

# Joyful Noise

Canyon Hills Presbyterian Church

September 2011

## Our World Has Changed

On September 8, 2001, outfitter and wilderness guide Don Wade and a client packed gear into the small float plane of pilot Buck Maxen. This was the third plane they had transferred gear and equipment into on this trip into northern Alaska. They reached their destination, a small lake just beneath the Arctic Circle. From here they would hike a challenging trek through one of the most pristine and beautiful areas of North America. The terrain was challenging. They took no radios, cell phones or satellite phones along. Don was responsible for guiding his client through all this and then rendezvousing with the pilot some thirty miles downriver fifteen days later.

All the proper paperwork had been filed with the proper Alaskan authorities. Late each evening he would sit and think of his family, thousands of miles away in Texas. Weary from his responsibilities and work, he would drift off to sleep. The next morning he would make coffee, break camp and begin heading downriver once again.

On September 21 the plane circled the pick up point, and landed on water, and maneuvered to that place where he could pick up these two who had adventured this beautiful place. As the propellers stopped turning, Buck jumped out of the plane and began to tell his friends of what had taken place. September 11, 2001 was a day that took us by surprise and many didn't then nor do now, know what to make of it.

The two had been out in the wilderness completely oblivious to what had transpired while they were on their hike. They were away taking in the beauty of God's creation. They didn't know that our world had changed in dramatic fashion. Born into a world of accepted rules and expected

outcomes, the two were like many churches today. We have become accustomed to particular forms and procedures and a certain amount of predictability. Church, our world has changed, and it has been changing for some time.

While the U.S. population continues to increase, the percentage of those who hold church membership continues to decline. The question continues to be asked, "Why?" As our traditional idea of church seems to be losing ground, a new and still forming movement, that of the Missional church, seems to understand not only how to respond to those eternal questions but also how to ride out the waves of a changing culture.

We are beyond 9-11, our world is no longer what we used to think it was. Missional churches are difficult to identify sometimes. Some look and sound radical, some look and sound traditional. The one thing they all have in common is that they are finding ways of being in the world that connect with people where those people happen to be. Some are in the bars, some are in the stores, there is no real one place, the people with whom they find connections are everywhere.

The Protestant Church in North America was born into a very comfortable environment that was favorable and respectful of the Church's presence. The question that Milfred Minatrea asks is really a statement "We face the world to be worldly Christians or world Christians." I try to keep this before me that I might ask myself the question, "Which am I?"

Blessings! *Frank*

### Important Dates

- 5** Labor Day—Office Closed
- 11** Return to 2 Worship Services
- 18** CHPC Golf Tournament
- 25** Rotating Dinner/Brunch Groups
- 27** Women's Book Group
- 29** Kenyan Guests arrive



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# ELDER BIO

## Elder Jim Julian

I'm Jim Julian, your Elder for Operations & Budget, aka the guy who worries about money. Let me step back in time and offer a few snapshots. When I was just a tyke my grandmother took me to a little Baptist church for a couple of years. At about age 14 I found a reformed church on my own and got myself baptized and confirmed as the rest of the family weren't "church goers".

Went to Northwestern University on a Navy scholarship, commissioned, flight training and many years flying from carriers. Retired from the USN as a Captain after 24 years. Got an MBA and a position with Hughes, now Raytheon. Been a Presbyterian for about 40 years, Deacon and Elder at several churches.

Came to CHPC about seven years ago and married Yuqin here in 2006. CHPC has been very accepting of Yuqin and Chen Chen and a very positive influence in our lives. I look forward to continuing to serve however I am called. Thank you for being a great church family.



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## Stewardship

### Camels, Needles, and Lifestyles

By Doug Schroeder, Elder for Stewardship

"It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for someone who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (Mark 10:25; Matthew 19:24; Luke 18:25.)

Can wealth really impede our path to heaven? It's chilling to think our prospects for salvation could be inversely related to our socioeconomic status. Perhaps that's why I saw this verse as speaking about others—an elite class of the ultra-wealthy—until I had an epiphany at age 30.

