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THE NEWHALL PRESS



PASTOR'S COLUMN November 2016

I've been thinking of all the wondrous things God is doing through our church family. As Thanksgiving is approaching again, I've been thinking about my son, Ernie, who says it's his favorite holiday, as we simply celebrate our thankfulness for our lives and family with food, laughter, and football. I recall an article I found some years ago that reinforces Ernie's perspective of how good gratitude is for us. Here are eight reasons for any human being to practice the art of thankfulness:

1. THANKFULNESS RE-FOCUSES MY PERSPECTIVE. It's easy to complain and point out problems, but no one ever grumbles their way into a better attitude. Fortunately thankfulness can shift our focus to the blessings we've received from God. No matter how bad things get, in Jesus there is always reason to be thankful. It's our responsibility to receive God's gifts and thank him.

2. THANKFULNESS INCREASES MY HUMILITY. Every blessing in our lives is a gift from God and not something we could have created or earned on our own. Everything belongs to God, and the only way we "have" something is because of His generosity. Because of the numerous blessings received, it's easy for a feeling of entitlement to slowly creep into our lives and darken our hearts. Thankfulness turns on the light and recognizes God as the provider for our needs.

3. THANKFULNESS BUILDS MY FAITH. Gratitude recognizes the past work of God in our lives. When we remember God's faithfulness, we position our hearts to trust him to provide for our future. God has given us everything we've needed in the past, and he will continue to give us what we need in the future. Developing the habit of being thankful also creates the capacity to trust God during the lean times.

4. THANKFULNESS CHANGES MY DESPAIR INTO JOY. There's a lot of pain in this world, and sometimes the ugliness is overwhelming and overpowering. Thankfulness doesn't deny the evil, but it does open the door for joy to enter the scene. Lasting joy is a promise the world makes but can't deliver, but when we remain in Christ, his joy is a gift for every believer.

5. THANKFULNESS RE-ORDERS MY PRIORITIES. It doesn't take a busy holiday season for our priorities to get out of whack. As active Christians, most of us have so much going on that it becomes really easy to major in the minors (issues) and slip into a selfish mode of living. Grateful hearts are more open and aware of God's work in our lives. Being thankful helps us understand what's REALLY important in the grand scheme of things and moves us beyond the busyness of the moment.

6. THANKFULNESS CHALLENGES MY "WANTS." The closer we grow to Jesus, the more we realize many of our "needs" are Cont. on P. 6

November Events:

BRIDGES TRAINING CONFERENCE	Nov. 5	8:00 AM
DAYLIGHT SAVING ENDS (Fall Back)	Nov. 6	2:00 AM
SANBORN BENEFIT CONCERT	Nov. 6	4:00 PM
NEW MEMBERS' CLASS	Nov. 6 & 13	12:30 PM
VARIETY SHOW	Nov. 13	5:00 PM
NEW MEMBERS INSTALLATION	Nov. 20	9:30 & 11:15 AM
LIFE ACADEMY—HANUKKAH	Nov. 20	4:00 PM
THANKSGIVING	Nov. 24	
TURKEY BOWL	Nov. 24	8:00 AM

Recurring Church Events:

EVERTHIRST (Band) REHEARSAL	Thursdays	6:00 PM
BOOK BUDDIES	2nd Thursdays	4:00 PM
CHANCEL CHOIR REHEARSAL	Thursdays	7:30 PM
COMMUNION	1st Sundays	9:30 & 11:15 AM
HANDCRAFTERS	2nd & 4th Tues.	10:00 AM
LADIES' NIGHT OUT	Last Tuesdays	6:30 PM
MEN'S BREAKFAST BIBLE STUDY	Thursdays	7:30 AM
MIDDAY BIBLE STUDY	Fridays	11:00 AM
MISSION HIGHLIGHTS	4th Sundays	9:30 & 11:15 AM
PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN CIRCLES	See Schedule Page 10	
RECYCLING (For Camp Scholarships)	1st Sunday of each quarter	
RING TONES REHEARSAL	Sundays	2:00 PM
STANDING TOGETHER	2nd Wednesdays	7:00 PM
TGIF (Children's Program)	Fridays	6:00 PM
YOUTH GROUP	Sundays	6:00 PM

