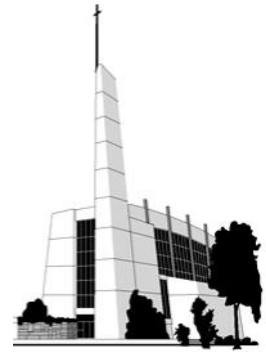




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September 2019



September 8th

Come one, come all as we celebrate getting back to church after summer vacations and outings, and having the Choir back in the Choir Loft!

Last year was a success and we expect this year to be even better.

After Worship, we will all go to Acker Hall for a BBQ Lunch hosted by our Samoan brothers and sisters. Plus other church groups will contribute to the Festivities!

This is also a good time to invite family, friends, and neighbors to come to church.

Sock Sunday!

September 29th

It's time again to warm the toes of many children here in Garden Grove through Operation School Bell at the Assistance League of Garden Grove. Each year this program provides clothing for children in the Garden Grove Unified School District who would otherwise go without. For several years our church has helped by supplying socks. Over the past few years we have donated over 3,000 pairs socks! We are inviting the Sunday School, Youth, Scouts, Preschool and all of you, the church family, to donate socks. The Assistance League prefers white tube socks, size medium or children's sizes 3-11, but will accept all donations. After all, feet come in many sizes. The socks will be blessed on Sunday, September 29th during "Time with Children." For more information, please call Vickie Iwasiwka at 714-321-0150. Thank you for your support and kindness.

the episcopal office

Bishop Hagiya's Message on "I See a New Church"

I think there are good reasons for suggesting that the modern age has ended. Today, many things indicate that we are going through a transition period, when it seems that something is on the way out and something else is painfully being born. It is as if something were crumbling, decaying, and exhausting itself—while something else, still indistinct, were rising from the rubble.
-Vaclav Havel

This quote from poet and former President of the Czech Republic expresses exactly what is happening in our United Methodist Church. We are going through a time of dislocation, disorientation and disconnection. Every level of our church is feeling this anxiousness and yet deep in my soul, I feel that God is stirring in our midst. Something is emerging, and a fresh wind of the Spirit is blowing even as I write this. What God has in store for us is a mystery and yet my hope is that all of us, laity, clergy and churches will help usher in the new that will break forth.

This is the very reason for my request that each of our California-Pacific Annual Conference local churches take time to vision what their church will look like to their own congregation, their neighborhood and community. Under the tagline: "I See a New Church," what will your church look like and embody in your local community? This is a chance for all of us to participate in the fresh wind from God that is blowing for our whole United Methodist denomination.

Here are some specific questions you may want to consider as you create your own response to "I See a New Church:"

- ✠ What central mission and purpose is your church called to at this time?
- ✠ What is the central need of your neighborhood and surrounding community?
- ✠ How can your church fulfill its purpose in "Making Disciples for the Transformation of the World?"
- ✠ What compelling missional message would relate to the non-churched people living in your community?
- ✠ Who is God calling your church to be?

These are just a few of the many questions that can be used to create a response to the vision of "I See a New Church." Answering this question dovetails with the new emergence of the church that we started this reflection with. It allows us to participate in the fresh wind of the Spirit that will come no matter what obstacles we put in its way.

I see this as a very creative, energizing and compelling assignment for each church. By tackling the creation of this vision, we just might be remaking the very core of our churches and setting the stage for new ministries to emerge far into the future.

Of course, some of our churches have already crafted a powerful and relevant vision and I applaud those that have already undertaken this exercise. There is no need to do this again. Feel free to submit your previous vision, as long as it is updated and relevant to the issues we are currently facing.

As always, I and our Cal-Pac leadership are here to support you in this task. Please let me know if there is anything we can do to clarify this task or provide you with resources for this critical task of creating a new church.

I continue to hold all of you in constant prayers as we discern where God is leading us next.

Be the Hope,

Bishop Grant J. Hagiya

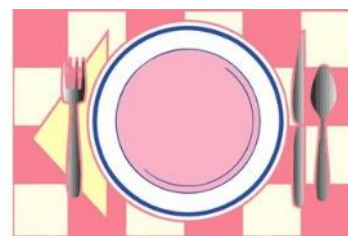
Los Angeles Area Resident Bishop



Our Wednesday, September 18th, General Meeting will be a craft night. We will meet at 6:30 p.m. in Acker Hall. Note: dessert only will be served, no dinner this evening. We had a lot of fun last year so we are doing it again. The

crafts will be for our Annual Bazaar. Come and join us September 18th.