After graduating law school in my 20's, I was inundated with offers for credit. As my earnings grew, so did the debt I incurred. My lifestyle was not extravagant. I simply "kept up with the Joneses" in terms of housing, cars, clothes, and vacations.

It seemed like smooth sailing until I felt a spiritual calling I could not afford to answer. My job with a big law firm had grown onerous. I felt like grist for the mill. I sensed a vague "calling," that God had a different purpose for me: perhaps teaching, operating a Christian bookstore, or managing a nonprofit.

Ultimately, I found that my talents remained best devoted to the law, and that the amorphous "call" was really a "wake up call." The realization hit me like a ton of bricks: *if God had a different calling for me, I couldn't afford to answer it.* I needed every penny of every paycheck to pay my bills. I had painted myself into a corner simply by living without a sense of stewardship.

I'd never thought of myself as "rich," let alone in the strata of those whose salvation could be imperiled by materialistic snares. Yet, by living to the limits of my financial means, I had foreclosed the chance to pursue whatever faith-based endeavors might arise. I was ensnared by my own standard of living. My fate and happiness were not jeopardized by an idolatrous love of money, but by insidious entrapment from living a lifestyle in which creature comforts held first priority.

It was challenging, but I eventually reordered my financial life. Pledging a percentage of household income to church, and making planned gifts to charity, are now conscious priorities, as is avoiding debt for discretionary purchases. While I remain a sinner deeply in need of God's grace, like a camel facing a tight squeeze through the needle's eye I can take assurance in the fact that "with God all things are possible." (Mark 10:27.)

# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

## Sunday School Update

It is time for "God's People Celebrate!" our new Sunday School program for the 2011-12 school year. God's family always has the best reasons to rejoice: we know who God is and realize what He has done for us! "God's People Celebrate" will help our students discover how God's people – around the world and throughout time – have celebrated and still celebrate God's gifts to us. These discoveries will contribute to meaningful and enthusiastic worship and praise to God for His greatness.

After Children's Story in church children will be escorted down to Room 9 to start off with singing and then will rotate with their age appropriate group, to Bible Story or Crafts or Games.

## Trunk or Treat

Saturday, October 29<sup>th</sup> will be our 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Trunk or Treat event. This is a great opportunity to introduce our church to the community and have a great time

together. We hope that you will be able to be part of this fun event, either as a Trunk or a Treat (er).



Canyon Hills Presbyterian Church  
October 29, 2011  
6:30 PM

The key to a great Trunk or Treat is lots of trunks. Last year we had 30 trunks and that gave the Treater's lots to do. This year we will be shooting for 35 trunks and really fill up the parking lot. We sincerely hope that you can be a part of it. You are guaranteed to have a great time. For trunk ideas, and to see pictures from past Trunk or Treats, go to <http://canyonhillspc.org/childrenyouth/cyevents.html>.

## Children's Story

We are now setting up a schedule for Children's story story tellers. This would be in church, during the service at both services. If you would like to be included on this schedule, please contact Don Ebberts at 714-315-3046 or [donebb@hotmail.com](mailto:donebb@hotmail.com).

## Mission

### Mercy House:

Here are some photos of the children receiving their school back packs. Mercy House children were so excited about them. The shelves for back to school supplies were practically empty, but because of the



wonderful hearts of giving at CHPC, the shelves and back packs are now stocked!!

Thank you everyone for all your contributions to your community. Ann Kaiser/ Mission



**Los Ranchos Presbytery and the East Africa Partnership** have invited 10 Kenyans to visit us for 11 days in September, and here in our area from Sept 29<sup>th</sup> to October 4<sup>th</sup>. Six of the men are municipal council members or mayors of the cities in which we work in Kenya. The other 4 are from our Partnership and the Nanyuki Presbytery. These people have been good friends to us, and to the children's homes we operate in

Kenya. If you can host one or two men for 3, or 6 nights, we would really appreciate it. Six nights is best, so they don't have to move around so much, but if you can do Wednesday - Thursday, or Friday through Monday morning, that would also be great!

