Dear Covenant Church Family,

Are You Prepared for Christmas?

Most of us would admit loudly that we are not even close to being prepared for Christmas. Just yesterday, Alana and I started talking through all that we have to accomplish between now and Christmas and I realized we should have started preparing months ago. Nevertheless we know we have to get prepared for the holiday season by getting gifts, putting up decorations, and planning gatherings. But this is also a time where we have to ask if we are spiritually prepared for Christmas? Are we ready to hear the message that this day brings?

Christmas tells us that Jesus does not work that way. Christmas reminds us that despite the decline of the world and despite it being a poor and unsafe place to dwell, Jesus came to dwell here. John 1:14 literally tells us that Jesus “tabernacled” among us or made His home among us. Christmas tells us that even though God could have started over somewhere else, He loved this world. God could have left us as we are, in our state of decline, certain to destroy the world in which we live while destroying ourselves at the same time. God also could have come to condemn the world and would have had every right to do so but He chose instead to love the world. Therefore, Christmas is a reminder that Jesus came to save this place. He cares about that which He created and He is a redeemer. The Bible tells us that Jesus came to save us from our sins and to defeat the works of the devil and this is because He has not turned His back on this world and He has not turned His back on us.

Over the next four Sundays, we will be celebrating Advent and this serves the purpose of spiritually preparing us for Christmas. So in the midst of this busy and fast-paced season, allow these four Sundays of Advent to prepare you to celebrate the fact that the Messiah was born in our world. Into our world He came to seek and save the lost.

Grace and Peace,
Your servant pastor,

Jake

SERMONS ONLINE AT
WWW.COVP.ORG

WE ARE COVENANT.
WE HOPE...
To be widely known for extending the knowledge and benefits of Christ to the people and the places that God has given us.
REASON FOR THE SEASON

DECEMBER 6
Christmas Cantata

DECEMBER 13
1 Peter 1: 1-2
“An Exile”

DECEMBER 20
1 Thess. 4: 16-18
“A Future Return”

DECEMBER 24
Romans 5: 12-19
“Christmas Eve”

DECEMBER 27
Guest Preacher,
Pastor Dave Fenska

WORSHIP | 10:15AM

10:15am | SANCTUARY

Christmas Cantata

RECEIVE the GIFT

DECEMBER 24 | 7PM

CHRISTMAS CANTATA

December 6

10:15am | SANCTUARY

Celebrate His birth with songs of GREAT JOY, beautiful melodies and amazing harmony. The Covenant Choir will be accompanied by a live orchestra and symbolic multi-media presentations to immerse your heart and spirit in the birth of our Lord.
2018 Elders
Jim Bright (returning)
John Davies
Larry Kurtz
Rick O’Connor

2018 Deacons:
Bob Bundy - 1 year (returning)
Ed Earl (returning)
Jared Earl
Steve Gonzales - 1 year (returning)
Michael Smith
Josh Van Den Berg

2018 Deaconess:
Vicki Black (returning)
Donna Bickham (returning)
Laura Daley - 1 year
Melinda Dorsman
Sallly Earl
Mavis Gonzales
Margie Harper
Carol Hickman
Ellie Marlow (returning)
Kathy Nelson
Kathy Prentice (returning)
Terrie Shay
Tammy Summers
Alyce Watanabe - 1 year

2018 School Board
Tom Daley
Kitty Petar
Anita Price

Current Elders & Class:
John Beauman - 2015
Jim Bright - 2015
Peter Kupratis - 2015
Lewis Pearmain - 2015
Everett Geis - 2016
David King - 2016
Tom Gudvangen - 2016
Steve Morris - 2016
Doug Bickham - 2017
Ray Kraetz - 2017
David Runnion - 2017
Sid Sidfrid - 2017

Deaconess:
Bobbie Ash - 2015
Donna Bickham - 2015
Vicki Black - 2015
Valerie Knickrehm - 2015
Ellie Marlow - 2015
Betty Newell - 2015
Kathy Prentice - 2015
Judy Vander Heide - 2015
Lynn Hitchcock - 2016
Marian Johnson - 2016
Treva Malmstrom - 2016
Fran Scarsone - 2016
Cheryl Sidfrid - 2016
Peggy Topp - 2016
Cher Ward - 2016
Melody Beyler - 2017
Teri Elmendorf - 2017
CeCe Rechsteiner - 2017
Joann Weber - 2017

