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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

January Birthdays

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| 1 st Bill Gregg | 18 th Raymond Frescas (Navy Reserves) |
| 8 th Michele DuBord | 20 th Les Hawkins |
| 8 th Sgt. Megan Caswell (Army) | 20 th Robert Gregoire |
| 9 th Martin Gregoire | 23 rd Geneva Ash |
| 11 th Michelle Lasher | 23 rd Jane Bush |
| 12 th Tina Bell | 24 th Kimberly Barnett |
| 13 th Amy Starnes Stotzer | 26 th Fion Chang |
| 13 th Christina Kinzie | 27 th Daena Yuksel |
| 14 th Jerilyn Wozniak | 28 th Andrew Jackson |
| 17 th Michael Barife | 29 th Jess Stephens |
| 18 th Jon Hammar | 30 th Dwight Whipple |

Anniversaries

- 17th Joe & Michelle Lasher
- 22nd Richard & Susi Reaves
- 23rd Larry & Fran Van Groningen

The Celebrate

Santa Clara First Baptist Church

January 2011

Youth Spaghetti Dinner - Jan. 29th - 6pm



Dinner tickets available in the church
Lobby at the Information Table

SCFBC Student Ministries

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

- 1 - **Happy New Year's Day**
- 2 - No AWANA
- 2 - 6pm 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service
- 5 - 10am White Cross - at Virginia N 266-1734
- 6 - 10am Prayer Quilt Ministry - Room 19/20
Rhonda 246-2242
- 7-9 - Leadership Retreat at Redwood Glen
- 8 - 8:30am Men's Breakfast - FH - Adam 230-6848
- 8 - 9am Bethlehem Workday - Jerry 615-1690
- 8 - January Diaconate Meeting at Redwood Glen
- 9 - 12Noon - Life Group Leaders Mtg - Room 19
- 9 - 2pm XFactor "The Awakening" - Mission City
Coffee House - Jonathan 813-2505
- 11 - 1:00pm - Bethell Circle - Barbara C. 739-2935
- 12 - 12:30pm - Baits/Turley Circle - Parlor
- 14 - 10am ABW Coastal Valley Board Mtg - Parlor
- 16 - 9am - Back to Basics #1 - Room 19/20
- 16 - 12noon - Mission Team Mtg - Lib - Jim Garvey
- 16 - 12noon - *SPEEDway* Staff Mtg - FH
- 17 - **Martin Luther King Holiday - Office Closed**
- 17 - 7:00pm—Apprentice Class II begins - Parlor
- 17 - 7:30pm - Finance Committee Meeting - Library
- 19 - 2pm Game Day - Lobby - Barbara C. 739-2935
- 19 - 6pm - CityTeam Outreach - Jonathan 813-2505
- 22 - **6pm - Bethlehem Banquet - Fellowship Hall**
- 23 - 9am - Back to Basics #2 - Room 19/20
- 25 - *February Celebrate Articles Deadline*
- 27 - 11:45am - SR/BD Lunch Bunch -
Betty 244-5949
- 29 - 4pm "Desperate Voices" Piano Concert -
Sanctuary
- 29 - **6pm - 4th Annual Youth Spaghetti Dinner -
Fellowship Hall**
- 30 - 9am - Back to Basics #3 - Room 19/
- 31 - *Diaconate Annual Reports due to Dave*

Up-coming events

FEBRUARY

- 2 - 10am - White Cross - Lobby - Virginia 266-1734
- 4-6 - Element - Jr. Hi Winter Retreat - Erik 241-7635
- 5 - 8:30am - February Diaconate Meeting - Library
- 5 - 10am - Prayer Quilt Ministry - Rm 19 - Rhonda
- 6 - 9am - Back to Basics #4 - Room 19/20
- 6 - 12noon - Life Group Leaders Mtg - Room 19/20
- 6 - **6pm - 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service**
- 8 - 1pm - Bethell Circle - Parlor

- 9 - 12:30pm - Baits/Turley Circle - Gladys 243-6828
- 9 - **Diaconate Annual Reports Deadline**
- 10 - 10am - Prayer Quilt Ministry - Room 19/20
- 12 - 8:30am - Men's Breakfast - FH - Adam
230-6828
- 12 - 5-10pm Date night for Parents - FH -
Pastor Jenny
- 13 - 12Noon - Quarterly Family Gathering w/Lunch
- 16 - 2pm - Game Day - Lobby - Barbara C. 739-2935
- 16 - 6pm - CityTeam Outreach - Jonathan 813-2505
- 17 - 11:45am - SR/BD Lunch Bunch -
Betty 244-5949
- 20 - No AWANA
- 21 - **Presidents Day Holiday - Office Closed**
- 21 - 7:30pm - Finance Meeting - Library
- 22 - *March Celebrate Articles Deadline*
- 25-27 - Reflect HS Winter Retreat - Erik 241-7635

