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## PASTOR'S COLUMN



OCTOBER 2014

Recently, I was asked, "Why does the church have to get involved with politics?" It was a thoughtful question and I've done some thinking about that very issue. After all, Jesus (much to the chagrin of Judas) never condemned Rome. Paul shared that governments have been given power by God (Romans 13). But then I remembered a reflection by John Buchanan about these lines from the Preamble of The **Declaration of Independence**; "*We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.*"

The radical notion that every human being has unalienable rights, innate worth and dignity, and that the first purpose of government is to protect and persevere this idea, we are told, came from Enlightenment thinkers like John Locke. But it also comes from Genesis, with the equally radical proposal that human beings are created in the image of the Creator, that their worth and the rights that stem from it are basic to their very nature and identity. This is why people of faith cannot accommodate the denial of basic human rights and dignity, and why churches become involved in the never-ending struggle to establish and protect those rights for all people. The Church must embrace all the questions of life, and in every situation, and with every talent, means, and time, ask what God is calling us to do with the resources God has given us.

We are approaching Stewardship season in our church family. I know that brings to mind immediately the issue of money, and; "Here goes the church asking for more..." Again I will reply, "Stewardship is the issue of ATTITUDE, about our lives. As Christians what is it that drives our attitudes? It is, simply put, that God has created us and given us everything we have, and put us in charge of all the decisions, hoping (though I'm not certain what that means when applied to God) that we know God so well that, like faithful children, we make choices that will be in concert with the will of God for this world. **So this season we are calling "STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR LIFE."** Let me leave you with the following poem by James Russell Lowell:

Life is a leaf of paper white  
Whereon each one of us may write  
His word or two  
And then comes night.  
Greatly begin, though thou have time  
But for a line.  
Be that sublime.  
Not failure, but low aim, is crime.

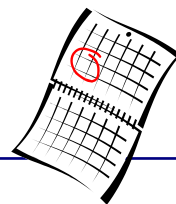
In His Grip,  
Pastor Bill

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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.



### MEN AT WORK

Next meeting: October 18th.

Join the men of the church on the third Saturday of each month at 8:00 am for breakfast and a time of fellowship.

Each month there will either be a guest speaker or a project at the church or in the community.



### BOOK BUDDIES

Book Buddies will meet Thursday, October 9th at 4:00 p.m.

*The Orchardist* by Amanda Coplin takes place at the turn of the 20th century in the Pacific Northwest.

This is a story of an orchardist, William Talmadge, who disrupts his life when two teenage girls appear and let the world into his life.

Discussion of book and salad supper at Carole Wheeler's home, 23549 Via Eliso, Valencia. Please RSVP to Carole at 661-259-4615.



### HANDCRAFTERS

Every 2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month, at 10am, people are gathering in the Evans Room to share their skills, their interests, their accomplishments. We are the *handcrafters*, and everyone is welcome!

### FALL YARD SALE

Time to clean out closets, cupboards and cubby-holes for those unwanted treasures. Church Life wants them for their semi annual yard sale on Friday & Saturday October 24 & 25. Large items can be picked up the week of October 20th. Questions? Call Rod or Candy Belcher 297 2445.



### REPORTERS AND PHOTOGRAPHERS NEEDED

We are trying to design the **NEWHALL PRESS** to reflect as much congregational interest as possible, and to represent all of the many activities of the church, both from the recent past and the future. We invite you to participate in this endeavor by sending us brief articles and photos (one or two per event). Don't worry if there are duplicates or if you lack writing skills; we will sort it out!

"**PICTURE THIS**" is a favorite feature of the newsletter. We want to share your family's births, weddings, and milestone events.

Send your photos and articles to **Sandy** at [presby2@pacbell.net](mailto:presby2@pacbell.net), or bring hardcopies to the church office. Keep in mind the newsletter deadline announced on the back page of every issue.

