Tahoe Community Church

Notes, Announcements, and Reminders
March 2023

Worshiping Together, Making Disciples, Reaching Our World!

Worship Service Cancelled



For the third time this winter, Tahoe Community Church was forced to cancel Worship Services due to a snow storm. This photo is deceiving because it was taken after two hard days of snow removal! According to the National Weather Service we are seeing near record breaking snow fall this winter, something the snow removal team is well aware of!

With heavy snow fall there are more problems than just snow removal. Snow can be extremely heavy and can cause stress and damage to building roofs. Leonard O'Malley was on the roof of the Office Building at least twice this year shoveling off snow because of cracks developing in the ceiling in the front room. This building has a flat roof and is

usually the first to develop problems. The Second building with problems was the one pictured on the right. Can you even tell which one it is?



Sunday Worship Schedule

8:30 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
9:00 a.m.
Praise Team Practice
Coffee/Fellowship Time

10:30 a.m. Worship Service

Preschool and Children's Church Available

Weekly Church Activities

Tue. 11:00 am Knitting Group at Kathleen Huggin's

Wed. 8:00 am Bible Study Breakfast 9:30 am Prayer Gathering 3:45 pm Afterschool Tutoring 6:00 pm AWANA Bible Club

Thurs. 9:00 am Women's Bible Study

Fri. 6:00 pm Word of Life Worship Service

Sat. 10:00 am Praise Team Practice



The Search Continues

By Kathy Pavich

As you probably already know, Doran Wray declined TCC's offer to become our next pastor. We pray that the Lord will guide Doran and

Kim to the exact ministry of His calling.

The Pastor Search Committee has now resumed its search for new candidates to consider for our next pastor. At this time, we have posted this pastor position in six different places. These postings, for the most part, align with who TCC is and what we believe. They are located mostly in the western

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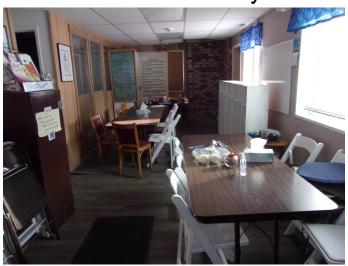
part of the nation: Western Seminary, Denver Seminary, Gateway Seminary, The Master's Seminary, The Gospel Coalition, and churchstaffing.com. Please continue to pray for God to

bring us a pastor, and for the committee to have discernment and wisdom of God's will regarding the candidates who apply.

Your Pastor Search Committee:

Bill Rowell, Bill Kolstad, Bob Pavich, Christine Feinberg, Kathleen Huggins, and Kathy Pavich

Reuse of the Discovery Zone



Tahoe Community Church is now renting the Discovery Zone Building to an Alcoholics Anonymous group. The group meets every day except Sunday from 12:00 noon to 1:00pm. For their privacy, please refrain from going near there during that time.

As you can see from the photos, the room looks a lot different than it did. Leonard moved all of the items being stored in the main space to the smaller inside room which at one time was an indoor playground for the preschool. When the Church first purchased the building, well before my time, that

room was used as the pastor's study.

There is still a bit of work do, but the AA group seems content in their new space.



(Worship Service Cancelled Cont.)



The picture on previous page was of the Discovery Zone building. You can barely see the stairs on the left going up to the office. That picture was taken after we had the snow shoveled off the roof.

Our new AA group was meeting in the Discovery Zone Building and noticed a water leak at the end of the room. I went down to check it out and when I went to remove the ceiling tile it was so wet it just fell apart on top of me. Leonard asked me to remove the isolation to have a better look at was going on, and that made a huge mess because of blown in isolation I did not know was there. After the mess was cleaned up the leak did not appear to be that bad. Leonard and Mike Furno were able to fix the problem which I believe was caused by a pipe going through the roof. The ceiling tile is still missing but there is no more leak at this time.

The third problem was in Fellowship Hall. The ladies were gathering for their weekly study and noticed water leaking around the windows. The problem was bigger than that because there were also cracks developing on the ceiling. The ladies cut their meeting short and we placed the building off limits until we were able to rectify the problem.

