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Welcome to *Transformed Under the Pepper Tree*. In this monthly magazine, you will read stories of how God is changing people's lives at PazNaz, transforming them into the image of Jesus Christ by the power of his Spirit!

You might be asking, "Where can I find information about a specific PazNaz event?" Some information about specific events on campus is found within these pages, but each month *Transformed* is focused on relating stories about what PazNaz is really all about. Rather than programs or events, there are stories about changed lives, stories about people coming in contact with the Savior, and people exploring what it means to become a follower of him. It is exciting to hear what God is doing in the lives of people!

Years ago, Pastor Earl Lee and a group of staff members gathered around a pepper tree located on the northern-most point of what was to become the site for First Church of the Nazarene of Pasadena and dreamed and prayed that God would provide a place where more people could find power for living through Jesus. What began then has been going on for over thirty years as men and women, boys and girls have come into relationship with Christ in significant ways under the shade of that old pepper tree. The mission of the church hasn't changed. May it continue to flourish as people experience the transforming power of Christ.

Blessings,

B. Scott Anderson
Executive Pastor

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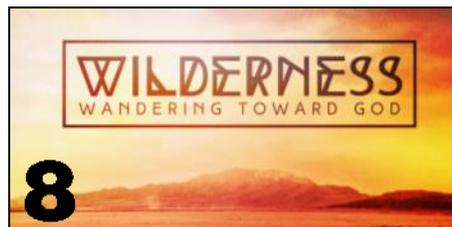
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Girlz for God

from Luann Pannell

“Do I have value because I'm cute or because I'm so well-behaved?” “Does my value come from the school I go to or the clothes I wear?” “Am I valuable because I speak up and share my opinions louder than others? Because my parents own a Mercedes? Or because I study hard and follow all the rules?” It has been ninety years since women won the historic right to vote, and sometimes it seems women still don't know who they are! More accurately, they don't seem to know *whose* they are. What if girls really understood their value and worth in God's amazing design? What kind of energy and connection could be created in churches, schools, and communities if girls grew up in a supportive community of like-minded girls seeking a relationship with Christ? What if, instead of constantly comparing and assessing themselves, they were relentlessly committed to finding God's value in themselves and in each other?

This story started a long time ago in the hearts of three women who ached as they watched young girls growing up in Los Angeles being pulled in so many false directions. Having spent many years in the church, they had all seen good Christian girls mistaking praise for being nice and following the rules, as affirmation of a relationship with God, only to find that relationship hollow when the storms of life stir. Being nice and having perfect attendance does

not equate to intimacy with God. How are young girls supposed to find God with the multitude of mixed messages they receive about what gives them value? These women were struck by the struggle they felt personally and seen professionally over the years, where girls, teens, and women of all ages have lost sight of what they are truly worth in the eyes of their Creator. They realized that if they wanted their own daughters to grow up to discover the kind of value that only Christ can give, they might have to be part of that solution. These women could not be still. And that was the motivation for the creation of the Sunday School class for girls in 5th and 6th grade, *Girlz for God* – or as it is affectionately called, G4G.

G4G is physically lead by Alcena Hoague, Luann Pannell, and Vicki Young, but if you were to ask any of them, they regularly are inspired by how God leads the class. They all work full-time, have busy families, and some weeks they wonder if their efforts will be sufficient for the class ahead, but they humbly surrender and ask God to love these girls through their efforts. Sharing God with each of your girls has become an integral part of how each of these women find God in worship.

What has it meant to me to be in G4G? G4G has been a blessing. The insight the girls have is inspiring. To see

God working in their lives – exciting. I was given a mission to help girls understand who God says they are and in that, I am learning who God says I am. Wow! There he is again!
- Alcena Hoague

Each week we eagerly watch for God to show up in ways only He can. I know that we are supposed to be teaching the girls, but in reality, God uses the girls to speak truth into our lives, too. I continually pray that God's love and truth penetrates and transforms these young hearts, minds, and lives to be all God intends them to be.
- Vicki Young

Girls have all kinds of fascinating ideas about church, God, family, friends, and fear, and we find that they are ready to explore those questions long before Jr. High. In fact, if we wait until Jr. High, it's actually a time when they start closing up. Self-consciousness seems to override previously effortless expressions. We find that it's invaluable that the girls connect, love, and share with each other before they move into the world of Jr. High and then Sr. High. In the conversation of developing "sticky faith," we are committed that every girl who moves through G4G will leave with three consistent adults from church who love them, believe in them, and pray for them regularly. It is with great joy that we frequently have G4G alumni girls revisit our classroom and come by for extra hugs when they need them. We remind them over and over that once they are a G4G, they are always a G4G. In their words...

