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### July Events:

PANCAKE BREAKFAST	July 10	
SENIOR LUNCH	July 13	11:30 AM
SUMMER MAGIC (At the Barnes')	July 24	4:00 PM

### August Events:

HOLLYWOOD BOWL	August 6	8:00 PM
JETHAWKS	August 13	6:00 PM
SUMMER MAGIC (At the Barnes')	August 28	4:00 PM

### Recurring Church Events:

BAND REHEARSAL	Thursdays	6:00 PM
BOOK BUDDIES	2nd Thursdays	4:00 PM
CHOIR REHEARSAL	Thursdays	7:30 PM
COMMUNION	1st Sundays	9:30 AM
HANDCRAFTERS	2nd & 4th Tues.	10:00 AM
LADIES' NIGHT OUT	Last Tuesday	6:30 PM
MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays	7:30 AM
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLES	See Schedule Page 8	
RECYCLING (For Camp Scholarships)	1st Sunday of each quarter	
STANDING TOGETHER	2nd Wednesdays	7:00 PM

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# THE NEWHALL PRESS



## Pastor Column for Summer 2016

As I write this, our VBS, Cave Quest is getting started with 60 children enjoying water games, singing "cool" Christian songs, laughing a lot, and learning about Jesus. (What a great start for summer.) Youth programs and camps will be happening soon. And, speaking of summer, we are getting ready for our Summer Series: **First Person Interactions with the Parables of Jesus**. Parishioners have volunteered to provide us with teaching on their favorite parable in creative and educational ways that may change our lives. We also are trying a new format for summer. **Beginning July 3<sup>rd</sup> there will be only one worship service on Sunday morning, at 9:30 a.m.**

Our liturgical format will be slightly different, and, for the first 5 weeks we will be led in music by the choir and organ. Then for the second five weeks we will be led in music by the 2<sup>nd</sup> Service Praise Band. Also this summer, you can hear our 2<sup>nd</sup> Service Praise Band performing at this year's LA SummerFEST on Friday, July 29, 2016 at Towsley Canyon Park (24255 The Old Road, Newhall, CA, 91321 – just off of Calgrove). The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. and features praise bands from the Santa Clarita Valley.

I'm excited that this will give us all ample opportunity to experience all the great musicians we have here. There are so many ways that we can praise our Lord and lift up our voices in song. That reminds me of a funny story I read about a pastor in the Chicago area who started a church with just a few attenders. *This church later became a large vibrant fellowship. In its early days, however, everyone was needed. His junior-high son was in the early stages of learning the piano, but was quickly recruited to play for the Sunday evening service in their home. The son survived the first verse of the first song. Then his father confidently continued, "Now let's sing the second verse." The pastor's son panicked, "But Dad, I only know how to play the first verse!" (Thankfully, our musicians know all the verses.)*

*Some of us only know one way to worship. It will be great for us to have a summer experience of worshipping with differing genres of music. (And singing the second verses, as well.) We will resume our two services at 9:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. on Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup>.*

*I hope your summer is filled with the Sonshine and joy of Christ.*

*In His Grip, Always!*

*Pastor Bill*

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### Upcoming Events:

- BEGIN SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE  
July 3 9:30 AM
- SANDY & FRED MCINTOSH PARTY  
July 3
- HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER CAMP  
July 10-15
- PW SYNOD SUMMER CONFERENCE  
July 15-17
- 4TH-6TH GRADE SUMMER CAMP  
July 17-22
- JUNIOR HIGH SUMMER CAMP  
July 31-August 5
- HOLLYWOOD BOWL  
August 6
- JETHAWKS GAME  
August 13
- SUMMER MAGIC  
August 28 4:00pm



The Church Life Committee promotes fellowship and fun activities for the church family by providing a variety of church, community, cultural and special events throughout the year.

## SUMMER BIRTHDAYS - OVER-80S

Jean Kost	July 7
Marion Waters	July 7
Bob Durham	July 9
Marie Hallock	August 12



## LADIES night OUT

July 26th; 6:30pm

New Moon

28281 Newhall Ranch Rd.

## SUMMER MAGIC AT THE BARNES'

Sunday Evenings: July 24th and August 28th  
Food and Fellowship hosted by Church Life. Mark your calendars!