Praise God we were able to get the snow shoveled off the roof the next day and the building was deemed to be safe for use again. The Picture above is of the Adventure Zone entrance the day after the snow was removed from the roof. The snow removal contractor removed a lot of the snow for us but it still took a team to clean it all up on Saturday morning. Along with Leonard, Mike and Ted, Jonathan Boatman pitched in to help with the hand shoveling. It was nice having a young back to help!

I hope the worst is behind us but we are not done with winter yet! Which means it is not too late to join one of the most important ministries we have, the snow removal team! Contact Bill Kolstad to join.

I forgot to mention that on top of everything else, we had two snowblowers go down. Wow, what a winter!



Saturday, April 8th, 2023 10:00 A.M. TAHOE COMMUNITY CHURCH

145 Daggett Way - Kingsbury

1 YEAR TO 12 YEARS OLD

FREE

GOLDEN EGG PRIZES

QUESTIONS? CALL or TEXT Jacky at 775-901-0870



We have a lot of these flyers in the Church Foyer and in the office. Please feel free to take some and pass them around your neighborhood. It could be very interesting if we have to hide the eggs in the snow! I think most of the activities are being planned for inside the buildings. You'll have to come find out!

Easter Egg Hunt Preparation

There will be an Easter Egg Stuffing and Preparation Party on Saturday April 1st at 1:00pm in Fellowship Hall. We are planning on filling 600 eggs so we will need a lot of help and a lot more of everything!

Here is a list of some items needed:

- Small plastic Eggs 2"
- Medium size Christian Stickers
- Extra small toys such as Mini erasers and Squishies
- Wrapped Mini Candy Eggs
- Bible Verses printed and cut into strips

Please contact Jacky Daly for more information

New Women's Bible Study



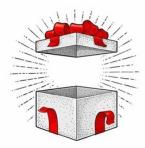
"The Shepherd With Me" by Jennifer Rothschild

All Women are invited to a new Bible Study On Psalm 23 starting Thursday, March 16th.

"Many women know Psalm 23 by heart but haven't experienced its power in their lives. This beloved psalm can breathe new life into women who are weary and unsure of their next steps. It's more than a psalm that comforts in death; it gives confidence in life."

"In this 7-session study by Jennifer Rothschild, gain fresh insight and encouragement from Psalm 23. Explore the depths of God's compassionate care while debunking the self-reliance myth. Learn how your vulnerability is not a liability because you can trust the Shepherd's goodness throughout each season of life."

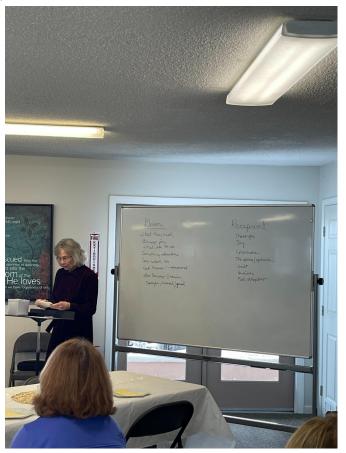
Please contact Tootie O'Malley for more information



"THE GIFT"

On Saturday, February 25th the women's Fellowship held a special event called the Gift. Linda Robinson, pictured below, was the guest speaker. I can reveal now that "The Gift" was prayer.

Louisa Boone reported that Linda did an exceptional job and that everyone in attendance was blessed!





Women Connecting with Women (WCW)

The (WCW) will be getting together on Saturday, April 1,

2023 at 9:00AM in the Fellowship Hall. The WCW offers an opportunity for women to build new and old relationships through fellowship. Women of all ages are welcome!

For questions contact Linda Robinson @ 406-285-6701 (no texts please) or email her at aprncm@verizon.net

Ladies Heritage Fellowship

March 18, Saturday 1:00PM

Tahoe Community Church Fellowship Hall

A time of sharing our cultural and/or spiritual heritage in costumes, food and stories.

Optional: bring a cultural artifact for display.

The contact for this "Friends Being Friends" (FBF) event is Louis Boone













Church Snow Day Used for Good!

