



Sunnyside News is a weekly publication designed to inform members and subscribers of our current news and events

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

APRIL 16, 2009

PASTOR'S NOTES

YOUTH PASTOR SEARCH UPDATE

Last night, the Youth Pastor Search Committee completed its last phone interview of potential candidates. The committee has received over 30 resumes and conducted 12 phone interviews, and is now narrowing the field to the top 2 or 3 candidates. We are working closely with the Central California Conference to bring the finalists to Fresno for face-to-face interviews in May. We hope to announce our new Youth Pastor in June.

THE KISSING DISEASE

On Tuesday of this week I learned that I had tested positive for mononucleosis, more affectionately known as the "kissing disease." I met with my doctor today and she told me that I need to stay home for the next month. Effective immediately, I will be on sick leave until mid-May. All ministries and worship services will continue as normal. Our Head Elder, Bud Dickerson, will oversee all of my pastoral and administrative duties until I return. He can be reached at 250-7569, or bdickers@fresno.edu. Angela will continue to manage the church office and is available between 10 am and 2 pm.

Mono is a virus, so there isn't any medicine that can be taken for it. You just treat the symptoms, which are mainly fatigue and generally feeling lousy. However, my doctor did prescribe humor. She said I need to watch lots of "I Love Lucy" and "The Three Stooges" to help my body heal. So don't feel sorry for me. While all of you are hard at work, I'll be laughing at home. See you in a month!

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

**April 18, 2009
11:00 A.M.**

"He Lives"

Welcome
Pastor Dennis Ray

"Forever"
"Shout to the Lord"
"He Knows My Name"

Garden of Prayer
Jim Robison

Youth Ministry
Rod Turley

Children's Story
Johan Reijnders

Offering

Scripture
Clara Ovando

Message
Heidi Bryant

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, APRIL 21
Adventurer & Pathfinder Clubs –
Church 6:00 p.m.
"Prayer: Finding the Heart's True
Home" Class 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22
Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletin-
staff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m.
Women's Bible Study – Marsh home
6:30 p.m.

SABBATH, APRIL 25
Meditative Service 8:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

PREACHING SCHEDULE

April 25 — Pastor Ray
May 2 — Pastor Ray
May 9 — Pastor Ray

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

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|------------------------------|-------------|
| April Approved Budget | \$18,300.00 |
| Amount Received | 9,217.36 |
| Over (Short) | (9,082.64) |
| YTD Approved Budget | \$73,200.00 |
| Amount Received | 55,388.84 |
| Over (Short) | (17,811.16) |
| Youth Pastor Fund: | \$34,517.15 |
| Children's Offering YTD: | \$1,419.99 |

This Week's Offering:

Local Church Budget

YOUTH EVENTS

COMING UP....**VESPERS ON MAY 8** AT THE VAN PUTTEN HOME.

HEALTHY BYTES

REMARKABLE VEGGIES—God has given us great clues as to what foods help what part of our body! God's Pharmacy is amazing!

A sliced Carrot looks like the human eye. The pupil, iris and radiating lines look just like the human eye... and yes, science now shows carrots greatly enhance blood flow to and function of the eyes.

A Tomato has four chambers and is red. The heart has four chambers and is red. All of the research shows tomatoes are loaded with lycopine and are indeed pure heart and blood food.



A Walnut looks like a little brain, a left and right hemisphere, upper cerebrums and lower cerebellums. Even the wrinkles or folds on the nut are just like the neo-cortex. We now know walnuts help develop more than three (3) dozen neuron-transmitters for brain function.

For more info on healthy solutions contact Gale at
974-2459 or email at gale4health@comcast.net

Join Gale's "Healthy Eating" cooking class every 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ATTENTION SINGERS!



Please meet at **10:15 a.m.** this **Sabbath** to rehearse and prepare with the choristers for our Easter Celebration Service.

