



PARKWOOD ECHOES

PARKWOOD-CALENDAR

Highlights

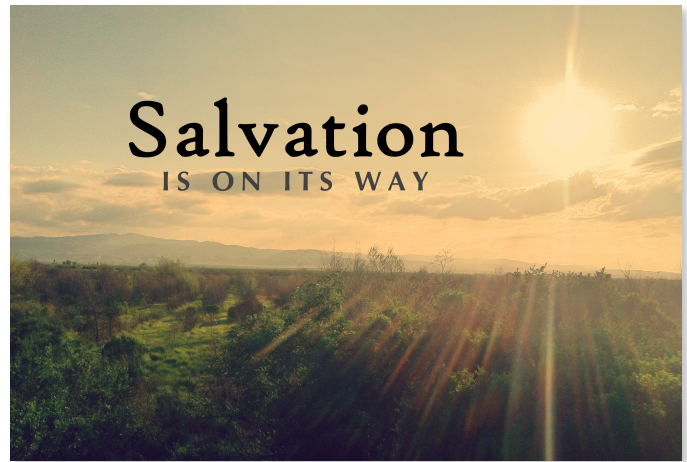
- 9/5-23 GLOW-a-thon continues!
- 9/12- 6:30-8:30pm Women's Ministry Acquaintance Party
- 9/20 - 9am Let's Move Day - Walk with us at Coffee-Claratina Park
- 9/20 - 3:30pm Health Seminar - reverse diabetes, hypertension, cholesterol & Syndrome X - meal following the presentation
- 9/26 - 6:00pm Vespers & Ice Cream Social
- 9/27 - 8-12pm Church Work Bee Come and join us!
- 9/27 - 10:30-2:30pm Senior Fellowship "Down on the Farm"
- 10/2-24 - 6:30pm Prophecy Seminar

Community Services

by MaryAnn Green

Community Service Ministry is open again helping out our Community on Wednesday's from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm.

Thank you for all of your support!



From the Pastor

*"You also must be ready all the time, for the Son of Man will come when least expected."
(Matthew 24:44, NLT)*

In the darkness of the wee morning hours last Sunday, August 30, my wife and I concluded that there was no time to lose. What had been an enjoyable weekend with the Adventurer Club at Camp Wawona now turned into a dramatic mission to make every moment count. In whispered tones and swift movements we loaded our peacefully sleeping kids, packed up our necessary belongings, and left that which others could handle for us. There was no time to lose...it was time to get to a hospital. By God's grace, we made it just in time, exactly forty-five minutes before baby Jacob (George Jacob Kawika Miranda) arrived in all his 7.0 pounds and 20 inches of cuteness.

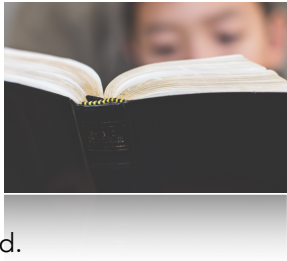
Since that adrenaline-filled adventure, I have become maware of our tendency to feel like we have time...even in a state of expectancy. As a family, we have been expecting our baby for several months now, but it took the contractions of labor to realize there was no time to lose. As a people, we have been expecting Jesus to return according to Bible prophecy for a few centuries now, but what kinds of cosmic labor pains (cf. Mt. 24:8; 1 Thes. 5:3) will help us realize there is no time to lose in the grand scheme of our spiritual well-being and eternal interests? We may expect that someday Jesus to come, but the challenge is to be ready *today* for Jesus to come.

When there is no time to lose, priorities shift, focus narrows, things can be left behind if need be. With the moral fabric of society tearing at the seams, Friends, let us secure an abiding relationship with Jesus *today*, let us love and serve Him with all our hearts *today*.

PARKWOOD CHURCH LIBRARY

by Gwen Barnett

Library hours are between Sabbath School and 15-20 minutes after Church Service is dismissed.



dismissed.

These are a few book titles:

- ✦ Building Your Mate's Self-Esteem
Author: Dennis & Barbara Rainey
- ✦ I forgive you but...
Christian Life Gudmundsson,
Lourdes
Author: E. Morales, PhD
- ✦ Making Children Mind without Losing Yours
Author: Dr. Kevin Leman
- ✦ The Crisis of the End Time
Author: Marvin Moore
- ✦ Why Our Teenagers Leave the Church
Roger L. Dudley
- ✦ When a Good Man Falls
Author: Erwin W. Lutzer

And many more books to discover!



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It is my prayer that we, both individually and as a community of faith, will “do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light” (Rom. 13:11-12).



BABY MIRANDA SHOWER

by Reena Verde

Many ladies gathered on a busy, warm late afternoon to celebrate a special and happy occasion. Guests trickled in, and soon the guest of honor Debbie Miranda arrived with her daughter Genna. Ms. Eva started the group with ice breaker games followed by a short devotion and prayer by Clary.