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Leadership Meetings:

ADULT EDUCATION COMMITTEE

1st Wednesdays 7:00 PM

BUILDING & GROUNDS COMMITTEE

1st Mondays 7:00 PM

CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE

1st Mondays 7:00 PM

CHURCH LIFE COMMITTEE

1st Wednesdays 7:00 PM

DEACONS

1st Mondays 7:00 PM

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

1st Tuesdays 7:00 PM

OUTREACH COMMITTEE

1st Thursdays 7:00 PM

PERSONNEL COMMITTEE

1st Fridays 8:00 AM

SESSION

3rd Tuesdays 7:00 PM

STEPHEN MINISTRY

4th Wednesdays

STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

2nd Tuesdays 10:00 AM

WORSHIP AND MUSIC COMMITTEE

1st Tuesdays 7:00 PM

YOUTH COMMITTEE

2nd Thursdays 7:00 PM

Future Events:

ALTERNATIVE CHRISTMAS

Dec. 4 & 11

ADVENT DINNER/TREE TRIMMING

Dec. 4

PW CHRISTMAS BRUNCH

Dec. 10 9:00 AM

CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Dec. 11 4:00 PM

SENIOR LUNCH

Dec. 14 11:30 AM

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES

Dec. 24 5, 7, & 9:00 PM

CHRISTMAS DAY—One Service

Dec. 25 10:00 AM

NEW YEARS DAY—One Service

Jan. 1 10:00 AM

SANTA BARBARA MISSION CONFERENCE

Jan. 27-28



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.

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS - OVER-80S

Dan Waters	Nov. 1
Carol Cogley	Nov. 18
Barbara Moore	Nov. 19
Shirley Schneider	Nov. 23
Durwood Lewis	Nov. 30



HANDCRAFTERS



Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month (November 8th & 22nd), 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 at Carole Wheeler's home Thursday, November 10th at 4:00 p.m. for discussion and salad supper

We are looking forward to discussing "Circling the Sun" by Paula McLain. Taking place in colonial Kenya during the 1920s, the story tells of the life of aviator Beryl Mackham, a fearless woman.



Carole's address: 23549 Via Eliso, Valencia. RSVP Carole: 661-259-4615

CALLING ALL VARIETY ACTS!

Mark your calendars for the
ALL-CHURCH VARIETY SHOW

November 13th 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.
Fellowship Hall

**No talent required to participate –
Only a strong desire to entertain.**
Share your act with your church family!

**Sign up at the Church Life
table on the patio.**

**Is cooking your talent? Perfect!
We will dine on a Holy Spirit Potluck.
Bring whatever the Holy Spirit
moves you to share!**

LADIES NIGHT OUT

Last Tuesday of
Every Month at 6:30
pm.
Won't you join us?

November 29
LAZY DOG CAFE
24201 Valencia Bl.
(Outside Westfield
Town Center)
No meeting in Dec.



CHURCH FAMILY CAMP AT SEA—by Susan Fletcher

It was a beautiful day when 47 church family members boarded a chartered bus at 1st Pres bound for Long Beach Harbor. We were all anxious to get on board the Carnival Inspiration for our 3-day cruise, our Family Camp at Sea. By all accounts, this was a hugely successful endeavor that brought many of us closer together through our shared family stories, our worship at sea, our evaluation of long-standing identities defined by our internal narratives, dining together, laughing together, and having huge amounts of fun together.

What was your favorite part? Was it the food, the sea air, the entertainment, the trivia contests, the casino, seeing Paul Rock again, World Communion Sunday or getting away from it all? So much to choose from!

Do we even remember our disgruntlement at the delay getting to the Port of LA, the traffic, the “opposites cruise,” the confusion in the schedule? None of that mattered as soon we hit the Lido Deck!

