! Thank you!!!!

We had quite a number of new workers show up and sometimes it may seem as if we are stepping over each other. However, the more the merrier, because then we can set up a schedule where everyone is not needed each Friday. We will always need additional workers, so if you are interested, please give me a call or see me at church. Or even better, stop in and see us any Friday afternoon! Any questions, please call me at (775) 588-7996.

We continue to be very grateful for your donations of paper and plastic grocery bags, and the travel soaps and shampoos!

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

Are We Already the Bride of Christ?

By Jeff Van Hatten

In Hebrew culture, a woman is a "bride" from the moment that the marriage proposal is accepted, whether that be days, months, or years before the actual wedding ceremony. In the case of an arranged marriage, often when both boy and girl are just children, they are considered groom and bride from the moment the parents agree to the terms of the marriage proposal or offer..

So, since Christ has already proposed, paid the dowry price, and is preparing our home, once we accept His offer, we become the "Bride of Christ". In Jesus' eyes once the offer is accepted, we are, in fact, already married (the Bride of Christ) from that moment on. He sees us as His bride, and we are to be faithful to him until the marriage ceremony takes place. We do not need to wait for the rapture for the title "Bride of Christ" to be given.

Admittedly, this is Hebrew thinking, not American thinking, so depending upon which school of thought you choose, both you and anyone that believes we will only become the bride after the rapture could be seen as correct. As for me, I prefer to think like a Hebrew -- it may not be politically correct or the American way to think, but certainly is more eternally correct!

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God Bless, Professor J

Walk as Children of Light—Part 2

By Pastor Paul Tracy

In his instruction to the Church at Ephesus the Apostle Paul called for his readers to “Walk as children of Light.” In the fifth chapter of the book of Ephesians he declares that there is a contrast, a difference between the children of the light and the sons of disobedience. Is this difference substantial or is it insignificant? Is it external and evident or is it internal only?

By looking at what Paul writes about this contrast in the fifth chapter of the book of Ephesians we can conclude that there is a substantial difference between those who are children of the light and those who aren't. It's not just a slight variation either but rather it is a matter of pursuing different ends in life. In verse 10 it says that the aim of the children of light is “trying to learn what is pleasing to the Lord.” It's not just learning though it includes seeking to live it out too.

In contrast the sons of darkness live lives filled with immorality and impurity. Their focus is on pleasing themselves and their sinful natures first and foremost. It is clear that their “unfruitful deeds of darkness” will ultimately bring the wrath of God upon their lives. (Verse 6)

Paul warns his readers not to participate with or to partake in their actions and/or their lifestyles. In verse 25 he writes that we are to “be careful how we walk.” So how is your walk at the moment? Are you trying to learn how to please God and then endeavoring to actually do what you've learned? It will not be easy but it is important that we walk as children of the Light.

Our list of evidences that you may have left your fist love continues:

25) You are more interested in recreation, entertainment, and having “fun” than in cultivating intimacy with Christ through worship, prayer, the Word, and Christian fellowship.

26) You display attitudes or are involved in activities that you know are contrary to Scripture, but you continue in them anyway.

27) You justify “small” areas of disobedience or compromise.

28) You have been drawn back into sin habits that you put off when you were a young believer.

Living by the Spirit

By Elder Leonard O'Malley

The mentoring classes on Sunday mornings have been such a blessing. They have been so refreshing to my spirit. I, for one, need to be reminded of the basics of the Gospel of Christ. Too often I can get side tracked by other things and lose the vision of what is truly important. How about you?

Recently, the study was on the “Church.” The main theme was “Unity within the body.” The scripture memory verse was Psalms 122:1, “I rejoiced with those who said to me, ‘Let us go to the house of the LORD.’” Are you excited about coming to church? Do you rejoice in seeing like-minded people on Sundays? I'm talking about the ones you'll be spending eternity with.

There are times, as in all families, that issues or things happen that cause division. Things we view as offensive. Things that will stir your pot. Or our toes get stepped on. Words that are said in haste without serious thought. The list is long.

We're not alone. The apostle Paul wrote to many of the early churches on this very subject. This issue of division, or lack of unity, is, was and will be a common occurrence. So what can heal or pull us back together?

In Galatians 5:16-26, it calls us to live by the spirit and not the sinful nature. Please open your bible and read what the word of God has to say to you. We can only work on our own spirit. We can't change others. The responsibility lies with ourselves.

(Ephesians 5:19-20) “Speak to one another with psalms, hymns and spiritual songs. Sing and make music in your heart to the Lord, always giving thanks to God the Father for everything, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.”

We all have a hard race to run. Let's encourage each other to continue. Let's forgive each other when we have our toes stepped on.





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Weekly Ministry

Sundays

9:00 am Worship
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
5:45 pm Overeaters Anonymous
6:00 pm Worship Team Rehearsal
6:30 pm Youth Group

Thursdays

9:00 am Women's Bible Study
6:00 pm Men's Bible Study

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
Franca Tracy, Teacher
Maria Arreola, Teacher
Brooke Folk, Teacher

Catalina Rodriguez, Asst. Teacher
Patti Fontaine, Asst Teacher

Music School Staff

Paul Tracy, Director/Instructor
Ted Beverage, Instructor



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