

Tahoe Community Church

Notes, Announcements, Needs and Reminders

October 2018

Worshiping Together, Making Disciples, Reaching our World



100 million shoe boxes!

By Karen Beverage

That's right, Operation Christmas Child is celebrating sending its 100 millionth shoe box! And we here at

Tahoe Community Church had a hand in that.

This year's Shoebox drive will kick off on Sunday, October 21st. There will be a short Video presentation and Karen will have all the materials ready in the back of the Sanctuary. This is a project everyone can take part in! This year's goal for our church is 400 Boxes.

Mark Your calendars for Saturday, November 10th, at 1:30 pm. That is when we will have our annual shoebox packing party. This is always a fun time of packing all the items collected and praising the Lord for every completed box.

We still need Shoebox Stuff!

When you are out shopping please consider picking up a few items for our annual OCC Shoebox packing party. This is what we need:

Spiral notebooks	Coloring books
Crayons	Pencils/colored pencils
Pencil sharpeners	Mild soap/washcloths
Toothbrush	Brush/comb/hair clips
Beanie babies	Tennis balls/hot wheel cars
Toy jewelry	Plastic tumbler
Socks/underwear	

Donations of any or all of these items will be greatly appreciated for our packing party on November 10th. We also need monetary donations to cover the shipping cost of \$9 per box.

Above everything else, what we need most is prayer. Pray for the recipient of each box that may except Christ as their Personal Lord and Savior.

Sunday Worship Schedule

9:00 a.m.	Sunday Morning Study Classes
9:30 a.m.	Praise Team Warm Up in Sanctuary
10:10 a.m.	Coffee/Fellowship Time in MPR
10:30 a.m.	Worship Service (Nursery and Children's Church Available)
5:00 p.m.	Youth Group in the MPR

Weekly Church Activities

Wednesday	7:00 a.m. Men's Bible Study Fellowship at Lakeside upstairs restaurant
	8:30 a.m. Prayer Gathering
	5:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice
Thursday	9:00 a.m. Women's Morning Study
	3:30 p.m. Awesome Kids
	5:30 p.m. Women's Evening Study
	6:00 p.m. Men's Bible Study

It's a Boy!!



Dyllon Ashton Nelson was born to Chai and Daniel Nelson on Aug 19 at 10:23 am. He weighed in at 8lb 9oz and was 21 inches long.

All ladies are invited to a baby shower on Sunday October 10th after church. The family needs warm winter clothing for a boy. Size 3-6 months top and 6-12 bottoms.

The family is registered at Target.

Reclaiming A Godly Legacy of Confidence in the Bible

Do you want to be equipped to expose the distortion of basic biblical truth in the popular media today?

FREE ONE DAY Conference for Christian Families

Saturday, Oct 6, 2018 El Dorado County Fairgrounds Marshall Hall

100 Placerville Dr, Placerville CA



SPEAKERS:

Dennis Petersen, author of *Unlocking the Mysteries of Creation*, and noted Christian authors Bruce Malone and Dan Biddle (via video, schedule on back)



Are you a Christian Young Person, Youth Leader or Parent, concerned how to prevent your Christian Family from being led astray by the "Pied Piper" of Secularism

IF YOU HAVE A GROUP PLEASE CALL 530-957-5157 TO RESERVE SEATING. FREE BIBLES available AS NEEDED - more resources AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE. COME FOR ONE OR ALL OF THESE SESSIONS. SPONSORED BY GRACE COMMUNITY CHURCH, 4570 PLEASANT VALLEY RD PLACERVILLE, CA 95667. To help us plan for refreshments and to reserve your seats and free bonus gifts, you can register online at ... Eventbrite.com/GenesisLegacy More info available at www.ReclaimYourLegacy.com/GenesisLegacy

SECULARISM

Reclaiming A Godly Legacy of Confidence in the Bible

A One Day Conference Exploring the Awesome Facts We must Declare To Those With Ears to Hear the Good News of the Creator

