

The Celebrate!

June 2013



Children's Sunday - June 2nd 10:30am

Summer Spectacular Kick-off - June 9th

Graduation Sunday - June 9th at 10:30am

Kick-Off BBQ - June 9th at 12pm

Father's Day June 16th

led by the Men's Ministry

Moving Forward



We have just finished the message series: ***High Stakes Faith***. Its premise:

What you believe really matters. What you believe about the final destination of all of humanity couldn't be more important to us and our loved ones. Our eternal destiny literally hangs in the balance.

Each of the five messages dealt with a critical belief that Christ's disciples must live by if they are to be effective in God's Kingdom. They were:

- *Because of God's righteous judgment of evil, we are all headed for eternal condemnation.*
- *Salvation is found through Christ alone.*
- *Disciples of Jesus move past roadblocks to sharing the gospel out of a love for those far from God.*
- *Effective evangelism is personal, relational, and incarnational.*
- *Effective evangelism draws upon the extended resources of the local church.*

This past Sunday I asked for you to turn in the names of those people God has put on your heart to influence towards salvation and eternal life. It was a great joy to watch over 50 of you do so. I know more names will be turned in upcoming weeks by those who were absent from worship on May 19th.

Our church leader team (staff and deacons) will be praying for you. We'll be praying for the Spirit to give you a growing love for those estranged from God, a growing courage to reach out to them, and growing discernment as you interact with those on your list. This must be a Spirit-inspired work if it's to be of eternal value. As the Spirit guides and empowers us, people will decide to leave the darkness and walk into the light of Christ's marvelous love.

The Lord's blessings to you,
Pastor Rich



Highlights from the *SPEEDway*



CHILDREN'S SUNDAY

June 2nd is Children's Sunday!

This year's theme is "Joyful Noise!" The kids will lead us in worship through music, dance, video and testimonies. The kids have been working hard, and are excited to share their gifts and talents with you. We will also take time to honor our wonderful *SPEEDway* volunteers.

This is a great chance to invite friends to come and help us celebrate the children.

Don't forget your video cameras!

SUMMER SPECTACULAR 2013

The summer children's program runs June-August, from 9am-11:45am. Preschoolers through Grade 5 will spend the summer learning about God's love through energetic lessons, yummy snacks, creative crafts, and extra-fun games.



This year's summer theme is: By Sea, By Land, By Air!

June is our water theme, so we'll be doing water games all month. Children should bring a swimsuit, towel and sunscreen every week in June. In July the kids will make their own cars to race. August is all about things that fly!

The fun kicks off on June 9th, and will be followed by our Kick-Off Summer BBQ.

This is a perfect time to invite your friends to come and be a part of something special. Grab a brochure at the Info Table in the Lobby or in the Fellowship Hall and spread the word.



Youth News

Reflect High School Group

In May, we joined with the church wide emphasis on evangelism. We have been learning about the realities of hell, how we should have a heart for those that don't believe, how Jesus is the only way, and how without prayer, we don't have the power to do this work.

We joined with the Jr. High group at Planet Wisdom, where **Amber Harrell** and **Emily Ramer** re-dedicated their lives to Christ. It is awesome to see the hearts of our students grow closer to Christ through these events. We also joined with Element on the annual hike. This time we went to Uvas Canyon and hiked the trail where we saw the beauty of God expressed in four waterfalls. After the hike, we shared a picnic lunch, had a lesson by Jerry, and **Camille Cintas** led us in worship.



The Element Jr. High Group

The Jr High group has been following along on the High Stakes series with the rest of the church. We have been talking about sharing our faith and identifying friends that we can talk to about Jesus.

In only a couple of weeks we will be sending eight of our Eighth Graders up to the High School group for their summer program and will miss them greatly.

We also had a great time at Planet Wisdom where eight of our Jr Highers re-dedicated their lives and Mountain Thrash where **Michael Lautner** immersed himself in the freezing water at Basin Falls.



Committed

Our Sunday morning group which meets at 9:15am in the youth room began a series called **BE**. We are learning how to be thankful, be forgiving, be compassionate, be loving, be trusting, be prayerful, be bold, and be changed. This group is for Jr High and High School students, before the 10:30 worship service.

