

# Fishwrap

*Staying connected as a Church Family!*

Weekly Newsletter: [www.sunnyvalechurch.org](http://www.sunnyvalechurch.org)

Mar 17<sup>th</sup> - Mar 24<sup>th</sup>

## Pastors Corner

### Scripture meditation

Monthly Scripture  
Meditation:

*Romans 8:38-39*

## This Weekend

Get connected with your church family. Find out what's going on this weekend at a glance.

## Bulletin

Worship service highlights and other important Church announcements

## Adventure Groups

Like a "spiritual carpool lane", we all travel faster and further when we don't travel alone.

## Church Classifieds

"Ask not what your Church can do for you, but what you can do for your church."

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## Pastors Corner

### NEW OFFICE MANAGER ANGELICA'S APPRENTICE BEGINS TRAINING

After considering six other applicants, we finalized our office manager search down to two great candidates. In the end, Joe, Angelica and I felt that Tony Opee would perform best in this position with his high proficiency with Apple computers and the relevant software we use here in the office, combined with his previous employer's glowing recommendations for being a fast learner, team player and an innovative problem solver. He has a warm personality and enjoys connecting with and serving others. Having grown up in the Adventist Church, he has a passion for using his gifts in ministry to God's people. Tony has about three years left in his pursuit of a computer animation degree at San Jose State.

Tony worked on a special project for the Department of Transportation converting electronic business forms from an old JET Forms Flow software system to new Adobe Portable Document Format (PDF) Forms Designer software and Livecycle 7.0 system. Here's what the Caltrans Branch Chief wrote about him in a letter of recommendation:

"Tony quickly learned both the old software and forms creation, as well as working with the converted forms in the new software. He became proficient in both and was able to provide backup to our full-time staff creating and modifying forms in the old software, training staff in the new software, as well as quality checking the work of others and working with the Forms Officers to solve problems found in the PDF forms. In addition, Tony designed our intranet page for the new forms system.

Tony has a pleasant personality, is helpful and works very well with others. He is also reliable, punctual, and very capable. In the past year Tony has worked in the Forms Management Unit, and has become a valued part of our team. If I had the opportunity to hire Tony again there would be no hesitation. I know that wherever Tony goes he will be a great asset to any company that employs him."

I asked his supervisor at his most recent job at Caltrans how his writing and proofreading skills were and she said he did an excellent job editing and producing flawless pdf forms for their many departments. Part of his job there was to communicate with numerous department leaders and meet deadlines in producing online forms for many departments all at the same time.

So for these and many other reasons we feel that he is the best person for this job.

Pray for Tony as he begins training into this important position this week and introduce yourself when you have time.

### THE BLESSING OF STRANGERS

Last week, I was visiting my neighbor at Stanford Hospital. After falling 25 feet, going through 14 hours of facial reconstructive surgery and two orthopedic surgeries, he is scheduled to be released today. You can thank God for that. His wonderful Jewish family is certainly doing that today.

On my way to visit my neighbor, I was talking on the phone with the Principal of Mountain View Academy, and he told me that David Bowers, the principal of Foothill Elementary School in Milpitas was at Stanford Hospital as well. Apparently David had battled cancer in his late teens, and it came back again in 2003. (David gave me permission to share his medical journey and solicit your prayers.) After treatments, it didn't show up

again until this past August, and now a tumor has impacted his spinal cord and caused paralysis in his legs. Now recovering from surgery, Dave is hoping through physical therapy to gain movement again in his legs, and they're hoping that the treatments will cleanse his body of the cancer. But it will be a battle.

I went by to visit him and said, "Dave, I know I'm a stranger to you, but you're not a stranger to God. You've spent your whole life serving Him and His children. Being an Adventist principal is the toughest job in the denomination—you see all the trouble and very little of the money!" He gave a smile that I took to be an Amen. Then I said, "Dave, I'm here to tell you that God hasn't forgotten about you. He is here with you. And our church, which you haven't seen, is also here for you."