## HANDCRAFTERS

Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month (July 12, 26; August 9 & 23), at 10am, people gather in the Evans Room to share their crafting skills, their interests, and their accomplishments. We are the *Handcrafters*, and everyone is welcome!

## BOOK BUDDIES

Book Buddies will meet Thursday, July 19th at 4:00 p.m. to discuss Hector Tobar's true story "The 33". Tobar brings to life the tales of the 33 miners trapped for 69 days when the San Jose mine collapsed.

Geni Tanner will be our hostess at 23540 Via Amado, Valencia RSVP to Geni for discussion and salad supper. 661-259-3656.



## SENIOR LUNCH

July 13

11:30am

Fellowship Hall

**\$7.00**

Chef: Jeff Wheeler

Sous-chef: Carole Wheeler

## Second Service Band Concert



### LA SummerFEST

The First Presbyterian Church of Newhall's second service band, a.k.a. **"EverThirst,"** will be performing at this year's LA SummerFEST on Friday, July 29, 2016 at Towsley Canyon Park (24255 The Old Road, Newhall, CA, 91321 – just off of Calgrove). The concert begins at 7:00 p.m. and features praise bands from the Santa Clarita Valley. It is an evening of Love, Hope, Faith and Grace. We hope you can join the band and celebrate Jesus Christ with many of our brothers and sisters in the SCV.



The Buildings and Grounds Committee is responsible for diligently maintaining and thoughtfully developing the buildings and grounds

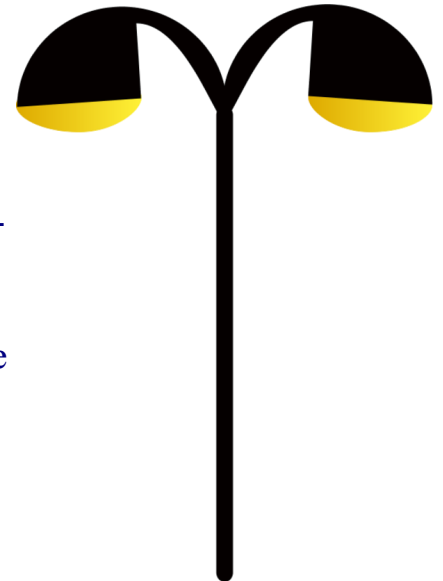
### **LIGHT UP THE PARKING LOT!**

Two Eagle Scout Candidates, Kristopher Krieger and Tyler Pruitt from Troop 609 (our local troop sponsored by the Church), are working on their projects to install two solar lights in the parking lot. The foundations have been poured and are awaiting the light poles and fixtures. Each of the two solar lights costs approximately \$3000 installed, for a total of \$6000 for both projects. The Church allocated \$3000 towards the two lights, \$1500 for each scout's project. Both scouts have agreed to raise \$1500 each to cover the remaining costs for the lights as well as to organize the labor required to install the lights.



As part of their fundraising, the scouts will be having events at the church. The first of these is a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, July 10<sup>th</sup>, 8:30am—noon. This is a great opportunity to support Kristopher in his Eagle Project, enjoy some fellowship and good food as well as helping to improve the lighting in the parking lot. Set aside the date and maybe even invite a friend or neighbor to join you.

Tyler will be doing a similar fundraiser later in the summer, so watch for information. If you are unable to attend, but want to support the project, donations can be made to the Church with "Parking Lot Lights" in the memo line. All donations either at the breakfast or otherwise are tax deductible. Let's all come out and support these scouts as they continue to improve our Church grounds.





The Worship and Music Committee will strive with God's guidance and grace, to create Christ-centered worship experiences, inspiring God's people as they respond to the Word proclaimed in prayer, glorious music, scripture, sacrament and message.

## Handbell Music Musings

by Lorraine King, Ring Tones Director

How do I select the music that Ring Tones will present each season? Here are some of the things I look for in the selection process.

