

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

PASTOR'S NOTES

PASSING OF DALE LUCAS

Long-time Sunnyside member Dale Lucas passed away on Monday. Dale suffered from progressively worsening strokes. Dale was a military general and was devoted to giving countless veterans a full military funeral. Fittingly, Dale's last day on earth was Memorial Day. Dale's life will be honored with a full military funeral on Thursday, June 9, at 11 AM, at Fresno Memorial Gardens.



If you would like to send condolences to Dale's wife, Geri, her mailing address is 8701 N. Highway 41, Space 40, Fresno, CA 93720.

PROVERBS

This morning I was reading the book of Proverbs in *The Message*, Eugene Peterson's paraphrase of the Bible. I love what he says in the introduction to Proverbs. Perhaps you will too.

"Many people think that what's written in the Bible has mostly to do with getting people into heaven -- getting right with God, saving their eternal souls. It does have to do with that, of course, but not *mostly*. It's just as concerned with living on earth -- living well, living in robust sanity. In our Scriptures, heaven is not the primary concern, to which earth is a tag-along afterthought. "On earth as it is in heaven" is Jesus' prayer.

Wisdom is the biblical term for this on-earth-as-it-is-in-heaven everyday living. Wisdom is the art of living skillfully in whatever actual conditions we find ourselves. It has virtually nothing to do with mere information or knowledge. A college degree is no proof of wisdom. Nor is wisdom primarily concerned with keeping us out of moral mud puddles, although it does have a profound moral effect on us.

Wisdom has to do with becoming skillful in honoring our parents and raising our children, handling our money and conducting our sexual lives, going to work and exercising leadership, using words well and treating friends kindly, eating and drinking healthily, cultivating emotions within ourselves and attitudes towards others that make for peace. Threaded through all these items is the insistence that the way we think of and respond to God is the most practical thing we do. In matters of everyday practicality, nothing, absolutely nothing, takes precedence over God."

Worship

Teach

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Serve

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

June 4, 2011
11:00 A.M.

“Every Body Ought to Know”
“Mansion Over the Hilltop”

Welcome
Pastor Dennis Ray

Children’s Story
Bob Gilbert

Offering
Daryl Slusher

“Through It All”
“Show Me Your Ways”

Prayer
Marla Hartman

Musical Selection
Sunnyside Grace

Scripture
Bill McEowen

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Benediction

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, JUNE 7
Junior Baptismal Class – Fellowship Hall
6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 8
Youth Hang Out – Youth Room 4:00 p.m.

THURSDAY, JUNE 9
Church Board Meeting – Church Office 6:30
p.m.

FRIDAY, JUNE 10
Youth Jam Session – Sanctuary 5:30 p.m.

SABBATH, JUNE 11
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.
Youth Leaders Meeting – Youth Room 1:00
p.m.
The GROUP – Sanctuary & Maroa Room
5:30 p.m.

PREACHING SCHEDULE

June 11 — Pastor Ray
June 18 — Pastor Ray
June 25 — Pastor Cal

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

May Church Needs	\$28,000.00
Donations Received	18,284.24
Over (Short)	(9,715.76)
Year to Date	\$140,000.00
Donations Received	117,815.31
Over (Short)	(22,184.69)
Youth Pastor Fund	\$22,877.03

This Week’s Offering
Local Church Budget

Sunset

This Friday
8:12p.m.

Next Friday
8:16 p.m.

YOUTH EVENTS

WHAT’S HAPPENIN’

June 3-5 — FAA Graduation Weekend
June 10 — Youth Jam Session
June 17 — Vespers at Pastor Cal’s
June 18 — Bowling Night
June 25 — Youth @ Yosemite for Church



HEALTHY BYTES

Raw, steam, stir-fry, boil or microwave (my veggies)?



Raw is best – retains almost 100% of nutrients
Steaming and stir-fry – lose 11% of nutrients
Boiling – lose 66% of nutrients
Microwaving – lose 74-97% of nutrients

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

Second Reading: Rick Bullion from Waynesboro, VA;
Todd and Shona Alferd from Visalia;
Shannan Phillips from Seven Palms;
Brandi Akins to Kailua, HI.

POTLUCK SCHEDULE

The potluck committee is on summer break. Our next potluck will be at Shaver Lake on August 20.

THE GROUP

Every Sabbath 6pm - doors open at 5:30

Come, hang out and worship together! Dress casual, and be prepared to do something social afterwards. Check out wearethegroup.com for more info.

HOST REFRESHMENT TABLE

Hosting the refreshment table provides a great opportunity to serve and fellowship at the same time. The opportunity is still open to host the refreshment table after church on **July 2, 9, 16, 23 or 30**. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Judi Krogstad at drjudi@sbcglobal.net or 225-3650.

COLLECTING LAUNDRY SUPPLIES



Women's Ministry is currently collecting laundry supplies for the Family Center at the Rescue Mission. If you'd like to donate detergent, fabric softener, bleach, & stain-removing agents, there will be blue

storage container in the church foyer for collection. If you'd like to make a cash donation, please put it in the offering plate and mark it Women's Ministry Laundry. Contact Sherry Marsh (224-9005), if you have questions.



