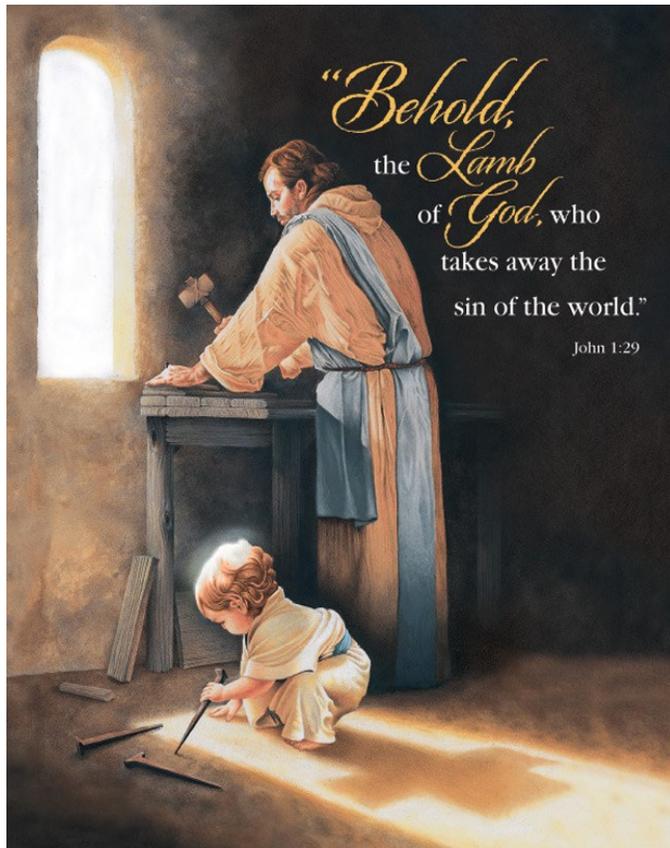


# Tahoe Community Church

Notes, Announcements, Needs and Reminders

March 2015

A friendly Nevada Church, Teaching the Word of God, Sharing the Love of Christ, and Building Stronger Families.



**Worthy is the Lamb!**

**For He is Risen!**

## Holy Week Schedule

Sunday March 29th—Sunday April 5th

**Palm Sunday:** Regular Service Schedule

**Good Friday:** Good Friday Service at 5:00 pm

**Easter Sunday:**

8:30 am Brunch in Multi-purpose Room

10:30 am Easter Celebration Service with a special Music presentation of "Worthy is the Lamb" by our Praise Team and choir

Notes: No Early Service

Please contact Karen Beverage if you would like to help with set up and clean up for the brunch.

## Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m. Worship and Sunday School

- Worship Service in Sanctuary
- Adult Bible Study "The reason for God" in Office
- Adult Bible Study "2 Timothy and Titus" in MPR
- Children's Sunday School 1st -6th grade in Annex
- Preschoolers in Nursery

10:00 a.m. Praise Team Warm Up in Sanctuary

10:15 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship Time in MPR

10:30 a.m. Full Family Worship (Nursery and Children's Church Available)

## Weekly Church Activities

Monday 6:00 p.m. Men's Bible in the Church Office

Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Young Adults Home Group

Wednesday 7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study Fellowship at Lakeside upstairs restaurant.

3:30 p.m. Awesome Kids

5:30 p.m. Awesome Families Bible Study

6:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice

Thursday 9:00 a.m. Women's Morning Bible Study

5:30 p.m. Women's Evening Bible Study

Friday 2:30 p.m. Food Pantry

## Send North America"

**From: Carol Borsos**

TCC will once again focus on the Annie Armstrong Easter giving. The three week campaign will begin March 15th. Funds raised during this special time go directly to help missionaries serving in North America. We will show a short video highlighting a missionary work and give out a "Week of Prayer" brochure. Annie Armstrong (1850-1938) led women to unite in missions endeavors that ultimately led to the formation of Woman's Missionary Union, for which she served as the first corresponding secretary. A woman of prayer, Annie interceded praying for missionaries.