9:00 - 10:00

Doors Open; Registration; Selected Media for Viewing; Mingling

10:00 - 11:30 1st Session

Let God's Chief Example of His Power in the Animal Kingdom (Behemoth - Dinosaurs) Regain Their Awesome Influence on This Generation For God

11:30 - 12:00 Q&A

12:00 - 1:30 Lunch, Selected Media on the Screen

1:30 - 2:30 2nd Session

7 Persuasive Keys to Help Others Understand the Truth of Creation - How to connect true Seekers of Truth with the Answers They Need to Believe in God and His Scripture

2:30 - 3:00 Q&A

3:00 - 3:30 Break

3:30 - 4:30 3rd Session

Reclaim the Genesis Legacy ... See God's Awesome Works of Creation and the Deluge

4:30 - 5:00 Q&A

5:00 - 6:30 Dinner Break, Selected Media on the Screen

6:30 - 7:30 4th Session

Speak to the Earth and Let it Teach You! ... What Fossils and Ancient Artifacts Uncover about God's Amazing Creation

7:30 - 8:00 Q&A

8:00

* Bonus * "Is Genesis History" with Del Tackett - Intro

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From Bill Kolstad

Our culture today is awash in "post modern" (non-biblical) explanations for all aspects of creation, life, and history via the fossil record including an incessant drum beat to instill the concepts of Darwinian evolution as the substitute for the historical narrative given in the book of Genesis. This conference at the El Dorado County fairgrounds in Placerville is a series of presentations which tie scripture together with the real world evidence to equip Christians to lovingly counter the deceptions of our day. This will be especially valuable for parents, youth leaders, and students of all ages.

Based on the departure time preference of the majority of RSVPs, we'll either leave TCC's lower lot at 7:30 AM to see the 10 AM presentation of evidence for man coexisting with dinosaurs (behemoth and dragons) or an 11 AM departure in time for the 1:30 Genesis flood presentation. Likewise we can head back at 5 PM or stay for dinner and the 6:30 session on fossil evidence and leave for Tahoe at 8:00 PM.

Please indicated your preference for both options when emailing

bill.kolstad@gmail.com. For more details call Bill at (775) 901-0860. The conference is free and so is the ride through the peaking fall colors on Saturday October 6th!



Thank you for all of your prayers for the Preschool!!!

We have been blessed with good enrollment numbers and a stable teaching staff for this

Fall. We are very excited to have Bonni Leon join our teaching staff this month. Bonni is an experienced Christian teacher and it has been wonderful to welcome her as an assistant teacher in our Lambs class. We are still seeking an additional experienced Christian teacher for our Woolies class. Please pray that we will find at least one teacher and preferably two before Emily Gonzales embarks on her Bible training/Missionary adventure in January.

Volunteer opportunities:

As we continue to work to recruit and hire teachers for our Woolies class, the Preschool is in need of volunteers who can assist in meeting our current needs, especially any volunteers who can commit to working in the classroom on specific days and times each week. It is amazing what a difference an extra pair of loving hands and watchful eyes can make in a busy classroom. Please let me know if you have any interest in volunteering to help with our toddlers.

Please continue to pray that we will have a fun and successful Preschool year!

“From the lips of infants and children you have ordained praise.” Psalm 8:2

Thank you, Sarah Tran



Women's Evening Study

The Thursday evening women's Bible study continues their journey through Acts with "Believing Jesus" by Lisa Harper. In November, the group will start studying Isaiah, a Joy of Living Bible study. This 14 week study will lead us through the entire book of Isaiah - a wonderful way to prepare for Christmas and Easter celebrations of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

We look forward to having you join us. Although going to a Bible study after a long day of work and care for our families may seem like one more job, we are refreshed though time spent enjoying dinner and feasting on God's Holy Word.

Please contact Liz Cordero for more information.



“How Many Days Do You Have Left?”

Mondo Gonzales,
Pastor

“So teach us to number our days, That we may gain a heart of wisdom.” Psalm 90:12

One of the common things in our culture is to make New Year's resolutions. Now I know that we aren't quite there yet, but we understand the concept. These resolutions might be to eat better, exercise more, and maybe stop smoking or some other habit that we have considered breaking. We take inventory of our life and those things that need changing. The Bible is always encouraging us to take a look at our lives and determine whether we are living our lives the way God wants us to live them (2 Corinthians 13:5; Haggai 1:2-7).

