



**Santa Clara
First Baptist**

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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

July Birthdays

2 nd	John Harrell	15 th	Maryanne Savedra
2 nd	Nathanial Robbins	16 th	Maxine Darknell
4 th	Adam Burdick	18 th	Darlene Slay
6 th	Jonathan Fung	20 th	Chris McLenegan
6 th	Rebecca Ebel	21 st	Evelyn Wendel
6 th	Karen Fong	21 st	Harold Wright
8 th	Autumn Slay	22 nd	Carolyn Elbert
9 th	Carrie Patterakis	24 th	Dorothy Depew
11 th	Doris Altman	26 th	Donna Caldwell
11 th	Tim McLenegan	28 th	Lizbeth Rogel
		31 st	Carmen Cintas
		31 st	Camille Cintas

The Celebrate!

Santa Clara First Baptist Church

July 2011

LEAD WHERE YOU ARE



**THE GLOBAL
LEADERSHIP SUMMIT**

August 11 - 12, 2011 - Willowcreek.com/Summit

The Global Leadership Summit

August 11-12

“Leadership is influence.”

Therefore, all God’s people are leaders because we all have influence. Listen to this leadership challenge from Jim Mellado, President of the Willow Creek Association as he shares about this year’s Global Leadership Summit.

You’ve been given the gift of influence within your sphere, a platform-large or small- in which people are depending on you to move them to a better place. Learning how to maximize the positive impact of your influence is what leadership development is all about. We all want and need to do a better job at this.

Step up today and take responsibility for your own leadership development.

Through the Global Leadership Summit, you have access to a faculty line-up that brings incredible depth and breadth of leadership talent, perspective, and insight. Gain practical, wisdom as some of the world’s brightest leaders download their experiences and expertise. We’ve done our best to assemble a world-class faculty for you, and we believe that God will do powerful things in each of our lives during this year’s Summit experience.

Be part of the growing global coalition of servant-oriented, fired-up men and women committed to becoming better leaders, bringing redemption and restoration to our broken world.

As in previous years we will attend the simulcast presentation at Church on the Hill located in San Jose. Carpooling will be provided. Full and partial scholarships are available. No one should miss this opportunity because of finances!

The time is now to sign up for this life-changing event. We have 20 spots reserved at the lowest price possible, \$149. Students and faculty can attend for only \$75; active military for \$95. Contact Susi Reaves at Angelchild2053@aol.com or call the church office to sign up.

To see this year’s lineup of speakers, use the following link: www.willowcreek.com/summit.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY

Mission Emphasis: Adopt a School program

2 - 8:30am July Diaconate – Lib – Barbara C. 739-2935
2-10:30am Prayer Quilt Ministry–Rm 19–Rhonda 246-2242
3 - 6:00pm 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service
4 – **Independence Day Holiday – Office closed**
6 - 10:00am White Cross – Lobby – Virginia 266-1734
7 - 10:00am Prayer Quilt Ministry – Rm 19 – Rhonda
8-10 - Men’s Camping Trip – RWG – Jerry C 615-1690
10 - 2:00noon –Life Grp Leaders Mtg –FH –Pastor Jenny
10 - 2:00pm The Awakening – XFactor Worship Event – Mission City Coffee House – Jonathan 813-2505
13 –1:00pm Baits/Turley Circle Potluck – Doris A’s home
15-17 - High School Retreat- Erik 241-7635
16 – 9:00am All Church Work day – Mike 691-1441
18 -7:30pm Finance Comm Mtg – Library
20 - 6:00pm CityTeam Outreach – Jonathan 813-2505
22-24 Impact Retreat -Yosemite -Jerry C 615-1690
24 - 12noon - Mission Comm Mtg. – Lib – Jim G. -
25 – *August Celebrate articles due to Dave*
28 - 11:30am SR/BD Lunch Bunch - Sweet Tomatoes near Lawrence/Kifer - Betty 244-5949
30 – 5:00pm Volunteer Appreciation BBQ and Pot luck –Mike 691-1690

Upcoming events:

AUGUST

Mission Emphasis: Collect Seafarer toiletries for ditty bags

3 - 10am White Cross–Rm 19–Virginia N. 266-1734
6 - 8:30am August Diaconate Mtg–Lib– Barbara 739-2935
6 - 10:30am Prayer Quilt Ministry– Rm 19–Rhonda
7 – 12noon Life Grp Leaders Mtg– Rm 19 – Pastor Jenny
7 - 6pm 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service
10 – 1:00pm Baits/Turley Circle Pot luck–R.Webber’s home
11-12 –9-5pm **Global Leadership Summit Telecast** – Susi 379-8494
11 - 10am Prayer Quilt Ministry–Rm 19–Rhonda
12-14 - Junior High Retreat - Erik 241-7635
13 - 8:30am-10am Men’s Breakfast – Adam 230-6848
14 - 2pm The Awakening – XFactor Worship Event – Mission City Coffee House – Jonathan 813-2505
15 - 7:30p Finance Comm Meeting – Library
17 – 6pm CityTeam Outreach – Jonathan 813-2505
22 – *September Celebrate articles due to Dave*
25 - 11:30am SR/BD Lunch Bunch – Betty 244-5949
27– 10am Manna **Worship in the Park** prep – Kitchen
28 - 12noon - Mission Comm Mtg. – Lib – Jim G
28 – 2pm– 7pm **Worship in the Park** – Central Park

SEPTEMBER

3 - 8:30am September Diaconate Mtg– Lib – Barbara
3 - 10am Prayer Quilt Ministry – Rm 19 – Rhonda
4 - 9a Life Group Leaders Mtg–Rm 19 – Pastor Jenny
4 – 6pm 1st Sunday Praise & Prayer Service
5 - **Labor Day Holiday – Office Closed**
7 – 10am White Cross – Rm 19– Virginia N.
7 – 7:30pm Chicks Life Group Fall Kick-off
10 - 10am Prayer Quilt Ministry–Rm 19–Rhonda
10 - 8:30am-10am Men’s Breakfast–Adam 230-6848
11 – 9am SCFBC Basics #1 – Rm 19 – Pastor Rich
11 -12noon –SPEEDway Staff Mtg –FH –Pastor Jenny
11 - 2pm The Awakening – XFactor Worship Event – Mission City Coffee House – Jonathan 813-2505
13- 1:00pm Bethell Circle –
14 – 1:00pm Baits/Turley Circle –
18 - 9am SCFBC Basics #2 – Rm 19 – Pastor Rich
18 – 12pm Quarterly Business Mtg/lunch
19 - 7:30pm Finance Comm Meeting – Library
21– 6pm CityTeam Outreach – Jonathan 813-2505
22- 1:30am SR/BD Lunch Bunch – Betty 244-5949
25 - 9am SCFBC Basics #3– Rm 19 – Pastor Rich
25 - 12noon - Mission Comm Mtg. – Lib – Jim G.
26 – *October Celebrate articles due to Dave*
30-Oct 2 - Youth Conference - Erik - 241-7635



STUDENT MINISTRIES

Summer is in full swing and we are having a blast! We are talking about filling the thirst that we all have, and can only be quenched by experiencing God!
Talk to one of the mentors for more info!

**FILL
THE
THIRST**

SCFBC SUMMER 2011

Summer Retreats are Coming!

High School: July 15th-17th

Junior High: August 12th-14th

High schoolers are heading to the hills for a great weekend rafting, swimming, and chilling by the camp fire!
Junior highers are heading to the beach for some sun, surf, and even some mystery!

Check out www.scfbc.org for more info, or come join us at youth group!

Summer SPECTACULAR

**Sundays, 9am-12pm
June - August
Preschool - Grade 5**

An amazing summer has been planned for the children. Brochures are available at the Info Table so you can invite others. Also, we need extra help to make this program happen. Sign-up sheets are also at the Info Table. Check out the remaining schedule below:



Art Explosion!

Lesson Theme: The World God Made

July 3rd – Caring for Creation
July 10th – Our Wide, Wonderful World
July 17th – Colorful People
July 24th – God Provides
July 31st – It All Fits Together

Art Fun includes: * Painting* * Quilting * * Sand Art *
* Camping Crafts* * Food Designs * * Recycled Creations*



Circus Extravaganza!

Lesson Theme: Bible's "Characters"

August 7th – John the Baptist (*No Clowning Around*)
August 14th – Daniel (*The Original Lion Tamer*)
August 21st – Philip (*Now You See Him, Now You Don't*)

Circus Fun includes: * Sack Races* * Magic * * Face Painting*
* Caramel Apple Dipping*

August 28th is our End of Summer Celebration!