Current Deacons & Class:
James Beck - 2015
Bob Bundy - 2015
Ed Earl - 2015
Tony Gomez - 2015
Steve Gonzales - 2015
Nagy Ibrahim - 2015
Jim Vander Heide - 2015
Raul Alarcon - 2016
Bill Davies - 2016
Charles Harper - 2016
Darren O’Connor - 2016

Mike Bucsko - 2017
Bill Daley - 2017
Mike Dedick - 2017
Atlee Hitchcock - 2017
Randy Saucerman - 2017

For photos and profiles, please pick up a complete list at the Kiosk or online at covp.org.
Verse-by-Verse Bible Study w/ David Ash  (adults)  9am | Sanctuary Chapel
Take a walk through the Scriptures, verse-by-verse.

Church History & Doctrine
w/ John Beauman
(adults)  9am | Heritage Lounge
Examination of 20th Century Roman Catholic Popes & the Protestant Church.

Gospel Identity Discipleship
w/ Steve Morris
(adults)  9am | Bride’s Room
Focused, transforming, Gospel-powered.

“The Gospel Project”
9am | Classrooms | COVP KIDS Staff
Preschool—5th Grade
Immerse kids in the Gospel through every story & theological concept.

We invite you to show great appreciation and a fond farewell to our COVP Music Director, Dr. Dennis Royse.
We will miss him and wish great blessings to him and his family.

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Thank you Summer and Fall Sunday School Teachers:
I am grateful for your service to our Covenant kids!

Victoria Morookian
Carolyn Holley
Tom & Catherine Gudvangen
Teri Elmendorf
David King
Brenda Wilcox
Valarie Knickrehm
Gina Campos
Dave McClellan

FOUNDATION HOUR (9am)
“The Gospel Project”
“Show Kids the Big Picture of God’s Story”
9am | Classrooms
Preschool—5th Grade

SUNDAY SCHOOL (during worship)
SCRIPTURE BUILDING | GROWTH

WEDNESDAYS | COVP KIDS CONNECT
(church family night | 6:45pm)
video/lessons/dialogue/application

“SOMA YOUTH STUDY”
9am | Sundays | Youth Hall
Led by Jacob Rice, Youth Director
6th–8th Grades

WEDNESDAYS

HOMEWORK HOUR
5PM - 6:30PM | Wednesdays | Youth Hall
Jacob will help you get your homework out of
the way so you can have fun doing waaay better things
at SOMA.

SOMA PROGRAM
7PM - 9PM | Wednesdays | Youth Hall

The fourth annual COVP Hunger Games was crazy
awesome!

Over 30 contestants battled it out, and everyone brought
their A-game!

It was an epic two-and-a-half-hour adventure of alliances and
betrayals, game-maker interference, stealth, cunning, and
strategy that resulted in an amazing finish.

Congrats to our winner, Tyler!

Keep an eye out for the upcoming video, and
start planning for next year...

Let’s remember how many things God has given
us to be thankful for; both big and small.

Martha Martin: mmartin@covp.org
Stacy Germain: sgermain@covschool.org

Jacob Rice: SOMA Youth Director
jrice1138@gmail.com

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Eight years ago, God called my wife Jonie and I to trust Him and take a step of faith. Married for only a year, deeply invested in successful long-term ministries at our home church, and happily living in a small town in Northern California, God called us to follow Him. In doing so, He brought us to Covenant and an amazing family of believers. We traded the small town for the big city. We traded a little house for a smaller apartment and tall trees for tall buildings. It was a pretty big change. The journey began with only one college student sitting on the floor of the pew-less sanctuary, devoid of carpet, discussing the purpose and direction of what would become theGathering College Ministry.

Over the past eight years, we have seen lots of college students come and go. We’ve had bible studies with 35+ college students squeezed into our home. We’ve worshipped together in new and different ways. We’ve ministered to the homeless and raised money for kids in need. We’ve shared life together. All the while, we were focused on our calling to reach college students with the Gospel of Jesus.

This past year, God has been stirring again in our hearts. But instead of calling us to a new location, He has called us in a new direction. We excitedly feel that God has expanded the calling for theGathering to include those ages 18-33, married or single, in school or out. So, beginning in January 2016, theGathering will re-launch, expanding its focus to disciple young adults, young couples and college students all together!