The guests dined on a variety of delicious finger foods, cake, and fresh watermelon juice. The best part of the afternoon was gift opening time. Everyone gathered as Debbie carefully unwrapped each present, and the oohs and aahs from the guests were heard at all the cute little outfits, rattles, blankets, shoes, and toys. The love and joy was felt by all for this very special family.

We too were impatiently anticipating meeting the newest member of the Miranda family, who arrived on August 30th at 7am.





Parkwood Christian Preschool

by Margie Beasley

Parkwood has said good-bye to our students that have gone off to Kindergarten and TK. They will be missed but we know they are ready to go on. In August we had a Summer Fun Day, with Sprinklers, pools and water-table. We had a special pizza lunch and Ice Cream. It was a lot of fun. In September we will be having our Grandparents Tea Party. God has greatly blessed our preschool we currently have 28 students.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY'S

Mason 9-5 Ariel 9-7 Jack 9-21 Elliott
9-21

Fellowship Luncheon Ministry

The Fellowship Ministry Committee has made a list to celebrate Birthday's & Anniversaries. In order to not place a burden on one group we have made a schedule.

Each group will be responsible in providing the cake and honoring the Birthday and Anniversary couples. This includes singing to them and allowing them to be first in line for the meal prepared.

September - 3rd week, Group#3
October - 4th week, Group#4
November - 1st week, Group #1
December - 2nd week, Group#2
January - 3rd, week, Group#3

Ladies Bible Prayer Group

by Jean Hill

We have had a summer of un and some time off. Some went on exciting trips it's time to get back into prayer interaction and more reading of the Bible. We want to invite more ladies who want to redirect their efforts and thinking to regain more focus in bible scriptures.

We meet every Thursday at Gwen Barnett's home



2512 Bridle Path Ln., Modesto, CA.

Ladies come and join us!

WANT TO VOLUNTEER?

Our long-anticipated area-wide prophecy seminar "Archaeology and Biblical Prophecy" will begin Friday, Oct. 2 at 6:30pm and will continue every Fri., Sat., and Sun. through Oct. 24. If you are passionate about leading others to the truth that sets us free, please pray for the seminar and pray for that person(s) God wants you to bring to the seminar. If you want to bless others with your service, you can volunteer for the seminar in the following ways:

- Children's program assistant
- Audio/Visual team member
- Registration assistant
- Clean-up team member
- Parking/Security assistant
- Greeter
- Prayer Warrior

If interested in volunteering, contact Pastor Miranda or sign-up at the Welcome Desk so we can connect you with the coordinator for each volunteer department.



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

4th	Doug Todd
5th	Trista Cravey
5th	Malachi Turner
7th	Eleanor Matuu
8th	Margo Montoya
9th	Ron Brasuell
10th	Carol Ann Rosa
13th	Earl Green
13th	Joas & Jehu Salgado
13th	Jewel Ann Warr
14th	Carter Bennett
14th	Marion Schrock
15th	Nick Beasley
16th	Sally Green
16th	Kay Nielson
17th	Anthony Renda Sr.
17th	Joann Schoen
20th	Ronnie Jr. Turner
21st	Greg Green
24th	Jillian Bautista
24th	Debbie Miranda
25th	Denise Fluence
28th	Richard Goings
28th	John Herman
30th	Carol Henshaw

SEPTEMBER

ANNIVERSARIES

9th - 12 years Rick & Annette Ruiz



PATHFINDERS

Most of the pathfinders have had a summer of swimming, doing fundraisers and fun. School has begun again and the Pathfinders are back in session. A camping trip is planned somewhere below Pine Crest, for September 11 thru 13. It should be a lot of fun and exciting. They are looking forward to the trip.

Dr. Arlene Taylor

by Lorna Peterson



We hope you enjoyed Arlene Taylor's presentations here in August 2015' and found her to be an engaging and imaginative speaker! We would like to have her on a yearly basis as she has so much to share. If you would like more information about her presentation please visit her web site: www.arlenetaylor.org.

There you will find more information, on brain benders--cerebral teasers to stimulate your neurons and much more!

Arlene Taylor began her professional career as a registered nurse. Years of working in acute hospitals and as a school nurse provided her with a rich base from which to apply brain-function information practically in a variety of settings.

Eventually she added a masters and two earned doctorates to her Bachelor of Science in Nursing. At one point in her life, she became an instant step-mother for three little boys ages 3,4, and 5.

That experience further stimulated her interest in the brain, especially in relation to gender differences and individual uniqueness.

Those parenting years prompted her to add additional seminars on brain function and gender differences to her repertoire. Her fascination with functions of the human brain continues unabated.

Arlene Taylor's Seminar in Parkwood