Food* *Friends* *Fun





Our **SUMMER SPECTACULAR** summer program is well under way! So far the kids have learned about Jesus turning water into wine, Jesus’ baptism, and Jesus walking on water. It’s been a wonderful adventure filled with yummy snacks, fun crafts and splashy games. In July we say “goodbye” to **SPLASH ZONE** and “Hello” to **ART EXPLOSION**. The month of July will be full of all sorts of crafty fun including painting, cooking, quilting, and recycled creations. Something you may not know is that throughout the fun, each week in the Bible Zone the children are opening their Bibles and learning how to find Bible passages. Every Sunday they take home a “Home Zone” packet that includes a Bible verse to read and an

application to do such as using kind words, helping others and praying. Although the summer program is packed with fun, our goal is to help children learn how to use their Bibles, and then to apply what they learn in their lives during the week.

Would you like to join in the fun and help out? Please sign up at the Information Table in the Lobby. A program like this requires many extra hands. We also need some **DONATED ITEMS** for our projects and games. Here are some of the items we need. You can drop donated items off at the church off, or at the Information Table in the tub labeled “Summer Spectacular.”

ITEMS NEEDED:

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| Stickers | Fabric | Wheat Chex (1 box) |
| Egg Crates | Ribbon | Corn Chex (1 box) |
| Smocks | Quilt Batting | Rice Chex (1 box) |
| Frosting (Vanilla/Choc) | Fabric Glue | Nylons (used is fine) |
| Sprinkles | Fabric markers | Tennis Balls (12) |
| Plain sugar cookies | Writing frosting | Pony Beads |
| Basic Craft Supplies (if you have extra craft supplies, please let me know) | | |



A Missionary’s Story

Dear Friends,
My amazing flying machine is safely in it’s hangar, and I am safe at home. Yesterday was my final flight!



Story and photo sent May 28, 2011

Kato is from Kiniangi, a village about 12 miles away in a straight line. The road is much further. Most people take the short cut through the valleys and across the hills. The only way Kato would otherwise be able to go home was on the back of a bicycle, being pushed by a couple of people. That would take all day and be very hard on a weak body. As it is, Kato can only walk now with a crutch.

I began observing the weather in the afternoon trying to decide if it was safe to fly with thunderheads around and a brisk cross wind. Around 3PM, I began to set up the machine and sent my bicycle up to the hospital to bring Kato down. No sooner had I carefully laid out the chute when the wind changed direction. Good for taking off, but a wind directly out of the direction I was headed. Oh well, at least I could take off safely and then evaluate the sky once I was up there. Kato bravely sat in the back seat and was strapped in by my assistant, while I strapped her crutch and bag securely to the frame.

We took off into about a 10 MPH breeze, and it was a bit bumpy. All the time I was wondering how she was handling the new experience when I, the experienced one was wondering if I would have motion sickness with the bumpy ride. I was assured to hear her voice over the intercom. She was enjoying the scenery and had questions about the trails and villages we were flying over. This was a brave woman and was obviously not going to be intimidated by the new experience of flying in the open air with lots of space below her feet.

With the head wind, it took us about 35 minutes to get to Kiniangi instead of about 25 that I had anticipated. When I got overhead, I had a new issue. Everyone was crowding around the soccer field, but no one remembered to put up my orange ribbon to show the wind direction. Actually, I knew the wind direction, but I couldn’t land in the direction I intended. There were two tall palm trees right in the way. With the wind, I could not safely fly to the side of them. I tried about five different approaches and just could not get it right. Finally, I came in using the shorter width of the field rather than the length. I managed to stop with the front wheel on the trail at the edge of the field. Lots of cheers for Kato, but disappointment that I could not spend more time with them. “Can you at least say a prayer for us”? they asked. Yes, after I instructed the young men how we could move the chute and the machine to my takeoff point, I had a brief talk, and a prayer. After leaving Kato in the hands of her happy family, I was off into the sky again on my way back to Kikongo. What a difference to take off from a field without all my video gear. I was off the ground in no time. It was getting late, but I had the wind to my back, so had an enjoyable and quick flight. I flew low over the river where Rita was tending Mazu. I then flew around Kikongo one last time, in the setting sun.

My logbook shows 101 hours and 235 flights. This was the first flight that we could consider a “medical” flight. I have been reluctant to takeoff from a soccer field with a passenger. My trips to villages have always been with the A/V equipment, but this was the first with a passenger. It has been an amazing ride pioneering this tool that seems so appropriate for this sort of rural environment.

Thanks for your prayers for our safety.

