

family ministries

Family Ministries
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Sunday Worship



WORSHIP WITH THE C3 FAMILY!

Every Sunday, 9:30 & 11 AM

In the Freed Theater (Welcoming Center, Garden Level)

- ▶ Live Music/Worship Band with Kyle Steven
- ▶ Live Message & Interview Video Feed
- ▶ Live Connection with Others

Bring your family or a friend, or come by yourself to be a part of the C3 family. You'll experience the warmth of community and a dynamic and heart-felt worship style designed with you in mind. Your host pastor Kim Kimpel, plus Kyle Steven with the Kyle Steven Worship Team, and the entire C3 family will help you to feel at home, connect with God, and build rich, lasting relationships in this wonderful, growing community.

Following both services, Pastor Kim, along with Pastor Bob and Michelle Cavinder, will be available to help you get connected as you stay, have a cup of Starbucks® coffee, and meet other young families and new friends in PJ's Heavenly Café. See you Sunday!



FAMILY ASK DR. BILL

MY FRIEND LIED

Q: I was falsely accused of some terrible things by a close, Christian friend from church and he has never apologized for what he did. I've spent many days in prayer, looking to forgive, and seeking God's wisdom and comfort over this, but I still feel forsaken by him. When I saw him the other day, I could not speak. Can you give me any suggestions on how to heal this hurt?

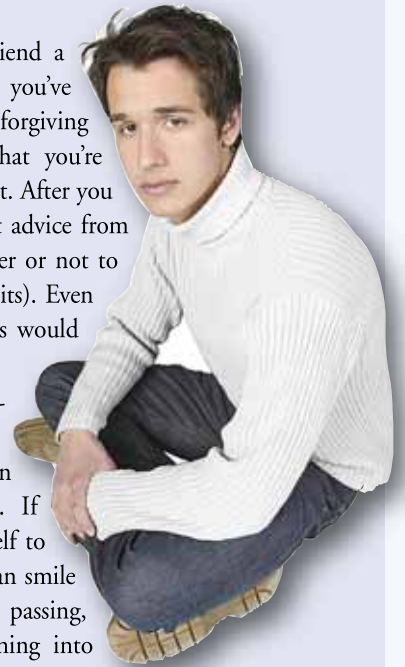
A: I understand that you feel betrayed by your friend. And now, when you see him, you also feel hurt, angry, and anxious. You don't want to feel this, and yet, working through these feelings is part of the emotional healing you seek. Here are two options for how you could deal with your hurt:

1. Set up a meeting with him and your pastor to go over the issue together and to offer your forgiveness.

2. Or write your friend a letter, telling him how you've been hurt, that you're forgiving him, and specifying what you're asking him to do about it. After you write the letter, then get advice from your pastor as to whether or not to send it (perhaps with edits). Even if you don't send it, this would still be healing for you.

If he becomes apologetic and shows compassion then perhaps you can renew your friendship. If not, then prepare yourself to forgive anyway. If you can smile and say "hi" to him in passing, then you can face running into him without fear and your freedom to worship freely and joyfully at church will be restored.

William Gaultiere, PhD is Crystal Cathedral's executive director of New Hope's 24-hr. phone/online counseling center and the moderator for OneCommunity.org. Read more of Dr. Bill's encouraging self-help articles on www.NewHopeNow.org.



YOUTH



KIDS

EXPERIENCE A KID POWER PLANT CHRISTMAS!

Children will be drawn into Kid Power Plant this Christmas season because it is so fun and there's always something new and different to discover and learn. The everyday world disappears and Kid Power Plant comes alive!

Each Sunday morning in December, they will learn about the coming Savior. During this revolutionary experience for preschoolers and elementary-aged children, the hands-on activities and the relationships with friends and leaders allow our children the opportunity to "ignite" their inherent potential (Philippians 1:6), "connect" to their God-given plan and dream (Jeremiah 29:11), and "transform" through a positive relationship with Jesus Christ (2 Corinthians 5:17).

We look forward, especially at Christmastime, to loving and nurturing your children in friendship and faith, 9:30 AM, 11 AM, and 1:30 PM, Sundays in the Family Life Center – now better known as KID POWER PLANT!

BLESS YOUR BABY WITH BAPTISM!

If you have a child or are expecting a child, we invite you to call Maureen Winer in Congregational Life for more information about infant baptism, 714-971-4062.



JR. HIGH STUDENTS

XLR8: It's a place where Jr. Highers come together! If you are in 6th, 7th, or 8th grade, XLR8 is where you want to be. We have wild and crazy Tuesday night programming, 7 - 9 PM in the Family Life Center basement. From 7 - 7:30 PM is Hang Out time. Then, 7:30 - 9 PM is Games, Life Topic Teachings, Small Groups, and more!