MARCH

- Mission Emphasis: America for Christ Offering**
- 2 - 10am - White Cross - Lobby - Virginia 266-1734
- 4 - World Day of Prayer
- 5 - ABW Spring Meeting - Selma FBC - Barbara C.
- 5 - 8:30am March Diaconate Meeting - Library
- 5 - 10am Prayer Quilt Ministry - Room 19 - Rhonda
- 6 - 12noon - Life Group Leaders Mtg - Room 19/20
- 6 - 6pm 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service
- 8 - 1:00pm Bethell Circle - Vera M. - 246-4497
- 9 - 12:30pm Baits/Turley Circle - Parlor
- 10 - 10am Prayer Quilt Ministry - Rm 19 - Rhonda
- 13 - 12noon - *SPEEDway* Staff Mtg - FH
- 16 - 2pm Game Day - Lobby - Barbara C. 739-2935
- 16 - 6pm - CityTeam Outreach - Jonathan 813-2505
- 17 - 11:45am SR/BD Lunch Bunch - Betty 244-5949
- 18-20 - Men's Retreat - Adam 230-6848
- 19 - 12noon ABW Scholarship Lunch - FH-
Barbara C. 739-2935
- 21 - 7:30pm Finance Mtg - Lib - Steve E. 243-7255
- 27 - AWANA Store #2

Only \$175! Snow Camp is Coming!



What's the best part about winter camps at Hume Lake? WINTER!

First of all, there's snow. Lots of snow. If it doesn't fall, then we make it! With seven snowblowers our tube-run and snowboard hill is always ready to go, and our groomer helps us shape the snow into jumps, turns and wicked-fast straightaways! Second, there's an ice-rink on which we play the best winter-game every invented: Broom Hockey! You can also rent skates and practice your triple lutz. Don't forget about The Screamer, the O.K. Chalet, El Diablo (our mechanical bull), and Hume'N'Beans—the best coffee shop for miles! Seriously, if you haven't seen Hume Lake during the winter you're missing out! Just think giant trees covered in snow and you'll start to get the picture. All our winter camps include solid biblical teaching and dynamic musical worship.

Junior High: Feb. 4-6

High School: 25-27

Need some help paying for camp?



Come help out with our annual spaghetti dinner fundraiser! The dinner is January 29th and all the proceeds go to helping you get to camp. If you want more details on this awesome opportunity, talk to Erik or Andrew!

Check out our website for more information on what we are up to!

www.scfbc.org

Library Corner and Book Nook

Library hours

Monday - Thursday 8:30am - 5:30pm during regular office hours. Ask the Office Personnel if they will unlock the Library for you and secure it when you are done.

Book Nook

Please check out the Book Nook in the Sanctuary Lobby. The books and DVDs are refreshed with current sermon themes and Life Class topics. Thank you for returning borrowed books and movies in a timely manner to the Library or to the red bin in the lobby.

Jerri's Reviews

I really wanted to review a C.S. Lewis book or two this month; the only problem is I haven't read any lately. Recently he has come into my radar as an author I really would benefit from reading. Within the last few months we have added additional titles of his collection to the Library. Are you aware that even though he passed away November 22, 1963, his books have never been out-of-print and are still being published? We also have three C.S. Lewis DVDs: one is *The Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe* from The Chronicles of Narnia series, a great family film. Not being a fantasy aficionado, I must say it was much easier for me to understand after I learned he used childhood fantasy to depict Christian values. The second one is new documentary called *The Life and Love of C.S. Lewis*, and the third one is *Shadowlands* about his friendship with his wife, Joy. I really should have gotten myself into Sue Nguyen's *Mere Christianity* class so I understood his writing better. I think this year I'll start reading the *Narnia* books and get over my fantasy block... I liked the movie. Oops, did I say that?

If you have a favorite book or author you've read or would like to recommend from the library, please send me (jerri123@aol.com or jerri@scfbc.org) your reviews to be shared in future editions right here on this page.