Even though church was cancelled, some of the

congregation still met via Zoom. Bob Daly took a suggestion from Louisa Boone and made it happen! Bob tells me that 30 people joined in at 10:30 Sunday Morning to worship together via a zoom call. Kai led a song to start things off and Bob preached a message answering questions from participants as he went along. Bob told me that he has received a lot of positive feed back from that worship experience. I pray that we don't have to do this again, but it is good to know that we have the technology to do so!



Urgent Help Needed!!!

We are really short handed in the Sound Booth on Sunday morn-

ing and could really use some more hands. We especially need help with Video. Annarose Salvador is our only full time video tech right now and she could use a break from time to time. Prior experience is not required, just a willing heart and spirit! Please be praying about this, especially if you are not currently involved in another ministry.

Thanks in advance for volunteering!!



Missionary News & Prayer by Ted Beverage

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

Tim and Susan Driscoll, Japan (OMF)

I have not received an update from the Driscolls since the last newsletter however, I do know that even though they are on home leave, they are maintaining a rigorous schedule. Pray that they have time for some rest and rejuvenation before returning to Japan in June. Also pray for the many logistic details that need to be worked out before their departure from the United States. I will pass on and post any information that I receive.

Central Asian Family

The latest information on H and J and family is on the flyer in the church foyer. Please pray for their safety in all that they do. They live and work in what can be a very hostile place, especially for Christians.

Pray also that the adoption they have been working on for a long time gets finalized.

Please do not publish information on this family online! It is very dangerous for them if you do so.

-Pastor W. in Pakistan/FMI

The following is from FMI's February Letter:

"I decided to follow Christ because Hinduism offers no hope of forgiveness"

Many of FMI's church planters serve inside Muslim-majority cities and villages but some, like Upkar, also preach to minority Hindu communities. Seventeen year old Asif heard the preaching of Upkar and latter received Christ, Asif made the statement in bold above. Asif and his grandmother are preparing to be baptized in a few weeks.

Asif invited Upkar to preach near his home and so far 25 people sit in the shade on a plastic tarp every Wednesday to learn about the One who loves them and sacrificed himself to redeem them. Ali, an older man from a Muslim background, says he now understands that Jesus is truly Emanuel, God with us. This is a breakthrough idea for Muslims.

Please pray for Pastor Upkar as he continues his work among the Hindus and Muslims.

Life Choices Pregnancy Clinic:

The ministry of Life Choices relies on your support. But beyond that, we daily seek out God's

wisdom for how we pursue clients and serve those facing unplanned pregnancies. Often times their beliefs and experiences do not reflect a Godly perspective, so we rely on the Holy Spirit to provide us with the right words to share and to work in their lives.

I want to thank you for your generosity this month as well. You are a blessing to us and your gift is making a difference. Together we can celebrate every time a life is saved and every time a family is transformed! Praise God.

Nick Emery, Executive Directory

Macedonia Missions to the Balkans/ANM: Marino Mojtic and the Evangelical church of Macedonia"

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

I send you warm greetings from Macedonia. I hope that you and your families are all well. One of the most essential prayer needs is a new revival in the whole country. Most of the churches testify that there is apathy in their cities and people's hearts are irresponsive. Also, pray for hunger for God among the people who come to church. Many of them are lukewarm and uninterested, and are focused more towards material things. Pray for Christian workers.

E.C. Church in Radovis is working with miners struggling with alcohol and gambling addictions. Also, the pastor's wife (Krasi) is visiting the Center with women for protection from domestic violence. Pray for these women, that they may find peace and protection in Christ. Pray for the center for children with special needs in Radovish, where Krasi makes creative works with them, to reach the parents of the children with the Gospel.

• The Evangelical Churches in Macedonia have opportunity to start a new BUS ministry, in partnership with REM mission. The bus is adapted like a coffee-house and Christian bookstore and will be used as an evangelism tool in towns and villages. Pray for this project.

Kusdiyana was a young man studying Islam seriously, but his soul was in turmoil. He needed salvation and he knew it. Then ANM's native missionaries shared the Gospel with him, and the Hope of Jesus started to take root in his heart. Here's what he said: "I am grateful that the love of Jesus saved me, my family, and others in my village. I enjoy God in every area of my life."