He said he would love it if I could pray for him. So right there among the flowers at the entrance to the hospital we prayed. I prayed for God's healing and hope, for his reminder to Dave that he is special, the very apple of God's eye. As I prayed, two nurses, strangers to us, but friends of God, came and placed their hands on Dave. When the prayer ended, they said "Amen. God is with you. Don't forget how special you are to him."

Dave and his wife had tears in their eyes. In the midst of their storm, God had placed his hands on their shoulders through the words, the prayers and the touch of strangers.

Can you imagine if the 400 or so hands of Sunnyvale Church touched one life with love every day? That would be 146,000 blessings or God-encounters per year. Maybe that's the simple recipe the early church followed as they touched and transformed the entire Roman Empire in just a few centuries. Couldn't we do the same in this important valley that has such an influence throughout the world?

May He use our words and our hands to bless the world, one life at a time,

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## Prayer Requests:

*Pause for a moment and pray:*

*Pause and pray for our friends and family and for others who are in need:*

- Our church custodian is Arnulfo. Please pray for his father who suffered a heart attack last week.
- Please pray for the Hooper family in their loss of David's father (February 28th).
- Elton Szpaller and family in their loss of Elton's mother.
- Helen Nichols whose father passed away, for her family relationships, her health and job.
- Debbie Richmond's mom and her family as she is home recovering from heart surgery. (Debbie says thanks to all of you who prayed and/or sent flowers)
- All of our guests who will be came to church for the Business & Spirituality series.
- Lift up Abbie, Jane, and several others in our church family who have cancer.
- Please continue to pray for Abigail Mendoza, age 6 (one of Jamie Walikonis' classmates), who has been diagnosed with 4 brain tumors. To read more about her go to: <http://www.sanmateodailynews.com/article/2007-2-8-02-08-07-sc-abigail>
- Pray for Maria Garcia's health and healing and for spiritual strength and blessing.
- Pray for Kurt Russell and the 1744th Transport Division in your prayers. They are serving in Iraq. Also pray for their families who live each day wondering...
- Pray for Ben Nichols who is also serving in Iraq.
- Pray for the Hagen family, especially little Chloe.
- Pray for those who are hurting around the world.
- For us so that we can be healers and helpers like Jesus.



## FEBRUARY

### SCRIPTURE MEDITATION

*"Even youths grow tired and weary, and young men stumble and fall; but those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength. They will soar on wings like eagles; they will run and not grow weary, they will walk and not be faint"*

Isaiah 40:30-31 NIV

### THIS WEEKENDS EVENTS

#### Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

- 9:15 & 11:45 am - Pastor Sam McKee will begin the Money Matters Sermon Series in both services.
- 9:15 am - Children's Church in the Primary Room during the First Light Service
- 11:45 am - Childcare available during the OpenDoor Service
- 4:00 & 6:30 pm - Winterfest at Mountain View Central Church

#### Sunday, March 18<sup>th</sup>

- 8:00 am - Breakfast with Friends, Mountain View Central Church
- 10:00 am - Basketball at Mountain View Academy

### STAY CONNECTED

#### Sunnyvale Church Website:

- [www.sunnyvalesda.org](http://www.sunnyvalesda.org)

#### Business & Spirituality sermons:

available in video and mp3 format at

- [www.sunnyvalesda.org/av](http://www.sunnyvalesda.org/av)

#### This Weeks Bulletin & Fishwrap:

- <http://www.sunnyvalesda.org/news/indexnew.html>

#### The 2007 Spring Signals is now online!:

- <http://www.sunnyvalesda.org/news/indexnew.html>

*Join one happening near you!*

#### Adventure & Small Groups information:

- [www.sunnyvalesda.org/ministry/smallgroups.html](http://www.sunnyvalesda.org/ministry/smallgroups.html)

