



# Expectations

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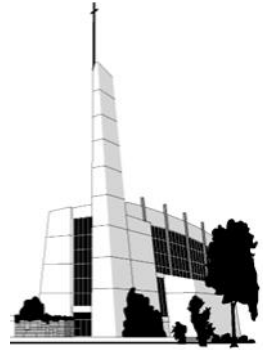
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## October 2023



## Annual All- Church Harvest Dinner

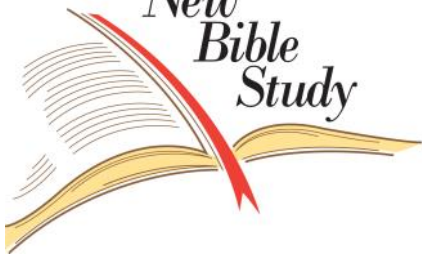
Save the date! The Congregations Coordinating Council (CCC) is excited to be sponsoring the seventh annual All-Church Harvest Dinner on Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 p.m. in Acker Hall! Share your favorite Main Dish, Side Dish, or Dessert.

Last Names Begins with A-L = Main Dish. M-S= Side Dish. T-Z= Dessert.

We have found in the past we can run out of Main dishes. Bring generous portions or bring an additional side dish. We want to have plenty of food for all. We look forward to all the Musical presentations. Any questions about the Harvest Dinner please call Lydia Carmona 951 295 0105. We do have an extra fun surprise this year!



### New Bible Study



#### “The Gospel of Mark”

What made the early disciples so determined to follow Jesus? What can they teach us today?

- \* Introduction to the history, culture, and theology of the earliest Gospel
- \* Learn the essentials of Christian discipleship and leadership
- \* This study is for beginners and advanced students of the Bible who want to deepen their faith.
- \* No pre-requisites.

- \* Six-week course meeting on Tuesdays, at 7 pm in Pastor Lui's Office.
- \* Starting: October 3, 2023.
- \* Please rsvp with the church office: [ggumc@ggumc.net](mailto:ggumc@ggumc.net) or 714-534-1070

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### Deaths in Our Church Family

It is with great sadness that we share with you the death of **Dick Romine**. Dick died on Friday, September 8<sup>th</sup>. Please keep an eye out in the weekly updates for funeral updates in the weeks to come. Sympathy cards may be sent to:

**The Romine Family**  
**14701 Buckingham Place**  
**Tustin, CA 93780**



**Amy Parker**, a long-time GGUMC member, is a resident at Rountree Gardens. She would love to hear from you!

Cell phone: 714-971-6654

Rountree Gardens

12151 Dale St. # C-121

Stanton, CA 90680

*Please call Amy before going to visit her to be sure she's home!*

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"Dear Church Family, **Faye La Bare** was diagnosed with Vascular Dementia in July 2023. She was aware that something was out of place as far back as December and we began the journey of preparation in March. The plan was to keep Faye happy and safe within her own home for as long as it was possible. Much has developed over the last few months and cost of caregiving continued to rise until it became unsustainable. In Late July my mom and I discussed all our options to best care for her today and the future. We agreed that as her condition developed, she would need more care which meant escalating costs. To secure the anticipated funds required for her future care we looked into the option of assisted living communities. We found them to be affordable and to our surprise provided solutions for many items we didn't even consider. Mom liked the idea of having others her age to keep her company in addition to the 24hr staff to assist her. If you really know my mom, you know that when she found that meals were included and they had an ace chef who specialized in ice cream, SHE WAS SOLD! Plus, we thought it would be a good idea to get settled before the mind got too much worse. Change is hard and even harder if you don't have a firm grasp on things that used to come as second nature. The move needed to happen now.... So here it is."

