# Tahoe Community Church

Notes, Announcements, and Reminders

September 2022

Worshiping Together, Making Disciples, Reaching Our World!



## The Search Continues

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As you know, our Pastor Candidate Robert Lledo did not feel called to be our next pastor. He and Jane

expressed it this way – 'right place, wrong time". We will pray for Rob and his family as they follow God's will for their journey in His service.

The Pastor Search Committee is still at work searching for the man God would have for the next Pastor at TCC. We are already vetting new candidates. However, we also know that everything is in God's timing and He is in control.

Please continue to pray for the Pastor Search Committee, and that God would bring the man He has called to TCC soon. Thank you!

#### Your Pastor Search Committee,

Bill Rowell, Bill Kolstad, Bob Pavich, Jan Hurst, Kathleen Huggins, and Kathy Pavich



#### Pastor Rob Lledo and Family Visit Lake Tahoe

After their visit, Jane sent a very nice letter to the Church that I

thought you might like to read:

"Dear Kathy, I am sending this to you with the hopes that you will share it with all we came in contact with, particularly Tootie and Jackie come to mind. As I write this Rob is turning a corner with Covid and we are still in the midst of praying to have clarity on Rob's call. In the midst of it all, I was moved to send you all a heart felt thankyou!

## Sunday Worship Schedule

8:30 a.m. Sunday Prayer
9:00 a.m. Bible Study Class
9:00 a.m. Praise Team Practice
10:10 a.m. Coffee/Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Preschool and Children's Church Available

## Weekly Church Activities

Sun. 7:00 p.m. "Some Like it Loud" On the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month in the Worship Center

Wed. 7:00 a.m. Bible Study Breakfast, Fellowship Hall
8:30 a.m. Prayer Gathering in Fellowship Hall
10:30 am Knitting Group at Kathleen Huggin's
6:00 p.m. AWANA Bible Club

Thurs. 9:00 a.m. Women's Bible Study, Fellowship Hall

Fri. 6:00 p.m. Word of Life Worship Service

Sat. 10:00a.m. Praise Team Practice

When I described to others my experience there, I reply "I was looking to see where God was in Tahoe, and I saw it in their love and ease of relationships they had for one another, and in the way they embraced us with their hearts." I went looking for potential ministries and found them but the Lord spoke loudest with the people. You have something special to build on there. Now let's see how God plans to do it!

All my love, Jane and Family

P.S. I'm still in awe of your skills (referring to Kathy) to keep cool under pressure. It must be the fruit of patience!

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AWANA is an international kids club which teaches children about God and His word and encourages the whole family in their commitment to raising up the next generation of followers of Christ.

This weekly Bible Club is being led by Kevin and Miriam Mayer, and Bob and Jacky Daly. Students will met from 6-8 pm to learn God's Word, play games, win awards and prizes, and make new friends. Meetings start with a simple meal provided by the church.

#### The meetings are divided into 3 30-minute segments:

- Game Time: Fun group games

Big Group Time: Songs, awards and announcements, and a short message by an adult leader.
Handbook Time (Small Group): An adult leader guides group of 5 students to master scriptures and learn what it means in real life. Jesus said; "It is written: Man does not live by bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God."

See Kevin, Miriam, Bob or Jacky for more information!

Note: The AWANA club needs more volunteers to make it run efficiently. Talk to Kevin or Miriam if feel called to serve in this ministry.

The photos below and to the right reflect what AWANA meetings consist of: a meal, game time, and Bible study Time.





The bottom photo also shows the uniform vests the kids wear. They earn patches and badges that

get sown on their vest as they advance in their lessons.









Kindergarten - 2nd grade

3rd –6th Grade







## Missionary News

& Prayer by Ted Beverage

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

I am sad to report that Carol Borsos has stepped down as the chairperson of our missions committee and has decided to attend church elsewhere. For The Time being, I will be coordinating our church missions efforts and will be writing the articles for the newsletter. Our support to the missionaries we currently associate with will remain the same. Please address any questions about our missionaries and their support to me.

I am considering changing the format on the Missions articles in the newsletter to better meet the needs and desires of the congregation. Please let me know if you have any ideas.

I will continue to post all the current newsletters and updates from our missionaries on the bulletin board in the Worship center.