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

Oct. 4 Fright Fest  
 Oct. 9 Book Buddies  
 Oct. 11-14 Amor Trip  
 Oct. 16 TGIF Starts  
 Oct. 18 Men at Work  
 Oct. 24-25 Fall Yard Sale  
 Oct. 26 Bible Distribution Sunday  
 Oct. 26 Fall Festival  
 Oct. 28 Ladies' Night Out  
 Nov. 2 Daylight Savings Ends  
 Nov. 2 10am ONE Combined Service  
 Nov. 2 Ministry Fair with Chili-Cookoff & Children's Fall Fun Festival

### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS - OVER-80S

Oct. 5 Howard Ely  
 Oct. 5 Millie Tanner  
 Oct. 8 Laralea McLaughlin  
 Oct. 9 Delmer Nielson  
 Oct. 15 May Valiton  
 Oct. 21 Don Trout  
 Oct. 29 Becky Combs

### LADIES' NIGHT OUT

Oct. 28—6:30 PM

BJ's Restaurant  
 24320 Town Center Drive  
 Valencia, Calif 91355



### CHILI/DESSERT COOK-OFF

Got a killer chili or heavenly dessert recipe? Then enter Church Life's annual cook-off on Sunday **November 2nd** during the **Ministry Fair**. Prizes and bragging rights to the winners.

### VARIETY/TALENT SHOW

Got Talent? Then Church Life wants you for our annual Variety/Talent Show. Start practicing now. We need instrumental musicians, singers, dancers and even comedians. Potluck at 5pm with show at 6pm on Sunday **November 16th** in Fellowship Hall.



The Worship 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, song, scripture, sacrament and message.

### PRAYER IN WORSHIP by Sonja Tweedie

Christian worship joyfully ascribes all praise and honor, glory and power to the triune God. In worship the people of God acknowledge God's presence in the world and in their lives. As they respond to God's claim and redemptive action in Jesus Christ, believers are transformed and renewed. In worship the faithful offer themselves to God and are equipped for God's service in the world.

The Spirit of God quickens people to an awareness of God's grace and claim upon their lives. The Spirit moves them to respond by naming and calling upon God, by remembering and proclaiming God's acts of self-revelation in word and deed, and by committing their lives to God's reign in the world.

We do this through scripture, sermon, prayer, music and other forms of art (which might include drama, dance, the use of power point, etc.) The pastor is responsible for these five parts of worship.

Prayer is at the heart of worship. In prayer, through the Holy Spirit, people seek after and are found by the one true God who has been revealed in Jesus Christ. The people listen and wait upon God, call God by name, remember God's gracious acts and offer themselves to God.

Prayer may be spoken, sung, offered in silence or enacted. Prayer grows out of the center of a person's life in response to the Spirit. Prayer is shaped by the Word of God in scripture and by the life of the community of faith. Prayer urges us towards commitment to join God's work in the world.

In prayer we respond to God in many ways. In adoration we praise God for who He is. In thanksgiving we express gratitude for what God has done. In confession we acknowledge repentance for what we as individuals and as a people have done or left undone. In supplication we plead for ourselves and the gathered community. In intercession we plead for others, on behalf of others and for the whole world. In self-dedication we offer ourselves to the purpose and glory of God.

According to our PCUSA Book of Order, our worship services are to include each of these six aspects of prayer. We do this through our call to worship, our hymns, our responsive readings, our confession of faith and its assurance of pardon, our creeds, our personal 'joys and concerns,' the Lord's Prayer, our prayer of dedication, the reading of scripture and the pastor's sermon. We also have an anthem or special music and praise songs which may cover various elements of prayer.

The word "worship" is defined as "the feeling or expression of reverence and adoration for a deity, of which ours is God, an act of homage or reverence to God." So, you will note, our whole worship service is a "prayer of adoration." As Richard J. Foster wrote on prayer of adoration: "Prayer is the human response to the perpetual outpouring of love by which God lays siege to every soul. When our reply to God is most direct of all, it is called adoration. Adoration is the spontaneous yearning of the heart to worship, honor, magnify and bless God. . . In adoration we enter the rarefied air of selfless devotion, we ask for nothing but to cherish Him. We focus on nothing but His goodness. We love God for himself, for His very being, for His radiant joy."

### FRIDAY MIDDAY BIBLE STUDY (sponsored by Adult Ed Committee)

If you seek an on-going Bible study, this is a wonderful opportunity for you to learn more about the God we worship, His Son, Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit in our lives.