## Stauffer Update! January and February in Venezuela



### **Hello Prayer Team!**

We are so excited to share with you the Venezuela news! We have had a busy couple of months back after Christmas!

We are pleased to share with you that God has lead us to teach at another international Christian school in Lima, Peru for the next school year! This school is also apart of NICS. Ryan will be teaching high school AP English and Danielle will continue to teach First Grade! Please join us in prayer as we prepare for this next stage of life! If you have any questions about our next move, please feel free to contact us! You can access the school's website.

### **God at Work**

We have had some joy in experiencing the grace of God through some fruit in our ministry here:

### **Lunch Group**

Ryan has started a lunch group for high school boys and has been going through a book to discuss questions these kids have about God, life, and faith. These students have had some great questions and are truly considering the cost of becoming a Christian.

### **First Grade Bible Class**

In first grade, we have been studying the life of Jesus and how He calls us to be His followers. Four first graders decided that they wanted to follow Jesus through this discussion. I see this not necessarily as them getting saved, but a spiritual decision that may be salvation or simply a greater awareness in desire for relationship with Jesus. The thing that matters is that they are continually taught and reminded of the gospel as they grow and are provided opportunities to surrender all for Jesus.

### **Elementary Chapel**

Elementary Chapel has been excellent. Thank you, Tahoe Community Church for providing us with some of the VBS materials from Agency D3! The kids absolutely love the theme and the music! I have been writing skits each week which seek to answer questions about who Jesus truly is.

## Mark and Beth Peterson are heading to Colorado

### **Dear congregation,**

Beth and I have a daughter, son in law, granddaughter, and now a grandson due in May, all living in the Denver area. We have been visiting them quite often, but it's not enough. We plan to move there in May or shortly there after. I have enjoyed serving as an elder for many years now.

Please know that though I am formally resigning, so as to allow the meetings and voting to carry on without me, I am still a member of this church and gladly so. You will see me continue choir and Sunday school leadership.

I am eager to have many conversations with each of you before we leave. We pray all the best for the church and for each one. What a great bunch of memories and friendships and fun and worship and learning and companionship we've had. God has blessed me and us through all of you. Keep up the good work. "Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God, and everyone that loves is born of God and knows God..." God bless.

Mark Peterson

My cell phone is [775-588-2593](tel:775-588-2593). My e-mail is [mark-ps114@aol.com](mailto:mark-ps114@aol.com).

P.S. I will always be glad to hear from any of you.

### **To Tahoe Community Church,**

After 26 years of being a part of this wonderful Preschool, I am going to retire at the end of this semester (end of May). Mark & I will be moving to Colorado to be with our daughter, Marie, who is expecting her second child.

Pastor Paul, myself, and Jonathan are in search of a new Preschool Director immediately, whom will be trained before I leave.

Mark & I have been praying about this move for many months. Tahoe has been my home for over 35 years. We both have a heavy heart about leaving our church family and the Preschool. You will all be terribly missed!

Much love,

Teacher Beth Peterson, Director  
Tahoe Douglas Christian Preschool

## The Daly Report

"You have signed up to finish the hardest part of the Great Commission..." ~David Garrison (Missions Research Expert)

To us who are co-heirs with Christ!

What is the hardest part of the Great Commission? It is the 7,000 people groups in the world today who still have less than 2% Christian witness around them. In essence, it is finishing the Great Commission. These people are Muslims, Hindus, Buddhist or Communist and usually don't have good relations with the United States. Church, my goal for this letter is to be very real with y'all in what burdens my heart. There is a real peace that come when we live in the Light. But the reality is that 40% of the world's population still live in darkness. But there is hope for **"the people walking in darkness have seen a great light, on those living in the valley of the shadow of death, a light has dawned" (Isaiah 9:2).**

Today missionaries are seeing the most Muslims turn to Christ in history! The Holy Spirit is blowing over the Muslim world and I am humbled that we are apart of it! But there is still much work to do!