Upcoming EVENTS

May 31st - Mexico Outreach Meeting #3 6 - 9PM
June 1st - Mexico Outreach Bowl-a-thon 10AM - 1PM
June 4th - Chili's Fundraiser 4PM - 9PM
June 5th - Reflect Study Night
June 9th - Church Picnic 12PM
June 12th - Reflect Pool Party at Casa de Cintas 6PM
June 13th - Element Pool Party at Casa de Cintas 6PM
June 21st - 28th - Mexico Outreach
More Events at scfbc.org/element & scfbc.org/reflect



Upcoming Outreach Events

June 1 – **Redwood Glen Workday** (*volunteers needed, see Jerry Cintas*)

June 9 – **Church Barbecue** (*bring a dish to share, friends, umbrella, lawn chairs and blankets*)

June 21 - 28 – **Mexico VBS Youth Mission Trip** (*pray for their safety and effectiveness in sharing the Gospel*)

June 28 - 29 – **Silicon Valley BBQ** (*volunteers and bottled water needed, see Shannon McMaken, Jerry Cintas or Jim Garvey*)

Thanks to everyone who helped bag food at Sunnyvale Community Services on May 16th and served at the Scott Lane Carnival on May 24th.

Donations needed:

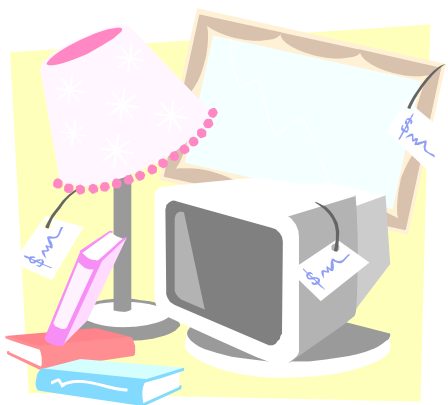
- Legos
- Bottled Water

Volunteers needed:

- Redwood Glen Workday
- Silicon Valley BBQ

Jim Garvey, Missions Deacon (408-250-4040, garveyjim@sbcglobal.net)

Spring Rummage Sale Results



Thank you to all who helped make our Spring rummage sale a success. Along with our usual faithful volunteers, eight youth who plan to go on the Mexico Mission Trip in June also worked and earned funds to help pay their way. Your donations that sold added up to \$2150.00 and will be divided as follows: Mexico Youth Mission Fund, \$1435.00; Mexico House Building Fund, \$500.00; American Baptist Women's Mission Fund, \$215.00. Volunteers helped pack up the unsold items to donate to the Salvation Army which will help other needy people.

Thanks again to all who brought donations and helped. Start saving items for our next sale which will take place in October to benefit Bethlehem.

Maxine Darknell, Coordinator

Book Nook and Library Corner

Check out one of the following great DVD's in the Book Nook for a movie night:

The Radicals - Early history about breaking away from baby baptisms, and the beginning of the Anabaptists

Redemption Ride (2011) - a moving story about forgiveness

Last Ounce of Courage (2012) - a story of family faith and freedom. It's time to take a stand.

Reggie's Prayer - A powerful family film of faith and love - an inspirational testament.



Book Nook - The books and DVD's displayed this month coordinate with the sermon series with the emphasis on evangelism.

Returning library materials - Thank you for returning materials in a timely manner to the red box in the Lobby so that others can enjoy the books and movies, too!

If you are interested in helping out in the Library Ministry, please let Jenny Gregg know at jgregg@scfbc.org. There are many on-going projects that could use your talents.

Just a reminder - If you want to see what the Global Leadership is like, scheduled for August 2013, you can check out prior years DVD's of the talks from the Book Nook. There is always something to learn from the Leadership Summit.



If you have suggestions for library materials, please write it on the back of the Connection Card found in the sanctuary chair backs. Please enjoy the Library materials and the freedom to enjoy them. Happy reading and viewing from the Library Committee!