## Bulletin:

*This week's worship features & church announcements.*

#### THIS SABBATH:

##### Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

- Pastor Sam McKee will begin the Money Matters Sermon Series in both services. Find out what the Bible says about managing money.
- Children's Church during the 9:15 am service for children ages 5-12. Childcare during the 11:45 am service for children toilet-trained to 10 years of age.
- **Winterfest 2007:** Two performances: 4:00 and 6:30 pm will be hosted by the Mountain View Central Adventist Church (1425 Springer Rd. Mountain View, CA 94043)

#### NEXT SABBATH:

##### Saturday, March 24<sup>th</sup>

- Pastor Sam McKee will continue the Money Matters Sermon Series in both services.
- Sunshine Band will be visiting the Cedar Crest Nursing Home (797 E. Fremont) at 3:30 pm.

## Children's Ministry:

#### CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church will take place at **9:15 am** on the following dates:

- March 17
- April 21
- May 12
- June 16

#### CHILDCARE DATES

Childcare will be provided during the **11:45 am** service on the following dates:

- March 17
- April 7 (Easter Program)
- April 21
- May 12
- June 16

## Adventure & Small Group Updates:

*Like a "spiritual carpool lane", we all travel faster and further when we don't travel alone.*

#### CREATION EVOLUTION SABBATH SCHOOL CLASS

**Dates:** Saturdays, March 10, 17, 24, 31

**Time:** 10:30-11:30am

**Location:** Modular Class #1

Join us each Sabbath to discuss and study current issues on creation and evolution and how they apply to our everyday activities in school, work and social lives. We will be using DVDs, books, articles and other materials to learn how this important topic is evolving in the 21st Century.

## Your Church Needs You:

*"Ask not what your Church can do for you, but what you can do for your church."*

#### 2006 INCOME TAX RECEIPTS

2006 Income tax receipts have been mailed out this week. **Mailing addresses are urgently needed for the following people:**

- Nils R. Swanson
- Devin Wilson
- Richard & Martha Purdum
- Lillian Eymundo
- Bonnie Cohen
- Peggy Cabrere
- Cherie Rodulovich
- Ivy Rose Nieva
- Sharon Munoz
- Sharon Manukyan
- Theresa Rose
- Tricia Perry
- Ansel Oliver
- Ryan Wagenleitner
- Raquel Salazar
- Sheryl Regester

Please contact the church office at

[office@sunnyvalesda.org](mailto:office@sunnyvalesda.org) or call 408-732-4080 with your address information so that we may mail your tax receipt.

**INTERPRETIVE DANCERS WANTED**

Anna Savino is looking for dancers interested in working on interpretive and artistic dances that express spiritual truth and experiences. So dancers young and old can e-mail her if you are interested in being a part of a creative element of a future worship service. Here e-mail address is: [Missanna2you@aol.com](mailto:Missanna2you@aol.com).

## Church Family Updates:

### HOOPER FAMILY

#### *Wayne Hooper Dies at Age 86 1920 - 2007*

Wayne Hooper, whose work with the Voice of Prophecy spanned nearly 65 years, died Wednesday, February 28, at his home in Thousand Oaks, California. He was 86. Plans for a memorial service are pending.

His best known song, "We Have This Hope," was created for the 1962 Seventh-day Adventist General Conference Session in San Francisco. His prolific career included hundreds of compositions and arrangements for soloists, quartets, choirs, and orchestras.

Hooper joined the King's Heralds quartet at the Voice of Prophecy in 1943, singing baritone for four years before moving to Nebraska to complete his bachelor's degree in music. He resumed his role in the quartet from 1949 to 1962, then continued to serve the Voice of Prophecy as music director, producer of the Sunday radio broadcast, and trust services director.

#### *Active Retirement*

After officially retiring in 1980, Hooper coordinated the production of the current Seventh-day Adventist Hymnal and a companion volume giving the history of the 695 selections and composers. The hymnal has sold over one million copies.