**"Where there is no vision, people perish." Prov. 29:18**

As the new year of 2015 is here, many adjustments have happened to our team in NYC. The biggest is getting better vision for how God wants us to go about this task of starting churches amongst un-reached people. Therefore, we have decided to narrow our focus from reaching South Asians to specifically reaching Pakistanis! We hope with this narrowing we will be able to invest deeply within the Pakistani people and be able to better minister to both spiritual and physical needs. (If you want to know more about our ministry planning and why Pakistanis shoot me and email).

How can you get more involved in the hardest part of the Great Commission?

**"The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. ASK THE LORD of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field." Luke 10:2**

PRAY. PRAY. PRAY! The reality is there are many people ready to hear about Jesus, but there aren't enough Christians sharing. Jesus said pray for workers! Pray that we will all be workers in the harvest field. The task is too massive for only a few workers, we need more!

I wrote a poem reflecting on Luke 10:2-email me if you want to hear the recording.

## The Daly Report Continued

GO! God has you where you live for a reason. Go and be missional where he has you! We all have unbelieving friends, start sharing your testimony with them and watch what God does!

Come to NYC for a short-term missions trip! This summer you could be trained and sent to share your faith with South Asians here in NYC!

We all have a role in the Great Commission. So thankful for y'all's role in support and prayer. It is so vital!!! My future email will have some exciting stories of what God is doing here, but today I was compelled to encourage us all into the harvest field!

Jesus in our place,  
~Hannah Daly

## Spiritual Gifts Class

*From: Leonard O'Malley*

Spiritual Gifts - What are they? How do I use them? Are they the same as talents?

A Spiritual Gifts class will be held on Saturday, March 28, from 9 am to about 12 noon. Come and learn of the wonderful gift(s) that God has given you. There is no cost for this opportunity, it is FREE!

If you took the class last year or before, we invite you to join us at 11 am to share how you have been blessed by using your Spiritual Gifts or how you are considering implementing them in the near future.

For more info contact Leonard @ 588-4102 or Jan Hurst @ 588-8644.



## Shoebox Thank You

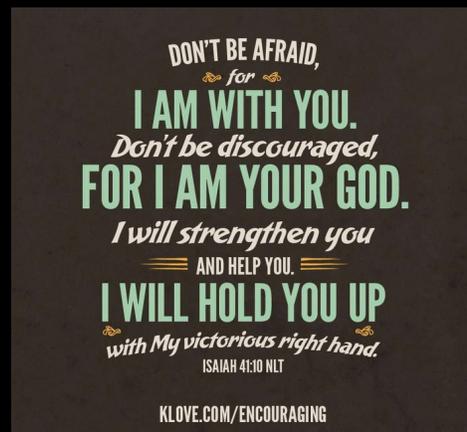
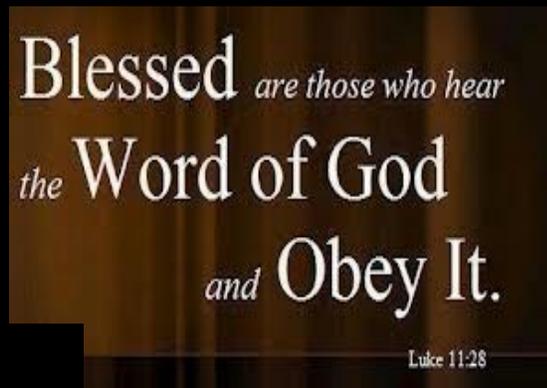
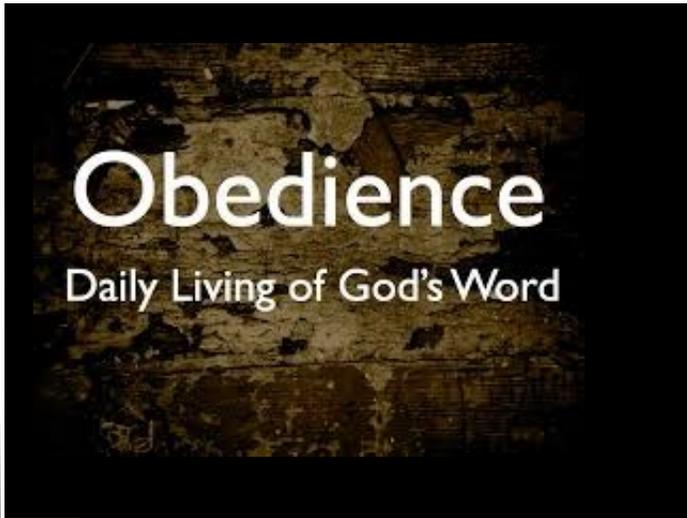
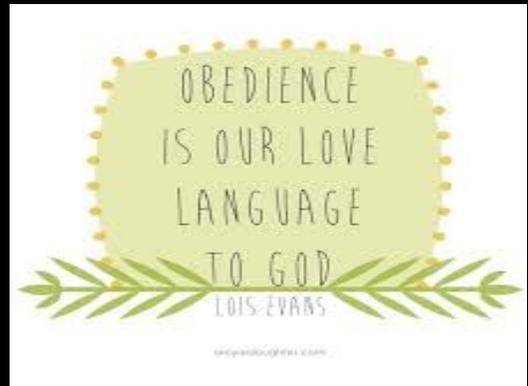
This letter is from a person who received one of our shoeboxes 8 years ago and found us recently on face book:

**Hi I'm Marvelyn A. Galano I live in Philippines. When I was in 10 years old I received a gift from Tahoe Community church. Thank you for the gift that you gave me 8 years ago. I am now 18 years old and hopefully this Christmas I receive again a gift from you.**

**Thank you much.**

## The End of 1st Kings

On February 8, 2015, Pastor Paul preached his 63rd, and final, sermon on the book of I Kings. It was entitled "How will you respond to God's word?" I thought this sermon summarized what Pastor Paul was trying to emphasize throughout this series, and that is, the importance of hearing and obeying God's word. He included some great power point slides that I thought were appropriate to include in this news letter.





## Missionary Prayers and updates

Carol Borsos

### Kevin and Pamela Sigsby:

Our pastor, Trevor Josh, has finally received a diagnosis for the health issues he has faced for more than a year. He has epilepsy that causes brain seizures. Pray for the doctors

who are assisting him and pray for Trevor and his family as they seek God's comfort and healing.

- Pray for Kevin as he will be preaching during Pastor Trevor's absence.

- Pray for the Winter Playdate to touch the lives of the families in our neighborhood.

- Pray for the families new to our church - that they will experience the love of Christ through all that is done in worship, Life groups, fellowship, and service. We would love to see them make Jesus their Savior and guide for life.

- Please also pray with us as we seek a mission team to come to Vancouver and help us with our summer children's camp in July.

### Mirco and Nada Andrev:

The Alpha Course outreach is used mightily by God in Macedonia and surrounding areas. Many have been saved by God through it and He is growing His church there. Pray for new courses to begin and where God desires them to take place.

- Pray for funds for the Bible school so it can open soon. The goal is for a 2015 opening.

- Praise God Albania Muslims are coming to faith in Christ in Albania. But Albanian Muslims who live in Macedonia have been very, very closed to the Gospel. Pray outreaches to them will produce saved souls.

### Forgotten Missionaries; our pastor in Pakistan:

Many in Pakistan are receptive to the Gospel even amidst dark and harsh realities. God's Spirit knows no boundaries. Pray for open air gatherings and opportunities to share the good news of grace, mercy and new life in Christ. Darkness can never overcome the Light of the Gospel. Men come to FMI seminaries to train to be pastors.

- Pray for more seminars for the women who come with their husbands to learn and grow in the knowledge of their God.

### Ryan & Danielle Stauffer:

They finished the self-study documentation for their accreditation visit which is in March. Pray that it goes well.

- Pray God opens the hearts of the students, who come from many backgrounds, to be receptive to the Good News of Jesus Christ. Three (3) first graders made a decision to follow Jesus.