It has empowered me. Made me who I am today – and so much more confident. It prepared me for launching into the uncertain world of being a teenager. And better yet, it taught me how to keep a level, open heart, and a brave soul – how to be a Girl for God.

G4G was a great learning experience for me. It was amazing to have a group of girls the same age as me to share my thoughts and feelings and experiences with.

Every Sunday we find that our girls have incredible insights and very valuable things to say - so each girl gets their own private journal for their personal thoughts, drawings, and reactions. They write them down in their journals, we discuss them, we discover scripture, sometimes we add glue and glitter, sometimes we go out to the prayer garden to look for God, sometimes we decorate for the season or make a necklace, but we always share our hearts. We laugh and we pray. Growing up isn't easy as G4G wrestle with big ideas such as: what happens to our faith when our prayers aren't answered, when grandparents die, when friends say things about us that aren't true, when families fight, or we don't make the team –what then? We don't want to just talk about God, we want to experience him together. As one of our girls mentioned, "Sometimes, he just shows up in the gaps!"

This year, we started January with the word "Intentional," and spent most of the next two months exploring what that word meant within the Christian heart. How do we become *intentional* about seeking out a relationship with God? What does that mean in the world of girls who are ten, eleven, and twelve? We look at how we think about scripture and our relationship to God. We debate all the weird and wild feelings that come and go and that we don't know how to express. And then we are challenged about what to do as Girlz for God in the world in which we live. If we are going to end "the night of wrong" as our theme song states, we are going to have to do something. We are going to choose to stop gossiping at school, we are going to forgive our brother or sister, we are going to encourage our parents because they really are doing their best.

Speaking of nights - our experiences in Sunday School are a great foundation, but we find that the girls come together when we have sleepovers 1 or 2 times a year. Consider the amazing message to our girls, that the church is actually a place to be yourself; that God accepts you just the way you are. Jammies, bunny slippers, crazy hair... you name it. There is a place for you in the house of the Lord, and you can be at rest in God's house. During the course of the night there is a lot of giggling, a lot of creativity, and sometime before we head off to sleep you would hear a room full of girls screaming, "THERE'S NOTHING WRONG WITH ME – GOD DOESN'T MAKE JUNK!" It is our hope to bring forth that day of Sisterhood one girl at a time.

The time is now. We don't want our girls at G4G to think that they have to wait until they are grown to have a voice for God. There is a great collective force and momentum when girls share their insight and their faith. In fact, the Church of the Nazarene began with strong women of faith rising up to meet the needs of impoverished communities and hearts. Watch out for our girls, Church! When girls have a clear sense of who they are, and *whose* they are, you will find them as salt and light, even in Los Angeles! *Rise Up, Oh Girls for God!*

- Luann Pannell

G4G started 5 years ago with six girls attending regularly in a large corner closet that was reconfigured into a club house for girls. They are now located in a fantastic pink and green classroom that is decorated with their club house theme and generally have 14-18 girls every Sunday.

Girls for God Theme Song

*Rise Up, Oh Girls for God – Have done with lesser things!
Give Heart and Soul and Mind and Strength – To Serve the King of Kings!
Rise Up, Oh Girls for God – The Church for YOU doth wait.
Her Strength Unequal to Her Task – Rise Up, and Make Her Great!
Rise Up, Oh Girls for God – His Kingdom Taries On.
Bring Forth the Day of Sisterhood, and END the Night of Wrong!
Lift High the Cross of Christ – Tread Where His Feet Have Trod.
As Sisters of the Son of God, Rise Up, Oh Girls for God!*

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COVER STORY



RUN FOR THEIR LIVES

FROM WARREN TANG & LESLIE CHENG

FROM WARREN

Have you ever thought about where the water you drink comes from? Chances are, you are like me and have easy and convenient access to this liquid life. The sad reality is that there are many across the world that face the life threatening challenge of finding a sustainable source of clean water. In Africa, there are communities where the only source of water is shared with livestock and is filled with disease. Team World Vision has stepped up to meet this devastating need by organizing charity marathons and half marathons across the country. The goal is to raise funds that will be used to build wells and provide water in these communities. A \$50 donation provides clean water for one individual for life!