To do this means that we will also have to change the way we connect with one another. After spending time looking at Scripture, praying, and seeking the counsel of Godly individuals, we have decided to follow in the footsteps of the early church in Acts 2. Though 3000+ strong, these followers of Christ met together in homes, devoting themselves to the Apostle’s teaching, sharing life with one another, and trusting in the power of the Holy Spirit and the priesthood of believers. We will be abandoning a “Primary Teacher” model – composed of a single person teaching while others sit listening - and adopting a “Connect Group” model, which fosters discussion, interaction, and the exchange of ideas. We believe this is the best way to make (life changing) disciples of Jesus Christ and further His Kingdom by developing leaders and training every believer to fulfill the great commission by becoming a disciple maker.

You may be asking, “Why are you telling me this? I’m not in that age-range.” But before you turn to the next page, give us just a few more minutes. We tell you this because we need your prayers. We need your support. We’ve done things a certain way for the past eight years, and, at any age, change can be difficult. There is a feeling of loss, and a feeling of displacement that often comes when change is happening. Even if the change is good and we are following where God is calling us (think the Israelites in the desert), we still can be distracted by our own flesh. So please be praying for us. In fact, stop reading this and pray for us right now. We’ll wait. And please keep praying for us! Because at theGathering, we desire to be relentless; To stop at nothing short of changing the world by making disciples of Jesus.

By His Grace,
Billy Archie
Young Adult Director/
Worship Leader
billy@covp.org

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K-8 CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
Thursday, December 17
6pm | Sanctuary.

A charming Christmas musical for kids focusing on the names of our Lord Jesus mentioned in Isaiah 9:6: Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Prince of Peace, etc. A song is written for each name, plus Michael W. Smith's Christmas classic: "Emmanuel", or is that "Immanuel"?!?! You'll get to the bottom of that in your Spelling Bee! The children and audience will come to a deeper understanding of what a truly wonderful gift God sent us in a manger bed 2000 years ago.

Wonderful Counselor. Prince of Peace. Everlasting Father. Even a brief reflection on the names of Jesus brings power and strength to our faith. Dove award-winning writer Celeste Clydesdale has centered her newest Christmas musical, The Christmas County Spelling Bee, entirely around this theme. Set within the narrative of a lively spelling bee, this warm musical consists of nine delightful new songs, as well as the Michael W. Smith classic, "Emmanuel." As the musical unfolds, the contestants learn more about the character and nature of our Savior.

Worshipful, bright and enjoyable, The Christmas County Spelling Bee will engage the hearts of your kids and congregation this Christmas as it reminds us that "Jesus is the only name that saves."

CCS LIBRARY:
A GROWING REFLECTION and COLLECTION

In April 2011, Orange Republican Women, Federated started the Charlotte Cleary Bell Memorial Americanism Collection in the Library at CCS in tribute to the late Mrs. Bell’s commitment to Americanism education for children. Mrs. Bell was an educator, a prominent Villa Park volunteer, a member of ORWF for more than 40 years, AND was instrumental in the establishment of CCS where she supported unfailing efforts to teach love of country and love of God.

We are honored to be the recipients of such a beautiful collection of books.

Stop by and see them some time!
We’re back January 13!
EVERY WEDNESDAY
DINNER AT 6PM | PROGRAMS AT 6:45PM
ST. ANDREW’S HALL

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SCHEDULE:

JANUARY PROGRAMMING:

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**JANUARY TOPIC:** “Self-Control”

**MEMORIZE:**

“A person without self-control is like a city whose walls are broken through.” Proverbs 25:28

**BOTTOM LINE:**

1/13: God can give you the power to control yourself.
1/20: Pause before you lose your temper.
1/27: Select your words carefully.

Betty Shattuck | churchadmin@covp.org

Stacy Germain | sgermain@covschool.org
Dave and Mindy's Adventures Thanksgiving 2015 edition

Greetings,

If you're in a hurry, just glance at the BOLD titles, and the underlined sentences that follow. If you have a few minutes, read on!

A sower went forth to sow...