We have changed the date for our Bazaar. It will be Sunday, November 3rd right after church. You may purchase a lovely Brunch and shop between 11:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m. enabling all Congregations worshipping here to join us to eat, shop, and fellowship together. Anyone is welcome to provide items for our Bazaar.



BRUNCH

No UMM Brunch on Sunday, September 1st. Everyone is invited to come to the Rally Sunday BBQ in Acker Hall following 9:30 worship instead! See front page for more information .



Sunday, October 13th
5:00 p.m.
Acker Hall

Congregations Coordinating Council (CCC) is excited to be sponsoring the fourth annual all-church Harvest Potluck Dinner, with entertainment by each of our worshipping groups.

Everyone, please bring a main dish. If your last name begins with A-L, please also bring a salad or appetizer; if it begins with M-Z, please also bring a dessert. Tableware and drinks will be provided.

Questions? Please contact Jackie Gonzales, Marylou Ball, Crystal Collino, Phuong Dinh, Susan Abraham, Ellen Park, or Barbara Tosi.

Come one, Come All!

It's time for our Back to Choir Dinner and Rehearsal. We will be meeting on Thursday, September 5th, at 6:00 p.m. in Acker Hall for a wonderful evening of food and song. We will be having lasagna, garlic bread, green salad and cake for dessert. There will also be ice water and coffee. After eating we will gather at the piano and our new, or potential, Director of Music Ministries will direct us as we sing through some old and new songs. All of this is for the low cost of \$5.00!! Not a better deal in town.



Choir Begins

There is no reading of music requirement and no auditions! We gather each Thursday at 7:00 p.m. to enjoy the fellowship and the music that we are learning so we can share it on Sunday mornings. We hope that you will come and give this opportunity a try. If you have any questions you can call Jonni Lorenz (714-638-4640) or Sally Hickman (714-839-0120).

Because we have had problems with our dumpsters being filled because of people using them as their personal trash disposal, we have had to place locks on them. There is a key in the kitchen next to the light switch. If you see anyone dumping their trash please take a picture



Dumpsters Locked

of their license plate and send it to Janine with the date and time so we can report them.



Tuesday, September 3rd, 6:30 p.m. – Finance Committee Meeting in the Lounge.

Wednesday, September 4th, 9:30 a.m. – Trinity Circle at Jonni Lorenz's.

Wednesday, September 4th, 6:30 p.m. – Board of Trustees Meeting in the Lounge.

Sunday, September 8th, 9:30 a.m. – Rally Sunday in the Sanctuary & Acker Hall. Come one, come all as we celebrate getting back to church after summer vacations and outings, and having the Choir back in the Choir Loft! After Worship, we will all go to Acker Hall for a BBQ Lunch hosted by our Samoan brothers and sisters. *This is also a good time to invite family, friends, and neighbors to come to church.*

Tuesday, September 10th, 2:00 p.m. – United Methodist Women Executive Board Meeting in the Library.

Tuesday, September 17th, 7:00 p.m. – Staff Parish Relations Meeting in the Lounge.

Wednesday, October 2nd, 9:30 a.m. – Trinity Circle at Binh Dang's.

Wednesday, October 2nd, 6:30 p.m. – Board of Trustees Meeting in the Lounge.

Sunday, October 13th, 5:00 p.m. – All-Church Harvest Potluck Dinner in Acker Hall. Congregations Coordinating Council (CCC) is excited to be sponsoring the fourth annual All-Church Harvest Potluck Dinner, with entertainment by each of our worshipping groups. Everyone, please bring a main dish. If your last name begins with A-L, please also bring a salad or appetizer; if it begins with M-Z, please also bring a dessert. Tableware and drinks will be provided. Questions? Please contact Jackie Pringle, Marylou Ball, Crystal Collino, Phuong Dinh, Susan Abraham, Ellen Park, or Barbara Tosi.

Ongoing Activities

Mondays, 7:00-8:30 p.m. – Boy Scouts in Acker Hall. Ages 11-17.