More recently he spent many months restoring and transferring to CDs, the

original reel-to-reel recordings of music by the King's Heralds, Del Delker, and other Voice of Prophecy musicians.

A special project that he continued until a few months ago was setting Bible verses to music to aid children in memorization. He and his wife also operated Key Music Company and sent music arrangements and books to customers around the world.

#### *Early Years and College*

Hooper was born in Little Rock, Arkansas on July 4, 1920. He received his high school diploma from Gem State Academy, Caldwell, Idaho. After completing an A.A. degree in music at Southern California Junior College (now La Sierra University, Riverside), he taught music at Portland (Oregon) Academy, was a soloist for the Quiet Hour radio broadcast, and was a singing evangelist for the Potomac Conference. He joined the King's Heralds quartet at the Voice of Prophecy in 1943.

When he continued his music education in 1947 at Union College (Lincoln, Nebraska), his obvious talent led his professors to add him to their staff. He coached male quartets, gave lessons, directed choirs, played in the band and orchestra, led music for evangelistic meetings -- and managed to also attend his own classes.

Hooper Style Heard Worldwide Rejoining the King's Heralds at the Voice of Prophecy in 1949, he became part of a quartet combination that performed together for 12 years. Radio listeners, camp meeting audiences, and buyers of vinyl records were inspired by the unique blending of the voices of Hooper, Bob Edwards, Bob Seamount, and Jerry Dill.

Hooper set the style of Voice of Prophecy music with his spirited male voice arrangements. Budding male quartets around the world sought copies and soon the "Hooper Style" of singing was heard throughout the Americas, Europe, Africa, Asia, and the South Pacific islands.

Many of Hooper's arrangements for male voices were published in seven volumes and used at schools and churches worldwide. Nearly 100 of these arrangements are now in the public domain and available without charge at [www.vop.com](http://www.vop.com).

#### *Sang in Several Languages*

Hooper and his King's Heralds colleagues sang not only in English, but also in several other languages used by Voice of Prophecy affiliates around the world. Known as Los Heraldos del Rey in Spanish, the quartet was also featured regularly on La Voz de la Esperanza, a Spanish-language Adventist radio ministry. His years with the quartet involved extensive travel, including many trips across the United States and Canada, as well as tours to Central and South America, the Caribbean, and Europe.

#### *Surviving Family Members*

Hooper married Harriet Schwender in 1941. He was ordained to the gospel ministry in 1955, and he received his master of arts degree in music in 1957 from Occidental College, Los Angeles. Both Andrews University and La Sierra University awarded him honorary doctor of music degrees. Hooper is survived by his wife, Harriet, and their four children and families: Jim Hooper, Mrs. Jan (Lind), David Hooper, and Dan Hooper.

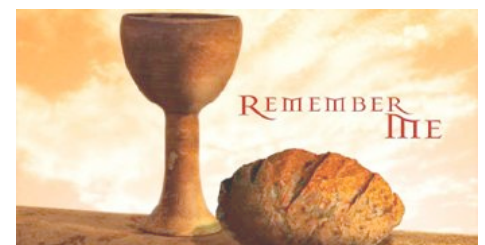
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### SUNNYVALE CHURCH EVENTS:

#### COMMUNION

Saturday, March 31 in both services. Footwashing service will be available in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 & at 11:30am.



**AGAPE FEAST**

**Date:** Saturday, April 7th

**Time:** 5:30 - 7:00 pm

**Location:** Fellowship Hall & Fireside Room

"They found the stone rolled away from the entrance of the tomb... 'He is not here; he is risen from the dead.'" Luke 24: 2-6

Please join us for a special dinner as we celebrate the risen Christ! RSVP number attending to [agapefeast@mac.com](mailto:agapefeast@mac.com) or via RSVP card in the church bulletin this weekend.



