FRESNO SUNNYSIDE SDA CHURCH



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

PASTOR'S NOTES

THE WAIT IS OVER

Calvin Redman has been officially approved by the Conference. It seems that we now have a youth pastor. We will be working with him in the coming days to determine his start date.

CELEBRATION DINNER WAS A SUCCESS

Thank you to all who were involved with the planning and participation of the Celebration Dinner. We raised a total of \$11,340! - and we enjoyed great entertainment and a laugh-out-loud evening together with our church family and friends.

PLEDGE UPDATE

As of last Sunday, \$313,584 has been pledged for the church renovation project! We want to thank each one of you who has signed a pledge card. If you have not yet made a commitment to the renovation project, now would be an excellent time to do so. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us reach our goal of \$900,000.

"RENDER UNTO CAESAR WHAT IS CAESAR'S"

The IRS is quite explicit about what is a deduction and what is not a deduction for income tax purposes. Since Sunnyside has embarked upon an aggressive fund raising program there are a few questions that might come up. Last Sunday night tickets for the fund raising dinner sold for \$50. Was that a donation? According to the IRS, the portion of that amount which was not "goods and services" is a donation. It is my guess that it cost Sunnyside about \$25 for the food and entertainment; therefore, the donation would be the price (\$50) minus the cost (\$25) making the contribution \$25.

What was deductible at the yard sale? Items purchased at the yard sale are not deductible since the buyer received "goods and/or services". Items that were donated are deductible. The value of the items must be set by the donor, and the church will provide a letter stating that Sunnyside received certain items. If the value is less than \$250 total, generally your word will be acceptable. However, for larger priced items, an appraisal might be required.

In the case of donated noncash property such as a car, a piece of property, a piece of jewelry or some other item, what is deductible? Again, from the IRS, it is the donor's responsibility to get an appraisal. The church would write a letter acknowledging the gift and the donor would have already established the price. HOWEVER, it is not quite that simple. If the item is sold within three years for less than the appraised value, the donor will only be allowed to deduct what the church actually sold the item for. Therefore, prior to making such gifts, donors should have a clear understanding from church leadership how and or when such items will be disposed of.

If you have questions, please feel free to contact Bud Dickerson.

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

September 26, 2009 I I:00 A.M.

"Power in the Blood"

Welcome

Bud Dickerson

"Ancient of Days"
"I Worship You"
"We Have Come Into
this Place"

Garden of Prayer lim Robison

Children's Story
Elisa Messing

Solomon's Search for Happiness Ivan Morford

"Swing Low, Sweet Chariot" Jordan Reijnders

Offering

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 27
Work Bee – New Church 8:00 a.m.

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 29

Adventurer Club - Church 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30

Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletin-staff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m.

SABBATH, OCTOBER 3

Meditative Service 8:30 a.m.
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service I I:00 a.m.
Potluck - in the community immediately

following worship service

PREACHING SCHEDULE

October 3 — TBA
October 10 — Calvin Redman
October 17 — TBA

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

September Approved Budget \$18,300.00 Amount Received 9,385.65 Over (Short) (8,914.35)

 YTD Approved Budget
 \$164,700.00

 Amount Received
 146,489.40

 Over (Short)
 (18,210.60)

Youth Pastor Fund \$40,293.73 Church Building Fund \$495,536.19

This Week's Offering:

Conference Faith Advance

HEALTHY BYTES



What are you putting ON your skin?

What we put on our skin ends up in our bodies. If your lotions, creams, and soaps have chemicals in them, those chemicals will end up in your body. If you wouldn't eat your lotions, don't put them on your skin. For a great natural beauty facial, watch this short video:

http://www.fromheretolongevity.com/index.aspx?DN=120,87,1,Documents.

Using ingredients like liquid vitamin C, rice bran, lemons, and olive oil (my personal favorite is coconut oil) you can have a very inexpensive, natural facial that feeds your skin and prevents wrinkles.

For more information and registration call: Gale @974-2459 or email gale4health@comcast.net

Cooking classes held the 2nd Monday of each month. Mark your calendar!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

WORKER BEES, PLEASE

This Sunday volunteer workers are needed to continue with selective demolition at the Maroa church. The work includes removal of: ceiling grid, light fixtures, plumbing fixtures, floor covering, drywall, and wood framed ramp and platform. Electricians to help with light fixture removal would be welcome as well as any and all other willing workers. Start at 8:00 a.m. and we expect to cease work at 4:00 p.m. Bring your own lunch. We will have bottled drinking water. For questions regarding this work contact the Project Manager/Construction Superintendent, Bill Clark on his cell phone (828) 507-5128.

Nancy Isaacs has a new CD available, "Journey to Grace," an inspirational album of hymns, gospel and spirituals.

Contact Nancy (439-1492) for more info.

ABC FALL OPEN HOUSE & SALE

You are invited to join us this Sunday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. at the Adventist Book Center, 2820 Willow Ave., Clovis. free lunch will be served 11:00-2:00.



SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 24

...is our Annual Harvest Festival at the Estep's home. Stay tuned for more informa-

tion in the following weeks.





WE'RE DOING IT AGAIN!

With the inspiration and support of the church members, Phill and Janet Rhoads are spearheading the next church rummage sale on

October 18, 8:00am-3:00pm.

(Pre-sale for members October 16, 4:00-6:00.)

Since renovation has already begun, space is limited so <u>drop-offs</u> will <u>only take place</u> <u>October 8–15</u> at the new church. Call Janet (229-3799) to make arrangements. We will again need volunteers to help organize merchandise and work on the day of the sale. We need to borrow folding tables and chairs, hangers of all sizes, and will need paper bags, news-

paper, and breakfast for the volunteers. We kindly ask that all items are cleaned and priced before delivery – except clothing, shoes and books. Thanks to the Fundraising Committee for approving this project. We hope to make this rummage sale equal to the success of the first one!

The Fresno Pregnancy Care Center's "WALK FOR LIFE" is on Saturday, October 17th at CSUF. You can make a difference! Sign up as a walker OR sponsor a walker. Pick up a pledge brochure today! With your help PCC can celebrate another year of life and ministry to women in unplanned pregnancies. ALL are welcome! PCC's church liaison is Desrie van Putten. Contact her at 298-8041 or look for her after church.



OCTOBER POTLUCK IS NEXT SABBATH

October's potluck will feature casseroles. Last names that start

A-M please bring a casserole and salad; N-Z bring a casserole and dessert.

The potluck committee will provide bread.

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



Mike & Patricia Ford

David & Holly Flores



THE LAST WORD

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Garrett Edwardsen (9/26) Trevor Koch (9/27) Amanda Morford (9/27) Delfina Wisener (9/27) Amber Bobbitt (9/29) Kevin Chapman (9/29) Korey Chapman (9/29) Zaher Estassi (9/29) Jack Tolmosoff (9/29) Peggy David (9/30) Blaine Gilbert (10/1) Jayden Jacobson (10/2) Bronti Turley (10/2) Michael Wong (10/2)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Mario & Brenda Mendoza (9/28)

The power of prayer should not be underestimated. James 5:16-18 declares, "...The prayer of a righteous man is powerful and effective. Elijah was a man just like us. He prayed earnestly that it would not rain, and it did not rain on the land for three and a half years. Again he prayed, and the heavens gave rain, and the earth produced its crops." God most definitely listens to prayers, answers prayers, and moves in response to prayers.