In case you weren't able to attend, or spent too much time in your cabin from the flu, seasickness, or just plain old relaxing, here are a few of the highlights:

We wore our Family Camp at Sea t-shirts Friday, making a visible and impressive first impression.

We ate a lot of terrific food.

We dined together every evening as a group.

We relaxed on the ship or decided to take a trip into Ensenada on Saturday.

We swam.

We jacuzzied.

We dominated the onboard Trivia Contests, with winners proudly displaying their trophies everywhere.

The Lauermanns were hysterical as they competed in an on-stage contest involving Velcro and ping pong balls.

We ate a lot of terrific food.

We lounged by the pool.

We walked the top deck track and played mini golf.

EllaRose loved the kids' club.

Patrick Stokes released his inner Diana Ross in an on-stage tribute to the Supremes.

We saw some fantastic entertainment - singers, dancers, and comedians (other than Patrick, David and Noeleen).

We got all gussied up one night.

We talked to many other cruisers about our church.

We worshipped and had communion on Sunday with a wonderful sermon from Phil who reminded us of the overwhelming importance of being kind.

We learned from Paul Rock about Narrative Identity Theory and how we can take control of our internal narrative that defines who we are by what we tell ourselves about our own story.

Sarah Bolin killed it in karaoke!

James Allison was honored on stage as a veteran.

Winners of the door decorating contest: 1st-Knox's, 2nd-Telles's, 3rd-Trammell's.

We sang at the piano bar.

We were giddy going down the kiddie slide.

We made new friends.

We got to know old friends better.

We bonded.

We ate a lot of terrific food.

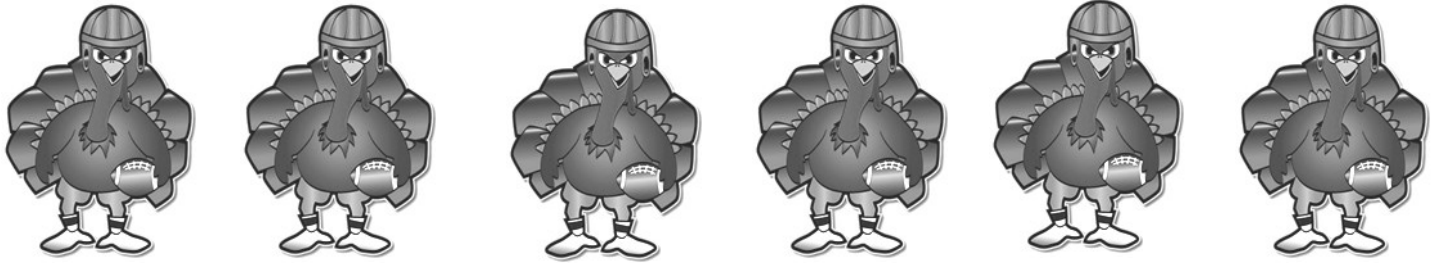


Your Church Life Committee wants your feedback. A survey will soon be sent to all who went on the trip to seek your opinions. Please take a moment to fill these out and return them. To all who were unable to attend, we would like your feedback as well. Why did you not go? What would have been a better alternative for you/your family? What would encourage you to attend a Family Camp the next time we are able to offer one? Please let us know your thoughts.

It is a monumental challenge to plan a Church Family Camp. With such diversity in our congregation, there are vastly differing opinions on what would be meaningful, doable, attainable, affordable, and appealing. This was the first time our church tried a cruise. From the initial feedback, it will likely not be the last.



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.



THANKSGIVING TURKEY BOWL NOVEMBER 24TH, 2016

liiiiiittttssss Baaaaackkkkk!!!! Get ready to ruuummmbbblllee!!! It's time to begin the holiday season, and what better way to start than by joining us in our traditional Thanksgiving Turkey Bowl!! Join us November 24th in Central Park located at 27150 Bouquet Canyon Rd. Saugus from 8:00am-9:45am at the most southern field (keep going to the right near the basketball courts) for some fun flag football.