We will continue with our study of the Book of Acts. Bring your Bible and a sack lunch, if you wish. It will be exciting exploring our own questions, ideas and perceptions together. Both men and women are welcome.

We meet Fridays from 11:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. in the Evans Room. Hope to see you there.

### *Second Service Band & Chancel Choir*

## *Winter 2015 Concert*

First Presbyterian Church's Contemporary Christian Band, **The Second Service Band**, and the outstanding First Presbyterian Church **Chancel Choir** are putting together a concert for the First Pres congregation and the community for February, 2015!

Proceeds from the *Winter 2015 Concert* will go toward upgrading the sound system in the Sanctuary.

**Stay Tuned!**





The Adult Education Committee at First Presbyterian Church of Newhall encourages the congregation to mature in their knowledge and practice of their Christian faith as disciples of Jesus Christ both personally and in community with other believers.

**REACHING OUT TO OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST IN TURKEY:  
THE ANTALYA EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

First Pres. Newhall has a global worldview! While we do missions and ministry here at home, we also support missions in other countries. Our support to the Antalya Evangelical Church in Antalya, Turkey is part of the global outreach from Newhall. This support is part of the Great Commission that Jesus Christ gave to his disciples (which includes us) before he ascended to Heaven. He wants us to “Go into ALL THE WORLD to teach and baptize people in the name of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit.” (see Matt. 28: 18-20)

**First Pres. visited the Antalya Evangelical Church.** Adult Education Committee is helping our members to be “Global Christians.” In November 2012, Adult Education through our Life Academy Abroad Program, expedited a tour of 24 people to Turkey to explore the places where St. Paul had ministered and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ. One stop was Antalya, which dates back to the ancient times. Paul and Barnabas came by ship from their mission to Cyprus and landed at Attalia/Perge to spread the Gospel in the area we now call Turkey. (Acts 13:13, 14:24-26) There, we visited the Antalya Evangelical Church, met Pastor Ramazan Arkan, his wife Karen and son Joshua and other members of this small church. Pastor Arkan and his family were in the US this past spring, and Pastor Arkan preached (*I’m not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ*) at First Pres. Newhall on May 25, 2014!

**Antalya Evangelical Church has a big mission.** The Antalya Evangelical church began as a small home group in 1992 and grew to 20 members. In 1999, the church started renting space in the St. Paul Cultural Center, which is where we visited them. This is a church which is Turkish, from the Pastor down through the congregation. In major cities in Turkey, there are Christian churches attended by expatriates and retirees from other countries of the world. But Pastor Arkan estimates that there are only about 5,000 Turkish Protestant Christians in churches in Turkey, a land of 75 million people which is 99% Muslim! That’s a big mission field, indeed!

**Antalya Evangelical Church is building a new church facility.** Pastor Arkan and his congregation have a big heart and a big vision to reach out with the Gospel of Christ to Antalya’s two million citizens with love. Grown now to almost 200 members, the church is outgrowing their present quarters. They bought land and are currently building their new church facility. The first floor café and bookstore will be open to the public, and a children’s play area in the basement will be used by mothers of Antalya and their children during the very hot summers (120 degrees) and rainy winters. A second floor guesthouse will accommodate Christian guests and visiting teams. The upper floors will have offices, classrooms and a sanctuary for 200. The facility will enable the church to provide programs for both church members and ‘seekers’ in personal development, marriage and family relationships, parenting and money management skills. This is important because there are few programs like this offered by the government or the private sector.

**You can contribute to building the Antalya Evangelical Church.** In the Alternative Christmas Market this December, the Missions Committee will offer you an opportunity to contribute to this project. This can be your constructive answer to the strife in the Middle East. The project budget is \$600,000; they have been raising the funds over the last ten years with about \$120,000 left to raise. It is exciting to see the Kingdom of Jesus Christ growing around the world and to be part of that!



An artist’s rendering of the facility under construction for the Antalya Evangelical Church.



Photo from the church website: [www.antalyaevangelicalchurch.com](http://www.antalyaevangelicalchurch.com) from last spring, showing foundations under construction.