**RESURRECTION CELEBRATION**

**Date:** Saturday, April 7

**Time:** 11:45 am service

Don't miss our Combined Easter Service at 11:45 am on Saturday April 7. There will be no 9:15 am service that day. Sabbath School begins at 10:30 am. Our special service will include:

- Miramonte Children's Choir
- Sunnyvale Church Choir
- Compelling Biblical Dramas
- Contemporary Praise Songs by Joe Strock & the OpenDoor Band
- A personal story of a changed life
- A powerful picture of the One who lived, for us, died for us and reigns in us today...
- And a few other surprises and some powerful Easter hymns to fill us with joy and hope.

Remember it's a great day to invite friends, neighbors and others who need to hear and experience God's love and joy.

If you are able and energetic, please park at Fremont High School or the Day Care Center next door to the church so that we may have plenty of parking for new attenders and senior citizens.

**BUSINESS & SPIRITUALITY SERIES**

Business & Spirituality sermons are available in video and mp3 format at [www.sunnyvalesda.org/av](http://www.sunnyvalesda.org/av)

- "Can Business Be a Calling?" - March 3, 2007, By John Brandon, Long-time Silicon Valley Executive, currently serving as Vice-President of the Americas and Asia Pacific for Apple, Inc.
- "Walking With God in the Business World" - February 24, 2007, By Greg Jamison, San Jose Sharks President and CEO

**BAY AREA CHURCH EVENTS:**

**WINTERFEST 2007:**

*Grace that Amazes*

Twelfth Annual Performance  
Conducted by Milton Wheeler

**Date:** Sabbath, March 17

**Time:** 2 performances: 4:00 & 6:30 pm

**Location:** Hosted by the Mountain View Central Adventist Church  
1425 Springer Rd.  
Mountain View, CA 94043  
650-967-2189

Complimentary tickets are available in advance by sending a self-addressed envelope to the church at the above address requesting preferred time of performance. *Tickets should be ordered only by/for individuals who are CERTAIN they will be attending.*

**OUTREACH TRAINING**

Do you have friends or loved ones who don't know Christ? Have you ever wanted to share your faith but weren't sure what to do? Staci Osterman, Bible Worker and Coordinator for the Michigan Conference is coming to show you how! This brief but practical training in friendship evangelism will be held Friday, March 16 from 7-8:30 pm and Sabbath, March 17 from 2:30-5:30 pm at the Mountain View Adventist Japanese Church. Don't miss it! If you have questions, contact Aiko at (650) 948-2013.



**MOUNTAIN VIEW ADVENTIST CHURCH LECTURE SERIES**

**Date:** Friday evening

**Time:** 7pm

**Location:** Fellowship Hall, Mountain View Central Adventist Church  
1425 Springer Rd.  
Mountain View, CA 94043  
650-967-2189

It has been said that Christians answer tough questions with simple answers. In reality many questions do not have simple answers and sometimes the answer is not the same in every circumstance. At the Mountain View Central Adventist Church we welcome tough questions. We invite you to join us for a series of lectures that are focused on answering some of life's toughest questions.

- Is it possible for science and religion to coexist?
- How do I build a balanced marriage?
- How do I make end of life decisions?
- How can I do a better job of raising my children?
- How do I deal with grief after a loved one dies?

~ **March 23:** Dr. Lance Lee, PhD, EdD, "How to lead you kids to greatness without losing your mind"

~ **April 6:** K. Lance Tyer, MA, "Integrating Loss: Process and Identity in Mourning"

All lectures will begin at 7 pm and last approximately 45 minutes with a 30 minute Q & A period to follow. All lectures will be held in the Fellowship Hall. Refreshments will be served following each lecture. No reservations required. **All lectures are free of charge.** For further information contact Pastor Curtis Church at 650-967-2189 or Roshelle Brenneise at 269-277-1545 or 408-371-4168.