I remember growing up feeling that if I went to church on Sunday for an hour that somehow I was giving God enough and He would be content with that. The Scripture tells us something quite different. God is not content with a one or even 2 hour a week commitment. Jesus teaches us in Luke 14:33 that if we are not willing to forsake ALL and live for Him, then we shouldn't even sign up or call ourselves a Christian (disciple). The greatest commandment is to love the Lord our God with ALL our heart, soul, mind and strength (Deut. 6:5; Matt 22:37). That is no small commitment. God either wants ALL of you or none of you.

One of the recent Screwtape Letters (#10) expressed a criticism by C.S. Lewis that the church (pastors in particular) hardly ever preaches on the Biblical virtue of "Valuing our Time". I found this provocative and convicting.

Have you ever done a "self-examination" and asked how much time you have left to make a difference in this world for Jesus. The Scripture reminds us often that we are stewards of many things, but especially of time (Eph 5:16). This includes the command in the Bible to number our days (Psalm 90:12). Now, it is true that none of us knows for sure how many days God has given us, but if the average is around 80 years, we can at least calculate an average of what we might have remaining.

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Missionary News & Prayer

by Carol Borsos

For more details, and photos on missions, check out the bulletin board in the church lobby.

Mirco & Nada Andreev, Skopje, Macedonia

In the Skopje and Vranje churches 6 new people have been baptized, making a Covenant with God. Two married couples, former Muslims and two additional females. Pray for their walk with Jesus, growing in grace and knowledge. Pray they would join in discipleship with mature believers.

- Please continue praying for more people to repent and receive Christ.
- October 11 the group of pastors and church workers from Germany will visit Macedonia churches. And November 5-6 two pastors will have a discipleship seminar; Pastor Sam Ko and Pastor Stan Lee.
- There is still plans for the group from Honduras and Pastor from Argentina to visit and conduct evangelism events together.
- Pray for Mirco's health, diabetes and weight are struggles for him.
- Continue praying (no update as yet) for the surviving wife of the new believer who drowned in August.



Dear Prayer partners

With a great joy I would like to inform you that for the water baptism that we had in our church - Evangelical church Skopje and in Vranje in the work with the migrants.

In our church 6 (six) new people have been baptized of which 5 (five) sisters and 1 (one) brother. Brothers and sisters from deferent generation made Covenant with God. Among them one sister is in her seventies and one girl who is a teenager. Among them there is also a marriage couple which are Roma people and also are former Muslim.

Also in Vranje one marriage couple migrants from Iran was baptized. They are also Mu*lims. The man is former alcoholic and now is a wonderful brother in Christ. Pray for them.

God bless you
Mircho Andreev
Evangelical Church in the Republic of Macedonia

Central Asian Family

They praise our Lord for good rest, enjoying family and friends while in the US. Baby E. is due Oct. 22. Pray for a safe and peace filled delivery. The two church visits and evening gathering were very well attended and thankful for the fellowship and time to share their work.

- Pray some new people would be moved to support them financially. They need an increase to help them reach their budget goal.
- Pray they learn to manage their spiritual, emotional, & physical lives well.
- J is running a marathon on Sept. 29th. And they will travel in early Nov.
- They will need a vehicle to borrow in Dec. when they return to Tahoe. If you know of one, contact them or the church ASAP.

Tim & Susan Driscoll, Japan

While Tim traveled he was able to get to know some hotel staff and share hope and assurance he has found in Jesus. Please pray for Miss P who got to hear. Pray God would break the grip of fear and bondage in East Asia.