Beautiful view of Antalya, the Mediterranean Coast and Beaches, and the Coastal Mountains.



*Our church in action*

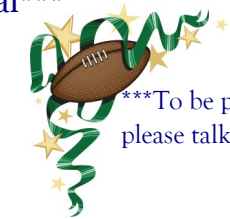
November 2

Session is sponsoring the Ministry Fair

- Daylight Savings ends
- One combined service at 10am
- Committee exhibits\*
- Church Life’s Chili Cookoff & Bakeoff\*\*
- Children’s Ministry Fall Festival\*\*\*

- Food
- Fun
- Fellowship

\*\*To compete in Chili Cookoff, please register with Church Life



\*\*\*To be part of Tailgating Games, please talk with Sarah Bolin.

**SESSION NOTES**

By Jan Fraser

Want to meet 20 exciting people? Have all the homemade cookies you can eat? Find out what’s going on (and planned for the future) at church? Just attend a session meeting.

Did you know you can attend anytime as an observer? It’s like my Home Owner Association board meetings where I can go and listen, but not interrupt what the HOA board is discussing. OK, being silent for an hour or more is challenging, but it’s so interesting to listen to each of the elders (and pastor Bill).

The elders take turns presenting to the group what their committee is doing. I had no idea there was so much going on in the church. I found out about the work of the Building and Grounds Committee, Adult Education Committee, the Stewardship Committee, Little Shepherd’s Nursery school, and all the other committees. (If you’re an elder and reading this - and I didn’t mention your committee - it’s not because you didn’t do a great job presenting your activities - it’s just because I didn’t take notes - and I didn’t know ’d be writing this article.)

Going to a session meeting is better than a drama on TV. Like the drama - you should listen as they weigh the alternatives for when an activity will occur, what else is going on, and how it should be timed. They were very serious! The next meeting is supposed to include a review of how the church budget is created - it sounds incredibly interesting (to me, anyway).

OK, I’ve only attended two times but both were great, and I plan to attend each month’s meeting as long as I can. Do you want to find out more before the meeting? The elders are happy to talk with you regarding their individual committees. Or just attend a session meeting. There’s no rule against bringing cookies (lots of homemade ones are best) and that helps (me, anyway) to keep silent since I’m eating.

Looking forward to seeing you at the next Session meeting.

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 CIRCLES—ALL WOMEN ARE WELCOME!**

- Elizabeth: Stephanie Linn (259-3914) - 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) & Wanda Lewis (296-2354) - Meets first Monday of the month at 9:00 a.m. in the Evans Room.
- Mary Martha: Karen Sandoval (298-7977) - 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 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.*

The 2015 Stewardship campaign is here!

**What is Stewardship?**

The Presbyterian Foundation defines Stewardship as "the way we use all our resources to carry on Christ's work of reconciliation in the world." The yearly Stewardship campaign specifically focuses on the financial responsibilities of the church and how the church will use these resources, as Christ's bride, to continue His work.

**What we need you to do:**

**Submit your pledge:** Please prayerfully consider what God is calling you to contribute, and then submit your pledge card with your commitment. Every gift counts and every intention to give is needed!

**Put your pledge on Autopilot:** If you aren't doing so already - please automate your pledge payment. Most major banks offer a free bill pay option that will automatically pay your pledge for you each month - free for you and free for the church. If you would like to pay your pledge via credit card, instructions for Parish Pay can be found here: <http://www.presby-newhall.org/parish-pay-instructions/> . The church is charged a small fee for Parish Pay, but the fee is well worth it.

**Catch up on your 2014 pledge if you are behind:** We are currently behind by \$47,000 in pledged income. What does this mean? This means that based on last year's pledge drive we would have expected to have received \$47K more to date than we actually have.

**Give extra if you are able:** Our expenses so far this year are also under budget, but the church is operating at an actual loss of \$20,000. This means we have spent \$20,000 more this year than we have received in income and we are paying normal expenses from savings. So, if you can, please give a little extra.