Official Turkey Bowl Rules (FLAG FOOTBALL)

1. This is a flag football game. **No tackling is permitted.** Live blocking, pass rushing, and any other foot ball contact...other than tackling...is permitted.
2. Game shall be played on a full size 100 yard football field. That's about ten feet times ten.
3. Teams have 4 downs to make a first down. That's like four chances.
4. Teams must make two completions to make a first down. Two completions.
5. Quarterbacks are allowed to rush at any time on any down. Be careful.
6. The defense may blitz only after a count of 5 Alligator. That clearly stated is, "One alligator, two alligator....etc."
7. All typical penalty rules of a football game are enforced, such as holding, pass interference, etc.
8. Like college football, once the ball carrier's knee touches the ground, the player will be considered tackled and the play will be over. Just don't, ya know, take a knee.
9. Games shall be played in two halves, with each half being 30 minutes long and a half time of 15 minutes in length.
10. In case of a tie at the end of regulation time, there shall be overtime periods of 5 minutes in length, with the winner being the first team to score.
11. Points are awarded for each type of score as indicated below:
 - Touchdown.....7 points
12. All players will act with a professional and sportsmanlike conduct. There will not be any foul play and if it exists, the player(s) involved will be ejected from the game.
13. Teams are made with intent to create an even challenge. Well, what really happens is old school versus new school.
14. During halftime, it's okay to supply hot chocolate, for everyone....

THANKSGIVING DAY NOV. 24--CENTRAL PARK--SOUTHERN FIELD--8:00AM-9:45AM--

BE THERE!



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.

THE ANATOMY OF A CHURCH BANNER by Pam Jenner

Over a year ago I started my sermon for the summer series with a question: What kind of banner would you like to see hanging here in the church in the future. From most of you I heard, "Family." Having now developed the concepts for the "Family Banner," I have decided to put myself to the test and hang a background up and built it in front of you for a couple of weeks before Advent starts. Keep watching this month to see how it starts with a plain background and becomes a banner with a message.

When I create church banners, I start with the time of the church calendar during which the banner will be displayed. In this case the banner will be hung in "Ordinary Time" which is after Christmas until Ash Wednesday and then again after Easter until the first Sunday of Advent. The exception is Pentecost Sunday in the spring. I like to keep that banner hung for more than that Sunday. The color theme for ordinary time is green which makes our background color green.

Many cultures know and love Christ so I decided that we would represent many different cultures with families in mind by having a circle with dads, moms, little boys and little girls in silhouette style all in different clothes so you know they are from another country.

The people will be holding hands around a circle. There is a cross in the center of the circle because Christ is the center focus in this banner.

When I get the main idea for a banner in mind, I look to the Bible for the verse which best describes the picture I am portraying. In this case, with my husband Bob's help and consulting his phone's Bible App, we came up with Romans 12:5 "So in Christ we, though many, form one body, and each member belongs to all the others." (NIV)

Because I want to portray the connection of all cultures in addition to the clothing they are wearing, I will add the world on the cross as well.

There are other thoughts and questions involved in designing a banner, In this case, do I want the light of God shining on the people and the world? Should a Dove be flying into the light? These and many other thoughts can go into a banner. Since this is your banner, originally proposed by you, the congregation of First Presbyterian Church of Newhall, I would love to hear from you what you would like in it, besides what I have put down here. Examples might be more colorful clothing on the people, or a different Bible verse. Use your imagination and let me know. I want as much feedback as I can get for this banner.

For me the different parts of church banners should have symbolism that go with them. The green in ordinary time is growth, and the light and dove are symbols of God. Help me with this wonderful art form and you will be a big part of it.

I am blessed that you enjoy my banners and I thank you for encouraging me to grow in Christ through my art.