- They are thankful for this opportunity to train missionaries in discipleship and evangelism.
- Praise God for opportunities to share the Gospel with those we've met recently, including the Japanese man who came to install our AC unit and some young people from Israel walking on the bike path near our home. Pray for fruit from these Gospel seeds and more occasions to share.
- Continue praying for Tim's knee to heal. He slipped after his return and strained a ligament, thankful it was not torn. He has to be careful about how much he uses it which is hard as they have to walk or ride bikes everywhere.
- Saitama Int. Church is candidating a possible pastor. Pray God's clear guidance and protection.
- Satsunae Lighthouse Church on the north island also needs a pastor. Pray for God's provision.

(Missionary News Continued)



FMI Pastor, Pakistan

An update for Azma who was kidnapped: No one (her family nor her pastor) has heard from her in several weeks. She probably is being denied access to forms of communication,

being held against her will more as a sex slave than as a genuine wife. The family has been threatened by the kidnapper's family. The police and courts still refuse to take up their case. We can simply pray for Azma's physical stamina and spiritual perseverance – that she would grow in her assurance of God's presence with her in hard places.

An update for Ahmed and his family; FMI is working closely with lawyers and the US State Department petitioning safe access to come to the US until those who seek his life inside Pakistan lose interest in their pursuit of him. It is a very costly venture-upwards of \$40,000. It may take another 6 months before action can be taken. Pray for patience for everyone, God's favor to move in the hearts of those who make decisions on this petition, as well as for God to provide the urgently needed funds.

On a joyful note; Pastor Warris baptized a new disciple of Jesus Christ!

He is so delighted to know that he is our partner in the gospel and grateful for our support in standing beside him in ministry.

Ryan & Danielle Stauffer, Lima, Peru

Pray students are drawn into the Word of God through the new chapel structure called "The Well" at the school. Many of the students are not believers this year.

Ryan will be traveling to Brazil in October. Pray for travel mercies, safety and for all God has for and through him during this time away. Pray for Danielle as she juggles working part-time and raising their two girls while Ryan travels.

- Pray the staffing needs at the school have been met.
- Pray for unity among the teachers and office staff.
- Pray for many opportunities to reach out to families of students with the hope and assurance of Jesus Christ.

Baptists Feed Florence Survivors, Prepare for Recovery



By Brandon Elrod

(New Bern, N.C.)—The sun mercifully began peeking through the clouds over New Bern, N.C. Tuesday morning (Sept. 18) after Hurricane Florence devastated the community. Despite the brief reprieve from the rain, there are concerns that as water flows back to the Atlantic from further inland that flooding still may not be over.

Memories are still fresh from the last big storm to hit the state. After Hurricane Matthew blew through North Carolina in 2016, the storm surge and rain directly afflicted coastal towns, but the resulting runoff created a resurgence of flooding over the next few days in cities like New Bern.

"We're at the bottom of the mountain, right here at the bottom of the hill," said Jim Pennington, pastor of Temple Baptist Church in New Bern. "All that rain water now will get here Thursday and we will be cut off again... [Hurricane] Matthew did that" in 2016.

Standing water from the initial flooding remains along stretches of Highway 70 from Kinston, N.C., to New Bern, and flood waters continue to fester around businesses and churches along that stretch.

At Temple Baptist Church, Southern Baptist Disaster Relief (SBDR) volunteer teams from North Carolina Baptist Men continue preparing meals out of a mobile feeding kitchen known as Manna 1, one of the largest food trucks ever built.

"Standing here in New Bern and watching the steady flow of people who are coming for help is a reminder of just how desperate the need is," said David Melber, president of Send Relief, the compassion ministry arm of the North American Mission Board (NAMB). "People are not only worried from the initial flooding from Florence but also the runoff that will be coming in the next several days."

(Southern Baptist Relief Continued)

Across North Carolina, white tents have popped up in eight sites across North Carolina to begin feeding residents who are recovering from Hurricane Florence. SBDR teams from North Carolina, Virginia, Alabama, Kentucky, Tennessee and Missouri are already active with the expectation that teams from Florida and Mississippi should be set up and ready to start feeding in the next few days.

"North Carolina Baptists have one of the largest and best equipped disaster relief teams," said Sam Porter, the national director of SBDR for the North American Mission Board (NAMB). "All of our Southern Baptist state conventions have been working overtime to ensure that needs are met, whether through actively bringing teams or through their heartfelt prayer."