World Vision partners with the LA Marathon so that runners have the option of running the full 26.2 miles or a half marathon relay. I have never been a runner, but when Pastor Darwin Ng asked me to be his partner for the charity relay, I could not resist. Pastor Darwin is someone who has shepherded and mentored me and

his asking felt like God stretching me out of my comfort zone to do some good.

As I reflect on the experience, I am pleasantly surprised at how marathon training had great similarities to being the body of Christ. Similar to what Paul talks about in 1 Corinthians, Chapter 12, the runners that made up Team PazNaz all brought unique gifts of equal importance. We needed experienced runners like Pastor Joe Halbert to guide us with training and race day tips. Megan Marsh was instrumental in coordinating logistics and sending us motivational reminders. Lastly, and perhaps most importantly, all runners used their gifts to fundraise and run the race. It was a glimpse of what God's church can be, different members/body parts using their various gifting to serve a greater purpose.

Team PazNaz, along with other teams in the area, were just a small part of the larger Team World Vision. On Saturday mornings we gathered for training and motivation at the Rose Bowl. The consistency of seeing each other weekly allowed for community and fellowship to deepen. We encouraged

each other with fundraising stories, lifted each other up through injury and pain, and shared life together. There was no bias or prejudice, just God's people coming together to perform a selfless act. Serving a need greater than ourselves allowed us to exercise not only our individual bodies but also the body of Christ.

The most direct way we could help provide clean water in Africa was by collecting monetary donations. Asking for financial sponsors made me uncomfortable, but the need for clean water was greater than my discomfort. Writing my fundraising letter turned out to be another highlight of this experience. As I looked at the list of recipients, I began to think about all the ways these different individuals had blessed me. Many were Sunday School teachers, pastors, mentors, friends, and close family members who have shaped me into the person I am today. The response was amazing. Hours after sending my fundraising letter I had raised \$1,000. By the end, I had surpassed my fundraising goal and totaled \$2,505 in donations. Friends and family members considered it a joy to sponsor me and understood the benefits of helping those in need. When I overcame the fear of looking selfish and took the focus off myself, it allowed God to work. Other teammates also did an amazing job. Megan Marsh raised \$3,570 and Sylvia and Louise Carnevale totaled \$2,200. Team PazNaz raised a total of \$13,305 which provides clean water for 266 people.

The race itself was an experience I will never forget. We met at Dodger stadium with other Team World Vision members and the atmosphere was pure electricity. It was a taste of heaven as people of all ages and ethnicities were gathered to encourage and bless each other. Along with two running partners who had been training

with me, I finished the half marathon in approximately 2 hours. As I approached the exchange zone, the site where I would meet my relay partner, Pastor Darwin came alongside me. We ran arm in arm to the finish line where my wife was serving as a volunteer. She placed a medal around my neck and we shared an emotional embrace. She had been my greatest asset as she attended almost every weekly training session and never let me quit.

I still don't consider myself a "real" runner, but cannot deny that God does amazing things through ordinary people. Pastor Scott Daniels often reminds us in his sermons that the Bible is filled with stories of God using people we would least expect. David was the runt of his family, Moses had a speech impediment, and even the nation of Israel (God's chosen people) could not compare in strength to nations like Egypt and Assyria. Yet God did some incredible work through them. The world glorifies those with prestige and power, but God often chooses to use the weak and broken. When I began marathon training I could barely run a few miles. However, I quickly learned that God's criteria for service does not hinge on our talent or ability, but on our willingness. When we understand that the focus isn't on us, but on God and those who need him, he can do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine.

FROM LESLIE

Warren and I embraced a lifestyle of good health and fitness even before the genesis of our journey with Team World Vision. It was important to us to honor the Holy Spirit who lives in us by taking care of our bodies, his temple. Our partnership with Team World Vision, however,

brought deeper and profound meaning to stewarding our bodies for his good purposes.

Even though I did not run the actual race, my experience as a Team World Vision supporter was inspiring. As a means to support Warren, I would join him at the team training sessions at the Rose Bowl on Saturday mornings. I would run/walk one lap around the bowl while he trained with the team. Team World Vision members from the local community gathered for this weekly training led by a World Vision staff member. During our team huddles, we were reminded that we were running for a life-changing cause: clean water in Africa. This clean water would be saving lives from diseases caused by dirty water and reducing sex trafficking. The journey for water was oftentimes plagued by crime and prostitution rings. By providing clean water to local communities, women and children no longer must spend their days gathering dirty water but instead, are given the opportunity to attend school regularly, build small businesses, and tend to thriving crops and livestock. This life-giving water is transforming cycles of tragedy and brokenness into stories of hope and sustainability.