We have one week before we leave Kikongo!

Blessings,

Glen and Rita Chapman

Library Corner and Book Nook (continued)

As a summer experiment, The Library has partnered with the Youth Department and created a Young Adult (YA) Book Nook in the Youth room to encourage summer reading. For their convenience, youth can self-check out books and DVD’s on their Life Group meeting nights or on Sunday Morning Class.

Thank you for volunteering

Thank you to the volunteers who give of their time and talents for the library success. Several volunteers come in when they can during the week because not all projects depend on multiple people being there at the same time. If you would like to have an on-going Library volunteer job without time constraints, please contact Jerri Cooper at 984-0908 or email Jerri123@aol.com for a time to meet and review the projects so we can get you started. Unice Chang, who was on the original Library Committee, is in the process of making new alphabet labels for the DVD’s , which will make it easier to re-shelve the DVDs. Thank you, Unice, for this suggestion!

Thank you to many who have donated books and DVD’s to the lobby red box. We add them to SCFBC shelves, or trade them in for credit to buy other books we are looking for so the Library information stays fresh and useful.

The Library Committee
Shannon McMaken, Trudy Kroll, Bev Walz, Jerri Cooper and Barbara McLenegan

Missions Update

Thanks for all the volunteers for Redwood Glen workday on June 4th. Too bad it rained and the workday was called off. The projects remain and will be worked throughout the summer. If you’d like to sign up for projects (dates unknown), they include:

- Sand and paint some metal lawn furniture
- Re-roof a shed
- Complete the David Sato Memorial Kiosk (at Indian Point)
- Fence replacement near “Staff House”
- The “Gazebo Project” - replacing what was removed – roof, railings and flooring
- Rake around the buildings
- Pressure washing - two large cement walls

Trail work: clean up some of the most often used trails and add hand-hewn trail markers
To sign up for a specific project, email marsh@redwoodglen.com and volunteer. If Redwood Glen responds with a date you can’t make – no harm, no foul. I also told the Associate Director (Marshall Coleman), at the time of the cancellation, that SCFBC would like to help and would respond if called upon for any and all projects for which they need more helpers (responders TBD).

Currently, we’re collecting One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS). I know many of you donated to OGHS specifically for Japan a couple months ago. This time it’s the annual offering. OGHS has helped, through ABC churches, in the Mississippi flooding disasters and the tornado disasters this spring. Every time you hear of a disaster, American Baptists are there through OGHS donations. Please support this worthy cause.

There won’t be a 4th of July outreach this year, unless Santa Clara “turns the fireworks back on” at Central Park. Have a Happy Independence Day!

Jim Garvey, Deacon of Missions

For People on the Grow



Real Faith is not for Sissies

Imagine hanging from the edge of a jagged cliff. Your fingers are numb as you cling for dear life, and you don’t think you can hang on much longer. Just then, you hear the thump-thump-thump of a helicopter over head, and looking up, you see a man zipping down on a cable. As the rescuer, Jesus, arrives, relief overwhelms you—“I’m saved!” Jesus extends his arms and shouts instructions for you to let go of the cliff. Now here’s the tricky part—you know in your mind that you must let go in order to be saved, but actually letting go is the hard part. Compromising, you hang on with one hand, and reach for Jesus with the other. Jesus locks hands with you, but shakes his head and calmly instructs that unless you let go, he cannot not take you anywhere. In those agonizing seconds, you weigh your options—“I either hang on to this cliff for as long as I can, or I let go and let Jesus carry me.” Though the right choice seems obvious from a distance, it’s not easy when we’re the one clinging to the cliff.

In (insert word here) we trust...

As Pastor Rich takes us through the book of James, we are reminded that God can’t stand **divided loyalty** (James 1:22-25). If we say we trust Jesus, and but still trust in other things, we’re only fooling ourselves. And what do we cling to? For some, it may be their money and belongings. Some trust in conventional wisdom and education of the world. Some trust in their own gifts and skills. Some rely on family and friends. And the list goes on and on.

James pulls no punches. The faith that God requires is not a comfortable, “warm-fuzzy” belief in God. It is complete and all-consuming and is evidenced by our actions. I used to think that **expressing my faith meant performing** a certain number of “good deeds”—help a little old lady carry her groceries, let a car merge in front of me on the freeway, or return someone’s lost wallet, etc. **What if the action that God requires of me is complete and total surrender?**

If we are serious about growing spiritually, we have to let go of everything but God. As Jonathan Fung put it, “You have to let go, in order to grow!” So let’s stop kidding ourselves at SCFBC—either we back up what we say we believe with action, or we admit that our faith is dead.