Ted

#### Tim and Susan Driscoll, Japan

I have nothing new to report on the Driscolls in this issue. I have reached out to them and asked them to keep sending us updates and prayer requests.

The Driscolls are on a one year home assignment trying to catch up with friends and family. They plan to go back to Japan next June.

Please pray that they stay healthy and are able to get the rest they need after a tiring four year term in Japan.

#### **Central Asian Family**

Prayers for Kyrgyzstan and the network there:

- Protection & transformation during training of Central Asian leaders in October

- Unity within the Body in Kg

- For our family and our network to find Luke 10 people

- Those being trained in Kyrgyzstan to implement what they're learning & for us to model & assist them well

- Healing in James' body as he wrestles through many chronic health issues

- Good friends for our 3 boys as they wrestle through TCK life

- A fun year of homeschool for our family

-Wisdom and protection for our

Friends who lead networks throughout Central Asia -A clear path forward in business & endurance through whatever is ahead

If you would like a mailing address or other contact information for J, H, and the three boys contact me in the office .

#### Pastor W. in Pakistan/FMI

Pray for Amangku, a minister in the rainforests of Kalimantan, Indonesia. Pray for safety as he travels between two ministry sites on a motorcycle which is very dangerous on the muddy roads there.

Amangku currently shepherds 200 people, has recently baptized 5 followers of Jesus, and has trained 30 church members for evangelism. As the fruit of their testimony, 5 more people have placed their faith in Jesus.

#### Macedonia Missions to the Balkans, ANM Petre Petrov, Evangelical Church



- Street evangelism is ongoing in many places in Macedonia. In August and September they are having street evangelism events in all major cities. In Tetovo and Gostivar some people have contacted the

local pastor for more information. Pray for all the people who have heard the Gospel.

- An outreach team from Slovakia has partnered with us for outreached in Shtip, Radovish and Svete Nikloe. Pray for spiritual fruit of this work.

- Recently, by the grace of God, we started a Royal Rangers outpost for the children in Ohrid. Pay for local leaders and for the children that are coming.

- Pray for two women from Kavadarci and Strumica. After these women believed in Jesus they started regularly coming to church and then their husbands intervened and forbid them to attend the church. Pray that their faith will remain strong and that they may regain their freedom.

- Pray for spiritual revival in every city in Macedonia and for the renewal of every local church. Most of the churches, after the two years of Covid, lost a lot of their members and visitors. Pray for a new Spiritual Break through!

You can find more prayer requests on the Bulletin board.





## Buildings and grounds update

Windows: We just replaced three windows

in the Church Office and they look great. We have the last two windows for the office ordered which should arrive and be installed in October. One is for the front office and the other is for the middle office currently being used by Kai and Bob. A portion of the funds for this project has been donated as a special offering. That will leave only the windows in the Kid's Zone building left to replace sometime in the future.

**Church Cleaner:** We now have a Church cleaner! Michael Prager has been hired to clean the Fellowship Hall and Worship Center buildings once a week. Please welcome Mike and let him know you an area that is being neglected or needs special attention.

Maintenance: Please make me aware of any maintenance Repair or safety issues that come up so they can be addressed in a timely manner.

Volunteers are Encouraged: We have five buildings and a large property to keep up that require a lot of work. If anyone would like to give some time to keeping our buildings looking good and in good repair talk to Leonard O'Malley or Mike Furno for ideas on what needs to be done.



#### Life Choices' 2022 Fundraiser Gala Friday October 21, at 6:30 pm. at the Atlantis Casino in Reno NV,

The featured speaker is Attorney Denise Harle from Alliance Defending Freedom, where she is the director of the Center for Life.

> Learn more by visiting their Website: FriendsOfLifeChoices.org



## Urgent Help Needed!!!

We are really short handed in the Sound Booth on Sunday

morning and could really use some more hands.

On the Audio Side, we have Mark Kaczar and Katie Keith. On Video, we have only Annarose Salvador since Carol Borsos stepped down last month. This is just enough to get by. If one of them becomes unavailable for any reason we are in real trouble.

Please be praying about this, especially if you are not currently involved in another ministry. You do not need any experience, only a willing spirit! We will teach you everything you need to know and it really isn't that difficult.

#### Thanks in advance for volunteering!!



### **Bible Studies**

Here is look at what the bible study groups are up to.