**Faye La Bare has moved into Brookdale (Garden Grove) Her address is:**  
**10200 Chapman Ave #134 Garden Grove, Ca. 92840 Phone:(714) 775-1498**  
**(Please let it ring at least 5 times.... It takes some time to answer.) Or cell @ (714) 343-9505**

For those not familiar, Brookdale is an Assisted Living facility located on Chapman/Brookhurst. It's also about a ¼ mile from my home, which makes it nice to pop by often. Brookdale offers Independent, Assisted, & Memory Care so we should be settled here for a good long time... Because moving is not fun! Mom has been eager for visitors so please come by or call anytime between 8am-8pm.

**If anyone has any questions please contact:**

**Faye's son: Rick La Bare @ 714-801-6975 rlabare@sbcglobal.net**

**Rick's Wife: Maressa Sah La Bare @ 714-388-6403 maressah@aol.com - Rick La Bare**

# *Come Visit Us!*





# October

## BIRTHDAYS

### October 2<sup>nd</sup>

Jack Shepard  
Vickie Iwasiwka  
Kolopa Joe Pua  
Jacqueline Mijares

### October 3<sup>rd</sup>

Rachel Wislocki  
Donald Beard

### October 4<sup>th</sup>

Diep "Zi" Nghiem

### October 6<sup>th</sup>

Dang Nguyen

### October 8<sup>th</sup>

Dr. Ann Newsome

### October 11<sup>th</sup>

Mychelle Fleeman

### October 12<sup>th</sup>

Evelyn Seto

### October 14<sup>th</sup>

Larry Ogle

### October 17<sup>th</sup>

Helen Sothan

### October 19<sup>th</sup>

Eileen Meade  
Caroline Nguyen

### October 20<sup>th</sup>

Kurt Rice  
Vanessa Granados

### October 21<sup>st</sup>

Jim Spangler

### October 29<sup>th</sup>

Andrea Kramer  
Traci Tran



# November

## BIRTHDAYS

### November 1<sup>st</sup>

Larry Pringle  
Selena Sherlin

### November 2<sup>nd</sup>

Ed Barber  
Lorna Cajiut

### November 3<sup>rd</sup>

Sharon Tesdall

### November 11<sup>th</sup>

Sandy Boekelheide

### November 13<sup>th</sup>

Marion Ruhl

### November 15<sup>th</sup>

Quang Ngyuen

### November 16<sup>th</sup>

Matthew Brown  
Jaden Nguyen

### November 17<sup>th</sup>

Linda Truong Le

### November 18<sup>th</sup>

Sally Hickman

### November 19<sup>th</sup>

Paul Banagas Jr.

### November 20<sup>th</sup>

Doublas Beard  
Rose Mead

### November 24<sup>th</sup>

Phuong Dinh

### November 26<sup>th</sup>

Faye LaBare

### November 28<sup>th</sup>

John Fredrick Pham

**Fall Birthdays**





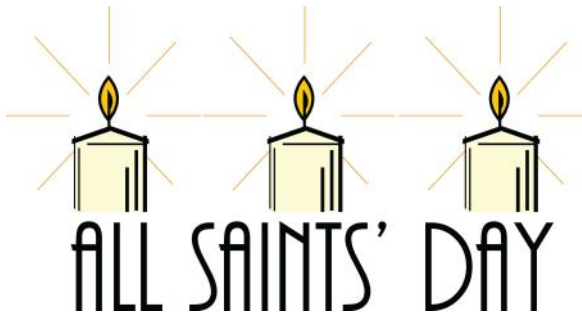
Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, unless you want to get to church an hour early!

