FRESNO SUNNYSIDE SDA CHURCH

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WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

JULY 2, 2009

PASTOR'S NOTES



JULY 4 WORSHIP SERVICE

Yvette Kerbs is coordinating a special July 4 worship service that celebrates our freedom, both in Christ and our country.

The Meditative Service WILL also be held on Sabbath.

YOUTH PASTOR SEARCH

In April, the Youth Pastor Search Committee narrowed its field to two candidates that we wanted to bring to Sunnyside for face-to-face interviews. One of them took another job before we could bring him here for an interview. The other, Earl Baldwin, was scheduled to be here this weekend. However, the Central California Conference notified us last week that they would not hire Earl, so it was pointless to bring him out for an interview. Factors completely beyond our control have brought us to this point: eleven months since Caleb left, and still no Youth Pastor. But, we're not giving up! The search committee will go back to work reviewing and interviewing applicants, and Sunnyside will have a new Youth Pastor just as soon as God allows it. As we've learned from our experiencing with owning a church, the fact that God doesn't operate according to our timetable or process doesn't mean His will is not being accomplished.

I'M KINDA BACK

I started back to work, albeit on a very limited basis this week and next. I'm trying to be very cautious so that I don't have any more relapses. My confidence is high that the mono bug has run its course. Now I'm working on regaining my stamina and reserves. Thank you for your patience with me on this.

INTERESTING FACT

At five minutes and six seconds after 4 AM on the 8th of July (next Wednesday), the time and date will be 04:05:06 07/08/09. This will never happen again, so be sure you're awake to observe this memorable event.

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

July 4, 2009 I I:00 A.M.

"God Bless America"

Welcome Pastor Dennis Ray

"I am Free" "Nothing But the Blood" "Amazing Grace (My Chains are Gone)"

Garden of Prayer Leo and Angela Reijnders

> "I Will Rise" Jessica Walker

Children's Story Linda Barron

Offering

"Battle Hymn of the Republic" Camille van Putten

Special Thoughts on Freedom Yvette Kerbs

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8 Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletinstaff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m. Personnel Committee Meeting – Church Office 7:00 p.m

THURSDAY, JULY 9 Church Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.

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

PREACHING SCHEDULE

July 11 — Ramiro Cano July 18 — Pastor Ray July 25 — Pastor Ray

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

 June Approved Budget
 \$18,300.00

 Amount Received
 17,955.48

 Over (Short)
 (344.52)

 YTD Approved Budget
 \$109,800.00

 Amount Received
 96,763.23

 Over (Short)
 (13,036.77)

Youth Pastor Fund\$38,312.15Church Building Fund\$476,389.31

This Week's Offering:

Local Church Budget

HEALTHY BYTES



2 T water

- vegetable cooking spray
- I medium red bell pepper, chopped fine
- I small onion, minced
- 4 cloves garlic, pressed
- I large tomato, chopped fine
- 3 T fresh lemon juice
- 2 T chives
- I T dried basil
- Preheat oven to 350°. Place eggplant halves on a sprayed baking sheet and bake for one hour. Let cool.
- Heat 2 T water and sauté red pepper, onion and garlic for about 5 minutes until onions are translucent. Transfer to a bowl and let cool.
 - Scrape eggplant flesh from skin, chop and add to cooled vegetables.
- Stir in tomato, lemon juice, chives and basil.
- Serve chilled with crackers or crusty bread.

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

Join Gale's "Healthy Eating" cooking class every <u>2nd Monday</u> of the month at 6:30pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

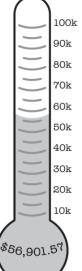


Time to get things started. We've got keys and a lot of "stuff" to move before renovation can begin. Your first opportunity to make a difference will be **Sunday, July 12, 7am – 1pm.** It's going to be hot, it's going to be dirty, and it's not going to be easy but it's for a good cause! The more people we can get, the quicker the clean-up phase will go. We'll make it as enjoyable as possible by providing a continental breakfast and cold beverages. Anyone willing to pitch in and work hard is "extreme-ly" welcome. Please see Scott Murdock in the courtyard after today's service or call 285-7042 to sign-up. Thank you in advance, and see you there!

REFRESHMENT HOSTS NEEDED

The opportunity is still open to host the refreshment table. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Judi Krogstad at drjudi@sbcglobal.net or 225-3650.