- The church is fortunate to have four octaves of bells, so I'm especially interested in featuring the four octaves, if possible. You can recognize these types of pieces when you hear the tiny bells (high pitched) and/or large bells (deep bass) ring. These bells enhance the overall musical sound, and the full choir of 11 ringers is needed to accomplish this sound. (If a smaller ensemble of ringers is available--Christmas Eve, for example--I look for two-octave music.) Many times we ring three-octave pieces.
- Next, I look for the difficulty level of a piece. Handbell music is offered in levels 1 – 6, with 1 being the easiest and 6 being the most difficult. I select a couple of level 3 pieces in a year and the remainder of music at level 2 or 2+. This allows the choir to ring almost every month with a more challenging piece being practiced for a couple of months before ringing it in a worship service.
- The inclusion of chime segments and various handbell techniques also add to the enjoyment of ringing and listening. Large chords make an impressive piece, and so do beautiful melodies that can be heard in the higher bells and the lower bells. I believe the single most important area of musicality lies in dynamics and their transitioning, such as loud (*fortissimo* and *forte*), softer (*mezzo forte* and *piano*), and soft (*mezzo piano* and *pianissimo*); thus, a good deal of practice is spent addressing this area.
- Did you know that handbell composers and arrangers would not find it unusual that a piece's title was changed to fit the venue or occasion? We have done this on at least one occasion.

Let's look at some of the pieces rung this past year. ***Make a Joyful Noise*** (composed by Kevin McChesney) is a 3-octave piece—easy to learn, I liked the title, it contained big chords at the beginning and conclusion of the piece, and the melody is featured in the treble clef (bells from the middle of choir to the left with the small bells) and the bass clef (from the middle of the choir to the right with the large bells).

BellFest, held at Master's College, is a gathering of church choirs and a school choir that come together to offer a program of individual choir pieces and a massed ring of two pieces—several choirs ringing the same piece as selected by the featured event director. For this year's event, Ring Tones rang ***Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel*** (arranged by Anna Laura Page). We spent several months the previous year practicing this piece rung in 2/2 time with different techniques and great dynamics. We interpreted the music to include the sound of camels walking (maybe even running) along. It was fun to ring, and we rang it for several different occasions.

We were asked to perform at the church's Talent Show and one of the pieces we offered was ***Campanas Sonos Para Jesu*** (arranged by Kathleen Wissinger). The title of the piece was changed to fit the church setting by adding "Para Jesu" (*Bell Sounds for Jesus*). It contained a variety of techniques including martellatos, shakes, echoes, LVs (let vibrate), and thumb damps, concluding with a gyro. The congregation enjoyed it; Jesus must have also! We also rang this piece on Music Appreciation Sunday. One of the comments we received noted that all the ringers were smiling!

The choir has reminded me from time to time that "Carol of the Bells" is a tradition for Christmas. I explained that there are many fabulous Christmas pieces to ring, so we will ring that piece every other year (you'll hear it next December in a medley of bell carols). This past December we rang ***A Charlie Brown Christmas*** (arranged by Kevin McChesney), a medley that included "Christmas Time is Here," "Skating," and "O Tannenbaum." You might recall that some scenes from the television show of the same name were shown on the sanctuary screen as the bells rang this delightful rendition. This was one of our level 3 pieces for the year.

Our other level 3 piece was rung for Easter, ***Christ Arose*** (arranged by Cynthia Dobrinski). This festive piece has magnificent dynamics, a leisurely rung chime section, some syncopation, a run of sixteenth notes, and several tempo changes. It was a beautiful offering for this special day.

We wrapped up the year ringing the following: ***El Shaddai*** (arranged by Susan E. Geshke), a praise song in the vein of "Didn't My Lord Deliver Daniel." It included tempo changes and the mallet technique. It has a striking melody that stays with you long after the piece concludes. ***Gymnopedie No. 1*** (written by Erik Satie and transcribed by Douglas Wagner) was a requested piece by one of our ringers. This piece is one of three; they were published in Paris in 1888 and were eccentric pieces that defied the classical tradition. The melodies use mild dissonances against the harmony producing a melancholy effect. ***There is a Balm in Gilead*** (composed by Kathleen Wissinger) was originally selected for Lent; however, we didn't ring it until Music Appreciation Sunday. This hymn is a traditional African American spiritual; the first verse states, "Sometimes I feel discouraged, and think my work's in vain, But then the Holy Spirit revives my soul again." And we concluded the season with ***Happy Birthday*** (arranged by Douglas E. Wagner) as a tribute to First Pres Newhall's 125<sup>th</sup> celebration; we rang only the first page of the piece. Stay tuned, we will ring the piece in its entirety at an appropriate time in the coming year.