New Jr. High Pastor – see pg. 1 for details!



XLR8 SUNDAYS: It's for students who really want to deepen their faith. We meet Sundays during the 11 AM services in the Family Life Center, room 236.

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

FUEL: This is where High Schoolers fill up! FUEL shatters the stereotype that church is boring. FUEL is designed to celebrate life and relationships. FUEL meets Wednesday nights,

7 - 9 PM in the Family Life Center basement. From 7 - 7:30 PM is Hang Out time. Then, 7:30 - 9 PM is Games, Life Topic Teachings, Small Groups, and more!

SUNDAY FUEL: This is our growth program. Its goal is to be a place where faith would grow deep and be fruitful, where each student steps into real-life relationship with Christ and with one another. SUNDAY FUEL meets Sunday Mornings during the 11 AM services in B-22 in the Family Life Center.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO "LOVE GOD AND LOVE YOUTH!"

Student Ministries is still in need of volunteers for Tuesday and Wednesday nights. The only requirements are: Love God and Love Youth! Contact Janie Zinn for more details: 714-971-4189 or janiez@crystalcathedral.org.



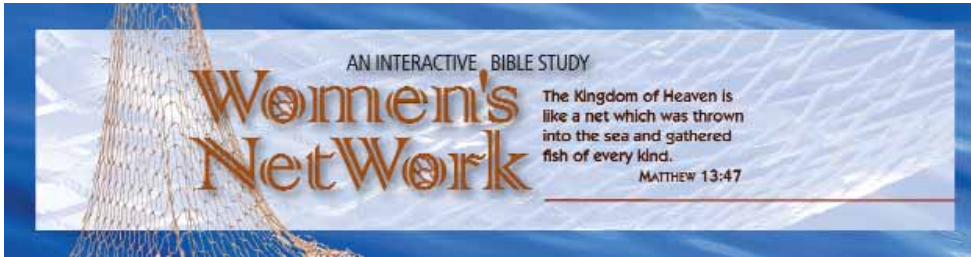
FAMILY SUNDAYS

Parking: Families park next to Family Life Center and take shuttle to church!
Shuttle: Stops next to Family Life Center and other spots around campus!
Quiet Room: In the Tower Lobby, watch the service with your child.



Contact Student Ministries
 Janie Zinn, Director
crystalcathedral.org/ccsm
 or e-mail:
ccsm@crystalcathedral.org
 714-971-4180

ADULT Ministries



CONNECT @ THE CHRISTMAS POTLUCK!

The Annual Women's Christmas Potluck is coming Tues., Dec. 11, 11:30 AM in the Art Gallery with special guest Deb Yurk, our new Pastor of Congregational Life. Bring your favorite salad to share!



(between Arboretum and Art Gallery). Join men from all walks of life, but with common interests coming together for a time a laughter, learning and growing together. Men, you weren't called to do life alone - come and become part of the Crystal Cathedral Band of Brothers! Questions? Call 714-971-4236.

TRAVEL MINISTRY

TRAVEL MINISTRY LUNCHEON

Thurs., Dec. 13, 11 AM, \$15. Join your fellow travelers for a time of sharing and planning for future journeys in 2008. This year's special Christmas Luncheon will feature a guest speaker and delicious meal. Please RSVP.

WOMEN'S NETWORK: DISCOVER YOUR NET WORTH

Teacher extraordinaire Rhea Zakich will help you discover your Net-Worth value during the Women's NetWork interactive Bible study with every Tuesday, 9 AM in the Art Gallery. December dates: 12/4, 12/11, and 12/18. On holiday break, 12/25 & 1/1, resumes 1/8. For more info., call 714-971-4080.

Women's Network Outreach story, see pg. 16!

SOUL FOOD: BE NOURISHED BY GOD'S WORD

Returning on January 11 after the December break, every Friday evening, 6:30 to 8:30 PM, join the amazing Kim Kimpel in the comfy Family Lounge for a nourishing time of fellowship, fun, encouragement and Bible study. For more details or childcare, call 714-971-4080.



NEWPORT CHRISTMAS BOAT PARADE

Sun., Dec. 16, 2 - 10 PM, \$89. Travel by deluxe motor coach to Corona del Mar's legendary Five Crowns Restaurant to enjoy their award-winning prime rib dinner. Then, it's a short drive to Roger's Gardens for their "Christmas Fantasy" display. Next, is the Boat Parade, cruising alongside hundreds of decorated boats and homes.



PAGEANT OF OUR LORD

Sun. March 9, 1-6 PM, \$32. Enjoy this unique presentation of the life of Christ through life-sized paintings and sculptures, utilizing live models within the art, accompanied by original narration, choir, and orchestra. Join in this beautiful blending of art, drama, and music.



