



Vallejo Central Newsletter

July 2023



June Board Actions

Motion - 2nd and PASSED

To accept the donation of the round table rack from Ken Fuchs.

Motion 2nd and PASSED

To purchase 80 blue fabric, stackable chairs, and one dolly for the Fellowship Hall.

Motion 2nd and PASSED

To accept the May 2023 minutes.

Motion 2nd and PASSED

To accept the Financial Report for May 2023

Church Business Meeting

June 25, 2023

Voted to combine the Henderson Educational Fund with the Worthy Student Fund

Voted to combine the Building Fund and the Long Term Maintenance Fund.

Voted to accept the proposed Budget for 2023.

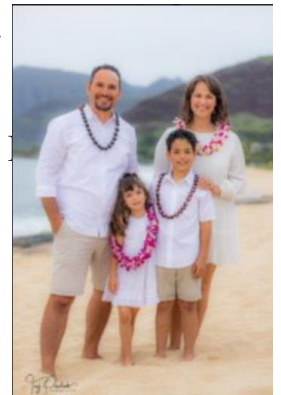
Welcome Pastor Chris Estay & Family

Pastor Chris Estay was born and raised in Southern California in the San Fernando Valley. He had aspirations to become a mechanical engineer, but those plans changed the summer after his high school graduation when he heard God's call to ministry during a summer literature evangelism program.

He went on to receive a bachelor's in business administration at La Sierra University in 2007. After graduation Pastor Chris was hired by the Northern California Conference where he has served as a pastor for the last 16 years. In 2013 Pastor Chris earned a Master of Divinity degree from Andrews University in Michigan.

Pastor Chris and his wife Erdal were married in 2005 and are the proud parents of their two beautiful children Gabriel and Liana. In his spare time Pastor Chris enjoys playing sports, playing music, traveling, making YouTube videos and spending time with family and friends.

A welcome potluck after the worship service has been planned to meet and greet his family.



*From the
Pen
Of
Inspiration*

Those who are unwilling to accept the plain, cutting truths of the Bible are continually seeking for pleasing fables that will quiet the conscience. - GC 346

13th Sabbath Program

By Carman Velasquez

Matthew Aguilar from the Kindergarten Division shared that every fear we have, we can put in God's hands. The Primary Class shared what they have learned about Jesus's disciples and sang songs of God's love for us. The Junior Class spoke about Christ's relationship with us.



July Prayer List

Pam Ditto, Prayer Ministries Leader



Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4:6-7

- Samuel Aquino Jr
- Althea Blais
- Marc & Abella Contreras
- Florence Deloso, Julian, Jared and Paige
- Ken & Luc Fuchs, Micah, Sarah and Holly
- Jason & Mary Ann Johnston, Joshua and Matthew Tenorio
- Fred & Bic Lowe
- Peter Paul & Joana Masigan and Ocean
- Glenn & Milcah Ordaz, Jea and Josiah
- Rudolfo & Goldie Raras
- Sareda Thompson
- Mike & Annaliza Wilensky, Angel & Tyler



In June, Community Services served a total of 151 households and 321 individuals. The following people volunteered this month: Dale Hamlin, Emmy Vega, Ed Politano, Rudy Patricio, Jane Sarmiento, Pearllette Dobbins, Rose Lauglug, Donica & Kyra Clapp, Eunice Villar, Edith Gasmin, Nelma Traub. Cindy To, Joanna Palacios, and Randy Brucker with a total of 325 volunteer hours.



Pleasant Hill Adventist Academy Student Achievements

By Abigail Marlow

Several of our students at PHAA were honored with academic achievements at an Honors Program at the school on Wednesday May 31. Brooke Fernander received Highest Math Achievement scores for the Sophomore class. Micah Ruban received the Highest Math Achievement Scores for the 3rd grade. Savannah Marlow received High achievement scores in Math. Levi Ruban made the Honor Roll. Haven Marlow, Savannah Marlow, Brooke Fernander, Micah Ruban, and Gabriel Estay (our new Pastor's Son) all made the Principal's List with at GPA of 3.75-4.0. Great Job PHAA students!



GUEST SPEAKERS IN JUNE



June 3 – Dr. Fred Lowe gave the sermon titled “Come Follow Me.” He gave insightful details of the relationships between the disciples and Jesus that we may not have known. If we are to become fishers of men, follow what Jesus says and He will fill your nets. Asher Suat gave a beautiful rendition of the song “In the Beginning.”