It is a rare accomplishment for any individual to say that they have completed a half or full marathon. The training was long and oftentimes brutal for Warren and the team these past few months, but it was truly worth it for a great cause. In the thousands of miles devoted to training, they were reminded that they were running for the sake of putting an end to the thousands of miles traveled for dirty water. It was a victory in Jesus' name for many individuals in Africa. Thank you for your generous and life-giving donations, support, and prayers.

*For more information,
please visit Teamworldvision.org*

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The tournament will cost \$40 per person, be a scramble format,
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Registration closes Friday, May 16



**For more information, contact Bob Hoyt
at rlhoyt@earthlink.net or 626.203.2821.**

WE REALLY DO NEED EACH OTHER

An Intergenerational Trip to Manzanar

FROM PASTOR
DREW VINSON



photo by Karen Bowser

A group of high school students boards a bus with a bunch of senior citizens for a weekend away...

That sounds like the setup for a joke, right?

This was a real scene in the PazNaz parking lot at the beginning of March. The students and seniors gathered together to travel to Manzanar for an intergenerational trip. Manzanar was one of the country's largest relocation centers where thousands of Japanese aliens and Japanese American citizens were interned during World War II. The Manzanar National Historic Site serves as an educational memorial to this dark time in American history. This intergenerational trip was certainly educational for the students and seniors alike, but its purpose ran much deeper than that.

Some time ago, PazNaz began a journey by imagining what it would be like for our church to be an *intergenerational* community rather than just a *multigenerational* one. A *multigenerational* community has many diverse age groups, but an *intergenerational* community creates intentional bridges between age groups with the recognition that every generation is valuable and brings something to the table. Incredible transformation is possible when generations come together and are willing to authentically share life with one another. Pastor Ridge Ireland was a big advocate of this vision and had been working with Pastor Keegan Lenker for some time on an intergenerational

experience for the PazNaz community. Before his heartbreaking passing in December, Pastor Ridge had laid down the foundational work for a trip to Manzanar. The PrimeTime adults of PazNaz were adamant that this trip happen the way Pastor Ridge had dreamed it would.

So here we were: forty-five of us piling into a bus together for an overnight trip, excited for what had finally become a reality after two years of dreaming. It began probably how you would expect. The older generation arrived early and congregated in the front of the bus, while the younger generation showed up late and established their territory in the back of the bus. Some brave teenagers and seniors broke the ice by striking up some conversations during the first leg of our trip. When we got to Lancaster

for dinner at Marie Callender's, the imaginary wall that supposedly divided the age groups came tumbling down as the senior adults and the senior high students integrated over a meal. Every single table had multiple generations represented; it was a beautiful sight! The deep conversations, laughter, and delicious pies made for a great start to the trip.

We spent the night in Lone Pine and woke up the next morning excited for our morning at Manzanar. Our tour guide walked with us around the grounds of the internment camp, but we were in for a real treat when Annie Sakamoto, one of our PrimeTime adults, shared her story. Annie was an orphan who was sent to Manzanar for several years as a young girl. Nothing but a small plot of land remains where the children's village once stood, but Annie was able to vividly recall her childhood memories at the camp. It was moving to see the exhibits of the historic site that day, but nothing could compare to hearing Annie's firsthand account. It is one thing for younger generations to hear about history from teachers and textbooks, but it takes on a whole new meaning when that history is embodied, when stories are shared by the generations that witnessed it in real time. We learned so much from Annie and the stories of our older counterparts that day.

But that was not the only learning that took place on our trip. A couple of our students taught some of their new elderly friends how to take a "selfie" with their cell phones. The pictures of several adults were posted to Instagram, and I'm afraid some of them are still not quite sure what that means. The high school students also introduced some fun games to the adults on the bus ride home. It turns out that older folks enjoy playing *Two Truths and a Lie*

and *Mafia* just as much as, if not more than, the typical teenager. Our short trip together ended when we returned to the PazNaz parking lot and the generations went their separate ways. The trip barely lasted twenty-four hours, but the intergenerational fire had only begun to spark.

I'll be the first to admit it: I tend to gravitate toward the people that are just like me. When I think of the people I enjoy spending time with, it's typically the people that look like me, act like me, talk like me, think like me, and have similar stories to mine. I don't think there's anything necessarily wrong with that. There's something really wonderful about experiencing life with others who are at the same stage of life as you. This is why I hope teenagers love participating in PazNaz Student Ministries: you have peers that are close to your age, have similar interests as you, and who also consider Jesus to be an important part of their lives. There is something really special and life-giving about sharing life with those who are similar to us.