## 5th ANNUAL A.C.T.S. HOME-SCHOOL MEETING

### Dates / Times:

- **Friday, April 20, 2007, 7:00-9:00 p.m.**  
(Free with Sunday registration)
- **Saturday, April 21, 2007, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m.** (Free)
- **Sunday, April 22, 2007, 9:00 – 3:00 p.m.** (Fee includes lunch)

**Location:** Mountain View Japanese Seventh-day Adventist Church  
195 N. Rengstorff Avenue, Mountain View, CA 94043

- **“Home-schooling for Heaven”**  
Seminars by Kathie Moore  
Kordenbrock, International Speaker, Consultant, Editor, & Author  
Daughter of Dr. Raymond Moore, grandfather of the Modern Home-school Movement, Home-schooled 3 Sons K-12
- **“In the Successful Home-school Bag”**
- Workshop by Lynda Morita Chan, MBA, Veteran home-schooler of 2 daughters, small business owner
- **“Education for Eternity”** by Aiko Reichard, CCC Bible Worker, College Graduate, Home-schooled K-12
- **“Child’s Behavior, Learning & Thinking”** by Susan Schwarz, CCC Director of Children’s Ministries
- **“Ask the Experienced”** – Panel of Home-schoolers, Home-school Children’s Choir

Children’s Programs will be concurrent with adults’ meetings. All children attending need to register. Mothers’ Room available. Registration includes admission, handouts & Sunday lunch. Hotel discount conference rates available. For more information, please call Myrian at (408) 720-8927 or email [mvjsdac@yahoo.com](mailto:mvjsdac@yahoo.com)

**ACTS** is the Adventist Christian Teacher Support providing resources, training, & inspiration for home-school educators.

## LOCAL COMMUNITY EVENTS:

### MIRAMONTE SCHOOL

#### *Spring Fling and Silent Auction*

**Date / Time:** Sunday March 18, 5:30 pm  
It is the big annual school fundraiser and all parents, families, constituents and public are invited. It is a dinner and an auction and is really quite fun! The theme is a Mexican Fiesta. Hence Mexican food and entertainment and of course, the auction.

#### **KFAX INVITES YOU TO “SPEAKER SERIES 2007”**

**Date:** May 3 at 7:30 pm

**Location:** Harbor Light  
4760 Thornton Ave., Fremont, CA

**Cost:** Tickets: \$11:00 each

~ **May 3, 2007:** Philip Yancey  
**“Prayer-Does It Make any Difference?”**

With more than 13 million books in print, Philip Yancey has researched, pondered, and explored deep questions about faith-taking millions of readers with him as he passionately crafted best-selling books, such as *Disappointment with God* and *Where is God When it Hurts?*, *The Jesus I Never Knew* and *What’s So Amazing About Grace*.

Call for tickets at 510.713.1100 ext. 140 or email [www.kfax.com](http://www.kfax.com).

## CENTRAL CA CONFERENCE EVENTS:

### URGENT NEED OF SUPPORT FOR CAMP WAWONA

**Date:** March 30

**Time:** 10:00 am

**Location:** Tenaya Lodge in Fishcamp, CA (41 North at Fish Camp - pass through Oakhurst - turn right at the Tenaya Lodge entrance)

This critical meeting is the second of three public meetings in the permitting process to rebuild the camp. Adventist attendance goal: 150-200 supporters. For more information and to let the Conference know you are coming, email Caron Oswald at [coswald@cccsda.org](mailto:coswald@cccsda.org) or call her at 559.347.3181. Thank you for your continued prayers and support.

## CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES CERTIFICATION LEADERSHIP TRAINING

Presented by Phyllis Washington, NAD Children's Ministries Director  
Friday & Saturday, March 24 & 25  
Central California Conference Office  
Cost: \$5.00 Friday only; \$35.00 Friday & Saturday sessions and meals.  
Call or email Susan Schwarz at [sschwarz@cccsda.org](mailto:sschwarz@cccsda.org) or 559.347.3183 to sign up or for more information.