THANKS FOR YOUR HELP!

Don't forget to check out our project board hanging next to Angela's office. Some of the tasks can be handled by a single individual with some knowledge of electrical or carpentry. Others can be done with a group of volunteers who have a couple extra hours and a little muscle to spare. So please give us a hand when you can. It really eases our budget!! Talk to Rod Turley if you have questions, 647-7784.

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*Last month John and Sharron Banks and family trimmed trees, shrubs and weeds around our property. We appreciate and thank them for their help. It looks great!!*

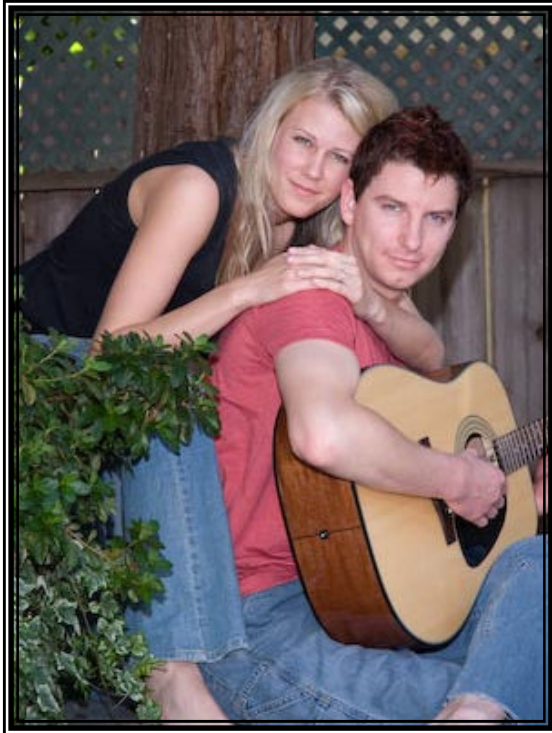
### SAVE THE DATE! VBS IS COMING... August 1-5

*Join us this summer for a week of praise, discovery and creative fun!*



**Registration begins soon!**

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



**Stephanie & Kerry  
Carpenter**



**Mark & Leslie Aleenan  
with Mark, Jr. & Elisia**

## THE LAST WORD

### SCARS OF LOVE *(submitted by Bob Fritz)*

Some years ago on a hot summer day in south Florida a little boy decided to go for a swim in the old swimming hole behind his house. In a hurry to dive into the cool water, he ran out the back door, leaving behind shoes, socks, and shirt as he went.

He flew into the water, not realizing that as he swam toward the middle of the lake, an alligator was swimming toward the shore. His mother in the house was looking out the window saw the two as they got closer and closer together. In utter fear, she ran toward the water, yelling to her son as loudly as she could. Hearing her voice, the little boy became alarmed and made a U-turn to swim to his mother. It was too late. Just as he reached her, the alligator reached him. From the dock, the mother grabbed her little boy by the arms just as the alligator snatched his legs. That began an incredible tug-of-war between the two. The alligator was much stronger than the mother, but the mother was much too passionate to let go. A farmer happened to drive by, heard her screams, raced from his truck, took aim and shot the alligator.

Remarkably, after weeks and weeks in the hospital, the little boy survived. His legs were extremely scarred by the vicious attack of the animal. And, on his arms, were deep scratches where his mother's fingernails dug into his flesh in her effort to hang on to the son she loved.

The newspaper reporter, who interviewed the boy after the trauma, asked if he would show him his scars. The boy lifted his pant legs. And then, with obvious pride, he said to the reporter, "But look at my arms. I have great scars on my arms, too. I have them because my Mom wouldn't let go."

You and I can identify with that little boy. We have scars, too. Not from an alligator, but the scars of a painful past. Some of those scars are unsightly and have caused us deep regret. But, some wounds, my friend, are because God has refused to let go. In the midst of your struggle. He's been there holding on to you.

The Scripture teaches that God loves you. You are a child of God. He wants to protect you and provide for you in every way. But sometimes we foolishly wade into dangerous situations, not knowing what lies ahead. The swimming hole of life is filled with peril - and we forget that the enemy is waiting to attack. That's when the tug-of-war begins - and if you have the scars of His love on your arms be very, very grateful. He did not and will not ever let you go.

Never judge another person's scars, because you don't know how they were made.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY  
TO...**

Kenny Lay (6/5)  
Joshua Palafox (6/5)  
Monica Estep (6/6)  
Curtis Gilbert (6/7)  
Daniel Haldeman (6/8)  
Frances Jamison (6/8)  
June Swederofsky (6/9)  
Lily Delgado (6/10)  
Andrew McEowan (6/10)  
David Frazer (6/10)

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY  
TO...**

Trent & Julie Jaeckel (6/6)  
George & Linda Messing (6/7)  
Rusty & Gale Bolinger (6/9)  
Dan & Vonda Kittle (6/10)