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**Our Mission:
Why are we here?**

The purpose of Santa Clara First Baptist Church is to evangelize and disciple the people of the Santa Clara Valley.
Matthew 28:19, 20

April Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

3rd Renee Esquibel
4th Gary Youngs
4th Jerri Cooper
5th Danijela Tomic
5th Trudy Kroll
5th Matthew Juarez
7th Karla Hagan
7th Rose Johnson
9th Theodore Barife

12th Jon-Michael Stephens
18th Sharon Cintas
18th Will Gregg
23rd Sarah Esquibel
26th Matthew McLenegan
26th Judy Sohm
26th Robert Webber
28th Bev Walz
28th Colleen Watson
29th Ola Brown

Anniversaries

1st Jay Nordgaard & Joan Friesen

The Celebrate!

Santa Clara First Baptist Church

April 2010



ALLELUIA!
He is Risen!

Youth News

Reflect High School Group

In March, Reflect continued their series on Revelation with lively discussions about the visions that John had of the return of Christ. The guys got together on a Friday for a Guys' All-Nighter. We played an Iron Man game at



Laser Quest, numerous dodge ball games, several world domination (RISK) games, and various video games. We also strolled to 7-11 at 3:45 in the morning for some late night/early morning snacks.

The Element Jr. High Group

The Jr. High group has been participating in small groups on our Thursday night meetings. We have divided the youth into three groups led by: **Fion, Kim, and Jerry**. They have enjoyed the closeness of the groups and being able to share. The guys also participated in the Guys' All-Nighter and everyone stayed awake

with watchful eyes in fear that if they fell asleep someone would mess with them. **Mark Reiley** gave the ultimate challenge that if he fell asleep we could shave his entire head of all its hair. (Unfortunately he stayed awake all night.)



30 Hour Famine

The 30 Hour Famine event last month was a huge success. We were able to raise over \$6300 for World Vision to help feed starving children. We had over 30 youth and mentors participate and go without food for 30 hours. We stayed overnight in the Fellowship Hall and spent a lot of time in discussions of poverty and world hunger. On Saturday we



collected food from the neighbors to give to Second Harvest Food Bank, and in the afternoon we made 100 bag lunches and handed them out to the homeless in St. James park in San Jose. Watch the video on the church website for more info.

Upcoming EVENTS

- April 7th** - Youth Sunday Practice
- April 8th** - Youth Sunday Practice
- April 11th** - Youth Sunday
- April 14th** - Reflect @ Second Harvest Food Bank

More events at www.scfbc.org/element & www.scfbc.org/reflect

Mexico Outreach 2010

Plans are already underway for our annual weeklong trip to Ensenada, Mexico. This year's trip will be from June 18th to June 26th. The cost of the trip will be \$400, but many fundraisers will be held leading up to the trip. Our next meetings will be held **April 9th** at 6PM, and **April 24th** at 10am. This trip is open to anyone completing 8th grade or higher, and adults are welcome as well.

A Special Thanks to Danielle and Eric

We are sad to see Danielle and Eric leave us as they are moving to Kentucky at the end of the month and getting married. We have all learned so much from them in the time that they have spent with us.



Committed With Danielle and Eric leaving, Liz will be taking over leading our Sunday morning group. We look forward to new and creative lessons by the Youth Staff on Sunday mornings at 9:00am in the Youth Room. **Youth Staff**

Danijela, Liz, Karena, Jasmine, Mary, Andrew, Fion, Amy, Kim, Jerry



Library Corner and Book Nook

Happy One Year Anniversary!! It has been one year this month since the SCFBC Library has been open and in full operation. Thank you to each one of you who have contributed books, CDs and DVDs to the Library. The Library Committee could not have succeeded in establishing the Library without you. Thank you for browsing the Book Nook and the Library and checking out materials that are helping you in your daily walk with the Lord.

LIBRARY COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS

If you have a passion for books, please join us at the next meeting of the Library Committee at 10:30am on Thursday, April 8. Please contact Jerri Cooper at 984-0908 if you have any questions or need a ride.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q: How can the library help me? I don't read much?

A: Check out the family DVDs and audio tapes. This section is growing each week for people who "don't read very much." Or your children can check out books and you can read to them.

Q: Where do I look to get answers for a real life crisis?

A: The Bible, of course, but also the Christian books in section 13 can help. They deal with daily Christian life issues. These books help us learn more about children, teenagers, marriage, relationships, and the trials of everyday living. Let these authors and their insights help you.

LIBRARY HOURS

The library can be visited any time during regular church office hours. Check with the office personnel and someone will unlock it for you. You can browse until 5:45pm Monday-Thursday and use the self-check to obtain books. Just remember to notify the office staff when you leave.