PACIFIC NORTHWEST REPORT. Mindy and Dave were sowers for the past 10 days, casting seed into the good soil of Washington State. We asked you to pray for safety, good health, and open doors. Thank you for your prayers. All of them were answered. Here are some of the highlights:

Driving along the Columbia river; Enjoying fresh Washington apples; Taking in the beautiful sights of the Hood Canal and snow-flocked trees in the forest; Traveling with the "Energizer Bunny" Rick Dietzman (don't deprive him of his coffee!); An hour of quality time with Dan Samuelson, Seattle director of World Relief, hearing about their work with refugees.

Here are the numbers. We either visited or spoke to leaders from 9 EPC churches, putting on 1172 miles on our rental car. Although Dave addressed two congregations, those addresses were brief, introductory, and served to pave the way for future ministry. However, as a couple we had several chances to spend an hour or two with groups of people, ranging in size from 1 to 25, sharing our hearts and soliciting partnerships. Altogether in these meetings we spoke to 77 people.

This is a continuation of our work which began in June, which we've been able to talk about with, now, over 200 people in churches, at presbytery meetings, and in individual conversations. At one of our meetings Mindy was contacted by a young man named Mike who shared his enthusiasm over witnessing to Muslims last summer in England. "Does the EPC have any missionaries who do things like that?" he asked. Do we ever! Who knows, the Lord may call Mike and his wife to join one of our teams. Things like this fire us up.

ON THE FINANCIAL FRONT. Financially, we are waiting to see the good results of seeds sown. It's too soon to say how that will go but, once again, as was said last month, we are on the downside of the support-raising effort, with over half of our support raised, probably about 60% (we are waiting for some information before we can say for sure). But this is the most challenging part because we would like to add more churches to the list, which can be a little tricky.

Church missions budgets are always tight, and it takes time to work your way into them. Still, that is the goal, and we are already penciling in travel over the next six months to continue this effort. You may know that, ideally, we'd like to reach 100% of our support by the end of this year. Will that happen? Only the Lord knows, but we are planning ahead in case God's timing is different from ours. Frequently that is the case, isn't it?

We hope you had a happy Thanksgiving!

We are thankful for you, and it's not just about the money, it's what the money represents, which is love for us and more importantly love for the Lord, and the Lord's work. Thanks for being on our team!

Dave and Mindy, EPC World Outreach Western Region Reps
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large groups | small group fellowship

MORE THAN ENOUGH FOR 2016

with DORI DRABEK

Thursday, January 21 | 11:30 a.m. ~ St. Andrew’s Hall
Women’s Fellowship Program & Luncheon

Ladies, mark your new 2016 calendars so you won’t miss this special, unique presentation by Dori Drabek as she performs her outrageously humorous monologue with a surprise visit from her ‘new gal’ character, “Zelda Zamboni.” Many will remember Dori when she was our speaker last year and she preformed her monologue character “Edna.”

After much prayer, Dori was led to begin this speaking and drama ministry designed specifically for women of all ages. She states, “I consider it an honor to share His extraordinary love through this ministry and it is my sincerest desire to encourage women to know Him, to love Him and to pass His love on to everyone their lives touch.” Dori also loves writing poetry and one of her poems was included in the best-selling book God’s Vitamin “C” for the Spirit.

Dori lives in Fullerton with her husband, Gary, and has been a speaker since 1993. She and Gary have been in ministry since 1976, and are currently serving as Senior Pastor and wife at Springdale Baptist Church in Westminster. She also is serving as Women’s Counselor and Ministry Leader.

Dori is like a ray of sunshine on a cloudy day! It is sheer delight to see her weave timeless Biblical truths together through talks filled with contagious enthusiasm, accompanied by her extraordinary funny characters! Bring a friend and enjoy an afternoon of delightful entertainment while getting to know comical, “Zelda!”

FINAL CLOSING SALE for the COUNTRY STORE: January will be the last month that the Country Store will be open. Every book will be on sale for a HUGE discount. (Note: please do not bring any new books) The lovely jewelry table will still be available for your shopping pleasure.

Reservations for a delicious lunch and exciting program may be made at the Women’s Fellowship table on the patio after worship service on Sundays, January 10 and 17 ($5 due at that time). Child care will be provided by request. Please bring a sack lunch for your child.

How I came to FAITH

with PASTOR JAKE MCCALL

Thursday, January 14
11:30 a.m. ~ St. Andrew’s Hall

Jake was installed as Senior Pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church on June 21 of 2015. He was pastor of Grace Fellowship Church in Clanton, AL, since June 2010. Before his calling, how was he called? What drove him to ministry? Come and find out!