Wednesday Breakfast Study: Bill Kolstad is teaching on 2nd Peter on Sep. 14th and Sep. 21st. Come learn about how to pick out false teachers and prophets. On Sep. 28 Linda Robertson will be leading a group study on prayer.

**Women's Thursday Study**; The ladies have just started a study on Haggai. (See article on next page.)

**Sunday Morning Study:** For the rest of September, Bill Kolstad will be teaching from the book of Jonah. The focus will be "How and why not to emulate the most successful Old Testament Foreign Missionary.

## Magazines and Periodicals

Don't forget to stop by the Foyer in the Worship Center to check out the latest magazines and periodicals. The two main ones are "Acts & Facts" and "Our Daily Bread." There is currently a special edition "Our Daly Bread" out called "Unity in Jesus." Back copies of these are available in the magazine rack by the water fountain. You will find several other resources in the rack as well. It is worth a look!



#### Saturday, September 24 @ 1:00 in the Fellowship Hall

TCC's Women's Fellowship is sewing colorful pillowcases for "Ryan's Case for Smiles" & participating in the annual Miles of Pillowcase Smiles Campaign.

This campaign is held in September to coincide with Pediatric Cancer Awareness Month. The goal for this year is to create 55,000 pillowcases.

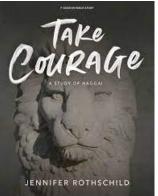
Ryan's Case for Smiles is a nonprofit organization that was started by Cindy Kerr when her son Ryan was diagnosed with Osteosarcoma (bone cancer) at the age of 12. While Ryan is no longer with us, his inspiration has provided over one million hospitalized children an emotional boost with these comforting, and uplifting pillowcases.

#### SEWING EXPERIENCE IS NOT NEEDED AND ALL MATERIALS WILL BE PROVIDED

If you have a portable sewing machine or iron that you can bring it would be greatly appreciated. Please mark your calendars for Saturday, September 24 @ 1:00-3:00 in the Fellowship Hall.

For questions please call or text Sally O'Brien @775-720-8601 or email her at <u>sallysobrien@mac.com</u>.

We are excited and looking forward to this event and sharing the love of Christ with these children!!!



## New Women's Bible Study

"Take Courage" by Jennifer Rothschild.

A study on the book of Haggai

Begins Thursday September 8th at 9:00 am

All ladies are invited to attend to participate

Contact Tootie O'Malley for more information



## Fellowship Meal

Our Next Fellowship Meal will be on Sunday October 2 after church. Plan on attending and bring a

friend along! These meals are proving to be fun and a great opportunity to fellowship with each other.

#### Karen will not be available so this one will be a potluck. Everyone is encourage to bring a dish to share.

Since it will be in October, lets all try to bring a dish that reminds us of fall.



## Have you started collecting Yet?

In our household, shoebox collecting takes place all year round. Except for a few items, Ka-

ren has already purchased and collected enough items to fill 300 boxes. In fact, I had to put new shelves in our storage shed last month! And that's not counting what we have in the shed at church, under the Church, and the notebooks under my desk in the office.

I enjoy have having the notebooks under my desk because it reminds me to pray for the shoebox ministry and all the recipients who will be learning about the love of Jesus, most for the first time.

If you like shopping, and want to get items for the church's packing party, or your own shoeboxes, here are a few suggestions:

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

Items can be brought to the church office at anytime and given to Ted. I still have room under my desk!

As always, thanks to everyone for supporting and praying for this annual missions project!

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## How to have a Daily Quiet Time

Most Christians firmly believe in the importance of spending daily time in God's Word and in prayer, yet so many of us struggle to do either consistently. Perhaps it's because for us to consider them successful, we think every time with God needs to leave us feeling 100% peaceful or sure that we've received crystal clear messages from the Lord. That's not what happens every time, and that's okay.

In the book of Psalms, David, who is called "The one after God's own heart," (<u>1 Samuel 13:14</u>) experiences the full spectrum of emotions as he prays fervently to God. He didn't hold back from pouring his authentic, messy heart out to the Lord, and we don't need to either. In fact, God welcomes it.

If you begin the spiritual discipline of spending seven minutes with God each day, you will soon find that it's impossible to stop there. An amazing thing happens—seven minutes become 20, and it's not long before you're spending 30 precious minutes with Him daily.