And what does it take to ring? A dedication to learning and practicing is of most importance, even in the midst of our busy lives. If you attend second service and leave a little later, you'll hear the choir practicing as the music echoes off the back wall of the parking lot from classroom 5. I am most blessed to have the opportunity to direct Ring Tones, a group of 11 ringers (Jung Favalessa, Chi Kanagi, Linda Cummings, Florence Craig, Patrick Stokes, Billy Gilbert, Kathy Craig, Judy Carter, Coleen Knox, Teresa Howell, and Tim Knox, along with Barbara Irwin who has substituted this year) who come together to joyfully ring beautiful music and honor God.





The Stewardship Committee will strive to build stewardship disciples of our church family by: *transforming the hearts of believers to reflect the image of Christ*, to become generous “as Christ is generous in being rich toward God” in the stewardship of all our gifts; to empower God’s Kingdom work to be fully staffed, funded and shared throughout our community, country and world; and, as a committee, to monitor the fiscal responsibilities of our church ministry.

## PRAYER

The Stewardship Committee shares a brief devotional at our monthly meetings. It is a time to inspire, motivate, explore, ruminate, and discuss ideas. At our May meeting we read an excerpt from a study titled “Strengthen Your Brain Through the Power of Prayer.” \* Following is part of that report. In months to come we hope to share more of this interesting and thought-provoking article with you.

### The Effects of Prayer

“The brain is like a muscle,” writes Dr. Andrew Newberg, one of the founders of the field of neurotheology (the study of the relationship between the brain and religious and spiritual phenomena), “the more you use it, the better it works.” Religious beliefs and activities can have a profound impact on our mental and physical well-being by reducing stress, improving resistance to diseases, enhancing memory and mental function, and helping us to lead longer lives.

Since prayer is an integral part of religious activity, it is interesting to study the writings of Brandon Whittington and Steven J. Scher, "Prayer and subjective well-being: An examination of six different types of prayer."

When prayers are spoken, either silently or out loud; or sung, whether from memory or by reading a prayer book, the brain becomes highly engaged. The types of prayers that have the most positive effects on well-being, self-esteem, optimism and satisfaction with life are those that are less self-focused and more focused on God. For example, prayers that express *gratitude* towards God; prayers of *adoration* which focus on the worship of God, without any reference to circumstances, needs, or desires; and prayers of *reception* in which one silently awaits divine wisdom, understanding, or guidance.

Listed below are the sources of the study should you wish to read further about it. More to come.

\*From: The Mind Health Report. *Strengthen Your Brain Through the Power of Prayer*. Full Gospel Businessman's Training. 04 June 2013. <http://fgbt.org/Health-Tips/strengthen-your-brain-through-the-power-of-prayer.html> and

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The Outreach Committee is called by our Heavenly Father to extend the hospitality that we find in our fellowship to the community, to visitors, and to new members, in order to draw them into the family of Christian faith at First Presbyterian Church of Newhall.

### Colleen Clough

Colleen was a city girl in the valley, but moved to “rural” Saugus in '66 before much of anything was here. She was attending Saint Luke's Presbyterian, but after they moved here it was just too far. She eventually drifted away from church. She tried a few churches, but the preacher's holier than thou attitudes turned her off. Then she had a series of miracles in her life! Once while was driving, she became blinded, could not see and literally felt God taking over, talking to her and guided her to safety. She knows God is at work in her life. Colleen is a geologist and has many interests including being a “rock hounder” and hiker, loves nature, photography and plays the piano. She says that this church feels like home!



### Helen Orchard

Helen has been a Presbyterian since birth as her mom and dad were very active in church. As a child, she was in the choir. They moved a lot when she was growing up, but would always find a Presbyterian Church to go to. She and her husband, who passed away two years ago, have three children. She got her degree and teaching credentials by going to school at night all while raising her family. She then taught business education to adults at LA Unified. They lived in Sun Valley, but built a home in Big Bear. She actually helped start the Big Bear Presbyterian Church and was an Elder and the Clerk of Session. Today that church with its conference center is thriving. She started coming to our church last summer at the 5pm service with her grandson who works at a motorcycle shop on Lyons Avenue. Helen and her grandson like our church and she is very glad to be going to a Presbyterian Church again. Oh, she is a good bowler and in a league!