Please contact Jana Kidd at [janakidd@sbcglobal.net](mailto:janakidd@sbcglobal.net) for more information, or call 714-692-0724.

### Bible Study- For Young Parents with Children:

Please join us for a Bible Study on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month, at 6:30 PM at church. Babysitting is provided for a small fee. This will be an "entry-level" bible study, where parents can not only learn about their own faith, but also learn how to answer

their children's questions about God. One of the best things parents can do is to set an example for their children by studying the scriptures and talking about God in front of their children. Plus-pizza will be provided (we'll share the cost). Discussions are led by Bruce & Jana Kidd.

# FACILITIES & FELLOWSHIP

## Landscape Renovation Underway

by Ginger Purvis, Elder/Facilities

Our long overdue landscape renovation project is getting help from a good Samaritan, a landscape architect who has donated his services. Carey Orwig, ASLA, designed the drought tolerant planting scheme, provided us the plants at cost and then supervised the installation.

Photos show the process before, during and after. This area is along the cart path. Drought tolerant plants need less water—an overall savings on our water bill, plus they won't require the pruning and landscape attention of traditional plants. In addition we're helping conserve our natural resources. Take a look when you come to service next Sunday.



### Church Golf Tournament:

**Saturday, September 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Anaheim Hills Golf Course.**

Tee time: 12:00 Noon.



**Fellowship Committee** is once again hosting our very fun annual golf tournament for men and women. The cost is \$65.00, this includes golf cart. A great event to make new friends! Don't miss out on this opportunity. Sign-ups will be on the patio between services. Questions? Give Dennis Sepulveda a call at 714-998-7078.

**Play Ball...Softball that is:** Dust off those mitts and join the CHPC softball team. League begins the end of September

and the cost is approximately \$50 per person. This is a co-ed team. Please let us know if you are interested before we commit to the city of Anaheim. If you have any questions please call Christina Earle @ 714-623-1481 or email her at [mccearle@sbcglobal.net](mailto:mccearle@sbcglobal.net).



**Rotating dinner groups:** The nice thing about the rotating groups is that you can put your name in the rotation at any time. The next group will be on **Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>**. This Rotating group will be a Sunday brunch or lunch. **Please email the office at [chpc@aol.com](mailto:chpc@aol.com), if you cannot attend this next event. Join the adventure.**

**The Women's Book Group:** will meet on Tuesday, September 27, 2011, at 7:00 PM, to discuss *Tending Roses*, by bestselling author, Lisa Wingate. "Chapter 1: Indian wisdom says our lives are rivers...Along our journey, people and events flow into us...Each event, each person, changes us in some way. This I learned from my grandmother, when my life was rushing with torrential speed and hers was slowly

ebbing into the sea." Come to the home of Mary Douglas (700 S. Quail Circle, Anaheim) and join in the fun as we talk about how the lessons that most enrich our lives often come at unexpected moments and from unlikely places.

Please call Mary Douglas (714-281-1472) or Betsy Kasten (714-998-2522) for more information. **All women are welcome!**

# NOMINATIONS AND ENLISTMENTS

## Working Together – Seeking Leaders for Elders and Deacons – Class of 2012 Nominations and Enlistment Committee

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We are seeking individuals who love Jesus Christ, and show a commitment to him as their Lord and Savior. In addition they must be willing to devote time, energy and talents to the mission of our church. The usual term is three years, beginning in January, 2012.

**Elders** are charged with the oversight of the spiritual life of our congregation, that of leading, governing and disciplining its members. These positions are open:  
*Children's Ministries Music & Worship Stewardship Personnel Fellowship*

**Deacons** are charged with caring for, and ministering to those who are sick, in need, friendless, or are in distress. Their office is one of sympathy and service modeled on the example of Jesus Christ. *Six positions open*

We want to hear from you. As you prayerfully consider the leadership of our church, be sure you have the person's permission to be nominated. You may nominate yourself. Need more information? Contact anyone on the Nominating and Enlistment Committee. We are able to send job descriptions and answer any other questions. Know that all communication with this committee will be kept confidential.