CHURCH RENOVATION FUND



Escrow has closed and we now nook have a church home! *Praise the Lord*!

Last Sabbath \$11,838.25 was given for our church home, raising our total given to \$56,901.57. We are our now over half-way to our goal of \$100,000 cash. We are very thankful for your generous giving and ask that you prayerfully consider what you can do as we con-tinue our fund raising efforts. Let's push that thermometer all the way up to \$100,000 by the time we start our renovation project. Mark your tithe envelope "Church Renovation Fund" and place in the offering plate.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

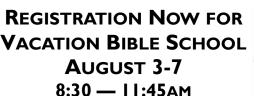
First Reading: Joe and Donna Montgomery from Madera.

POTLUCK THIS SABBATH

Our potluck will feature Sloppy Joes. The potluck committee will provide all the fixings for the sloppy joes.

A-M please bring salad.
N-Z please bring dessert.
Potluck is a great time to catch-up with friends and to make new ones.



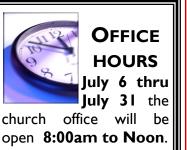


For ages 4 yrs. thru 6th grade.

Volunteers are needed! We need teachers, teen helpers & construction crew.

We need help with set construction and decorations. And, if you'd

like to have a fun-filled, adventurous week with 200+ kids, we'd love to have your help, too! Contact Angela (994-5502) or Leo(994-5588) or talk with them at church.





The church office will be closed Friday—July 3 in observance of Independence Day.

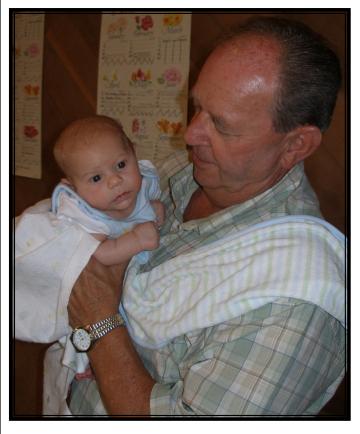
MOVING — The Kerbs Family is moving to another apartment on July 10 and will need help lifting or cleaning. Light lunch included. Call Yvette 309-3541.

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

Orin & Tyler Hirschkorn





Johnathan and (Papa) Ron Estep

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Verna Barcoma (7/4) Paul Kim (7/4) Bria Neuenschwander (7/4) Esther Robinson (7/4) Nikole Ignacio (7/5) Harriet Shimmin (7/5) Michael Ford (7/6) Nicole Barrón (7/7) Jaden Burkhart (7/7) Savannah Cisneros (7/7) Elijah Lee (7/7) Tonya Priest (7/7) Laurene Ward (7/7) Nicholas Messing (7/8) Alex Walker (7/9) Mike Frazer (7/10) Teresa Tolmosoff (7/10)

► reedom in God's world never comes apart from structure. When one is free to live as God intended, he is truly free indeed. — Jay E. Adams

 \mathbf{T} rue liberty consists exactly in self-determination in the direction of holiness. Man is never more free than when he moves consciously in the direction of God. — Louis Berkhof

God's purpose in redeeming men from sin is not to give them freedom to do as they please but freedom to do as *He* pleases, which is to live righteously. — **John MacArthur**

Liberty, when it begins to take root, is a plant of rapid growth. — George Washington

When people talk of the freedom of writing, speaking or thinking I cannot choose but laugh. No such thing ever existed. No such thing now exists; but I hope it will exist. But it must be hundreds of years after you and I shall write and speak no more. — John Adams

Freedom all solace to man gives: He lives at ease that freely lives.— John Barbour

he free man is he who does not fear to go to the end of his thought. — Leon Blum

he cause of freedom is the cause of God. — Samuel Bowles

is free to do what he ought. - Charles Kingsley

Know this, that every man is free to choose his life and what he'll be. For this eternal truth is given, God will force no man to heaven. He'll call, persuade, direct aright, bless with wisdom, love, and light. In nameless ways be good and kind. But, never force the human mind. — William C. Clegg

Only very slowly and late have men come to realize that unless freedom is universal it is only extended privilege. — **Christopher Hill**

here are two freedoms -- the false, where a man is free to do what he likes; the true, where he

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Joseph & Jacqueline Hill (7/5) Neal & Isela Rogers (7/9) Lenden & Lorie Webb (7/9)

THE LAST WORD