Moving Forward

When new people come to our church we hope and pray they will become a part of our congregation that they will attend regularly, participate in the fellowship and ministries of our church and become Disciples of Jesus Christ. This is called "assimilation". We have not done a good job of assimilating people into our church over the years. One of the Prescriptions we adopted last year calls for an assimilation system to be in place by April. (We're only a little behind schedule.) Pastor Richard and Denise Stephens, as deacon of membership, have been working on this; the deacons will be discussing it at their June meeting.

Another one of the prescriptions the deacons are working on is writing a new set of Bylaws, which will replace the constitution we now have. The committee now has a draft which will be presented to the deacons for their input. Several meetings will be held later in the year at which time anyone who is interested can discuss the document and make suggestions. Copies will be distributed in advance. We plan to have the document in place by January 2014. If you have any questions please call me at (408) 739-2935 or email me at bchicks55@comcast.net.

Barbara Chicks, Diaconate Chairman

Property Corner

Wow, summer is already here! School is wrapping up, graduations are already happening, vacations being planned and warm days are ahead.

The Property Department will be busy in the coming months with Project Planning & Pre-Construction Analysis as well as with our second **All-Church Work Day that will be held on July 20th from 9am to 3pm**. Please mark your calendars now and plan on participating in this workday to help with various small projects around our church.

Your help is greatly appreciated.



Recycling Containers

I would like to thank *Peggy Shalloe* for her suggestion of installing recycling containers around our property. New containers can be found in the Parlor, Rooms 19/20 and also in the Fellowship Hall.

Security

This past month someone removed the locks/chain on both the dumpster and alleyway, which were promptly replaced. I would also like to report that our new security cameras helped prevent a potential incident around the Bethlehem Building this past month. If you are on site, please be aware of any suspicious activity on our campus. If you see anything “out of the ordinary”, please contact the Dave Wilson in the church office and me.



General Repairs

We will be looking into changing/upgrading the thermostat in the Fellowship hall to further conserve energy consumption.

Thank You

I would like to thank *Jess Stephens* for his assistance in helping get the sprinklers working in front of the Fellowship Hall. I would also like to thank all the other volunteers who help keep our facilities and campus in good condition.

If you see something that is broken or not working properly, please let Dave Wilson and me know so we can schedule the repair work promptly. Thank you!

Michael Depew, Property Deacon
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Sunnyvale Community Services Outreach Project

Santa Clara First Baptist Church would like to give a big Thank You to those families that helped with our outreach project on May 16 at the Sunnyvale Community Services Center. These workers were there for two hours sorting and preparing 600 bags of food that will be handed out to the families in need and elderly living in the Sunnyvale area. A very special Thank You goes to Adam Burdick for his continued desire to help serve others and for organizing this wonderful project.

Participating families:

Adam and Shari Burdick

John and Karen Pusateri

Greg and Christine Robbins + Grace, Nathan and Sammy

David Lageschulte and his father John Lageschulte

Michelle and Emily Ramer and Emily's friend Alicia

Trudy Kroll

Peggy Shalloe

Barb and Chris McLenegan

Helena Evora

Chris Lutke

Shannon McMaken

Craig Johnson and son Brandon

Jim Powell

Gary and Karen Dong

Stacie and Athena Lieu

Jim Garvey

Jerri Cooper

Dwight Whipple

Mike Depew

Harvey Fong

Lynne Martin

Lisa Schauble

Sharon, Carman and Camille Cintas



Finance Department

Things are looking fiscally positive for SCFBC. As of April 30th, compared to last year, giving is up more than 16%! We are extremely blessed that our members have given so generously and consistently. Increased giving may be due either to the challenge made earlier this year by Pastor Rich to increase giving by 20% or because weekly attendance has been on the rise; most likely a combination of both.