## Music Department



### Music Moments at CHPC

September is around the corner and that is when all our music groups are in full swing.

Here is some information if you are interested in joining.

**Children's Choir**- Our fabulous children's choir begins **Thursday September 15<sup>th</sup>**. 4:00-6 pm Grades 1-6, 4:30-6 pm PreK-K. Classes will be held in Rooms 8-9.

**Handbells**- Our handbell program begins **Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>** at 7:15-8:30 pm. Class will be held in Rooms 8-9.

**Heavenessence** – **Begins after Labor Day** and is always taking more singers! Choir meets in rooms 8/9 at 5-6 pm, just before dinner and Senior High Fellowship.

**Chancel Choir** – First choir rehearsal will be **Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>** from 7:30-9 pm held in the sanctuary.

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**CALLING ALL MUSICIANS!** Did you play flute in High school? Do you play Cello in school. Our music department could use musicians of all kinds to play with us for our services on Sunday. If you are interested, contact Leslie Berger at [Leslie.Berger@ca.rr.com](mailto:Leslie.Berger@ca.rr.com) any questions feel free to contact Leslie Berger.

# September 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6:30 PM Worship & Music	2 Office Closed	3
4 8:30AM Adult Bible Study 9:00 AM Adult Education 9:45 AM Worship	5 <i>Office Closed</i> <b>Labor Day</b>	6 9:30AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Fellowship Meeting 7:00 PM Yoga with a Twist <b>7:30 PM Deacons</b>	7 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Godsend 7:00 PM WNF	8 9:30 PM Lydia Circle PW 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	9 <i>Office Closed</i>	10
11 8:00 AM Bible Study 8:45 Am Book Study <b>9:00 &amp; 10:30 AM Worship (Back to 2 services)</b> 5:00 PM Heavensence 6:30 PM Youth Connection	12 12:00 Noon All-Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Stitch Group 7:00 PM Facilities Meeting	13 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Young Family Bible Study in rooms 6 & nursery 7:00 PM Yoga with a Twist 7:30 PM Hope Circle PW	14 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 9:30 AM Ruth Circle PW 7:00 PM Godsend 7:00 PM Chancel Handbells 7:00 PM WNF	15 3:00 PM Abigail Circle PW 4:00 PM Children's Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	16 <i>Office Closed</i>	17
18 8:00 AM Bible Study 8:45 AM Book Study 9:00 & 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM <b>Golf Tournament</b> after church 5:00 PM Heavensence 6:30 PM Youth Connection	19 Ruby's Diner Fundraiser (all day long)	20 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Yoga with a Twist <b>7:15 PM Session</b>	21 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Deborah Circle PW 7:00 PM Godsend 7:00 PM Chancel Handbells 7:00 PM WNF	22 4:00 PM Children's Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	23 <i>Office Closed</i>	24
25 8:00 AM Bible Study 8:45 AM Book Study 9:00 & 10:30 AM Worship 12:00 PM <b>Rotating brunch</b> 11:30 AM Phoebe Circle PW 5:00 PM Heavensence 6:30 PM Youth Connection	26	27 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study 6:30 PM Young Family Bible Study in rooms 6 & nursery 7:00 PM Yoga with a Twist 7:00 PM Women's Book Group at Mary Douglas'	28 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Godsend 7:00 PM Chancel Handbells 7:00 PM WNF	29 4:00 PM Children's Choir 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	30 Adult Mexico Mission leaves <i>Office Closed</i>	