Tuesdays, 4:00 p.m. – Cherub/Chorister Choir (age 5-Grade 6) Rehearsal in the Choir Room. *This choir is on hiatus for the summer, rehearsals will resume in November.* If you have any questions, please call Sally Hickman at 714-839-0120 or 714-376-8391 (cell).

Tuesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Cub Scouts in Acker Hall. Ages 5-11.

Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m. – Vietnamese Language Bible Study in the Chapel.

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:00 p.m. – Girl Scouts in Acker Hall. Ages 5-17. *On hiatus until September.*

Thursdays, 9:30 a.m. – English Language Bible Study in the Lounge. All are welcome to participate in this group.

Thursdays, 4:30 p.m. – Sonshine Singers (grades 7-12) Rehearsal in the Choir Room. *This choir is on hiatus for the summer, rehearsals will resume in November.* If you have any questions, please call Sally Hickman at 714-839-0120 or 714-376-8391 (cell).

Thursdays, 7:00 p.m. – Chancel Choir Rehearsal (adults) in the Choir Room. We would love to have you join us; you do not have to have the best voice just a love of singing. *Rehearsals resume on September 5th.* Call Sally Hickman (714-839-0120) or Jonni Lorenz (714-638-4640), for more information.

Saturdays, 1:30-4:00 p.m. & Sundays, 5:30-7:30 p.m. – Citizenship/ English Class in the Lounge. This class is an outreach to the Vietnamese community by teaching English and helping them to prepare for the U.S. Citizenship interview. *If you can spare one hour on either day to help them learn English from a native English speaker, please contact Pastor Bau Dang (714-534-1070) for more details.*

Saturdays, 2:30-5:00 p.m. – Vietnamese Language Classes in Rooms 10, 15, 20, 109 & 110. For youth and children, kindergarten through 7th grade who want to learn Vietnamese. Free! Classes have resumed. The number of students they have is growing and they are looking for teachers to help them teach Vietnamese classes at the day and time above. Please contact Dinh Pham or Grace Nguyen at 714-651-0003 or gracedinhpham@gmail.com.



GARDEN GROVE

City Seeking Candidate to Fill Planning Commission Seat

The City of Garden Grove is seeking a qualified candidate to serve as a non-compensated commissioner on the Planning Commission. Applicants must be and remain a Garden Grove resident and a registered voter until the term expires in December 2020. To apply online, visit ggcity.org/city-clerk/ applications, or in-person at the City Clerk's Office, located on the 2nd floor of Garden Grove City Hall, at 11222 Acacia Parkway. The position will remain open until filled.

The Planning Commission regularly meets on the first and third Thursday of every month, at 7:00 p.m., in the Garden Grove Community Meeting Center, located at 11300 Stanford Avenue. Applicants must be able to attend all meetings.

Duties of the Planning Commission include reviewing and developing the City's Comprehensive General Plan, as well as policies, standards, and design guidelines for the comprehensive planning, regulation, and development of land use. In addition, the Planning Commission must communicate recommendations to the Garden Grove City Council on matters that pertain to the General Plan and zoning amendments to the code.

For more information, visit ggcity.org/city-clerk or call (714) 741-5040.

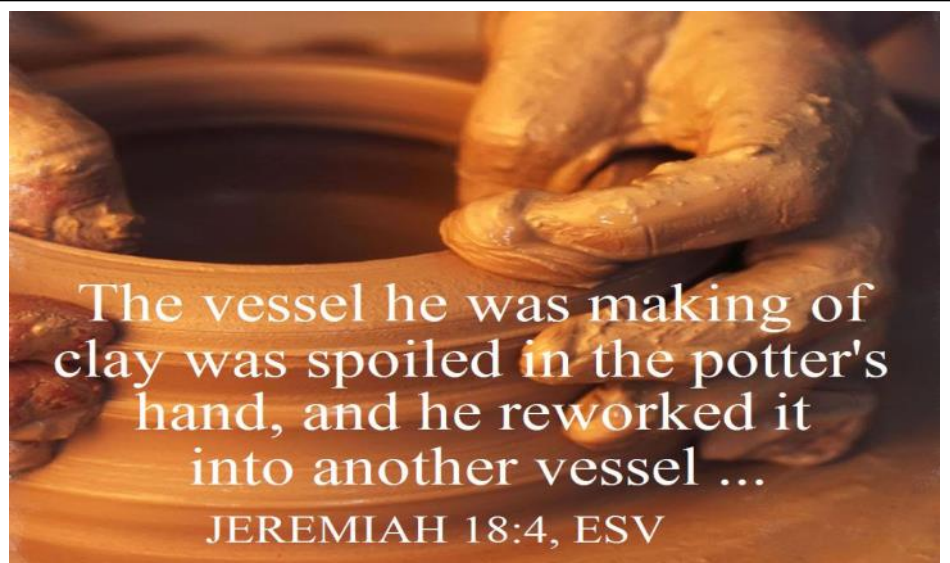
Touching Base with Trustees: August 7, 2019