**Why is it important to share with the church what we intend to give?**

The church needs to have an estimate of next year's income in order to prepare a sound budget for the coming year. Since pledges represent the majority of our budget, it is important for our planning to have a best estimate of your future financial contributions. This information helps session to be financially responsible.

**What does the church do with your pledges?**

**Provides a community of faith** - not only for Sunday worship but also small groups, Bible studies, a vibrant adult education program, and dynamic youth activities.

**Represent Christ in our community and beyond** - via our mission outreach programs including, but not limited to: **Family Promise** and **A Bridge to Home** (helping local homeless families and individuals get back on their feet); **Samuel Dixon Family Health Center** (providing medical and dental care to local low income or out of work families); **AMOR** (building homes for families in Mexico); providing higher education funding for students at **Daystar Universities** in Africa; **Help the Children** (provides food and necessities to struggling families around the world) and the **Basic Mission Pledge** (supporting the worldwide ministry and missionaries of the Presbyterian church).

**How this year's campaign will work...**

If the church has your email address you will be receiving an email on October 20<sup>th</sup> , inviting you to send your pledge back by email. Making your pledge by email will be simple and would be a great help in preparing the budget. We will also include pledge cards in the church bulletin on Sunday October 26<sup>th</sup>. Everyone who responds by Sunday, October 26, either by email or submitting a pledge card, will NOT receive the pledge letters that will go out on Monday, October 27. Our goal is to have all the pledges in by November 9 so the church budget can be prepared. Thank you in advance for helping us make this possible.

**Other Support Opportunities:**

**Amazon Smile:** Amazon has a program that will donate a portion of your eligible purchases to a charity of your choice at no cost to you. If you would like to participate and you already have an Amazon account, go to <http://smile.amazon.com/> - enter "First Presbyterian Church of Newhall" in the "pick your own charitable organization:" box and select the church. The next time you want to shop at Amazon - simply use the <http://smile.amazon.com/> link instead of the usual Amazon link and the church will start earning up to 0.5% of your eligible purchases.

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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.



Have you ever wondered, "Why am I here? What is my purpose?" Have you spent time searching for how to use your personal gifts for God's purpose? Have you ever prayed about how to make your life meaningful? Most of us, at one time or another, have asked, "What gifts has God given me? How can I use those gifts? How can God use me?"

**Tony Angelastro** has found his gift and what God has called him to do: feed the local homeless. Twice a month, Tony prepares paper bag meals with a sandwich, water, and fruit or chips (depending on what he has) and distributes these paper bag meals to our homeless people in Canyon Country. Tony would like to distribute more meals but is limited by his resources. The members of the Mission Committee know Tony through his participation with our church's AMOR trips. We are grateful for his noble service and are passionate about Tony's personal mission to serve those less fortunate. Therefore, we are asking our members to **give their loose change for the month of October to assist Tony in feeding the homeless in our own community.**



You can drop your pocket change in the brown paper bag on the Mission table between services each Sunday in October.

# AFRIZO!

Concert on Friday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 6pm at Newhall Pres.

Do you remember the concerts at our church in 2008 and 2010 by the amazing Afrizo singers from Daystar University in Nairobi, Kenya? They have returned to the US for a concert tour this year from Aug.- Nov. 2014 to raise \$250,000 in scholarship support for Daystar students. The tour started at Daystar US offices in Minneapolis and is taking them through churches in the East, then Texas and Arizona, ending in So. Calif. with Westmont College, 1<sup>st</sup> Pres Newhall, & Trinity Pres. in Santa Ana. There will be 7 students with Hellen Mtawali, their professor and lead singer, as well as two Daystar US staff people driving the van! Plan to bring some friends to enjoy this energetic concert, 6-7:30, then gather for some refreshment with the singers. Discover their life journeys!

East Africa is impacted by many influences: Western European, sub-continental Indian, and Islamic groups (some terrorist groups included). However, Christianity is still growing the fastest in Africa. Many students arrive at Daystar with little or no funding from their home villages. The University tries to keep as many as can possibly be successful, seeking scholarship support for them. Our Mission Committee provides \$2,500 scholarship funding each year for a Daystar student.