Along with their feeding equipment and volunteers, SBDR teams have also been asked to bring flood recovery and chainsaw teams as well. Assessment teams have been evaluating the need so that recovery can begin.

Southern Baptist chaplains are also active in communities across the affected areas in North and South Carolina.

"I talked with a husband and wife this morning, trying to connect them with Temple Baptist Church because they lost everything," said Doc Marshall, the chaplaincy coordinator for the New Bern site and a member of Spring Hill Baptist Church in Wagram, N.C. "We're like the spiritual first aid," Marshall said, "and we try to connect people with local churches so that they can get help over the long term."

Jim George, the pastor of Fairview Baptist Church in Fredericksburg, Va., relieved Dean Miller as the leader of the feeding and recovery site in Washington, N.C. Their team, with the Baptist General Association of Virginia, are serving about 6,500 meals a day through the county's emergency operations center, The Salvation Army and the American Red Cross. "Dean loves missions and I love missions," said George, "and we love helping people in Christ's name."



Women's Morning Study

The women's Thursday morning Bible study group is studying "Recovering redemption – How Christ Changes Everything" by Matt Chandler. They are a few weeks in to the study but it is still not too late to join in!

Contact Kathy, Carol, or Tootie for more information



(How many days... Continued)

I have around 12,957 days left to live in such a way as to please the Creator of the Universe. Now that might seem like a lot, but when compared to eternity, it really isn't much. How about you? How many days do you have left? Have you actually ever calculated them out? And when those days are complete, are you ready to meet your maker? Acts 17:31 tells us that God **"has set a day when he will judge the world with justice by the man he has appointed."**

This should remind us of two things: 1) We are all going to stand before God one day to give an account for the days in which we have lived (2 Cor 5:10; Rev 20:11-15). The most important thing is to stand before God having already put your trust and faith in His Son Jesus as personal Lord and Savior; 2) Are you spending your days wisely? Are you taking the time to honor the Lord by loving those in your family? Dads (or Grand Dads), are you spending those precious days with your kids? Are you helping them with their homework, taking an interest in the things they are interested in, not allowing work to overshadow your relationship with them? Moms (or Grand Moms), are you going beyond taking care of their physical needs to spend the extra effort meeting their emotional needs of love and support?

I want to encourage you to resolve to draw closer to God by spending time in prayer, the Word, evangelism and growing in holiness. We can also seek to spend quality time with those whom we care about most. When we do these things we will be using our days wisely; the few that we do have left. Amen!

~Mondo



Safety and Security Ministry

The safety and security ministry continues to meet even though they work quietly and we don't here much from them. They are constantly looking for ways to improve the safety and security for everyone who attends any activity at Tahoe Community Church. Feel free to contact any member of the ministry if you have ideas or concerns. The members are: Matthey Petty, Bob Pavich, Brad Dorton, Kathleen Huggins and Bill Kolstad.



Biblical time line on display at the Nevada State Fossil Park

By Bill Kolstad

The Genesis flood as dated by the generations enumerated in scripture was roughly 5,000 years ago. In radi-

cal contrast to conventional "wisdom" this would suggest that nearly the entire fossil record displays the result of God's catastrophic judgement upon "all flesh" which was left buried in mud (to fossilize) if not rotting away on the surface. Even some marine life died as the flood waters drained off the land mass rapidly leaving some stranded in inland basins or completely high and dry. Consistent with this scenario the Ichthyosaur are among the large prehistoric marine fossils now found left behind on all continents except Antarctica confirming the submersion of the prior supercontinent.

Like the dinosaur, these Ichthyosaur are said to have gone extinct 65 million years ago and are therefor shown in **illustrations** of the fossil record well below the surface strata. Reality, however is quite different. Like most mass dinosaur graveyards, our state fossil, the giant Ichthyosaur, is found (vertebrae shown below) sprouting from the surface layer! Furthermore, the drive to our state fossil park through a series of dry lake beds (pluvial Lake Lahontan) confirms the absence of any vast geologic time lapse between the Jurassic and the ice age. Surface strata in Nevada contains both Ichthyosaur and mammoth exactly as one would expect if the actual time lapse between the flood and the ice age was only a few hundred years.