## Birthdays

Eric Coulter	Sept. 1
Carissa Drum	1
James Farrow	1
Natalie Adle	2
William Peterson	2
Jaclyn Webber	2
Danny Bell	3
Brandon Burrows	3
Roberta Luque	3
Marian Oehlman	3
Amy Martindale	4
Jennifer Lambert	5
Kelly Adams	6
Stephanie Hioe	6
Jerry Rudmann	7
Pam Burns	8
Amanda Mouchou	8
Karissa Sosnoski	8
Donna Cucunato	9
Janet Ruiz	9
Kyung Bae	10
Jill Cigich	10
Valorie Wagner	10
Alex Gleason	11
Paul Herrick	11
Steve Grant	12
Marcia Burrows	14

Bob Coleman	14
Brian Kidd	14
Vickie Melin	14
Claire Berger	18
Ron Jones	18
Bruce Kidd	19
Donn Ohman	21
Sharon Pettibone	21
Tiffany Wages	21
Suzanne Teuben	22
John Holloway	23
Kasey Winch	23
Connie Watson	24
Heather Adle	25
Jessica Bogenreif	25
James Deiss	25
Dan Stow	25
Jody O'Donnell	27
Edward Martinez	28
Jon Crum	29
Jack Schrader	29
Nancy Jones	30
Mike Solo	30

## Anniversaries

Richard & Sandra Conant	1
Matt & Kellie Young	3
Danny & Alice Bell	7
Norman & Gloria Montgomery	8
Frank & Mary Webster	8
Steve & Becky Wiens	8
Jack & Char Barton	9
Dan & Donna Lish	10
Russ & Pattie Price	10
Eric & Chery McCaleb	11
Bob & Carol Lamar	13
Steve & Tammy Grant	14
Don & Aura Mouchou	15
Jack & Verna Horton	18
Ian & Jody O'Donnell	19
Steve & Leslie Ditch	20
George & Martha Prince	21
John & Pam Burns	22
Bill & Barbara Greenfield	23
Glen & Ann Kaiser	26
Richard & Linda Cherney	28
Eric & Debbie Coulter	28
Peter & Kathy Su	28



## Youth Ministries

### Youth Programs Fall Kick Off

#### Wednesday Night Fellowship

Wednesday, September 14

7:00 – 8:30 PM

Join all your friends in the fellowship hall for a fantastic year of fun and fellowship including terrific Bible stories and lessons, games, activities and more. All students in 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to be part of the program.

We meet each week in the fellowship hall.

### Canyon Hills Youth Connection

Sunday, September 11 6:30 PM in the Fellowship Hall.



**Join the Youth Group**

Now that high school has begun, you might be looking for a great way to jump-start your week.

Well have we got a deal for you!

Come to our Youth Connection and get charged up for the week.

Learn, grow, discover, explore and be filled with the Holy Spirit.

**Project Hope**, school for homeless children, is holding an "End of the Summer" Carnival for it's students.

They're in need of volunteers to help run booths/ activities on Friday, Sept. 9th from 8:45-12:00.

If you are interested please contact Mary E. Garcia,

Volunteer Coordinator  
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ADULT MEXICO MISSION

**Mexico Mission-Adult Weekend  
September 30 – October 2, 2011**

The strain we feel due to the economic crisis is felt even more so in struggling and economically distressed areas like Tijuana. And, due to rising transportation costs churches that are far away are unable to build homes this fall so it is critical that our church keep up its tradition of a couple of homes this fall.

Our team will depart for Mexico on Friday evening, September 30. On Saturday and Sunday we will begin and complete a couple homes, hopefully. On Saturday evening we will rest our weary bones and have fellowship with local families. We will return to Anaheim on Sunday afternoon, October 2. Cost for the weekend is \$50.00 for food, lodging and building materials.

Your support for our Mexico Mission is very important as a participant or as a donor, both are needed if we are to be successful. If you are unable to attend the trip you can still be a vital part of this mission through your financial support. Donations for materials are accepted all year long.

If you are interested in joining our weekend mission team, you may register during worship or in the church office. If you have questions please call or e-mail Rev. Lissa Smith.

Joyful Noise is a monthly publication of Canyon Hills Presbyterian Church. If you need more information about our church or about upcoming events, please call the church office.

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