Thank you

Thank you to Adam and Shari Burdick, Gladys McFarland and others who have recently donated books and DVDs for use in the Library. It is donations like these that keep our Library resources fresh and useful. If you have a few hours to help with Library projects, it would be greatly appreciated. There are always on-going projects of processing the materials into the Library, data entry for the list of books available, shelving the books and of course, last but not least just like home, dusting the stacks. Please contact Jerri Cooper at 984-0908 or email her at Jerri123@aol.com or jerri@scfbc.org if you feel lead to assist with this Ministry.

Library Mission Outreach for Ensenada, Mexico

Thank you for your continued prayers for the start-up of the Ensenada Orphanage School at the Ranch. The plans were for a January start-up and as of this printing we had not heard if that happened or not. Lord willing, our May Mission work team will be able to take more Preschool and First Grade Spanish and English books, more paper and craft and school supplies for the participants of the school. Please pray for the school's outreach to those who need it and that education will bless the students and their community.

How can the Library help you better?

The Library Committee

Bev Waltz, Marlene Goldman, Jerri Cooper, Barbara McLenegan and Shannon McMaken



Highlights and Happenings

Pastor Jennifer Hammar
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Our classes closed out the 2010 year with great lessons and celebrations. All ages enjoyed learning about the birth of Jesus and celebrating Christmas with their own parties. Many of our families were also involved in Bethlehem. We saw many of our children helping in the marketplace, serving hot chocolate, greeting the arriving guests, watching over the sheep, joining with the Wisemen entourage, and on the main stable stage as well. Great job kids!

Now that 2011 is here, our classes are looking forward to their new lesson themes. Our **Preschool Class** will be launching into a series called "Stories by the Sea." They'll be learning about Jesus calling his disciples, Jesus walking on water, Jesus calming the storm, and Peter's miraculous fish catch. The **Kindergarten/1st Grade Sunday School Class** led by Bill Wright and Pat Graham are heading into a lesson series about the boy Jesus. They'll talk about Jesus as a child, and how he found helpers to work with him when he grew up. The **Elementary Sunday School Class** for Grades 2-5 will be starting a new series called "Mission Unstoppable." They'll be learning about the amazing mission Jesus calls us to—SHARING HIS LOVE WITH THE WORLD. In **Kids' Worship** for Grades K-5 during the Worship Hour, the children will be starting a series called, "Bible User Manual." They'll learn how to use the Bible, how to read it, how the Bible was put together and why reading the Bible is so important.

Below are some pictures from the Preschool and Elementary Christmas celebrations. Enjoy!





Sundays, 4:00-5:30pm

AWANA is resuming January 9th. The new year is a great time to join AWANA. New clubbers are always welcome so come and check it out. If you're not yet a part of AWANA, here are some reasons to try the AWANA experience:

“Just Right” Classes

AWANA has age-group classes that are “just right” for meeting the spiritual and relational needs of the children. **Cubbies** (ages 3-5), **Sparks** (Grades K-2), and **Truth & Training** (Grades 3-6) have lessons, games, and handbooks designed just for them.

Spiritual Growth

AWANA gives each child the opportunity to grow spiritually, moving forward at their own pace. As kids work through their handbooks with their leaders they take ownership of their faith, having the opportunity to ask questions and explore what they believe.

AWANA is Fun!

It's not all about work. An important part of AWANA meetings is Game Time. The children look forward to the high-energy AWANA games. These games encourage teamwork, hard work, and reinforce the importance of physical exercise.

Building Foundations

AWANA emphasizes Scripture memory. This not only teaches the children important passages and lessons of Scripture, it plants the Word of God in the hearts and minds of children, giving them important tools to use as they grow up. The Scriptures the children learn now will be tools for making Godly choices in the future.

We hope your family will come and join the AWANA adventure! For more information, contact Commander Jon Hammar at (408) 981-6962 or visit the website at www.scfbc.org/AWANA.



Prayer Requests & Praise Reports

Prayer Requests for...

- **Marlene Goldman** for comfort, peace and complete healing of her broken wrists.
- **Jim and Sylvia Wilson** as they deal with Jim's recurring cancer and treatment options. Pray for Jim's physical strength, appetite and emotional well being.
- **Virginia Newcomb** as she heals and gains strength at home.
- **Betty Downing** for healing from facial fractures and deep bruising.
- **Bert Wendel** under care in Mountain View and peace for Evelyn.
- **Rod**, the son of Mike & Doris Smith, for healing of his eye sight.
- Those currently having treatment for cancer: **Dottie Haas, Jean Rund** and Tina Mulford's nieces, **Carolyn & Llana**.
- Total healing of **Holly Franco**, Helen Hawkins' granddaughter.

Praise Reports...