Tahoe Community Church is invited to join the Reno Tahoe Geology Group in a tour of field evidence at 1 PM on Saturday, October 13th at the Berlin-Ichthyosaur Fossil Park (<http://parks.nv.gov/parks/berlin-ichthyosaur>). Site forensic analysis together with the unbroken hydrologic record visible all along our route affirms the biblical time line rather than the legend of geologic time.

The association of the ice age with water levels at Grimes Point Archaeological site will be presented Friday at noon allowing non-campers to overnight in Fallon while the camping enthusiasts (including RVs under 26 feet) enjoy the night sky from the camp grounds adjacent to the fossil shelter (elevation 6,800 feet).

The TCC adventure minibus is on standby for this trip, but your RSVP is needed to coordinate ride sharing for those not driving the whole route.

Email bill.kolstad@gmail.com or call Bill at (775) 901-0860 for further details and logistics

Be Blessed by Becoming a Part of the Women's Fellowship Team

Hebrews 10:24-25

And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

Would you like to:

- Be on a Team to Organize an Event?
- Work with Others to Decorate for a Fellowship?
- Help Plan a Potluck Menu for an Event?
- Design Advertising & Promote a Fellowship?
- Share your Craft, Musical, Tech, or Other Talents to Enhance an Event?
- Help with Set Up & Clean Up of a Fellowship?
- Do You have an Activity You Would like to Participate in & Help Initiate?

Please Continue to Sign-Up For ALL Areas of Interest Find &Talk to, Text, Call, or Email Jan Hurst 775-781-1783 januarae@ymail.com

Ecclesiastes 4:9 "Two are better than one, because they have a good reward"



Men's Bible Study

The Men's Wednesday morning group is doing a study on the book of

Ephesians. They meet at the Lakeside Inn upper restaurant at 7:00 am.

The Men's Thursday evening group is doing a study on the Patriarchs: Abraham to Joseph. They start at 6:00 pm with a meal and then dive into God's word!

Announcements

- **Baby Shower for the Nelson Family:** Sunday October 7th after church. This will be a pot luck and open to all the ladies in the church.
- **Fellowship Meal:** On next fellowship meal will be on Sunday November 4th.
- **Church Business Meeting:** Sunday November 4th following our fellowship meal. This will be our annual financial meeting.
- **Magazine Rack:** Take the time to check it out! Here are some of the items we have:
 - On Mission Magazines - Jenness Park Quarterly
 - CSBC Quarterly - Various Bible Tracks
 - Voice of the Martyrs Magazines
 - Acts & Facts Back Issues, and more!

Scripture Memory Verses for September

- October 7th Galatians 6:10
- October 14th Job 12:7
- October 21st 1 Timothy 1:12
- October 28th Proverbs 3:5



Awesome Kids is back!

Awesome kids has resumed and meets every Thursday from 3:30 to 5:30 pm in the MPR.

This exciting program is open for all kids in Kindergarten through 6th grade. The Bus from Zephyr Cove will drop your kids off at the Church.

Help Needed: We are always on the look out for people interested in helping out. There is no experience needed, just a willing heart! Contact Jacky Daly for more information.

Church Directories

If you would like a copy of the latest Church Directory you may pick one up in the Sanctuary Foyer. If you would like one mailed or e-mailed to you please contact Ted in the Church Office.

Here to Serve You:

Elders: Jeff Brumbach, Bob Daly, Mondo Gonzales, Leonard O'Malley

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

Church Staff: Mondo Gonzales, Pastor; Ted Beverage, Music Director

Preschool Staff: Sarah Tran, Director/Teacher. Teachers: Theresa DeGraffenreid, Annie Preciado

Teacher Assistants: Judi Adams, Emily Gonzales, and Bonnie Leon. Office Manager/Teacher: Thomas Tran

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