### Amy & Gino Murrietta

Amy grew up Bowling Green Kentucky and attended the Presbyterian Church there. She was in an accelerated education program from high school through her doctorate all the while also working. Even at a young age she knew she wanted to help people feeling so blessed in her life. Her volunteer work eventually led her to becoming a therapist and psychologist. Today she works in a prison and also has a private family practice. She knows that her family and three children, Gino (the 3<sup>rd</sup>), Dominic and Seth need church in their lives. Her husband Gino grew up in Palmdale. He played baseball for College of the Canyons. He attended a Catholic Church, but always had questions they could not answer. Today he works in at the prison where he met Amy.



The welcoming they felt from the congregation was huge in their decision to join. Oh, Dominic enjoys Sunday school, Miss Linda and swimming at Pastor Bill's!



### **Shawna & Elton Howerton**

Shawna and Elton recently moved from a rural area in San Diego, where they had ten acres, to Canyon Country. They needed a place large enough for their many animals including a longhorn cow, horses and their five beautiful children! They found a two-acre place next door to Julie Beiter. Julie first brought them to our church. Shawna grew up a valley girl and only attended church for Christmas and Easter. She did go to a Catholic Jr. High and High School but felt unaccepted, as she did not know anything about the Catholic religion. After graduating, she finally left the Catholic Church for many reasons. Elton grew up in North Texas. Elton loves the outdoors, does authentic Texas barbecue and is an incredible family man.

“Family is what I live for!” He believes his five children, four were “preemies”, are indeed miracles: John 15, Madeline 6, Mckayla 6, Jackson 3, Jayce 5 months. They have seen firsthand how this congregation likes and cares for their rambunctious children. They feel embraced and loved, which is the reason Shawna and Elton wanted to become members. They want to learn more about this Christian faith journey and have their children grow up with the consistency a church provides.

### **Danie & Greg Miller**

Danie and Greg both grew up on the East Coast. Danie from Watcha a small town in New Jersey, and Greg from Pennsylvania and Virginia Beach areas as his father’s job had him move a lot. They have two boys, Caleb who is twelve and Gobie who is two and a half. Caleb has recently joined Boys Scott Troup 409 and has just earned his first merit badge! His Santa Clarita Volleyball team just won their championship and he plays sax at school and bass at School of Rock. He loves coming to church. Today Danie is a massage therapist and Greg is a director. Greg grew up going to a Presbyterian church every Sunday. His father was in the choir. Danie had a less



traditional church upbringing as her mother was not religious and her father was Jewish, although her aunt ran off to become a Catholic nun! Danie gravitates towards expressions of love and was looking for an accepting and loving church when she found First Presbyterian of Newhall. She knew this was the place the very first time she heard Bill’s sermon as it was all about God’s love.

### **STEPHEN MINISTRIES**

We are pleased to welcome our newest commissioned Stephen Ministers: Beverly Stokes, Candi Belcher, Sam Spigelman, Carole Johnson & Noeleen Laueremann. Congratulations on completing 20 weeks of training!

With love from your teaching team: Phil Aijian, James Allison, Dorothy Ng & Sandy McIntosh



The purpose of The Mission Committee, in order to further share the gospel of Jesus Christ, is to responsibly use the resources of First Presbyterian Church of Newhall, wherever we find a neighbor in need. We are committed to meeting mission needs in our local community, across the nation, and globally, by sending money, food, clothing, volunteers, or whatever else is needed.



Water Tank Installed 2013



Forest Gym -Tank in Storage 2016

## Learning to Expect the Unexpected Mombacho, Nicaragua 2016

A key lesson to learn for anyone doing business in Latin America is to expect the unexpected. This lesson came across in a particularly forceful way when we visited the Miravalle Elementary School in Mombacho located near the City of Granada Nicaragua.

For a number of years Miravalle School has been a “sister” school jointly with COC and Santa Clarita Valley International Programs. Three years ago we visited the school and arranged for a 300 gallon water tank to be installed for use by the school. We expected that the school would have adequate water for all the students and teachers, even when the well pump was temporarily inoperative. When we left the school in June 2013, there was plenty of water available to be pumped to the new tank. Upon arriving at the school this June I immediately noticed that the tank was missing. After asking a few teachers, I was told that the tank had been removed and put in storage. This because with the drought, there wasn't enough water in the well to keep the tank full. I had hoped to conduct the standard *Living Waters for the World* tests to determine if a LWW purification system was needed and feasible for this school. Of course, without an adequate water source there could be no purification system testing or installation. We were told that when the rain came again, they would reinstall the tank and investigate the feasibility of a system. Fortunately, water testing was only one of many tasks we have planned to accomplish for the school.