Love and blessings, Pam Jenner

Ring Tones Handbell Choir Seeking Substitutes

A substitute list is being compiled of those wishing to substitute for ringers who are absent for a few weeks to a month. We'll teach you how to ring bells. Reading music and attending practices are musts. Please contact Lorraine King, 661-251-0535, if you are interested.



really about our “wants.” No, we’re not too eager to admit this, but it is a reality that we become aware of in our spiritual journey. Thankfulness can turn our hearts into fertile soil for contentment to grow into full bloom. Learning to be content in every situation is a measure of spiritual maturity. The power of “I WANT” is weakened in the light of “I’M THANKFUL.”

7. THANKFULNESS BREAKS THE SHACKLE OF ENVY. When our desires run wild and unchecked (and aren’t satisfied), the result is envy. Few things can rob one of peace like envy. When it gets really bad, envy also destroys community by morphing into jealousy. This happens when we lose our capacity to be excited for others. This is a particularly deep and dark pit of selfishness. When we’re trapped by envy and jealousy, the only way out is thankfulness for what we do have, and for what others have, too.

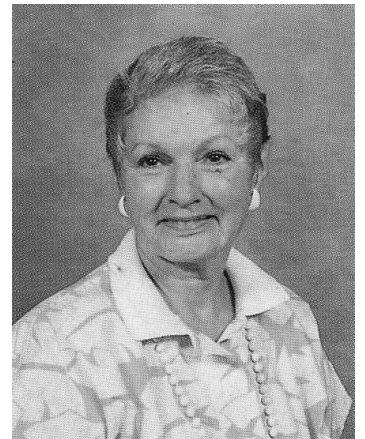
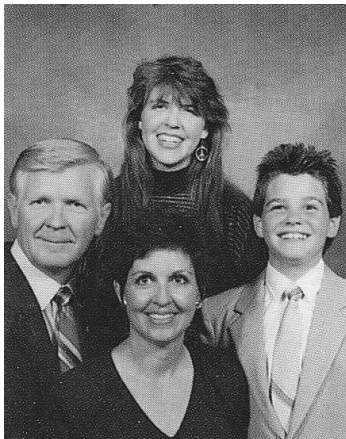
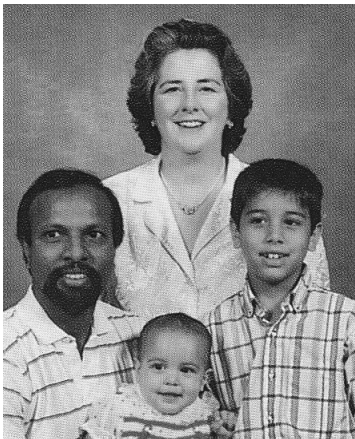
8. THANKFULNESS ENHANCES OUR COMPASSION. We have a lot of gifts, not just materially, but also spiritually. When we are thankful for the spiritual gifts we have in Christ, we can’t help but to have greater compassion for those who aren’t in God’s family.

Have a Thankful Thanksgiving!
Pastor Bill

???DO YOU MISS THE CALENDAR INSERT???

Your refrigerator magnets can come out of retirement! By popular demand, Bob our wonderful office administrator has agreed to print copies of the church calendar and make them available on the Narthex table at the beginning of each month.

HISTORY QUIZ: Here are some more photos from our 1987 church directory. Guess who they are (One person is in Heaven), then confirm your answers by peeking below. This completes the 1987 series. (Thank you Glenda Johnson for sharing your collection of church directories!)



History Quiz Answers:

Carol & Patrick Rammare and children Kelly-Ann and Chad, Warren & Kathy Rackness and children Geoff & Susan, Marion Redfern



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SANTA BARBARA PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MISSION CONFERENCE

The premier Mission Event in California for Presbyterians!

“On Earth As It Is in Heaven” Jan. 27-28, 2017

Since 2003, when 80 attended, this Missions Conference has grown to over 400 people from all over California, not only Presbyterians, but also many from other denominations. We will hear spectacular speakers who are on the cutting edge of Christian Missions. We will attend 10 workshops that all speak to the challenges of today. We will peruse over 30 exhibitors displaying information on missions at home and globally. If you have a heart for missions or want to explore Christian missions, you won't want to miss this event!