But there's something else that God continually reminds me of as well. If we limit ourselves to only experiencing life with those who are just like us, we are really missing out on the full picture of God's story. God's story is bigger than one group of similar-looking people. It's bigger than just one generation. It's a story that continues from generation to generation to generation. The faithfulness of God and the deep love and grace of our heavenly Father is not limited to one group of people—the body of Christ is massive, without the boundaries of race, gender, or even age. There is a beautiful diversity in the unified Body of Christ of which we all are a part.

And because God's story is so big, and is told from generation to

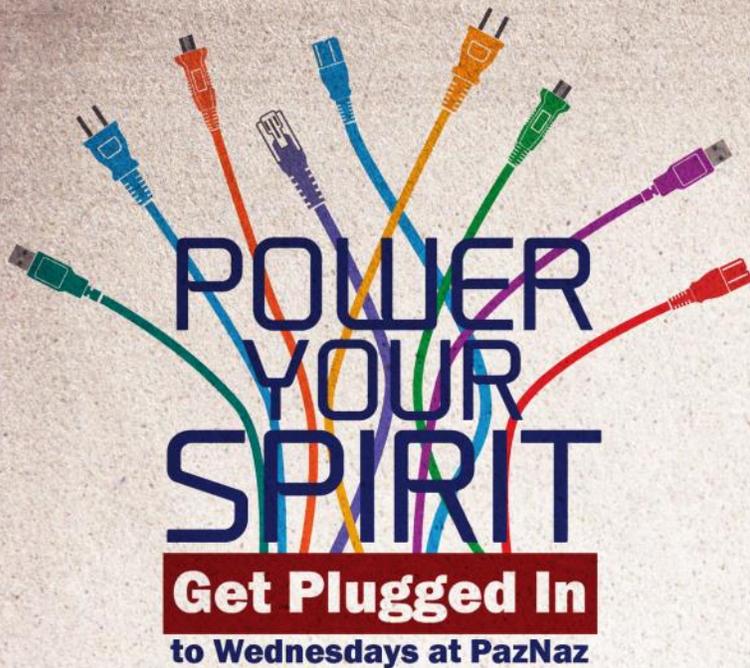
generation to generation, we need to remember that *we really do need each other*.

Younger generations can learn so much from the wisdom and experience of the older generations. Likewise, older generations can learn so much from the passion and vitality of the younger generations. We really do need each other. When we realize that we can learn from each other, transformation happens. The trip to Manzanar was a perfect illustration of this. I've seen some beautiful fruit begin to grow from the seeds that were planted on this trip: students and seniors who barely knew each other a few months ago are now hugging each other's necks on the patio, sharing meals together, and searching for ways to nurture their relationship outside of the church walls. The intergenerational fire is spreading in the PazNaz community.

I want to thank Pastor Scott Anderson and Pastor Keegan Lenker for their leadership on this incredible trip. A very special thanks goes to Pastor Ridge, who we continue to miss dearly. I also want to thank the senior adults and the high school students who were willing to step out of their comfort zones and begin to embrace God's big story that includes every generation. May we continue to learn what it means to be a community that values every generation and recognizes that we really do need each other.

- Pastor Drew Vinson

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Power Up Beginning April 30 at 6:30 pm

Women's Ministries: *Girlfriend to Girlfriend*

This spring Women's Ministries will engage in a study of the book, *The Daniel Plan: 40 Days to a Healthier Life*, by Rick Warren, led by Debbie Daniels. Through this series you will better understand how to take care of your body as the temple of God. Each week we will focus on a different aspect of the Daniel Plan... Faith, Food, Fitness, Focus, and Friends. Invite your girlfriends or come alone and meet new girlfriends! The cost is \$20 for the book and scholarships are available. There are also free Children's Ministries activities available for every age group.

6:30 pm in Gilmore Hall

Contact Debbie Daniels - 626.351.2429

Men's Ministries: *Story*

Each man has a story! Some are funny, some might be a bit painful. These are the very things that God can use to invite you into his narrative. Plan on being a part of this group of men as they start the new series, *Story*, a journey into the lives of men found in the Old Testament.

