

CHURCH *messenger*

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PASTOR'S PEN

10 Things Church Members Have Told Pastors Immediately After They Preached.

1. "I am going to be late for lunch because you preached so long."
2. "You must not have had much time to prepare that sermon."
3. "My former pastor preached a much better sermon from that text."
4. I wish [fill in the blank] would have heard that sermon."
5. "You acted like you weren't feeling well while you preached."
6. "I'm sorry I fell asleep while you were preaching. Your voice just puts me to sleep."
7. "Your subject/verb agreement was incorrect three times in your sermon."
8. "I wish you wouldn't preach from the Old Testament."
9. "Let me tell you what you missed in your sermon."
10. "Are we ever going to be done with this sermon series?"

Pastors often take 10 to 20 hours to prepare a sermon. They pray for God to speak through them. They preach with conviction and fervency. And then they hear one of these sentences. (Not so much at Lighthouse).

CHURCH EVENTS

- MAY 6TH – MEN'S BREAKFAST
- MAY 7TH – PRIME TIMER'S AT
REGAL CENTER
- MAY 13TH – EBC GRADUATION
- MAY 14TH – JUNE 18TH BABY BOTTLE
CAMPAIGN FOR SARAH'S HOUSE
- MAY 14TH – MOTHER'S DAY
- MAY 29TH – MEMORIAL DAY
- JUNE 3RD – MEN'S BREAKFAST
- JUNE 11TH – PRIME TIMER'S AT
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- JUNE 18TH – FATHER'S DAY
- JULY 17TH -21ST – VACATION BIBLE
SCHOOL

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 17th – 21st from 6:15 – 8:30PM

This year, VBS will get creative using gears, rockets, and robots with the theme: 'Maker Fun Factory'.

Maker Fun Factory is a 5 Day VBS experience where kids discover they are created by God and are built for a purpose.

Kids will learn: God made you; God is for you; God is always with you; God will always love you; and God made you for a reason!

Mark your calendars now and start inviting your friends and neighbors!

We need your help! If you're interested in volunteering for VBS, please contact David & Rachelle Talley OR Jim & Rachelle Pardue!

Registration will begin in June!

PROVERBS 22:17

"A merry heart does good like medicine"



JUNIOR CHURCH

*Sunday Mornings during the Church Service
For Ages: 2-5*

Junior Church Academy takes place at the same time as the main service each week on Sunday mornings in Room 8. It's built on child-friendly, age-appropriate Bible lessons and activities to reach the hearts and minds of children with the message of Jesus. As we move chronologically through major stories and themes of the Bible, our structured schedule will include music, Bible time, and various other activities. We have fun, we play, and we learn God's Word!

For little ones who have outgrown the nursery, but aren't yet ready to participate in the main service, this is a bridge between the two!

Questions? See David or Rachelle Talley



COUPLES ADVANCE

IRONWOOD CAMP

Friday, October 27th – Sunday October 29th

Couples' retreats provide a time for couples to renew their relationship, retreat from hectic schedules, rejoice in God's goodness throughout the past year, and reflect on decisions needed for the upcoming year—an indispensable time of communication, giving, loving, and time spent together.

The price per couple is \$325. Mark your calendars now and start saving! If you set aside \$14.13/week OR \$72.22/month – you'll have enough set aside by the time October comes around!

For more information or questions, see Pastor Roger!

BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN

Mother's Day to Father's Day

Beginning next Sunday, pick up a baby bottle from the basket in the church lobby, fill it with change, bills, or check (payable to: Sarah's House) and return it on or before Father's Day, Sunday, June 21st.

YOU can make a difference in the life
of an unborn child.

Sarah's House is a non-profit Christian home for unwed mothers-to-be located here in Simi Valley. It provides physical care for mother and baby; spiritual care in the form of Bible studies and church attendance; and emotional support and training in the form of parenting classes, financial management classes, and Christian counseling.

For more information about this ministry or about the Baby Bottle Campaign, please contact the church office at (805) 584-8222.

LIGHTHOUSE LIBRARY

*Sundays between Sunday School and the Worship Service
and after the Worship Service*

Check out our church library! If you haven't been there yet - it's off the gym on the west side of the building.

There are children's books, DVDs/Videos, sermons from John MacArthur, Summit Series "Understanding the Times", reference and commentary, books on God, Jesus, salvation, apologetics, devotionals, missions, marriage & family, church history, home schooling, biographies, fiction, and much, much more!

The library also needs volunteers - all are welcome including teens and preteens! If you're interested in volunteering or have questions about the library, contact Ginnie Simonds.

GETTING TO KNOW OUR DEACONS



Harry & Christina Rivera and Family

Harry and his wife Christina live in Moorpark with six of their eight children still living at home. The Rivera's first started coming to Lighthouse in May of 2009. Attracted by the specific life-issue preaching, hymns, family worship, and active service of the church, the family has been active in many areas. Harry is serving as deacon and also commander of the AWANA program. He enjoys participation and service at the Men's breakfast and has served many years as staff for VBS. Child Evangelism Fellowship is an integral part of their family's service to the community and as a ministry especially for their children. Active service to the Lord is so very rewarding, and such a blessing!

Harry is an electrical engineer by education and an entrepreneur in factory automated robotics, working as an independent contractor for different companies in different industries. He enjoys mentoring his sons and other young men to succeed in this area of engineering. As far as hobbies go, he loves fast cars and playing tennis. He also loves to design and build things and think up new inventions.

The Rivera's have eight children: Kody - who is married and lives in Oklahoma; Noah - who is married and lives in Rosamond with his family; Hannah - a junior at Liberty University; Joshua - a sophomore at Liberty University; Benjamin - a senior in high school; Deanna, Brianna, and Yulianna - who are still learning at home. Harry and Christina have home educated all of their children, and hope to be a part of their four grandchildren's education as well. Being a part of the fellowship at Lighthouse has been a huge blessing to the Rivera's.

MAY 2017

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6 MEN'S BIBLE STUDY & BREAKFAST
7 PRIME TIMER'S LUNCH	8	9	10 ELDER BOARD MEETING	11	12 ALERT & KEEPERS	13
14 MOTHER'S DAY	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29 MEMORIAL DAY	30	31			

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UPCOMING EVENTS

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