Daystar is shining a clear Christian light in East Africa providing higher education for solid moral leadership, service, and business values. Come and support them, exchange with them our Christian warmth and love, and demonstrate our appreciation for all they do in East Africa for the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

# KIDS KIDS KIDS

The Children's Ministry Committee at First Presbyterian Church will invite children to EMBRACE the Word of God through worship, games, songs, and other activities; ENCOURAGE their spiritual growth to become closer to our Lord, Jesus Christ; and EQUIP them to go out into the world and share God's love.

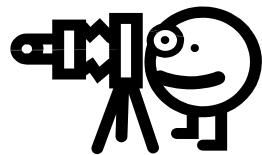
What an amazing summer, right? Now it's time to gear up for Fall. There are a few things going on in October and early November for our children, so be sure take a look and add them to your family's calendar. All of our events are fun and family friendly. The more the merrier so invite extended family and friends. Our events are for kids pre-school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade, and we are excited about the start-up and the small changes that we are making.

Our first event is the start of our weekly program on October 16<sup>th</sup>- **T.G.I.F.** This is a Friday night program that offers dinner, crafts, games and a Bible lesson. The age group is for Kindergarten through 6<sup>th</sup> graders. We have a great time learning all about different Bible stories and have fun while doing it. It's a time where parents can go out on a date, or relax while their kids learn and have fun at the same time. T.G.I.F. is from 6pm till 8pm in Fellowship hall and the program is a one-time (per season) payment of \$35.00 per child. Dinner is a \$4.00 donation each week. This is a great way for kids to have fun with their friends and learn more about God's great love for them. It's a program that is great for new families and friends. Be sure to sign your child (and their friends) up and join us on October 16<sup>th</sup> in Fellowship Hall, from 6-8.

Our second event is **Bible Distribution Sunday** on October 26<sup>th</sup>. This is a time during the church service when we will present 4<sup>th</sup> graders and Kindergarteners with Bibles. We want our students to fall in love with scripture and we are hoping that your family will start to read the Bible together. This is a great way to start! It is something that we offer for free to our age-eligible students. Be sure to let Mrs. Lelia or Ms. Sarah know if you would like your Kindergartener or 4<sup>th</sup> grader to receive a Bible on behalf of the Children's ministry. We will present them at both services so be sure to let Mrs. Lelia know which service you and your child will be attending. We will need to know if your child will be getting a Bible no later than October 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please write out the name you would like placed in your child's Bible. Let's start to show our children that reading God's word is fun and important.

This year, our **Fall Festival** is going to be part of the church-wide Ministry Fair on November 2!! There's going to be so much fun for everyone. For K-6<sup>th</sup> graders, there will be lots of FREE events: face painting, a bounce house, balloon animals, games & prizes. We're even inviting people to decorate their cars with favorite football team memorabilia for tailgating excitement (and a possible prize). Not only will adults and youth learn more about the church's committees at the Ministry Fair and participate in the chili tasting, the children can have a great time too! Invite all your family and friends to join us for a fun day!!!!

## PICTURE THIS!!!



At the ripe old age of just a few minutes, **HUNTER PHILIP AUNE** was already figuring out how to totally charm his mom, Tiffany. Hunter arrived September 18. He weighed 6 lbs., 4 oz. and was 19 inches long. Hunter's dad, Steve Aune, big sisters Hailey and Hope, grandparents Tim & Tina Pulliam, and great-grandmother, Lillian Wilson (four generations of active Newhall Presbyterians) were all instant fans.

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**Consider the church in your will:** A way to assure the financial strength of the church for generations to come is to include the church in your will or other estate plans.

### Get involved!

While you are thinking about your resources and commitment to the church, consider volunteering another resource – your time!

- **Pray** – see Sunday Bulletin's Prayer Chain requests. Contact Judy Jones, prayer chain coordinator.
- **Volunteer to provide a meal.** Contact your Deacon.
- **Help with Family Promise.** Contact Pam Trammel for more information.
- **Join Men at Work** – Men's fellowship—contact Art Moore.
- **Come build a home** for a desperately poor family in Mexico Columbus Day Weekend October 11<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup> 2014 (contact John Favalessa at amor@presby-newhall.org).
- Become an **usher.**
- Sing in the **choir.**
- Help with **Sunday School.**
- Come to the **Life Academy** classes.
- Join a **Bible Study** and/or **Circle.**
- **Join a Committee** (see website link below for full list)

Go to <http://www.presby-newhall.org/involve/get-involved/> for a list of Committees and for links to more information on the above.