SCHEDULE:

Friday, Jan 27, starting at 6 pm: Keynote speaker Prof. Juan Martinez (Fuller Theological seminary), a world-wide expert on Ministry to Hispanic and Latin culture. Worship. Reception following.

Sat, Jan 28, morning and afternoon: Keynote speaker Dr. Richard Mouw, (past President of Fuller Theological Seminary), an expert on Christianity and the Public Culture in America. Workshops led by experts. Lunch (provided).

WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

- The Refugee Crisis
- The Crisis of Homelessness
- The Immigration Dilemma
- Illiteracy
- The Crisis of Trauma and Christian Healing
- At Risk Youth
- Immigration, Transnationalism, and Diaspora Missions
- Collaborative Mission of Santa Barbara Churches to the Westside Community
- Two Faiths, One Friendship Initiative- by Founders Michal Muelenberg and Sondos Kholaki.



Prof. Juan Martinez



Dr. Richard Mouw

HOW TO REGISTER:

Many of our members attend this Conference annually. Make a weekend of it! The Conference has arranged discounted hotel rates for Friday and Saturday nights at \$129 to \$149 per night at three hotels. We hope to stay together. You can make a longer weekend, after the conference closes late Sat. afternoon, by staying over until Sunday. However, Santa Barbara is close enough that you can drive up each day if you wish. We will make plans to eat together and to have a special fun event after the Friday night conference activities.

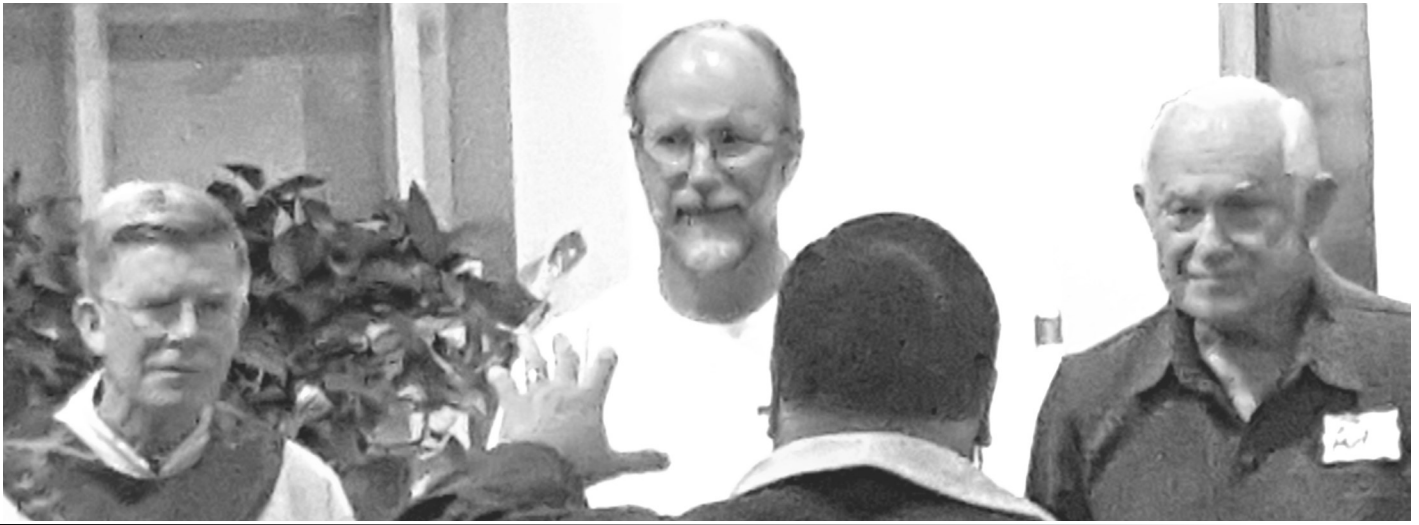
The Adult Education Committee will have registration materials on the patio in Nov. and Dec. The Conference cost is \$60 for adults and \$25 for students. Adult Education Committee will help with the conference fee for the first 20 people to sign up. This spectacular Conference is co-sponsored by the Missions, the Adult Education and the Church Life Committees.