RUSSIAN RIVER CRUISE

Next summer, July 3-18, 2008, Just a few more spots available! join Pastor Glenn DeMaster and his wife Marilyn on this exciting 12-night tour. A special highlight will be a two-day, pre-cruise visit to our Moscow Hour of Power office, Russian Orthodox Curriculum Project, and Russian Farm Project sites led by our Director of Hour of Power Russia, Andrei Danilenko. Other stops include Uglich, Yaroslavl, Goritsy, Kizhi Island, Svir River, and St. Petersburg. Special discounts before Dec. 12.

MEN'S NETWORK

MEN'S NIGHT OUT: EVERY MONDAY

If you have a passion for sports, hiking, fishing, hunting, or you name it, you'll find it on Monday nights, 7 PM in the Family Lounge

RESERVATION INFORMATION

Go to the Box Office or call for details and reservations, 714-544-5679. Trips and pricing are subject to change.

MATURE ADULTS

DECEMBER "50+ PRIMETIME" CHRISTMAS PARTY!

During our 50+ Christmas Party in the Arboretum on December 20, 11:30 AM - 2 PM, Dave Stephens and his Jazz Group will entertain. What fun they always are. Dave has just completed a new CD of old favorite Christian songs done in a Jazz tempo. Unique and extremely enjoyable. Two of his Christian Jazz CDs will be raffled off that afternoon.

Also, enjoy Sande Herron with "Fresh Brain Food," and special guest Rick Cryder, who will talk about and display angels from his unique Stained Glass Angels of Love Ministry (angel-soflove.org). Rick and his volunteers fashion stained-glass figurines in his garage in Orange, which are given to ailing children, their parents, and others facing tragedy. Rick has received many honors for his garage-based angel project, including the Point of Light award (#3113) from Pres.



Bush. He deserves a standing ovation just for showing up.

Call 714-971-4031 to reserve your lunch (a reasonable \$5 ea. at the door).

just waiting to be your friend.

DIVORCE & GRIEF RECOVERY: WHERE MIRACLES HAPPEN

Divorce & Grief Recovery has been described as "a place where miracles happen" and helps one to:

- Embrace the truth to will set us free
- Harness out-of-control emotions
- Let go of the past and embrace the future
- Learn to trust again
- Be single, confident, and compassionate

During each weekly series of classes, you will find great speakers, understanding, small group support, and even laughter. For those with children, the Confident Kids program meets concurrently. For more details about an upcoming series, call 714-971-4084.

SINGLES

SINGLES FELLOWSHIP: SUNDAYS & TUESDAYS

Every Sunday, 11 AM in FLC-470, mature singles do their very best to portray love to each other and to every new person who enters the doorway, and share the wisdom of the Word as applied to everyday living. Every Tuesday, 7 PM in FLC-3, they do the same during "Tuesdays Together." On Sunday mornings and Tuesday evenings at the Crystal Cathedral, find some of the best people in the world



Angels of Love

MATURE ADULTS
Dr. Jim Kok, Pastor

MEN'S
Bob Cavinder, Pastor

TRAVEL
Rev. Glenn DeMaster,
Pastor

WOMEN'S
Michelle Cavinder,
Director



Be Inspired this Christmas!

Crystal Cathedral Books & Gifts

Offering a wide range of holiday decorative items and gifts for children and adults to suit every taste and need. Open daily, 9 am - 6 pm

Lovely Settings for Your Special Day
Crystal Cathedral Weddings

What could be more glorious than a wedding in the sparkling, light-filled Crystal Cathedral?
Or more moving than in the beautiful Arboretum? Or more serene than in the Good Shepherd garden? Or more exhilarating than in the Chapel atop the Tower of Hope? These and other settings are available. Call 714-971-4240.

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hosted Daniel Rodriguez's concert in Auckland, our largest city.

Four hundred new contacts received a copy of either "Positive Family" or "You Can Become the Person You Want to Be" during a special TV advertising campaign.

With the program off the air for seven weeks during the Rugby World Cup, many viewers have realized and shared with us just how important Hour of Power is for them.

Each of these opportunities, which challenged us greatly, has served to deepen our faith and knit us together. Stepping out into new realms has been well rewarded. This priceless phone call represented many: "Thank you for the Hour of Power. My neighbor played a DVD of a program and all my questions were answered and my searching has ended as I now know God loves me and has a plan for my life."

Dutch Christmas Concerts in December

By Erik van Laar – Hour of Power Netherlands

At Hour of Power Netherlands, we're preparing seven joyous Christmas concerts. From December 11 to 17, over 7,500 visitors are expected to join us in beautiful ancient cathedrals to enjoy these highly anticipated concerts.