- **Adam Burdick's** knee has healed so that he was able to return to work on January 3rd!
- **Jim and Lois Lovelace** are now relocated into assisted living at Pacific Gardens in Santa Clara.
- **Bethlehem storage building donations** continue to be given.

Renovation Prayer Requests

- That we will each seek to answer the question, “**What does Jesus want me to do** for the renovation?”
- That **SCFBC will be a united and stronger church** through this experience and that **our hearts will also be renovated**.

Memories of Bethlehem



Desperate Voices Music Concert

Modern day slavery is real. The reality is that children as young as 9 years old are trafficked into prostitution. Many are beaten, starved and forced to work 16 hour days without pay. If any plan of escape is executed, the consequence is torture. Slavery can happen to anyone, anywhere. Today, there are slaves on almost every continent of the world including the United States. This insanity is so intricately woven into our products, it is hard not to buy, eat or drive the blood sweat and tears of an innocent victim.



Free the Slaves is a non profit organization whose mission is to **end** slavery by working with grassroots organizations. Free the Slaves uses a sustainable approach and works closely with local governments to produce effective anti-slavery laws, then hold these leaders accountable. In addition to freeing them, Free the Slaves helps former slaves stay free by providing food, shelter and safety.

This is not a hopeless situation and something can be done. Please join Daena Yuksel in a concert for Free the Slaves. Let's raise our voices together to fight this injustice and speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves.

Saturday, January 29
Santa Clara First Baptist Church
4:00pm.

ABW News

Our January ABW outing will be to the Quilt Museum on Wednesday, January 26th. We will meet at 10:00am in the church parking lot. Quest passes are available for all who attend. The lunch location will be announced later. Call Gladys McFarland at 408-243-6828 to make reservations.

S.H.A.R.E.S. REPORT

Since more money is needed for the Bethlehem storage facility, the money from the first quarter of the year, January through March, will be going to that project. Thank you all for your support by using those S.H.A.R.E.S. cards!

Men's Ministry Outreach

Our men's ministry participated in an outreach to Sunnyvale Community Services Christmas center on December 14th along with our sister church, Crosswalk Community. The 2 church groups brought together a crew of 25 men that lit the center up with God's power to get things done. We did so much work and got so much done that SCS wants us to take a shift at the first workday for 2011. The date for that outreach is Thursday, January 20th from 5:30-7:30PM. We'll need a crew of at least 15 men.

If you have any questions or are ready to volunteer, please call Adam Burdick at 408-230-6848.

Mission to Schools & Students

"Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world." James 1:27

We are here to serve. As a church committed to serving our community, we have felt the Spirit prompting us to reach out to our local families through the educational system. Simply put—we want to help schools. There are many ways this can be done, as the needs are many. Our team has been researching how others have taken on this task of helping local schools, hoping to learn how we can be most effective.

In the meantime, we have decided to join up with one of our own church family members who has started up an after-school reading program for the children in her second grade class. Kimberly Barnett is a 2nd grade teacher at Scott Lane Elementary. She has begun a program called SOAR, which focuses on the skills children need in order to read. The SOAR program runs after school for an hour on Monday-Thursday in Kim's classroom. The children move in groups to different reading stations in the room. Volunteers are needed to work with the children at the reading stations. Thank you to those who have already signed up to help. Our volunteers will start working in the classroom this month!

We still have room for more volunteers. Here are the hours to chose from:
Monday—2:30-3:30pm
Tuesday—2:30-3:30pm
Wednesday—1:30-2:30pm
Thursday—2:30-3:30pm

If you can help once a week, your presence would be a great gift to both Kim and the children. By helping these children learn to read, we are opening doors for them that would otherwise be closed. If you are interested in volunteering, please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby, or contact Kimberly Barnett at kbarnett124@gmail.com.

SPEEDway Volunteer Opportunities

In order to be as effective as possible in our ministry to children, we need your help. The SPEEDway Children's Ministry is looking for volunteers who have a heart for children to come and join our team. Below you will find our most pressing needs. Please read through them, and prayerfully consider joining us as we make a difference in the lives of these kids and their families. For more information, or to volunteer, please contact Pastor Jennifer Hammar at 241-7635 or jennifer@scfbc.org.

Nursery (Ages 0-2)

If you have a pair of open, loving arms—our Nursery needs you! During the worship hour, our toddlers enjoy a special lesson just for them. During this time, we need some loving arms to hold and snuggle the babies so the teachers are free to work with the toddlers. Volunteers serve during the Worship Hour on a rotating basis.