June 10 - Tina Chew was the guest speaker. Her powerful sermon was titled, “Safe House.” The beautiful Special Music, by Maricel Eborá was. “Unshakable Kingdom.” The sermon touched on the trauma we may experience in our lives. She spoke about the woman at the well and the shame and guilt she felt. She said “No matter how messy your past is, Jesus sees your worth.” She shared her personal testimony and the trauma she experienced in the past. With an addict for a mother and a father just released from prison, she was placed in a group home from which she ran away from. With only the clothes on her back and the shoes on her feet, the Lord sent a friend to help her. She was placed in an SDA foster home. There she learned about God and gave her heart to him when she was 18 years old. She credits the Capital SDA Church for mentoring her and the youth for welcoming her. She recommended the book “Why Am I Like This” to anyone who has suffered trauma.

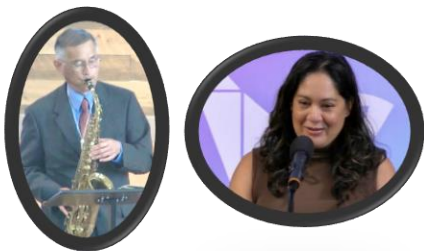


June 17- Jim Pederson, former President of the NCC was the guest speaker. His message, titled “Keeping Things Simple” was based upon John 3:1. He said “It’s good to expand our knowledge, but we must start with the basics. The underlying principle of life is that God loves us so much He gave us His only son.” This one simple thing is the message to the world. Tanglawan provided the Special Music



June 17- a Prayer of Blessing was given for Fathers as well as boutonnieres in honor of Father’s Day. “The world is not so much in need of great minds as of good men who will be a blessing in their homes.”

Ellen White, The Adventist Home



June 24 – Pastor Josie Asencio was welcomed back by the church to deliver the message based on Mark:10. Titled “All Things are Possible” she spoke about the rich young ruler. When Jesus said it was harder for a rich man to get to heaven than a camel to go through the eye of a needle, He was referring to the Needle Gate which was narrow and difficult to pass through. The camel had to fall on its knees to pass through. She said that Salvation is not something we can work for – it is something that is given to us. Dr. Fred Lowe provided the beautiful special music “Abide in Me” on his saxophone.



July Birthdays

Amidya Pakpahan-Rajagukguk	1
Ed Politano	2
Eric Politano	4
Serena Blais	6
Jesse Hidalgo	8
Joshua Tolosa	10
Kim Webb	11
John Ament	11
Stephen Amador	12
Effie Cooper	12
Mina Tolosa	12
Gina Garrett	16
Sophia Jacob	17
Tyler Carlisle	18
Mariel King	18
Jing Jing Coykendall	23
Jasin Johnston	23
Erwin Protacio	24
Mildred Sowell	27
Cathy Keating	31

A Yard Sale will be held July 30th with the proceeds going to our sister church in Mexico. Contact Isabel Contreras (707) 342-7817 for more information on where to drop items off.

At Rest

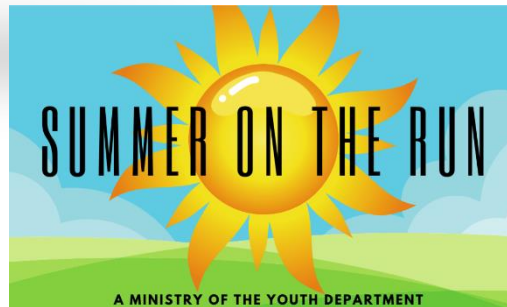
Our dear sister in Christ, Fredericka Lorraine Black, passed to her rest on June 15, 2023. She served the church in many positions and was recently honored for her 15 years of service as the Church Clerk. We shall see her again on Resurrection Morning.



Baby Shower

Submitted by Carmen Velasquez

A baby shower was held in anticipation of the arrival of baby Gomez. Parents, Angelina and Luis, expect their bundle of joy in August. The guests enjoyed a variety of dishes, fruits, salads and desserts. Former members of Vallejo Central came which gave us the opportunity to see them again. Gloria Gonzalez organized several games and activities for the guests at the baby shower, and some got useful prizes. Everyone was in a cheerful mood.



Summer on the Run is a FREE pop-up summer day camp program for kids ages 7-13 operating in Northern California. It was held June 26-30 in Vallejo's Washington Park. Staffed by a committed group of adult and college/high school-aged camp ministry professionals who are dedicated to providing a fun, faith-based, safe, and nurturing experience for each camper. The program includes worship, small group activities, big group games, lunch (FREE), basketball, a giant water slide (32' tall!), human-hungry-hippos, 9-square-in-the-air, Gaga ball, a 30' climbing wall, a variety of fun crafts, and more! Sessions run primarily Monday-Friday.