Trustees Gary Palmer-Chair, Chris Alexander, Sandy Boekelheide, Faye Gregory, Larry Ogle, Sharon Rice, Wayne Sheriff, and Pastor Bau Dang, met at 6:30 p.m. in the Lounge.



Actions

- We approved the Minutes of the July meeting. Because we had no quorum in July, we voted to approve the July proposed expenditures for painting and refurbishing restrooms by Room 15 and in Room 109 and purchase kitchen cameras. We also made plans to inform kitchen users that we are installing cameras.
- Sharon got an estimate to repair and repaint the outside wall of the office. Art Espinoza (Espinoza Painting, Inc.) has already finished painting and refurbishing Room 15 restrooms, and repairing and painting the outside office walls which was also approved.
- At a future meeting, we will review our church liability insurance related to weddings and funerals. We asked the official United Methodist Information Service and they informed us that Trustees are responsible for developing wedding and funeral building payment policies, which the Charge Conference then sets. Sharon is working with Janine to update these payment policies.
- Because a second floor elevator is a future project, Faye volunteered to ask the Choir President to re-review with her, all possible first floor locations for choir practice.
- We voted to spend \$2,000 to air condition the Lounge and Room 10.
- Gary and Faye reported their sign projects are in process.
- Faye reported Trinity Circle member, Pam Hall has volunteered to obtain estimates for our electronic sign.
- Gary reported that our renter, The Sunflower Preschool, is installing air conditioning requiring wiring upgrades. He, Chris, and Larry are working with the electrician on this project.
- Gary, John, and Chris, have done an extensive evaluation of the sanctuary air conditioner and report that one condenser is working well and the other condenser, not so well.





September 1st
Anne Dang
John Shaw

September 3rd
Brenda Spencer
Vickeye Stoner

September 4th
Cynthia Rohdenburg

September 5th
Alexis Hoffman
Katherine Steppe

September 6th
Barbara Tosi
Florence Tuua

September 7th
Gail Brown

September 9th
Angela Sherlin

September 13th
Remedios Gambito 🎂
Robert May
J T Tuua

September 14th
Luis Cajiuat
Kailani Sherlin

September 15th
Luc Nguyen

September 16th
Matthew Buck
Linda Howe
Su Thanh Nguyen

September 17th
David Fisher
Jackie Pringle

September 19th
Warren Howe

September 20th
Nancy Buck

September 21st
Peggy Ann Morley
Chris Spangler
Tereise Tosi

September 22nd
Emerita Lim

September 24th
Lynn Boshart
Shelby Nash

September 25th
Justice Faleaana

September 26th
Mary Anne Garcia
Stormi Tuileta

September 27th
Tuua Tuua

September 28th
Dale Batesole 🎂
Kimo Sherlin

September 29th
Alex Collino
Leataataofiti Sherlin



🎂 A Very Special “Happy Birthday” this month to **Remedios Gambito and Dale Batesole!** Remedios will be **94** on the **13th** and **Dale** will be **92** on the **28th**! If you would like to send them a special greeting: **Remedios Gambito’s** address is 31932 Manzanita Lane, Lake Elsinore, CA 92532-2612 and **Dale Batesole’s** address is 12691 Chase St., Garden Grove, CA 92845-2653.