HIS MEN FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM & LUNCH | $5 LUNCH DONATION/PROGRAM FREE

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How Can I Serve? | Prayer/Support?

**WELCOME TEAM | VISITOR | KIDS CHECK-IN : SUNDAYS**
anyone with a heart to greet and welcome new visitors and their children.
Tricia: courier@covp.org

**DEACON’S HANDIWORK CREW**
All able-bodied men of CPC
Second Saturday, 9am (after men’s breakfast)
SIGN-UP AT THE KIOSK
Paint, garden, fix things, lighting, electrical, wood, etc...we would love to have you!

**AV/TECH MINISTRY**
audio visual/lighting/media
Assist on Sundays and/or Wednesdays and/or with productions and special events
tricia: courier@covp.org
billy: billy@covp.org

**KNITTING MINISTRY**
1st Saturdays
10am in church office
gay: curlygomez@att.net

**COVENANT QUILTERS**
Wednesdays
9am in senior center
elaine: 714.956.7124

**HANDBELL CHOIR**
Thursdays
5:45pm in the sanctuary balcony room
dennis: droyse@apu.edu

**PRAISE BAND**
Thursdays
6pm in sanctuary
billy: billy@covp.org

**COVP CHOIR**
Thursdays
7pm in the sanctuary
dennis: droyse@apu.edu

**GOD’S HOUSE CARE**
Church maintenance/cleaning
3rd Saturdays, 9am at the Kiosk

**USHER TEAM**
Sunday worship | two months a year
Men, women, high school students
Contact: Bill Davies | davies4950@gmail.com

**GRIEF SHARE (All)**
Mondays, 7pm, Church Office Lounge
Contact: Vicki Black,
Vicki.black@da.ocgov.com

**PASTORAL COUNSELING**
Marriage and Family.
Please contact the church office 714.998.6650 for an appointment.

**HEALTH SUPPORT GROUP BY APPOINTMENT**
This group will help you overcome your health obstacles and rejoice in living a healthy lifestyle, body and soul.
Bob & Joyce Dodson: 714.777.4244
spiritled80@sbcglobal.net

**PRAYER GROUP**
Tuesdays, 8am, Senior Center
curchadmin@covp.org

**LOVE THY NEIGHBOR PRAYER**
Wednesdays, 4:45pm, Chapel
churchadmin@covp.org

**OPEN PRAYER GATHERING**
Wednesdays, 7:30pm, Chapel

**COVP PRAYER CHAIN**
There are different ways to be a link:
Email, Phone and Focus Group.
Contact: Dorothy Sidfrid:
dsidfrid@sbcglobal.net

**KNITTING MINISTRY**
GOT PLASTIC BAGS???
Please bring in your plastic grocery/shopping bags: flattened and clean to the church office. We will use them to make the mats for the homeless.
For more info, please contact:
Gay Gomez | 714-997-1652
curlygomez@att.net
Mary Silzel | 714-538-4106
mrsilzel@gmail.com
Judy Vanderheide | jvanderheide@sbcglobal.net

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**SNEAK IN A WORKOUT**
Help those needing assistance, and get a workout, park further away.
Serve others, and yourself!

For more info. on prayer groups/support and service, please contact the church office or visit www.covp.org.

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Thank you to all who participated in our shoebox drive and collection this year. I appreciate all of the helping hands that went into this missions project.

We were blessed to be able to deliver 250 shoeboxes!

I am grateful for the love and support our church body and school showed by reaching out to the hearts of children and sharing with them the love of Jesus Christ. Please continue to pray for the children and families that will be given shoeboxes and for all of the volunteers of Samaritan’s Purse...that this ministry will be blessed and that many will come to know Jesus and follow Him.

Thank you,
Martha Martin
mmartin@covp.org

EPC Presbytery of the Pacific - Commissioner Meeting

Pre-Meeting Dinner- Thursday, January 28th, 2016.

Friday, January 29 - Saturday, January 30, 2016

We will be hosting the Presbytery of the Pacific Meeting at Covenant very shortly.

There are many things to prepare in the next month or so to make sure we have everything we need to make the weekend productive and welcoming for our guests.

We will need much assistance in trying to fill roles to make the experience fulfilling for everyone.