Not surprisingly we found that the school had no basic supplies for either the students or the teachers. We mainly came to establish a library. I provided about forty Spanish Bible story books for elementary school level readers. (Jacquie's Books) The group purchased a large number of children's books from a large store in Managua as well as picking up a substantial number of books that were donated. In addition, the group provided items such as pen-



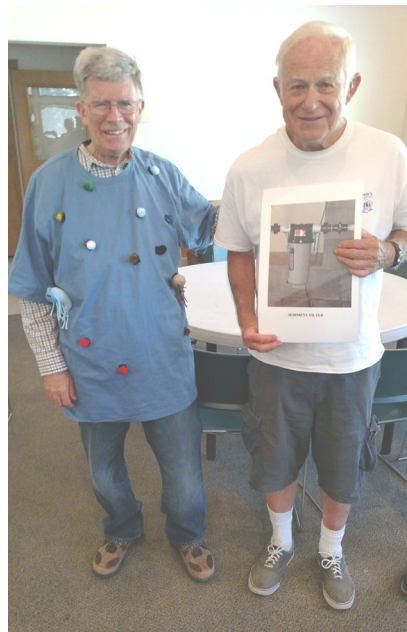
cils, paper, maps, construction paper, toothpaste, toothbrushes, white boards, and light bulbs. Our city provided a large quantity of shirts and caps with various team logos and “City of Santa Clarita” embroidered on them.

When it came to replacing light bulbs, we found that the sockets were located about ten feet about the classroom floors. I asked for a ladder. I was told that the school had no ladder and there was none available in the village. They then proceeded to remove the burned out bulbs by placing a student desk on top of a 55 gallon plastic drum and climbing up to the top of the desk and standing up to turn the bulbs out of the socket. When I observed this, I insisted that we wait until we could later purchase a ladder for the school.

Perhaps the biggest challenge was the outhouse (pit toilets). The structure consists of two stalls on either side and two sinks in the middle. When I was there three years ago, the “house” was in fairly good shape. I remounted a door on one of the stalls with the help of one of the boys in the school. In June 2016, we found that three doors were missing and the other barely hanging on. All of the supporting structure was also “shot”, due to weather and use. In addition, the floors of the stalls were covered with mud and muck, because rain water had been flowing in from the outside.

We purchased lumber, wood sealers, paint, fittings and fasteners and stored them for later use. The last Saturday we were there, one of the COC students and I went back to the school for the refurbishment of the outhouse. We were gratified to find that four of the teachers, (not the principal – he is a political appointee), workers from the village, and a number of students were present to join the effort. The area around the site was being cleared with machetes and we started demolishing the old structure and cutting new lumber for structure and doors. The sun was beating down on us and the humidity must have been about 98 percent. Just as we were getting ready to finish nailing the doors and mounting them, the sky clouded over and it started raining “buckets”. We had to take the lumber inside. After waiting a while we determined that the rain wasn't going to stop and we had to return to our hotel. Before leaving we got a promise that the work would be finished and we would be sent photos.

After returning home, I joined with Jack Irwin and a plumbing designer Sia Zarindast to attend CWU. We took the technical course, and Jack and I you see Jack dressed as a water drop with



Irwin, Scott Bullock and a plumbing designer Sia Zarindast to attend CWU. We discovered that LWW has a network in Mombacho. Sia and Scott took the education course. In the photo germs all over him. It was a lot of fun.

Jack and Art at Clean Water U – June 2 016

Presbyterian Women, as forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ and empowered by the Holy Spirit, commit ourselves: To nurture our faith through prayer and Bible study, to support the mission of the Church worldwide, to work for justice and peace, and to build an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and witnesses to the promise of God's



## PW Mission Project for July

"Help the Children" thanks you for your generous donations of mac 'n' cheese and boxes of instant rice mixes. During the past few months, we have donated 128 boxes, jars, and cans of food. In addition, PW put together 72 backpacks of school supplies for Help the Children! In **July** we will focus on **cans or bags of beans (any kind)**. Please put your donations on the shelves in the Evans Room. PW appreciates your support in our mission. Thank you!!