Wesley Village

The clinic is open Tuesdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Fridays 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and Saturdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The phone number to call for appointments is 714-633-4600. *They have moved to the first floor of the Wesley Village Family Building on Acacia.*

Church Staff

The ministers of this Church are its members. They are assisted by:

Bishop.....Bishop Grant J. Hagiya	Media Technician Vivianna Goh
District Superintendent..... John Farley	Membership Secretary Mary Lou Ball
ClergyBau Dang, Yong Sam Park, Toné Tosi	Missionary to CambodiaRev. Andrew Lee
Assistant Minister..... Dinh Pham	Missionary to Greece Rebecca Swartz
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Director of Music Ministries	Newsletter Editor Janine Ryder
Director of Youth/Children Choirs Sally Hickman	Organist.....Norberto Guinaldo
Financial Bookkeeper..... Linda Gregory	Music Leaders..... Dang Nguyen, Quang Nguyen
I.T. Technician..... Charles Goh	Wedding Coordinator Mitzie Larson



Please Remember These People In Your Thoughts And Prayers

Marylou Ball in the hospital
Ann Stewart, recovering after 2 falls, the second of
which broke her shoulder
Angie Monte, friend of Craig Briggs, recovering

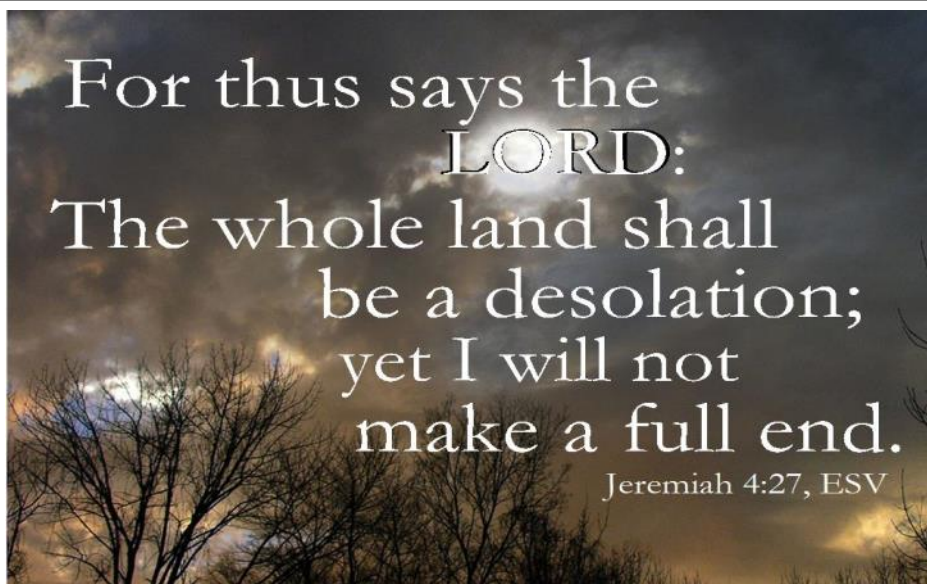
after surgery
Diane Farley, at home
H. H. Hanson, heart and kidney issues
Keenan Buys, Linda Colgin's son, cancer has recurred
Ann Mee
Dexter Welton
Bud Ruhl
Gwen Anderson
David Gregory, dealing with pain
Lilas Green, health issues



Deaths in Our Church Family

Joy Batesole died on Monday, August 19th. A Funeral Service will be held on Tuesday, September 3rd, at 11:00 a.m. in our Sanctuary followed by burial at Forest Lawn, 4471 Lincoln Ave., Cypress, CA 90630 (please wait at the flag pole for the hearse to arrive). There will be a reception at the Batesole's home, 12691 Chase St., Garden Grove, 92845 following the burial.

Ed Wilson died on Sunday, August 18th. Services will be private.



For thus says the
LORD:
The whole land shall
be a desolation;
yet I will not
make a full end.


Jeremiah 4:27, ESV



Many Thanks

Many thanks to all for calls, cards, and prayers after my fall and also for my birthday. It's great to belong to a loving church family and to live 95 years!
Margaret Heise

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NEWSLETTER
ARTICLES IS**

Tuesday, September 17th

The *Expectations* deadline for the October issue (to be mailed on Thursday, September 26th) is Tuesday, September 17th. News and Events for October and November should be in this issue. You may E-mail articles to exp@ggumc.net, bring them to the Church Office, mail them, or (if they are short) call them in, on or before the deadline.

Janine Ryder,
Editor