The Youth Committee nurtures the Junior High and Senior High-aged youth as well as the college-aged young adults 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.



Fall, is here and we have already hit the ground running. In September we started youth group, had a fundraising car wash, parent night, and Box City. It has already been a busy Fall season. But we're not done yet. We are changing our **Fright Fest** date to October 4<sup>th</sup>. We are inviting all our junior high and high schoolers to join us at Six Flags Magic Mountain for a night of scary fun. We will meet in front of the Magic Mountain gate at 6pm, but if your child would like to go earlier that is something they are welcome to do, but the youth event will not start till 6pm. Please send your child with money to purchase their ticket and money for food. The group rate is \$35.00 per ticket or your child will receive their admission to the park if they possess a season pass. We will be at Magic Mountain as group until midnight but your student can leave any time at your discretion. An adult will walk your student to the gate if he or she needs to leave early. Our adult leaders will be at the park until midnight and will not leave until all the kids have been picked up. This is a scary night with mazes and rides intended to scare students. If your child does not like to be scared this would be a difficult event for them to enjoy. It's a safe scary, but scary nonetheless.

Another event that we are participating in this month is the **AMOR trip**. This is a family ministry mission trip to Tijuana Mexico. This is a mission trip that our church has been attending two times a year for over 20 years. We are inviting any families with kids at least 12 years old to join us. It is a time for us a church to walk along side AMOR Ministries and help build homes for families in Mexico. The trip takes place October 11<sup>th</sup> through the 13<sup>th</sup> or the 14<sup>th</sup>. If your student would like to attend they will need a passport, and to sign up with Sarah Bolin or Ian Fletcher. Please let us know as soon as possible if this is something in which your family or student would like to participate. Please feel free to ask Sarah or Ian (both going on the trip) if you have any questions or concerns.





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.

## WELCOME TO OUR JUNE 2014 NEW MEMBERS!

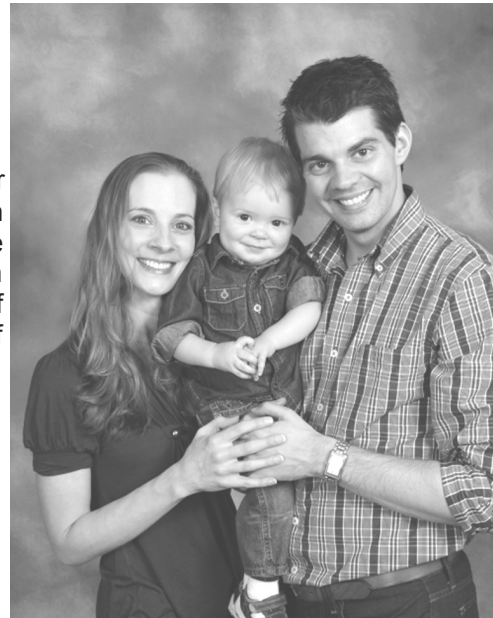
**Eric & Marina Clardy:** Eric was born and raised in Virginia. His mother was Presbyterian, but he actually attended a Catholic grammar school. Religion was always a part of his life growing up. He and his wife Marina attended Hollywood Presbyterian before moving to this area last year. He works for B of A and hopes to move his job closer to home. He looks forward to becoming active in the church someday. Marina was born in Russia. Her mom was of the Russian Orthodox Church. Interestingly, her dad who was part of Communist Party, got baptized in his 40's. She works at Nature Made Vitamins in Valencia. Their interests include tennis, skiing and working out.