6:30 pm in Room 246, Reed Hall

Contact Pastor Joe Halbert - 626.351.2421

The 7 Series

This is a time to cover 7 topics over 7 weeks with 7 speakers. If you are looking for a place to connect, engage with others on a specific topic, or to have some dialogue about important realities in the culture today, this group is for you.

- April 30 - *Sacred Roots: Why the Church Still Matters*
- May 7 - *Multi-Careering: Doing Work that Matters*
- May 14 - *Sabbath In an Always On World*
- May 21 - *Becoming Home: A Place of Belonging for Kids*
- May 28 - *20 & Something: The Time of Your Life as a Millennial*
- June 4 - *Fighting for Peace: Becoming Peacemakers in a Violent Culture*
- June 11 - *Schools in Crisis: Helping Children Thrive in Schools*

6:30 pm in Room 248, Reed Hall

Contact Pastor Keegan Lenker - 626.351.2417

Positive Parenting

You will find that the principles and tools presented in these classes will bring peace and joy to your home. This is a place where you will find support and relief. You will experience that you are not alone in your parenting journey. These timeless and ageless tools are effective in homes of any faith and family design. Positive Parenting classes are for parents, teachers, grandparents, counselors, pastors, and care givers for children ages birth through teen.

6:30pm in Room 249, Reed Hall

Contact Pastor Jayme Lenker - 626.351.2469

Wednesday Night Dinners Are Back!

Dinner will be served in Gilmore Hall each week from 5:30 - 6:15 pm. There will be choices to accommodate children and adults following *The Daniel Plan* with Women's Ministries. Tickets will need to be purchased in advance for each week on the Sunday prior. Pick up a Wednesday Night brochure from the round-abouts on campus to see a preview of the menus. You can purchase a ticket on Sundays from HeBrews or online at www.paznaz.org/online-forms/wednesday-night-dinners.

The Gathering

An evening of hymns and choruses, prayer requests, testimonies, and a devotional thought brought to you by Pastor Darwin Ng.

6:30 pm in Lee Chapel

Contact Pastor Darwin Ng - 626.351.2461

Worship and Celebration Arts

The primary purpose of Worship and Celebration Arts is to lift high the name of Jesus and to glorify God through the gifts he has given you. You are needed! Come lift your voice and have fun with a great team in the Celebration Choir on Wednesday nights, and with the Sunrise Orchestra on Thursday evenings. Pick up a Worship and Celebration Arts brochure for more information.

Celebration Choir

Wednesdays at 6:45 pm in Room 101, Sanctuary

Sunrise Orchestra

Thursdays at 7:30 pm in Room 101, Sanctuary

Contact Pastor Alan De Vries - 626.351.2419

PazNaz Kids

Nursery - 6:30 pm in Room 228, Arms Hall
Childcare for ages birth-2 years

Early Childhood - 6:30 pm in Room 227, Arms Hall

Children (ages 3 - K) are journeying through the Old Testament by "Telling the Story" using music, Bible memory, and hands on activities.

C.O.W. (Creating on Wednesdays) - 6:30 pm in Room 102, Lower Sanctuary

Each evening kids in grades 1-6 will explore different creative elements such as art, video editing, cooking, puppets, and more. God is a creative God and the kids will get to learn how to be creative and serve him at the same time.

**Contact Pastor Amber Baker - 626.351.2456
or Pastor Jayme Lenker - 626.351.2469**

Student Ministries

Being a Christian is not only about developing a personal relationship with God. Learning how to interact with other Christians is an important part of following Jesus. Students in 7th-12th grade are invited to explore what it means to be a part of the Body of Christ. You won't want to miss out on this exciting time of Bible Study, engaging worship, fun games, and friendship in Meguiar Youth Center!

6:30 pm in Meguiar Youth Center

**Contact Pastor Drew Vinson, Sr. High - 626.351.2436
or Pastor Mackenzie Smith, Jr. High - 626.351.2477**

Oasis Adult Ministry

Oasis provides a place for teens and adults who have special needs to find community and connection while learning to live more like Jesus. This spring, Oasis will be going through the Articles of Faith. Each week there will also be a time of worship and praise.

6:30 pm in Room 115, Lower Sanctuary

Contact Pastor Julie Keith - 626.351.2485

Armenian Christian Outreach

The Armenian Christian Outreach of PazNaz invites you for a time of prayer and Bible study on Wednesdays.

*Prayer Meeting at 6:30 pm
in Room 149B, Reed Hall*

*Bible Study at 7:30 pm
in Room 146, Reed Hall*

Contact Pastor Mano Agulian - 626.351.2471