**Do it for the right reason.** Do not become devoted to the habit, but to the Savior. Spend time in the Word and prayer not because other people are doing it, not as a spiritless duty every morning, not merely as an end in itself, but because God has granted us the priceless privilege of fellowship with Him.

#### 3 Steps to a Daily Quiet Time Preparing Your Heart (½ minute)

Invest the first 30 seconds preparing your heart. You might pray, "Lord, cleanse my heart so You can speak to me through the Scriptures. Make my mind alert, my soul active and my heart responsive. Surround me with Your presence during this time."

#### Listening to God – Scripture Reading (4 minutes) Take the next four minutes to read the Bible. Your greatest need is to hear a word from God. Allow the Word to strike fire in your heart. Meet the Author!

Talking to God – Prayer ( $2\frac{1}{2}$  minutes)

After God has spoken through His Word, then speak to Him in prayer. One helpful method is to incorporate four areas of prayer that you can remember with the word **ACTS**.

**ADORATION:** This is the purest kind of prayer because it's all for God. Tell the Lord that you love Him. Reflect on His greatness.

**CONFESSION:** "Confession" comes from a root word meaning "to agree together with." When we apply this to prayer, it means we agree with God's estimation of what we've done.

## Notes from The Office



- Church Business Meeting: Our next Church Business Meeting is scheduled for Sunday September 25th. These meetings are not just for mem-

bers, everyone is invited and encouraged to attend.

- **Prayer Requests and Praises:** Let's keep the prayer requests and updates coming. We were doing good for a while, but I am receiving almost no prayer request at this time. We also need to share prayer updates and praises. If the Lord is doing something great in your life share it so we can rejoice together!

- Classical Conversations: The Classical Conversations homegroup will not be using our facilities this year. No, they are not mad at us! They have decided to met in Carson City this year instead of in Tahoe. We have left the invitation open for them to return in the future. They are aware that they still have items in the storage shed and in the closet in Fellowship Hall. They will be coming by to pick those up some time soon.

- **Church Website:** Kai is in the process of redoing our church website. He has been working hard and has produced and sent out a 2nd draft to the church leadership team for inputs. The three main goals in redoing the webpage was to present our church in a way that Looked Friendlier, Looked Younger, and Looked more professional. When the final version is released, I am sure it will meet all of those goals.

## Church Membership

Are you are a church Member? Are you sure? It is important that you know because we will be voting on a new pastor some time coming up and only active members are allowed to vote. We don't want anyone to miss out!

If you would like to make sure, I will have the current active membership list with me on Sunday. You can also contact me in the church office at anytime.

#### (Quiet Time Continued)

**THANKSGIVING:** Think of several specific things to thank Him for: your family, your business, your church— even thank Him for being with you in hard-ship.

**SUPPLICATION:** This means to "ask for, earnestly and humbly." Ask for others, then ask for yourself. Include people around the world, missionaries, friends, and those who have yet to hear about Jesus.



## Upcoming Events

### "Some Like it Loud"

7:00pm Sunday September 18th, October 2nd, and October 16th in the worship Center

> **Ryan's Case for Smiles** A special women's Fellowship Event Saturday September 24th at 1:00pm

**Church Meeting** Sunday September 25th after Church

**Church Fellowship Meal** Sunday October 2nd after Church This will be Pot luck!!

#### Memory Verses for June

- September 4 James 1:12
- September 11 Ephesians 4:31
- September 18 Psalm 18:16
- September 25 Mark 8:36



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## Some like it Loud!

Our Music director, Kai, has recently started a new program on Sunday evenings for those who enjoy singing to loud music videos in a more contemporary atmosphere. The program is called "Some Like it Loud" and will be held in the Worship Center on the first and third Sundays of each month at 7:00pm. After the music, there will small group Biblical learning activi-

ties including information and prac-

tice on how to better share your testimony. If you have any ideas for small group discussions and activities please pass them on to Kai.

#### Upcoming Preaching Schedule:

September 4 Bob Daly September 11 Corbett Robertson September 18 Kevin Mayer September 25 Leonard O'Malley

Here to Serve You

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

**Deacons/Deaconesses:** Susie Brumbach, Jacky Daly, Christine Feinberg, Jerry Klosterboer, Bob Pavich, Kathy Pavich, Ted Beverage, Bill Kolstad, Jan Hurst, Tootie O'Malley (On Sabbatical)

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