This week, please pray and ask God to show you anything that you cling to that keeps you from clinging to him.

Search me, O God, and know my heart; test me and know my anxious thoughts.
Point out anything in me that offends you, and lead me along the path of everlasting life. Ps. 139:23-24



Jenny Gregg

Property Corner

Volunteers

The Property Department is very “grateful” to everyone who gives of their time and talents that often go unnoticed. Thank You Very Much!

Playground Area

Dave Wilson and the Property Department have reviewed options for this area and will be installing “fresh” tan bark to this area soon.

Garden Area

Wow! Has anyone looked at the garden recently? It looks amazing!

Renovation

Work is progressing nicely. Please read Jerry Cintas’ article for more information.

Next Church Work Day

Our next church work day will be held on July 16, 2011. Please sign up at the church office or contact Mike Depew. Our day will begin at 9 am and conclude around 3 pm. Lunch will be provided!

Volunteer Appreciation BBQ & Pot Luck

The Property Department is looking forward to hosting the first Volunteer Appreciation Pot Luck at 5pm on July 30, 2011. BBQ meat will be provided, so please bring a dish to share if you are planning on attending. Please contact the office to let us know who is planning on attending.

Kitchen Repairs

Lloyd Darknell has replaced all of the kitchen cabinet locks. If you need access to these cabinets please see Dave Wilson to use the “Key Sign Out” form. Jerry Cintas also replaced a light ballast in this area.

Internet Access

Our facility will be changing internet service providers very soon and will be a “welcome” upgrade. We are changing to Comcast.

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 myself or Dave Wilson should you see something that needs to be fixed or is in need of repair!

Property Deacon News

If you enjoy working with people and have a gift/passion of fixing things.... please contact me about becoming the next Property Deacon. This is my last year at this position and I would be happy to talk with anyone who is interested!

Your Brother In Christ,

Mike Depew, Property Deacon

Renovation Update!

We have most of the major stage pieces in place and are almost done with the front of the sanctuary. Our rough framing inspections passed and Adam and Duane finished up the drywall on the new projection wall. It should be painted by the time you read this. The projector will be installed in the next couple of weeks as we do more work behind the wall for the projector room.

The baptistery had the wall paper removed, the wall re-floated and painted; It looks great!



Mike Depew has been busy for the first 3 weeks of June building the new stage extension with all of its intricate curves and stair cases. He should be pouring the top concrete deck by the end of June. Lloyd and Jerry did the rough install of all the new electrical and audio boxes in the stage so the band has more convenient access to plug their equipment and monitor speakers.

Sharon has been working on alternate wall covering ideas for the upper side walls, as the original paper that was to be installed has been discontinued.

The Building Committee

Library Corner and Book Nook

Reviews

This month I’ve put the 2003-2010 Leadership Summit DVDs in the Book Nook. Each DVD has 16-20 hours of information on them, that you can watch in an hour or hour-and-a-half segments. Please do not check out more than one at a time, so others will have a chance to see them also. The **Leadership Summit is for everyone**, not just for the Pastors or Deacons. It is for YOU, people who **influence** in the business life and in your personal lives trying to figure out how we can put our best Christian foot forward in all situations. They are inspirational, and the speakers are generally dynamic. Take the time to review an annual DVD and you will be ready to sign up with Susi at the discounted rate (limited number of spaces available) for this year’s event to be held on August 11-12. Contact Susi Reaves at 375-7294 to sign up.

Library Mission Outreach for Ensenada, Mexico school

Thank you to Erik Meyer and the Mexico Mission Trip participants who took additional boxes of school supplies down to Ensenada in June. And thank you to the various teachers who identified and donated materials they were no longer using in an act of “giving back”. All these materials will be put to good use by the students in Mexico.

Library hours and Book Nook

Monday - Thursday 8:30 - 5:30pm during regular office hours. Ask the Office Personnel to unlock the Library for you and secure it when you are done. On Sundays or when the lobby is open, please check out the Book Nook. Many of the current books and DVDs reflect “Here to Serve” - books and DVDs to give us ideas for local, regional and global ACTION - service to demonstrate excellent resource Stewardship. Thank you for returning borrowed books and DVDs in a timely manner back to the Library or Lobby Book Nook.

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