Here are some ways to serve:

REGISTRATION/GREETERS | greet commissioners as they arrive and direct them to the proper location.

COOKING TEAM | lunch/dinner assistance, coffee breaks

DRIVERS | to and from the airport, from hotel or residence to the church and back.

LODGING | Some of the commissioners may need lodging at a very budgeted rate. If you are able to help provide a room for a guest, that would be very appreciated.

There are other ways to assist as well. If you would like to serve, please contact Ellie Marlow | emarlow2008@gmail.com

COVENANT DRAMA MINISTRY PRESENTS:

OUR TOWN
by Thornton Wilder

COMING IN SPRING 2016

*Audition information coming soon.
FELLOWSHIP:

- **Game Gals Fellowship**
  (Single Women)
  4th Friday, 7pm, Senior Center
  Shepherd: Elaine Fitzwater, 714.956.7124

- **Saturday AM Men’s Breakfast**
  Second Saturday monthly / 8:00am
  St. Andrew’s Annex

- **Pioneer Fellowship Groups**
  Meets: Various days of the week at different locations.
  Contact the church office for more details. 714.998.6650

- **HIS MEN Fellowship Large Group**
  Meets: second Thursdays, 11:30am
  St. Andrew’s Hall | $5 lunch/program
  Contact: Wayne Slaven
  wayneslaven@att.net

- **Women’s Fellowship Large Group**
  Meets: Third Thursdays, 11:30am
  St. Andrew’s Hall | $5 lunch/program
  Contact: Linda Davies
  daves4950@gmail.com

- **TNT Tour & Travel Group**
  Various dates and times. Local tours and national travel opportunities. All ages.
  Contact: Sid Sidfrid
  sidsidfrid@yahoo.com

BIBLE STUDIES:

- **Men’s Discipleship Group**
  Saturdays, 9am, Chapel
  Shepherd: David Ash, 714.544.6007

- **Men’s Breakfast & Bible Study**
  Tuesdays, 6:30am, St. A’s Annex
  $3 breakfast donation
  Christmas breakfast: December 15
  (on break until January 12)
  We will be studying Revelation
  Shepherd: Wayne Slaven
  714.776.2563

- **CBS (Community Bible Study)**
  (Two different sessions)
  **Tuesdays**, 6:50pm, Sanctuary
  Contact: Janice Kupratis
  jkupratis@gmail.com
  **Wednesdays**, 9am, Sanctuary
  Contact: Mary Saucerman
  dmsmjs@sbcglobal.net

- **Women’s Bible Study**
  Tuesdays, 9:45am, Senior Center
  Shepherd: Sharon Beauman, 714.529.1446
  *Meets December 1*
  *On break until January 5*

- **Faithbuilders Bible Study**
  2nd and 4th Fridays, 7:30pm,
  Heritage Lounge
  Study: Colossians, Philippians
  Shepherds: David & Joann King,
  jking@chapman.edu

- **PRECEPTS Bible Study**
  (Adult)
  **Thursdays**, 9:30am, Heritage Lounge
  (childcare available Thursdays)
  **Tuesdays**, 6:45pm, Sally’s Home
  (same study, two days a week)
  Sally Harrington 714.624.5327
  sally.harrington@att.net
  workbooks at precept.org
  *ON BREAK UNTIL JANUARY*

HOME GROUPS:

- **IN TUNE BIBLE STUDY:**
  4th Sunday, 6pm, Posey Residence
  Bible Study, Fellowship
  Shepherds: Walt and Jan Posey
  poseyplace@att.net

- **COV LOVE - Newly Married**
  New schedule coming: TBA
  Shepherds: Billy & Jonie Archie
  billy@covp.org

- **Cana Fellowship – Married**
  4th Saturday, 6pm (Location varies)
  Contact: Catherine Gudvangen,
  Catherine@modeof8.com

- **VERSE BY VERSE BIBLE STUDY**
  9am, Chapel
  Adults college and up
  Led by David Ash

- **DISCIPLESHIP CLASS**
  “Gospel Identity”
  9am, Sanctuary Bride’s Room
  Adults college and up
  Led by Steve Morris

FAMILY:

- **Mom’s N Tots**
  (Moms w/ young children)
  2nd & 4th Fridays, 9am, Senior Center
  Shepherd: Marilyn Hewlett, 714-547-2304