BOOK DONATIONS

In addition to donating Christian books for the SCFBC library, the library will take non-religious books, DVDs, and story CDs and use them as trade material to get credit for buying books, DVDs and CDs that we can use in the library. At anytime throughout the year, drop off good or slightly used books in the red bin at the Book Nook. Materials we cannot get trade credit for will be donated to a non-profit organization or given to the SCFBC Rummage Sale. Thank you to Pastor Rich and Susi Reaves and Peggy Shalloe for recent donations.

BOOK NOOK

Please check out the books in the BOOK NOOK each Sunday. Throughout the remainder of the Sanctuary renovation, it will be located at the end of the information counter in the Lobby. The books have been recently refreshed with Easter stories and books.

BOOK REVIEW

Building Your Mate's Self-Esteem (1988) in section 13 by Dennis and Barbara Rainey

This book motivates people to believe in their mate. You can begin learning the no-fault solution on how to build your mate's self-esteem. Read about the ten essential building blocks for strengthening your mate. There is practical advice so you can offer total acceptance, keep life manageable, deal with difficulties, define your purpose together and grow closer with God.

The Library Committee
Peggy Shalloe, Jerri Cooper, Bev Walz and Marlene Goldman

Women's Ministries

AB Women's Ministries S.H.A.R.E.S Report:

From our S.H.A.R.E.S account, ABW was able to donate \$242.00 to the Prison Chaplain at Elmwood Correctional Institute for Women for her work with the women at the prison. Currently, we have \$138.00 in our S.H.A.R.E.S account for the first two months of the year. In April we will receive a check from Lucky's for the first quarter of the year; that money will go to Second Harvest Food Bank. The money from the second quarter of 2010 (April through June) is planned for InnVision, an organization that serves the homeless in the Santa Clara Valley. Thank you all for using your S.H.A.R.E. cards.

Scholarship Luncheon:

A big thank you to all of you who supported ABW's Scholarship Luncheon. And a special thank you to the Quilt Ministry for the beautiful quilt that they donated for our raffle. After expenses, we earned \$473.50 which will go toward scholarships. It was one of our most financially successful scholarship luncheons ever.

Spring Tea:

Whether you enjoyed the Scholarship Luncheon or you missed it, be on the lookout for more information on our Spring Tea on Saturday, May 15th where we will be having an Antiques Road Show type of program with four appraisers assessing all types of antiques. We haven't forgotten the men either. We have an appraiser who specializes in tools, machines, watches, etc.. So check your garage, your attic and your cupboards and find what treasures you may have hidden away and bring them to the Spring Tea to learn more about the items and have them appraised by a professional. Because of the demand, there will be a limit of items each person can bring.

Stanford Outing:

ABW invites you to join a docent-led tour of The Cantor Museum and the Rodin Sculpture Gardens on Wednesday, April 21st at 11 AM. We will carpool from the SCFBC parking lot at 10 AM. The tour will be followed by lunch at the Cool Cafe. This event is open to everyone so please plan to come. For more information, call Jean Rund at 408-296-5805.

Spring Rummage Sale

Friday, April 16th, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Saturday, April 17th, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

This Rummage Sale will benefit the Youth Mexico Mission Team, the new storage building for Bethlehem, and the Women's (ABW) Mission Projects. We accept clean, usable items (no clothing please; good, clean shoes will be accepted) to benefit these special ministries. Please ask your friends and neighbors for donations, also. Tax receipts are given when requested.

Items can be brought to the Fellowship Hall before and after the Morning and Edge Worship Services on Sunday, April 11. Since the Fellowship Hall is being used a lot for other functions, we ask that, if possible, you not bring furniture or other large items until our setup/collection days on April 14 and 15, the Wednesday or Thursday before the sale, from 10:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. Many volunteers will be needed to help put things out on the tables, etc., and help run the sale.



The *SPEED*way Children's Ministry is committed to teaching children the amazing love of Jesus in a dynamic, child-friendly environment that is fun and safe. Our volunteers are dedicated to making sure that the time your child spends with us, are the best hours of their week. Come and explore our wonderful world!



Nursery Ministry (0-2 years)

Our Nursery ministry lovingly cares for the littlest ones in our church family. Babies and toddlers spend Sunday mornings in loving arms. Much more than just childcare, the Nursery ministry also provides an engaging lesson time for the toddlers, teaching them stories of God's love.



Preschool/Pre-K (3-5 years)



The Preschool/PreK children have their own special classroom, set up just for the needs of this precious age group. Our Preschool/Pre-K volunteers think this age is the best and treasure each Sunday with these children as they share exciting stories, yummy snacks, fun crafts, and plenty of hugs.