Preschool Class (Ages 3-5)

We are looking for volunteers to teach our Preschool Class during the worship hour on rotation. If you love preschool-age kids and can serve once a month, please let us know! Fun curriculum, great helpers and adorable children are all provided!

Registration Team

Our registration team has the important job of giving a warm welcome to new and returning families, while also helping to ensure the safety of our children during check-in and check-out times. Registration Team members serve on a rotational basis.

Property Corner

Volunteers: The Property Department is very grateful to everyone who gives of their time and talents that often go unnoticed. All that our volunteers do is very much appreciated for helping to keep our expenses to a minimum. Thank You Very Much!

Bethlehem Storage Building: A new concrete driveway and walkway was installed this past month and looks beautiful! The Property Department would like to thank Frank Fox for coordinating the help to complete this project.

The next planned work items include the following: Roofing Materials Installed, Tyvek Building Wrap, Door Trim, Stucco, Rough Electrical, two Exterior Roll Up Doors, Exterior Man Door, Final Electrical, Roof Gutters and Down Spouts, Paint and Electrical Final Inspection, Building Final Inspection. We will all enjoy this new building for storage of our Bethlehem sets, props, and supplies.

I would like to extend a great big “THANKS” to everyone who has either given a donation or volunteered their time to help complete this project.

New Garden Area: We are currently looking at the area where the current Bethlehem Stable is located for the new garden location.

Fellowship Hall: The exhaust fan motor for our kitchen stove was fixed by Adam Burdick and Mike Depew when they installed a new belt . A new timer-switch will be installed to help control the on/off functions for the fan instead of having to go to the breaker box.

Ed Wing Doors: We are looking into installing automatic door closures to help prevent the exterior doors from accidentally closing when the days are very windy.

Reminder: Please make sure that when you leave a building, classroom, etc. that all the doors are locked, windows closed, all lights and air/heat turned off. Thanks for helping keep our utility expenses to a minimum.

General: Please contact Dave Wilson or me should you see something that needs to be fixed or is in need of repair!

Renovation Report: For more information, please read the article from Jerry Cintas.

Church Work Days: Please keep your eyes open for the upcoming announcements about All-Church Work Days!

Property Deacon News: As this is my last year at this position as property deacon, I would be more than happy to talk with anyone who is interested in serving in this ministry in the future. If you enjoy working with people and have a gift/passion for fixing things.... please contact me about becoming the next property deacon.

Happy New Year, Everyone :o) !

Your Brother In Christ,
Mike Depew
Property Deacon

Renovation Update!

A lot of stuff has been happening in December. We finally found a new home for our church organ. William Lue of Concord came and picked up the organ and will be installing it at the Myanmar Preacher Training Seminary. He loved the sound and condition of the organ and thought it would be the perfect size for their chapel.



We also had the sound system installers come and install phase 1 of the sound system upgrade. They flew the new speakers from our ceiling and installed the new amplifiers in the choir room. Lloyd Darknell and Jerry Cintas spent a lot of time preparing for this phase by having the speaker hanging mounts manufactured and installed and by installing the conduits and power for the new amplifiers. We had our inaugural sound test at the Christmas Eve service and it sounds much clearer and has more even disbursement of sound over the congregation. Phase 2 will be to install the new sound board, monitors, and sub-woofers under the new stage.

Another big change for the sanctuary has been the installation of our new lighting dimmer packs and keypads. The new dimmer packs allow us to control all of the sanctuary lighting from the sound booth lighting console and keypads. This includes being able to fade the new pendants that were installed in November and the new down spots on the rear wall of the sanctuary. But the biggest improvement that we are excited about is the addition of three new keypads on the walls near each of the entrances to the sanctuary. These keypads allow anyone using the sanctuary to easily turn on and off the sanctuary lights instead of walking through the dark and turning them on in the sound booth. There are three switches and an off button that allow different levels of lights to be turned on. You can turn all the lights on with button 1, just the pendants with button 2, or just the old fluorescent lights with button 3. Button 3 uses the least amount of power and is useful if you need to walk through the sanctuary.



Lighting Control Panel

Adam Burdick is back on the job as of January 3rd following his recovery from a knee injury. He will be completing the work in the back of the sanctuary on the acoustic panels and finishing the work in the choir room for the wheel chair lift. After that we will start work on the right side of the stage with the erecting of the new screen wall. We will continue services on the left side of the stage during construction, so please pardon our mess for a couple of months.

Your Building Committee

Lloyd Darknell, Jerry Cintas, Joe Lasher, Mike Depew