FUA/FAA ALUMNI WEEKEND

It all begins on Friday, **April 24** with the **Alumni Golf Tournament**. You don't have to be alumni to play.



Young Alumni Vespers on Friday, April 24 will be at 7:30 p.m. in the FAA Music Room. Vespers will be hosted by the Honor Class of 1999.

Alumni Reunion Sabbath, April 25 Registration starts at 10:00 a.m. The reunion service will begin at 10:45, followed by a potluck dinner. Please bring your favorite dish to share!

Slam Dunk 3-on-3 Basketball Tournament.



The Student Association invites the Alumni to join in the annual 3-on-3 basketball tournament Saturday night. Registration begins at 7:45; games begin at 8:00. Food and refreshments will be available.

For more information on these events, contact Richelle at 251-5548.

Sunnyside Women's Ministry

Invites you to join them for

TEA & THEE 2009 — April 26 at 1:00PM

Hope Lutheran Community Ctr.

\$20.00 per adult \$10.00 per child

Sign ups are posted in the foyer or RSVP with Angela 229-5501 or Sherry 224-9005



Accepting Donations

Women's Ministry is looking for raffle prize donations for the upcoming Tea & Thee. Money raised pay for projects this ministry supports. We have given over 400 baskets to the women of Rosecrest. To donate tea pots, tea cups, and items relating to tea, please contact Sherry Marsh, 224-9005 or 974-3634.

With Our Deepest Thanks

Thank you for the many cards, words of encouragement, and caring acts you have extended to our family after the sudden loss of our beloved father, grandfather, and great-grandfather. Every day, your friendship and concern are greatly appreciated. God bless each one of you.

Donna and Ron Fitzgerald, Chad, Jannine, Connor, & Aidan

EARL MEYERS IN CONCERT

Fresno Central Church presents baritone, Earl Meyers in a vespers concert **this Sabbath at 6:15 p.m.** For more information call 233-1171.

MAY POTLUCK

Our next potluck will be **May 2** and will feature Sandwiches/Wraps and Salads.

A-M please bring sandwiches or wraps and a dessert.

N-Z please bring sandwiches or wraps and a salad.

MENNONITE MEN'S CHORUS Come and enjoy a 150-man chorus with a full orchestra. The West Coast Mennonite Men's Chorus will be performing tomorrow, 6:00 p.m. at Peoples Church. The concert is free; a love offering will be taken. (Our own Frank Carpenter will be singing with them.)

GETTING TO KNOW OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY
Building Lives Through Relationships...

**Darla & Dennis
Vasquez &
Cherokee
Espinosa**



**Mike &
Patricia Ford**

THE LAST WORD

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Justice Bell (4/18)
Donna Fitzgerald (4/19)
Alex Jay Walker (4/19)
Isiah Bell (4/20)
Maggie Stover (4/20)
Jessica Walker (4/20)
Brian Huffstutler (4/21)
Elden Ramirez (4/21)
Elise Cantu (4/22)
Gerad Hudler (4/22)
Shaun Hallier (4/23)
Marilyn Mitchell (4/23)
Clara Ovando (4/23)
Stan Wagenleitner (4/23)
Stephanie Robles (4/24)
Richard Voth (4/24)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Brian & Phyllis Birmingham
(4/18)
Gerad & Michelle Hudler
(4/19)
Brian & Kathy Huffstutler
(4/19)
Willie & Wendy Barreto
(4/20)

"The Father values relationship more than rules...God isn't somebody to be afraid of. He's someone to be a friend of. For that very reason the Father values relationships more than rules. Of course there are rules. Every relationship in life is protected by very necessary rules. But God's preoccupation isn't with the rules; it's with the relationships. And so it should be with the children of God, wouldn't you say? There isn't a church on earth whose primary mission is to restore the rules. But I can't imagine a church on earth, if it is a church that follows the Father, that hasn't been given the passionate mission to restore relationships."

Dwight Nelson, "Outrageous Grace," p. 32