### PW CIRCLES—ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME!

Elizabeth: Barbara Irwin (296-4135) - Meets first and third Tuesdays of the month at 10:30 a.m. in the Evans Room. Babysitting is provided.

Lois: Florence Craig (255-1389) - Meets second Thursday of the month at 10:00 a.m. in the Evans Room.

Lydia: Cathy Johnson (263-7193) - Meets first Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the Evans Room.

# PICTURE THIS!!!



Fred & Sandy McIntosh  
108 River Bluffs Dr.  
New Bern, NC 28650



Thank you to everyone for making us part of your church family. You have become such an important part of our lives, and we will miss each of you.



Delicious cake on the patio on June 19th marked the 50th Anniversary of Florence and Ken Craig. "Didn't think we'd make it!" said Florence with a beaming smile. "Here's to 50 more!" said their daughter Kathy while proudly snapping photos. The Craig children and grandchildren are planning a big celebration event sometime in the near future. "A trip would be great if we can find something that would appeal to all the generations," said Florence. We'll all be interested in how that challenge works out! Meanwhile, congratulations to two of our favorite "Pillars!"







The Youth Committee nurtures the Junior High and Senior High-aged youth as of First Presbyterian Church of Newhall, and the community; by providing a Christ-centered program of worship, education, fellowship, and service in order to equip them with a framework in which they can realize their spiritual gifts and live a Christian life.



Summer is here and our Youth Group is in full swing. We have planned events for every single week of this busy summer time of fun and praise. With bible studies held once a week, pool parties, beach trips, movie nights, and away from home church and surf camps our youth here at First Pres. are in for the most extreme God fulfill experiences they have ever had. Also we want to recognize our high school graduates for their great accomplishment. Jared Redrow, Kelli Johnson, Emily Hammonds, Emma George, Jeremy Henderson, John Linn, Alex Mehta, Alegria Montalvo, Steffanie Moore, and Serena Phillipe good luck on all of your future endeavors.

**Summer Camp** is just around the corner. Parents, this is one event you don't want your son or daughter to miss out on. Life changing, revitalizing, and rebuilding of strong relationships is all included. Sign up quickly so spots don't run out!!

Please see either Ian Fletcher or Sarah Bolin for more details about this amazing experience.

**Jr. High Camp : July 31 - August 5**

**High School Camp : July 10 - July 15**

**Bible Study Monday's** have already begun and run from 2-5pm. We will be meeting here at the church to hang out and play a few games before we settle down and jump into a personal discussion about **influence** and the power that it has on us as a society. Come check us out in Market Street. Your guaranteed to be surprised!!!

**!!!!!!!!!!!!Monday June 20th!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!VBS WEEK!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!Friday June 24th!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!**

**Wednesday June 29th, 2016 1:00pm-4:00pm; Messy Games (5th Annual)** . We will be meeting at the church at 3:00pm. Please wear clothes you are willing to throw away and an old bathing suit. After we get a little messy, we clean off by taking a dip into the beautiful Castaic Lake.

**Monday July 18th - 20th, 2016 Annual Surf Trip.** Here is an opportunity of a lifetime. Once again we will be embarking out to the beach for a three day surf trip. For those who want to learn how to surf here is your chance to get free lessons. Or if you are already a pro surfer, here is a chance to try out a few different boards and a great time. Or maybe you don't like surfing. No worries we will be at the beach will plenty of things to do. This 3 day extravaganza is only \$35 for everything. Please sign up ASAP before all spots are filled.

**Sunday September 11, 2016 Yearly WASH'N WORSHIP.** Look at us, cleaning up your mess!! While you go and worship inside the Sanctuary, the Youth Group will be outside washing your cars. All proceeds that are raised during this fundraiser will help go towards the cost of summer camp at Forest Home!! See you there!!

### **New News with the Youth: Starting in July!!!**

PNO is what the cool kids call it these days.

**Parent Night Out** is a new fundraiser that the Youth Group will be hosting. On the 4th Saturday of each month we as a Youth Group will be providing child care for those adults looking to go out for the night. For only \$25 for the first child, and \$15 there after, you can help our youth in raising funds for summer camp. We will provide dinner and entertainment for kids of all ages, ok pre-school through 6th grade. Drop-off is at 5:00pm and pick-up at 10:00pm. Please as Sarah Bolin for any questions about this wonderful opportunity.

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