I HAVE HEARD OF ... *your love*  
TOWARD *all the saints.*  
EPHESIANS 1:15, ESV



### GGUMC Small Groups

Our church had small groups for many years, but somehow we now only have one. I feel that this is something that would be fun and that we need to do. Small groups could meet in homes, weekday or Saturday evenings, or daytime. There could be a lunch bunch meeting in the daytime for those who can't drive at night. We would like to give all ministries (English language, Samoan, Vietnamese) in our church family the opportunity to participate in these small groups. If you are interested in being part of a small group, please call - JOYCE HALL by phone 714-530-7296 or e-mail [wjoycehgg@sbcglobal.net](mailto:wjoycehgg@sbcglobal.net)



This year, All Saints Day will be celebrated by our church on the first Sunday in November (Sunday, November 5<sup>th</sup>). GGUMC publicly remembers and honors those who have passed away. Our congregation will celebrate by lighting candles, ringing bells of remembrance, & calling the names of those lost in the previous year as a way of honoring the impact their lives have had on us. If you have had a loved one pass this past year and would like them to be remembered on this special day, please contact the Church office for more information.



The Samoa Ministry will be hosting SHIP (Self Help Interfaith Program) beginning September 23<sup>rd</sup> through October 7<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to help in providing dinner, please contact Tone 714 606 9743 or Barbara 714 606 7967 or email Tone at [eketonetosi@yahoo.com](mailto:eketonetosi@yahoo.com)

*lend a helping hand*

Children's Choir is back!  
Cherub / Chorister (ages 5 - 5<sup>th</sup> grade) meet from 4 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  
The Sonshine Singers (ages 6<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> grade) meet at 4:45 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.

Any questions, please contact Sally Hickman.





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Prayers for Richard Walth who has been in and out of the hospital for the last year.  
Continue to keep The Farley's in your prayers.  
Please continue to keep Stacey Beard's mother-in-law, Kathy, in your prayers, as she is in the beginning stages of hospice.  
Kim Lormier who is undergoing cancer treatments for liver cancer.  
Skip Clark who is dealing with pancreatic cancer.

Bud Ruhl  
Gary Palmer.



**Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> - 6:00 p.m. Finance Meeting** in the Church office meeting room.

**Tuesday, October 3<sup>rd</sup> - 7:00 p.m. Bible Study Meeting** in Pastor Lui's Office.

**Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 a.m. Trinity Circle Meeting** at Nancy Pearson's home.

**Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> - 5:30 p.m. - Congregations Coordinating Council Meeting** in the Lounge.

**Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> - 6:30 p.m. - Church Council Meeting** in the Lounge

**Sunday, October 15<sup>th</sup> - 5:00 p.m. - Annual Harvest Dinner** in Acker Hall.

**Thursday, October 19<sup>th</sup> - 6:00 p.m. - Trustees Meeting** in the Lounge.



## Church Staff

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

Bishop ..... Dottie Escobedo-Frank  
District Superintendent ..... Sandra Olewine  
Clergy ..... Lui Tran, Yong Sam Park, Toné Tosi, Khuong Chau  
Minister of Youth/Young Adult Ministries ... Zi Nghiem  
Administrative Assistant ..... Sonia Guerrero  
Director of Youth/Children Choirs ..... Sally Hickman  
Financial Bookkeeper ..... Linda Gregory

Missionary to Cambodia ..... Rev. Andrew Lee  
Missionary to Greece ..... Rebecca Swartz  
Vietnamese Administrative Asst. .... Phuong Dinh  
Organist/Pianist ..... Liz Nguyen  
Music Director ..... Michael Ortiz  
Wedding Coordinator ..... Mitzie Larson  
Membership Secretary ..... Donna Gregg



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<https://www.ggumc.net/online-giving/>

Direct any Online Giving support issues to [linda@ggumc.net](mailto:linda@ggumc.net)

Once again, we thank you all for your continuing support.

The GGUMC website is under construction. The latest sermons and news, are always available at:

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**DEADLINE FOR  
NEWSLETTER  
ARTICLES IS**

**Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>**

The *Expectations* deadline for the November issue (to be mailed on Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup>) is 12:00 noon, Thursday, October 28<sup>th</sup>. News and Events for November and December should be in this issue. You may E-mail articles to [ggumc@ggumc.net](mailto:ggumc@ggumc.net), bring them to the Church Office, mail them, or (if they are short) call them in, on or before the deadline.

Sonia Guerrero, Editor