Elementary (Grades K-5)

Grades K-5 experience an entire Sunday morning of fun-filled activity. All lessons are interactive, bringing the Bible to life as kids are encouraged to explore and experience the stories. Also included is lots of wiggle time with great snacks, crazy games, and engaging crafts.





Mexico Mission Work Weekend in Ensenada Mexico!

Awana is a structured, Bible-based, international club for boys and girls where trained leaders guide children through age-appropriate material. Each club meeting is divided into the following three parts:

- **Game Time** (high energy and lots of fun)
- **Handbook Time** (focusing on memory and understanding of key Scripture passages)
- **Council Time** (lesson time and awards)

Our AWANA club meets on Sunday evenings from 5:15-6:45pm during our EDGE Worship service. We offer the following age-group classes:

Cubbies – Ages 3-5

Sparks – Grades K-2

Truth and Training – Grades 3-5

We are very proud of our Truth and Training team who won FIRST PLACE at the “Bay Area Bible Quiz Competition.” Not only did our team win first place for Book 3, one of our team members won awards for “Perfect Score” and “Highest Quizzer.” Way to go AWANA!

Costa Rica Mission Trip Information Meeting

Plans are now underway for SCFBC's 10th Annual Mission Trip to Costa Rica. We'll once again be partnering with New Hope Baptist Church on ministry projects impacting the community of Limon. If you're interested in learning more about this year's mission trip please plan to attend an information meeting in the Parlor on Sunday, April 11th at 4:30 p.m. where we'll discuss proposed trip dates, trip activities, costs, etc. If you can't make this meeting contact Lisa Robinson at 408-554-1728 or jlrobinson5@comcast.net to get more information.

If you are unable to join the team on the work weekend trip the end of April, there's another way you can demonstrate support of the Mission and Team by making donations.

Below is a list of items needed:

- Large serving bowls for salad, veggies, etc.
- Casserole and cake pans and cookie sheets
- Medium size cutting boards
- Lighters for lighting the oven
- Dish towels
- Pot scrubbers
- Large crockpot
- Hot pads
- Rags
- Queen size sheet sets - not white
- Extra Pillow case sets
- New bathroom rugs with rubber backs (orange or green or purple) - each bath needs 3 matching rugs

Always needed are cleaning supplies:

- Toilet bowl cleaner
- Windex
- Mr. Clean for baths
- Shower cleaners
- Bottles of liquid hand soap for baths and kitchen
- Bathroom air fresheners *
- Lemon Pledge furniture polish
- Clorox
- Liquid Tide
- Bounce
- Small wastebasket liners
- Tall kitchen trash liners

For more information contact Allyson Lageschulte at 408-241-2989 or cateringwhimsey@yahoo.com.

Renovation Update!

We have officially moved into the Sanctuary part of the remodel. After many long, passionate discussions we have decided to remove the paneling on the lower walls. We performed a lot of electrical work in those walls with additional outlets, dimmable wall sconces, fire alarm strobes, lighting control switches, and moving the thermostat to a more convenient location. Plus we insulated the walls to help more with sound blocking to the adjacent classrooms.



Adam Burdick and Nick Seely did a great job of demolishing and hanging the new drywall. Lloyd Darknell, Tim McLenagan, and Jerry Cintas ran all the electrical circuits and conduits for the wall. We hired a drywall guy to mud and sand the walls, and Tom Caldwell came in to do the final painting. The walls passed city inspections and the finished product looks great and has significantly brightened up the Sanctuary.

We had a problem with the double doors we ordered for the back of the Sanctuary but the correct ones should be arriving soon. We will also begin work on the new sound booth and placing a door where the glass window is at the back of the Sanctuary.



Your continued donations and pledges for this project are what is keeping this renovation going. We hope you have seen what a remarkable transformation has taken place already in the Lobby, Parlor, and restrooms. We plan to continue with the same quality of workmanship and design as we tackle the Sanctuary's interior. Keep those pledges and donations coming so we can fully complete the work of renovating the facilities God has given us.

Your Building Committee
Joe Lasher, Lloyd Darknell, Mike Depew, Jerry Cintas

Freed Up! lifeApps Class

Do you ever wish you could get a better handle on your finances? Do you seem to have more month at the end of your money? Investing six Sunday mornings and \$20 could help you discover answers for your financial concerns. Beginning April 18th at 9:00-10:15 AM each Sunday for six weeks, Pastor Rich and Susi will facilitate a lifeApps class called *Freed Up!* in the Parlor. If you are interested in attending this class, contact the church office (241-7635) by April 12th to sign-up and reserve your workbook. For more information, call Susi Reaves at 408-375-7294.