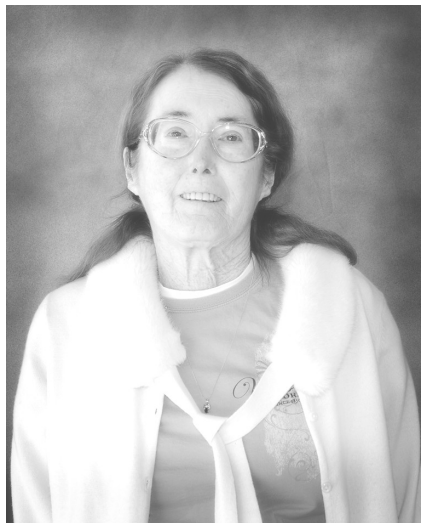
**Lynn Parkinson:** For Lynn, it is the innate friendliness of the church members that drew her to First Presbyterian Church of Newhall. She credits Glenda Johnson and Betty Schutz with bringing her to the church. Lynn had been attending church services for almost 3 years and finally made the decision to join the church family. Lynn moved to the Santa Clarita Valley in 1977. She is retired now, but worked for 30 years as an interior designer. Her family is important to her, and as she explained, she feels like the church family is her extended family also. She belongs to two book clubs and reads a lot of different types of books. Also, she loves to garden. She and her husband recently celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> Wedding anniversary.



**Emily and Bryce Morrow and son Reed** come to us from Bel Air Presbyterian church. Emily is an actor and when not on set she works in insurance. She loves cooking and gardening and wishes to get more active with the church family. Bryce works in personal property claims and was drawn here by the family aspect of our church. They are enjoying being parents of Reed their 20 month old son. They have faithfully taken over the updating of the marquee at the front of the church.

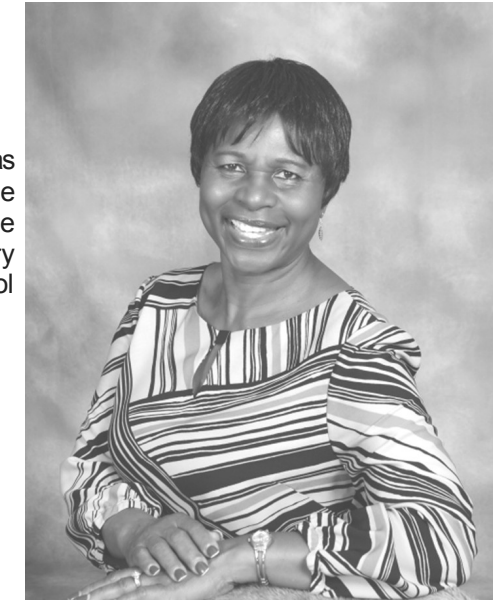


**Jan Fraser** was raised Presbyterian and was a member here many years ago when the church was in the old building. Jan was married for thirty years. She has attended many different denominations, but keeps coming back home to the Presbyterian Church.



**Stacy Williams, Jamie, Debbie & George Kayser (Justin not in picture):** Jamie Kayser attended Newhall Pres. with her parents until she was about 12 years old when the family moved to Texas. She is now a student at COC where she is studying business. Stacy Williams came from Texas with the Kayser family and is a nursing student. She was raised Baptist by her Grandparents and began attending Newhall Presbyterian Church with her boyfriend, Justin Kayser. George Kayser can be found working the sound board for second service.

**Ama Mundi** comes from the Cameroon in central Africa where she was baptized as a Baptist, married a Presbyterian and then moved to the United States. She was a deacon at Hawthorne Pres. as well as on the PNC. She was looking for a church when she found Newhall and felt very welcome, like she was home. She teaches math in the Los Angeles school district.



**James and Rocia Munter:** James has been involved with this church since he was five years old. He met his wife Rosio in Paraguay. They have 2 children.



**Jim & Mary Parodi:** Jim was baptized Catholic and raised Episcopalian. He started playing the organ when he was 14 years old. His hobby is playing music and has a large organ at home. He and his wife Mary are both trained chefs. They met at work where Mary is a respiratory therapist. She is third generation Japanese in the United States. Jim is now enthusiastically playing the organ in our first service.



No picture for Janet Austin

**Janet Austin** grew up in Lancaster and moved to Santa Clarita in 1965. She is the daughter of Harry Bell and has his sense of adventure. Janet travels extensively and was in Europe at the time of our photo shoots.