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.



Our Missionaries, **Jack Irwin**, **Scott Bullock** and **Art Moore** left for **Laos** on October 24th. They are visiting all seven of the towns where Living Waters for the World have installed water systems along with many other related activities. They will return home November 11. Please **PRAY FOR THEM** and their team which includes five Lao Partners from University Presbyterian Church in Fresno. Here they are being commissioned by Pastor Bill on October 23rd.



GIVING THANKS GIVING CLOTHING DRIVE

This year, First Presbyterian Church will have a clothing drive in the beginning of November to donate to event Giving Thanks Giving. At the time of the event, we will be celebrating the return of our Turkey Bowl, so we will not be volunteering as a congregation. Nevertheless, as individuals we will be helping where we can, particularly by donating clothes. You can donate at First Presbyterian Church of Newhall, by leaving clothes in the designated box in the Narthex, or ask Mission Elder James Allison and/or Benny Goldstein

If you would like to get further involved, here is some additional information:

Giving Thanks Giving (GTG) is an annual community event to provide food, fun, and material resources to those in need. It will take place on Thanksgiving (November 24, 2016) at the Old Town Newhall Library, from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. GTG is coordinated by Heart of the Canyons Church (HOTC). For further information, please email gtg@hotc.church. Website: <http://www.heartofthecanyons.com/gtg>

OR

For a direct donation, Giving Thanks Giving is collecting clothes, jackets, blankets, and toys. You can drop off donations at Heart of the Canyons Church (South Campus) at 24551 Valley Street, Newhall. There is a yellow clothing bin located in the parking lot.

Newhall church to raise funds to help couple devastated by Sand Fire



October 22, 2016

By John Favalessa—Signal Contributor

The Sand Fire torched some 42,000 acres in the mountains around the Santa Clarita Valley back in July — but it couldn't lay a finger on the human spirit for survival ... and kindness.

The most recent example of that kindness comes from the First Presbyterian Church of Newhall, which will hold a fund-raising concert on Sunday, Nov. 6, to help out Jan Sanborn and her husband, Loren Janes, an elderly couple who lost everything when the massive blaze consumed their home in the mountains above Canyon Country.

Sanborn is a pianist and composer who has performed in the past at First Presbyterian, and who became friends with the church's musical director, Connie Woodson.

Janes is a legendary Hollywood stuntman, noted for his work in Steve McQueen movies such as *Bullitt*, among many other films. He is now suffering from Alzheimer's disease.

It will take place at the First Presbyterian Church's sanctuary at 4 p.m. on Nov. 6. It will be a free-will offering event, with no official charge but donations encouraged.

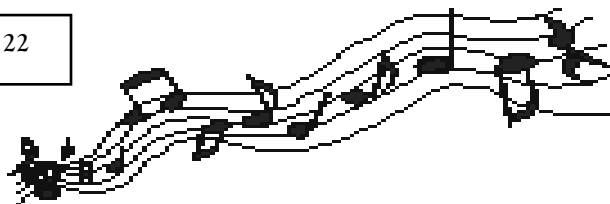
Woodson said the church's "praise band" — featuring keyboard, drums, guitar, bass guitar and vocalists — will perform contemporary Christian music. In addition, she said, the church choir will do a mix of spiritual music and musical-theater numbers.

The show tunes will feature a "silver screen medley" from some of the movies Janes worked on, including *How The West Was Won*, *Hello Dolly*, *Bye-Bye Birdie*, *Camelot* and *It's a Mad, Mad, Mad, Mad, World*.

"I am so overwhelmed by the outpouring of support," Sanborn said. "I never expected the church to do that."

The First Presbyterian Church of Newhall is located at 24317 N. Newhall Ave, Newhall.