- Ryan is meeting with some high school boys. Pray God changes their hearts to receive Christ as their Savior and follow Him.

- Continue to pray for Danielle's health with the Chickungunya disease. It is more or less gone. Praise God! Just a little stiff in the mornings on occasion, but she is able to exercise and do everything!

**They have accepted positions at another International Christian School in Peru for next year. They are excited to serve God in Peru! Pray for preparations.**

## Fifty shades of hell...

From Elder Bob Daly

I'm often told that I see things too black and white, can we play in the grey? That it's all good after all the government says it's OK. IF the Bible says: **"Escape from sexual immorality. Every sin that a man commits is outside the body. But he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body" (1 Cor. 6:18)**. Does it literally mean we shouldn't be involved in sexual immorality?... like seeing "R" rated movies? Oh but "Passion of the Christ" was rated R! Can we go by a worldly rating system? Most movies out of Hollywood blaspheme God's and or Jesus's name. Why? According to the Bible its because they hate God, just like we use to.

**10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. (Rom 5:10)**

Do you follow Jesus? To even ask the question is it OK for a Christian to see the movie "50 shades of grey" tells us that the asker of the question's conscience already knows the answer. NO! Sex is good, designed by God inside of marriage. Obey your God given conscience, along with our calling to be pure. **31 So, whatever you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. (1Cor 10:31)**



## Miscellaneous Announcements

- **Church Fellowship Meals :** Join us on March 1st for a **"March Madness Pot Luck."** Bring foods you would eat while watching a basketball game. April's fellowship will be the Easter Brunch on April 5th. See Karen Beverage for details and to help.

- **Workers Needed:** Workers are needed in a variety of ministries for the Lord at this local body. Check out the clipboards in the sanctuary foyer for details.

- **Volunteers are needed** to help with Children's Church and Nursery for both the 9:00 am and 10:30 am service times. Contact Jonathan.

### Scripture Memory Verses for March

- March 1<sup>st</sup> Christ Paid the Price 1 Peter 2:24
- March 8<sup>th</sup> Review Week
- March 15<sup>th</sup> Salvation a Free Gift 2 Timothy 1:9
- March 22<sup>nd</sup> Believe and Receive Romans 10:9-10
- March 29<sup>th</sup> Assurance of Salvation John 10:28-30

**Editor's Note:** Please submit anything you would like included in this publication to me no later than the 15th of the month. All feed back is appreciated. In Christ's service, Ted Beverage

## More Announcements

- **Easter Cantata:** It is not too late to be a part of the Easter Cantata. Practice is every Wednesday from 6:00—6:30 pm. Please come and share the fun!

- **Pennies for Missions:** Your donations to the Penny Jar raised \$25 which was put into our general missions fund.

- **Spring Clean-up** - Let's clean up the property before Easter.

Inside or outside- your choice

Date- your choice.

Time- your choice.

Tools are available upon request.

Contact Leonard @ 588-4102 to volunteer

- **Preschool Director Position Oen:** Contact Beth Peterson or the church office if you know anyone who would be qualified and interested in this position.

## Here to Serve You:

**Elders:** Jeff Brumbach, Bob Daly, Leonard O'Malley, Mark Peterson, Pastor Paul Tracy, Gerry Wright

**Deacons/Deaconesses:** Susie Brumbach, Jacky Daly, Jerry Klosterboer, Bob Pavich, Kathy Pavich, Tootie O'Malley, Suzette Waite, Ted Beverage

**Church Staff:** Pastor Paul Tracy; Jonathan Blöse, Director of Ministries; Ted Beverage, Music Director

**Preschool Staff:** Beth Peterson, Director/Teacher. Teachers: Franca Tracy, Maria Arreola, Monica Chan.

Teacher Assistants: Rosy Martinez, Harpreet Singh, and Lauren Marshall.

# IN GOD WE TRUST

Tahoe Community Church  
P.O. Box 6598  
Stateline, NV 89449

