



New Life NEWS

Week of May 14, 2023

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PCA Day of Prayer - May 21st

May 21, 2023 has been set aside as a Day of Prayer and Thanksgiving for the PCA to celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the Convocation of Sessions held in Atlanta on May 19, 1973, marking one of the significant initial steps that led to the formation of the PCA in December of the same year. A guide for prayer and thanksgiving can be found here:

pca50.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/04/Day-of-Prayer-Guide-May-21-2023.pdf

Memorial Day Picnic

Join in the fun at our annual picnic Monday, May 29 from 10a to 4p at Presidio Park in Old Town. Bring your own picnic lunch, blankets, chairs, games, etc. Follow signs for the Serra Museum, continue past the museum up the hill. The picnic is at the top of the hill on the left. For more info & Google Maps directions, visit: www.newlifelamesa.org/events/annual-memorial-day-picnic/2023-05-29

Wednesday's INTERMISSION

Our midweek break to enjoy time growing together runs until the end of the school year, 5/24. Join us for a low-cost dinner and fellowship with New Lifers of all ages and stages.

5:15p – 6:15p Intermission Cafe - Sit and enjoy some conversation before cleaning up and getting to class. If you need to come last-minute, you can still enjoy a to-go box of grab & get-to-class dinner!

6:15p - 7:45p - Kids' Clubs, Newth Group, & Call to Prayer. Wednesdays are a chance for everyone to be involved: teaching, serving, studying, praying, growing... together!

HIGHER ED Sundays @ 11:15a

Who are We? The History, Tradition, & Practice of American Presbyterianism (Sanctuary)

Teachers: Pastors Connor Underseth & Joel Wood

What makes us Presbyterian and why is that different than most other churches in San Diego? We will get to know ourselves better as a congregation in South Coast Presbytery of the Presbyterian Church in America.

H.O.M.E., Households, & Hospitality (Room 204)

Teachers/Facilitators: Various

This week, May 14, we will hear from Kevin Daane from Engaging Disabilities with the Gospel. Disability comes in many forms: physical, intellectual, neurological, psychiatric, sensory, learning, chronic illness, geriatric impairments, and more. We all know someone with a disability and Kevin's ministry is centered on helping churches make the gospel available to all with a focus on the whole person, not the disability. Next week, May 21, Dave Fredrickson will lead a discussion on the Biblical View of Households and explore the way the Bible refers to households and how this applies to our everyday relationships. We, who have been saved by the grace of God, should respond to this good news of salvation by being salt and light to our co-workers, neighbors, and others with whom we interact on a regular basis and bring them the gospel.

Biblical Counseling Opportunities

IBCD's Summer Institute & Pre-Conference is at Cornerstone Bible Fellowship Church in Riverside June 22-24. The Institute is on Gospel Care, and the pre-conference is on Shame. "Shame is a feeling we regularly hear about in the culture and the church, but how well do we understand what the Scriptures have to say about it?" ibcd.org/event/2023-summer-institute



ACBC's annual conference on "Living & Active: Biblical Counseling & the Sufficiency of Scripture" is at Grace Baptist Church in Santa Clarita! Find cards with event details on the free literature wall in the lobby. biblicalcounseling.com/about/events/2023-annual-conference



Nursery Complete

With installed baseboards, the nursery renovation is complete! Stop by to check it out!



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Prayer Requests

Missions

Our May Missionary of the Month is JG who is finishing up her 50+ year career with Wycliffe, here at her home in San Diego. She works remotely, part-time, with her Filipino colleagues, reviewing their last project together and finishing an "Esbi" Dictionary. ■ Ask the Lord to watch over her, keep her close to Himself, and encourage her as she continues to adjust to life in San Diego. ■

Refugee Gateway City, GA – J & B are planning to return to the Middle East (2024) to serve in ministry to refugees from a base in Lebanon. For the remainder of this year they will spend their time on their Home Missionary Assignment (HMA) resting, healing, connecting with God, family, and ministry partners, and re-tooling in preparation for their next season of ministry in the M.E. ■ Ask the Lord to provide places of retreat for their family to get away (short-term) from their home and ministry near Atlanta. ■ Pray for healing from the secondary trauma that they have experienced in their ministry to very traumatized people. ■ Pray that the counseling they are receiving will equip them for future ministry. ■ To pray more specifically, pick up a copy of their latest Prayer/Newsletter. ■

Milan, Italy – Janie praises God for the Women's Book Study and lunch which she leads in Italian! Visit the website (www.missionmilan.org), or pick up a copy of their latest Prayer/Newsletter on the Missions Wall to learn more about how to pray for the saints at Chiesa Riformata Filadelfia. ■

Church Leaders

Pray for the pastors and their families.

Pray for the elders as they shepherd the flock.

Pray for the deacons as they extend the hand of mercy to the needy.

Church Life/Members

Pray for our engaged couple, Luke and Lauren.

Pray for complete healing for Jenine's hand/wrist.

Pray for those undergoing cancer treatments.

Pray for plans for Vacation Bible School.

Announcements

Women's Missions Prayer - Join other women for an hour of prayer for our female missionaries, Sunday, May 21, at 3p on Zoom. Contact Lillian Thompson for the Zoom link.

Guys' Night - All guys are invited to an evening of food and fellowship on Monday, May 22, at 5p at the home of Ron Westhydeman, hosted by Bino Perez. RSVP at newlifelamesa.org/events.



Quarterly Fellowship Meal - On Sunday, June 11 we'll hold a Polynesian style dinner in the fellowship hall at 4:30, followed by the evening service at 5p. Missionary Mark Blair will bring us the message. Potluck sign-ups begin next week.

Summer Nights on Mission Bay at Crown Point - June 14, July 12, and August 9. More details to follow.

Vacation Bible School - Mark your calendars now for VBS, July 24 to 28. Registration begins soon!



2023 Southwest Reformed Youth Camp - July 31 through August 3 at Palomar Christian Conference Center. The cost is \$225 per camper. Family discounts and need-based camperships are available. For more information and to register, visit: gracepresbyterian.net/youth-camp. If you are too old to be a camper, you may want to consider being a counselor!

Mark Your Calendar

May 16 @ 6:30a - Men's Coffee

May 17 @ 5:15p - 7:45p - INTERMISSION & Pastor Joel's Birthday

May 22 - Guys' Night

May 29 - MEMORIAL DAY PICNIC

June 11 @ 4:30p - Quarterly Fellowship Meal & Worship in Fellowship Hall

June 14 - New Life Summer Night @ Crown Point on Mission Bay

June 22-24 - IBCD Pre-Conference & Summer Institute

July 12 - New Life Summer Night @ Crown Point on Mission Bay

July 24-28 - Keepers of the Kingdom VBS

July 31 - August 3 - Southwest Reformed Youth Camp

August 9 - New Life Summer Night @ Crown Point on Mission Bay

October 2-4 - ACBC Annual Conference

November 10-12 - Reformation Conference 2023 with Dr. Bryan Chapell