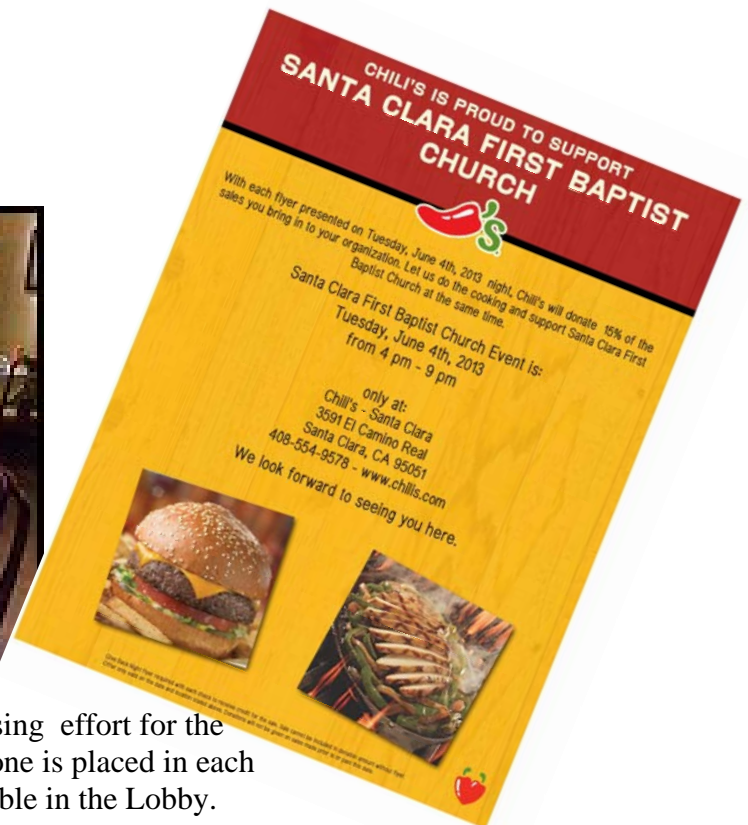
Recognizing this increase is important, but it is equally important to not become complacent in our giving habits. Never consider your tithes and offerings to be insignificant. It is the collective sum of our giving that affects and maintains the finances of SCFBC.

I must apologize to those who attended the quarterly meeting, because at that time I incorrectly reported that the year-to-date net income was nearly \$24,000.00. I broke a basic rule in accounting: "Never report without review". Unfortunately, this number was based upon the financial reports that had not yet been reviewed by the Finance Committee. Upon review, it was determined that the actual year-to-date net income is approximately \$3,900.00. (An error was made in the original financial statements which failed to include total payroll expenses for the month of April.)

This does not mean that \$20,000.00 disappeared from our accounts. Instead, it means that a complete comparison of income to expenses was not calculated. Rest assured, being in a positive income condition, by any amount, at this time of year should be looked upon as moving in the right financial direction. The Finance Committee will continue its responsibility to monitor the finances of SCFBC.

Steve Erling

Youth Fundraiser



Come out and support the youth in their fundraising effort for the Mexico trip this summer. Be sure to get a flyer, one is placed in each bulletin and more available at the information table in the Lobby.

Grads & Promotions Class of 2012 - 2013

High School Grads



**Hannah Fraser
Ashley Harrell
Alaina Hawkins
Ashley Major
Savanna McGillivary
Michael Rawson**

High School Promotions



**Donya Bishop
Jeeyoun Moon
Raven Smith
Matty Hesemans
Sara Lasher
Michelle Pengressi
Kevin Prather
Tony Rangel**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

June

Mission Emphasis: One Great Hour of Sharing

- 1 – Annual Redwood Glen Work Day
- 1- 10:00am Prayer Quilt Ministry Team
- 1 – 7:00pm Newcomers Dessert Social
- 2 – **Children's Sunday - AM Service**
- 2 – 6:00pm 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service
- 4 – 4pm - 9pm Chili's Mexico Trip Fundraiser
- 5 – 10:00am White Cross Team
- 6 – 10:00am Prayer Quilt Ministry Team
- 8 – 12noon Men's Grill
- 9 – **Graduation Sunday**
- 9 – 12:00pm All Church Picnic on site
- 12– 11:00am ABW Officer Installation & Potluck
- 16– **Father's Day Service**
- 19 – 6:00pm CityTeam Outreach
- 21-28 – Youth Mexico Mission Trip
- 22-9-11:30am Intro to SCFBC
- 27 - 11:30am SR/BD Lunch Bunch
- 28-29 –BBQ Championships Outreach
- 29– Redwood Glen Open House