- **YFM – Young Family Ministry**
  ALL NEW IN JANUARY
  Childcare Provided.
  Shepherd: Pastor Jake McCall
  pastorjake@covp.org

SUNDAYS:

- **COVP KIDS Gospel Project**
  Pre-school - 5th Grade
  9am, Sunday School rooms
  Martha Martin: mmartin@covp.org

- **COVP KIDS Sunday School**
  Pre-school - 5th Grade
  Following Family Devotions
  Martha Martin: mmartin@covp.org

- **SOMA YOUTH STUDY**
  6th—8th Grade
  9am, Youth rooms
  Jacob Rice: jrice@gmail.com

- **TheGATHERING - Re-launch**
  Sundays, 7pm, Heritage Lounge
  Billy & Jonie Archie: billy@covp.org

- **Church History & Doctrine**
  9am, Heritage Lounge
  Adults college and up
  With John Beauman

- **Verse By Verse Bible Study**
  9am, Chapel
  Adults college and up
  Led by David Ash

If there is a small group study you would like to connect with, please write to connect@covp.org and someone will get you in touch with the Shepherd of your group.

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**SEEK & FIND GUIDE:**

Write to courier@covp.org with your need or service and include all pertinent information (contact name, phone number, e-mail if possible, line of business, etc.). If you are able to accommodate a need or would like to respond to an ad, please contact the submitter directly for further details and information.

This page is meant simply to be a communication tool to help people in our church network on various needs. This page does not require an endorsement.

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**Live-In Housekeeper Needed:**
Housekeeper needed for live-in service 5 days a week. More information and job description available. Please contact: Linda DeFiore, (714) 637-3459.

**Senior Placement Specialists:**
If you or a loved one are in need of making the transition to Assisted Living, Board and Care, or Memory Care, the Long Term Care Specialists at Senior Spectrum are here to help. We will walk you through each step of the process and personally help take you on individualized tours of the very best options in care. No fees. Contact: Jennifer Davies: 714.883.1854.

**Piano/Keyboard Lessons:**
Private lessons for keyboard and piano lessons. All ages and levels. I can also come to your home. Contact: Wilmer Dursteller, 714.356.6832, wdurst38@gmail.com. Please leave a message if I am unable to answer.

**Private Tutor:**
I work with students who need extra help with reading, math, language arts, writing and other academics. I am able to come to your home for sessions. Contact: Judie Dursteller, (714) 290-5456 or at wdurst38@gmail.com.

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If you have jewelry that needs to be repaired, re-strung, or would like a custom order (I do everything but soldering). Please include your name and phone number with each repair item. (If you haven’t received your previously repaired jewelry, please contact me so I can match the jewelry to the owner.) Please call Ardiss Laughery at (714) 827-1139.

**Expert Sewing/Alterations and Lessons:**
Private sewing lessons, custom alterations, tailoring, and classes (beginning—advanced). Please contact Linda Stranksy at (949) 295-6981.

**Catering: Scones and More!**
Scones by the dozen (baked or ready-to-bake, choice of flavors), Tea sandwiches, Mini Desserts, Large Desserts and catering services for intimate Tea Parties and Showers. Call Mary Lou Wilder at (714) 991-8046

**Realtor Services:**
Donna Carson-Bickham can help you with buying, selling, leasing Contact: 714.615.2085 or donnacarson@firstteam.com (First Team)

Jennifer Holland-Harpole / Tricia Davies (assistant) can help you with buying, selling, leasing. Contact: 714.231.9969 or homessoldbyjennifer@gmail.com (Birkshire-Hathaway)

Lee Walker can help you with buying, selling or appraisals. Contact: 714.744.1074 or walker59@ourlook.com

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**Breath of Heaven (Mary’s Song)**

*Amy Grant*

I have traveled many moonless nights
Cold and weary with a babe inside
And I wonder what I’ve done
Holy Father you have come
And chosen me now
To carry your son

I am waiting in a silent prayer
I am frightened by the load I bear
In a world as cold as stone
Must I walk this path alone

Be with me now
Be with me now

Breath of heaven
Hold me together
Be forever near me
Breath of heaven
Breath of heaven
Lighten my darkness
Pour over me your holiness
For you are holy
Breath of heaven

Do you wonder as you watch my face
If a wiser one should have had my place
But I offer all I am
For the mercy of your plan
Help me be strong
Help me be
Help me
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