Thank you for supporting us in your prayers in bringing the Gospel of Jesus in Macedonia.

May God bless you abundantly, Petre Petrov



Five Traits of a Disciplemaker

A few weeks ago we were blessed to have Shawn Holes give the Sunday morning message. Shawn is an open air evangelist who shared some of his experiences with us. I thought this article from the Navigator's ministry would be a good follow-up to Shawn's message.

In the Great Commission, Jesus calls his followers to "go and make disciples of all nations" (Matthew 28:19). That call is meant for us, too, and it shows that as Christians we're not just invited to be disciples of Jesus, but disciplemakers for Him as well. Consider this resource a road map for how to assess your spiritual growth and how to invest meaningfully in the lives of people you care about.

1. JESUS

Demonstrates a passion to know, love and become like Christ. Philippians 3:8-10

Disciplemakers are followers of Jesus who have a passion to know and love Him. They are purposeful to deepen their intimacy with Him. Their personal ministry to friends and family overflows from time alone with Jesus. The focus of this trait is more than just knowing about God; it's about knowing Him personally and walking deeply with Him.

2. THE WORD

Knows and lives from the Scriptures 2 Timothy 3:16-17
Disciplemakers can accurately handle the
Word of God. They know how to read it, study it, talk
about it and pass it on to others. A disciplemaker
understands the truth and sufficiency of the Word as
a guide for all aspects of life.

3. COMMUNITY

Pursuing Biblical Community. <u>Hebrews 10:24-25</u>

The Lord designed us to walk with Him in community with others. Disciplemakers will be intentional to seek, pursue and create community among believers to spur each other toward love and good deeds. Biblical community includes family as well as extended communities of followers of Christ.

Biblical community also draws those without Christ to the Lord (John 13:33-34).

4. THE LOST

Lives among those who do not know or follow Christ IThessalonians 2:8

Disciplemakers spend quality time among those who are without Christ. They will be purposeful to love, serve and help them understand the gospel. They are marked by a strong commitment to the Great Commission (Matthew 28:19) and a strong compassion for the brokenness of those without Christ. Disciplemakers proclaim and affirm the gospel with both their words and their lives.

5. SPIRITUAL GENERATIONS

Advancing the Gospel through spiritual generations 2 Timothy 2:2

Disciplemakers are personally involved with helping others move closer to Christ as Savior and Lord. They meet <u>Life-to-Life®</u> to help non-believers understand who Jesus claims to be, and to establish young believers in their faith. Disciplemakers may lead groups of others in studying and applying the Word. Anything that helps others move closer to Christ is discipleship. Disciplemakers help others catch a vision for investing in the spiritual growth of friends, creating a ripple effect of new spiritual generations who follow Jesus.



Background Checks

A while back, the Safety Committee and Elders agreed that church volun-

teers who either handle money or work with children need to be background checked. From this point going forward, this will be done before a volunteer is approved. However, we currently have volunteers who have not been checked so we are in catch up mode.

We are now using Clear Investigative Advantage (CIAresearch) checks through Lifeway ministries. I have set up our account and have already submitted the first batch of name for checks.

Here's how it works. I submit names and email addresses of those we want to do a check on. That person receives an email from Lifeway asking them for required information. They in turn send the information back to Lifeway for processing. I am notified by email at each step of the process which makes it easy for me to track where everyone is. I have received results back in as little as one day. The church is charged for the fees which is \$12.00 for each check.

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Afterschool Tutoring

Here is a copy of the article Ashleigh Goodwin published in the Tribune about our

After School Tutoring Program:

STATELINE, Nev. — National Assessment of Educational Progress testing scores across the United States have been on the decline since the onset of COVID-19, according to the <u>National Center for Educational Statistics</u> and a group of locals have stepped up to offer free tutoring.

Kevin Mayer, a retired high school and college math teacher and software developer his wife Myriam, and other members of Tahoe Community Church on 145 Daggett Way off of Kingsbury Grade, have come together to meet the educational needs of children of Stateline and South Lake Tahoe. "Many sources agree that the best solution to these problems is in-person tutoring," Mayer said. "As such, we have begun a free, after-school tutoring program as a service to the community, where retired teachers and others with technical or academic backgrounds offer tutoring in math and language arts."