July

Mission Emphasis: Scott Lane School Supply

- 3 - 10:00am White Cross Team
- 4 – **Independence Day Holiday – Office closed**
- 6 - 10:00am Prayer Quilt Ministry Team
- 7 – **Youth Sunday - AM Service**
- 7 - 6:00pm 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service
- 9 – 1:00pm – Bethell Circle
- 10 –12:00pm Baits/Turley Circle Potluck
- 11 - 10:00am Prayer Quilt Ministry Team
- 13 – 12noon Men's Grill
- 17 - 6:00pm CityTeam Outreach
- 20 - 9:30am All Church Work Day
- 25 - 11:30am Senior Birthday Lunch Bunch
- 25-28 - Reflect Summer Retreat
- 26-29 – Men's Camping Retreat

Save the dates

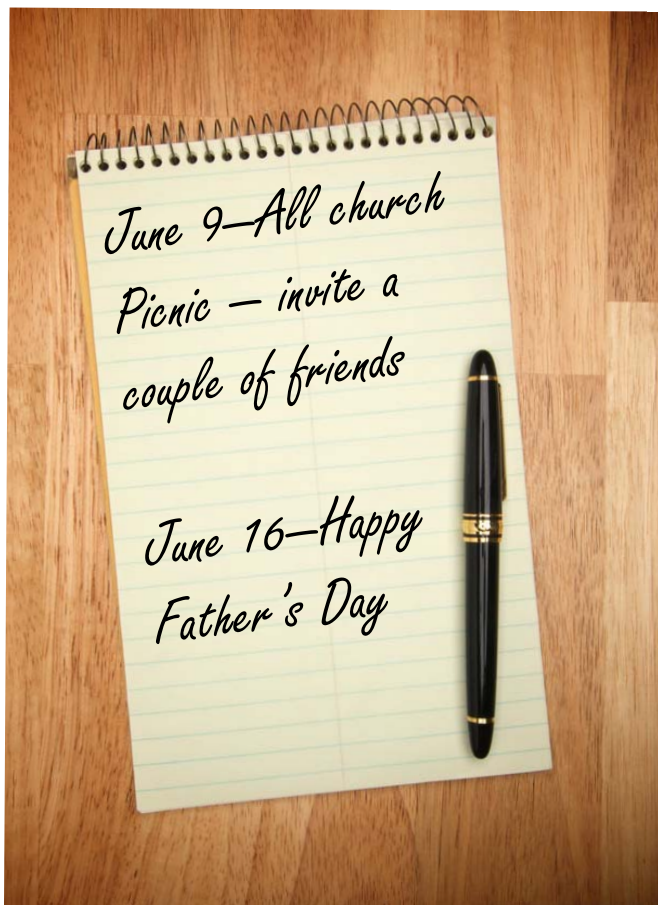
August

- 8-9 - Global Leadership Summit Telecast
- 24 – Newcomers Social – Pastor's Home
- 25– 10:30–3:00pm Worship in the Park

September

- 15 - Fall Trimester begins
- 21—Mexico House Build
- 22—Quarterly Family Gathering
- 27-29 Mexico House Build Delivery

Regular scheduled committee meetings or ministries will no longer appear on the calendar. Please refer to the complete on-line calendar at www.scfbc.org when planning meetings and prior to requesting rooms with Dave in the office at 408-241-7635 or email davew@scfbc.org.





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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

June Birthdays

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Anniversaries

1 st	Ellen Imhof
4 th	Josephine Zhang
5 th	Laura Victorson
6 th	Nancy Gregoire
8 th	Stacie Coral
8 th	Pat White
8 th	PVT2 Joseph Juarez (Army)
11 th	Capt. Andrew Reaves (Marine Corps)
11 th	Will Reaves
13 th	Cherron Rangel
14 th	Elizabeth Robichaud
16 th	Cassie Harrell
17 th	Josie Hammar
23 rd	Julia Hagan
27 th	Jennifer Hammar
30 th	Stacy Hawkins

7 th	Bert & Evelyn Wendel
7 th	Troy & Andrea Murray
14 th	Bill & Jenny Gregg
17 th	Steve & Tina Erling
19 th	Chuck & Barbara Chicks
20 th	Jerry & Sharon Cintas
24 th	Bob & Rusty Webber
25 th	Steve & Barbara McLenegan
25 th	Harold & Wilma Wright