For the complete article see SignalSCV.com Community Section October 22



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 Kingdom.



PW CHRISTMAS BRUNCH will be held at Marie Callender's, 27630 The Old Rd. Valencia on December 10, 2016 at 9:00 AM. The tickets are \$15 each and will be on sale in November on the patio. Tickets will also be available at circle meetings. Enjoy delicious food and entertainment, and awesome fellowship. Celebrate with PW as we install our new officers for 2017.

PICTURE BOOK COLLECTION:



Presbyterian Women invite the congregation to join in the collection of picture books for the literacy program of the Nipomo Community Presbyterian Church. It was discovered that there is a large number of indigenous agricultural workers from Mexico in the Santa Maria area who speak neither Spanish nor English. Picture books are being used with the young children to build literacy. Please place new or gently used picture books in the container provided in the Evans Room. Cash donations would also be appreciated.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN MISSION PROJECT FOR NOVEMBER



"Help the Children" thanks you for your generous donations of peanut butter and jelly and other items. In November we will focus on **pasta and tomato products**. 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: Stephanie Linn (259-3914) - First & Third Tuesdays of the month at 11:30 a.m. in the Evans Room. Babysitting is available.

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 10:00 a.m. in the Evans Room.

Mary Martha: Nancy Spigelman (254-0319) & Sam Spigelman (312-7111) - Meets second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in various homes.

Rachel: Tiffany Aune (478-2056) - Meets second Tuesday of the month at 6:15 p.m. in various homes and shares a salad dinner.



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.

New Members Class Sundays November 6th & 13th



The church exists primarily for two closely correlated purposes: to worship God and to work for his kingdom in the world...The church also exists for a third purpose, which serves the other two: to encourage one another, to build one another up in faith, to pray with and for one another, to learn from one another and teach one another, and to set one another examples to follow, challenges to take up, and urgent tasks to perform. This is all part of what is known loosely as fellowship. - NT WRIGHT

The next new members' class will be November 6th and 13th after second service in Pastor Bill's Office. The classes are informal and led by Pastor Bill. Any and all questions are encouraged. Attendees are also invited to the Session meeting on November 15 to meet the Elders and see how the business of running this church is accomplished.

There is no obligation to become a member, but if you choose to, you will be received into this family of faith at services on November 20th with a welcoming celebration between services on the patio.

If you are not a member yet and want to be a part of this caring church family of faith or just have questions, please contact the Outreach Committee chairperson John Favalessa (661) 755-4269 (email favalessa@yahoo.com).

**SAVE
THE
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!!!**

Sunday, December 11th in the Sanctuary

Our annual **CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT** is back after taking a hiatus last year, This is always a very popular event, when we welcome members of the Ojai Community Chorus to join us for a rollicking good time of singing and enjoying Holiday Music together.

Watch for more details in the December Newsletter.

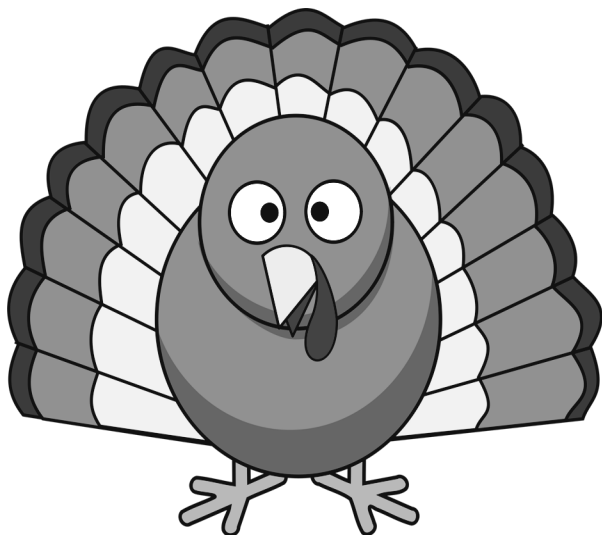
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