The tutoring group meets from 3:45-5:30 p.m. every Wednesday at the church with six open spots for students with no waitlist. The goal is to keep student to tutors ratio low and add more days of the week as needed. Students should bring their text-books, homework assignments, pens/pencils, and paper. Parents are to pick up children no later than 5:30 p.m. unless staying for the Wednesday evening AWANA program for children.

Parents are welcome to bring students to register during their first session. To become a qualified tutor contact Kevin@schoolwise.com or call/text 831-484-2035.

Nice article Ashleigh, and great job Kevin Mayer and team!

(Background Checks Continued)

So far, I have sent requests in for 15 people, all our current children's ministries volunteers. Ten of them have done their part and have been cleared. The rest have not. I think this process is going to help keep our children and church safe. If anyone has any questions about the process or why we are doing it please address your questions to me and will do my best to answer them. Thanks in advance for your cooperation if you are asked to be checked out.

Periodicals



We have several new periodicals for you to look over the next time you are in the foyer:

- The first one is the "Our Daily Bread" devotional booklet for March, April, and May. I try to read these every day and find them very beneficial.
- I have also ordered a special Easter edition of "Our Daily Bread" called: "Easter, The Promise of Forgiveness." They are available in the Foyer now.
- Acts & Facts for March/April. This edition has an interesting article called "The final World: Renovation or New Creation?" Younger people may like to read about "Teenage Ninja Turtle Fossils." Sounds cool!

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Bible Studies

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

Wednesday Breakfast Study: The Wednesday Breakfast Study, is going through a video series on the book of Daniel by Chuck Missler. They are on session 10 of 14. The sessions start with breakfast at 8:00 am followed by the Bible Study. Attendees are asked to sign up to bring breakfast if they feel led.

Tune in next month to find out what they will studying when they have completed the series on Daniel.

Wednesday Prayer Gathering: The prayer group continues to meeting at 9:30 am following the Breakfast Study. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate in this event. This is a great opportunity to pray for our church and our communities.

Women's Thursday Study: The Ladies just concluded their study on the book of Hebrews called "Better" by Jen Wilkin. The next study, "The Shepherd With Me," on the Psalm 23, starts on Thursday March 16th. More information on this study can be found on page 3 of this newsletter. You may also contact Tootie O'Malley or Kathy Pavich.

Sunday Morning Study: The Sunday morning study is currently focused on the book of acts with Bob Daly as the primary facilitator. Anyone can join this group at anytime. This is a great study group to invite visitors to!



Upcoming Events

Ladies Heritage Fellowship Saturday March 18th at 10:00pm

> WCW Fellowship Event Saturday April 1st at 9:00

Easter Egg Hunt Preparation Party Saturday April 1st at 1:00 pm

Church Fellowship Meal Sunday April 2nd at 12:00pm

Good Friday Service Friday April 7th at 5:00pm

Easter Egg Hunt Saturday April 8th at 10:00am

Memory Verses for November

- March 5 Jeremiah 12:3
- March 12 Hebrews 12:1
- March 19 1 John 1:9
- March 26 Lamentations 3:22-23

(Periodicals Continued.)

- Lastly is a new magazine for us: "Acts and Facts for Kids." This magazine is packed full of games and hands on activities. The kids will have so much fun they might not realize that they are learning about God's creation!
- Please feel free to take as many of these periodical as you would like. I hate throwing away old editions. I do keep a few back copies if anyone is interested in looking through them.



Time Change

Daylight Savings Time begins Sunday March 12th. Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour Saturday Night!

Upcoming Preaching Schedule

March 5 Bob Daly, Tahoe Community Church March 12 Kevin Mayer, Tahoe Community Church March 19 Corbett Robertson, Sierra Community Church March 26 John Aldax, Sierra Community Church

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)

Church Staff: Kai Keith, Worship Director; Ted Beverage, Office Administrator; Michael Prager, Church Custodian

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