Singing Cop Daniel Rodriguez will perform again after astonishing audiences during last year's Christmas concerts. Pianist Jan Mulder, too, will be one of the key players in an unforgettable musical experience, directing a professional orchestra and large choir, as well. The girl band, X6 (discovered at the 'Dutch Idol' show), is very popular among the younger crowd and its members are excited to perform within this more classical repertoire.

As visitors celebrate the most significant event in world history, the birth of Jesus Christ, a few of the most well-known Christmas carols will be sung, adding a lovely bit of nostalgia to the evening events. This annual concert series has become quite familiar in the Netherlands, showcasing high-profile artists within a warm and welcoming atmosphere, and topping it all off, of course, with a Christmas message of hope.

If you're interested in knowing more about it, please visit www.kerstconcerten2007.nl (and catch up on your Dutch before you do!).

GLOBAL COMMUNITY

Become a Global Member

By Pastor Beverly Muffin,
Crystal Cathedral Global Community

Would you like to take that next step in becoming more connected to the Crystal Cathedral Ministry? Would you like to share in our wonderful community and fellowship?

If you consider the Crystal Cathedral your church, but attend only or mostly by viewing the *Hour of Power*, then we invite you to take that next step of commitment to this ministry – share your journey of faith by becoming a Crystal Cathedral Global Member.

We are a family of Christ followers - people of positive and possibility-thinking faith, gathered and scattered around the globe. We want to say to the world, "God loves you and so do we!" Will you join us in *Hour of Power* mission, telling the world of God's love, finding needs and filling them, finding hurts and healing them?

Move your positive faith into action today. Contact me at beverelym@crystalcathedral.org or 714-971-4329.

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voice Crystal Cathedral Choir and Children's Choir, and the beautiful Symphony Orchestra...plus other surprise guests.

If you are within driving distance on Christmas Eve, we invite you to attend one of the seven awe-inspiring services in the beautiful Crystal Cathedral to experience firsthand the wonder of this beautifully orchestrated event. Or let us bring this one-of-a-kind Christmas Eve Candlelight Service to you and your family in your own home via live satellite television.

Don't miss this year's inspiring Christmas message of hope, the beautiful traditional music of Christmas, the breathtaking beauty of nearly 250,000 glistening lights, and the magic of peaceful falling snow from the night sky beneath the 120-foot glass Cathedral ceiling.

If you'll be away this Christmas, share the service with family and friends! Visit hourofpower.org/calendar/tvlistings for a complete TV listing.

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is heard everywhere.

It's Christmas! Children's eyes sparkle at the bright lights, and there are gifts to give and gifts to receive as families gather together. But, here and there is the empty chair of a loved one who's away from home . . . the friend or family member who's serving our country, or in a hospital bed, or even some who've said their final goodbyes.

Still, we celebrate this Holy Season, just as we've done for some 2,000-plus years, when God visited earth in the person of Jesus Christ, his voice first heard as a baby in a manger. Jesus came to heal, to lift up, to save and to give abundant and eternal life. And today He still walks among us to love, to cheer, to comfort, and to bless.

Wherever you are this Christmas, my husband, my son, my daughter-in-law and I, along with the entire Schuller family, hope with all our hearts that you will feel the Holy Presence of Jesus Christ surrounding you and your loved ones.



More than 7,000 expected at the Hour of Power Christmas concerts.

KCAL-9, 10 am

HOUR OF POWER
Watch Every Week!

SUN LIFETIME CABLE
8:00 AM EAST/PAC

SAT TBN
6:00 PM
PACIFIC

Rancho Capistrano

The South Campus of the Crystal Cathedral Ministries

CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER

Impress Your Valentine with our Spiritual Oasis

Traditionally, Valentine's Day is a big day for weddings. If you or someone you know has had a recent proposal, consider Rancho Capistrano for your February nuptials.

Rancho Capistrano has been deemed by the OC Register and others as one of the top ten "Most breathtaking places in Orange County" to have your extra-special wedding. It's a natural choice if you are looking for a place to have your rehearsal dinner, wedding ceremony, and reception all at one location, and where overnight rooms are steps away for you and your guests. Choose from church, garden, or courtyard ceremonies. Enjoy cuisine prepared by our award-winning chef, and the service of a caring staff who will do all they can to make your wedding a dream wedding. Your photographs and videos will be ones to treasure, with our lush landscaping, rolling hills, and sparkling lake with island gazebo. We have clergy available to perform your ceremony, and a wedding coordinator is included in all packages for your rehearsal and wedding day.

Call 949-347-4000 for more info, or visit www.ranchocapistrano.org/ranchweddings.

New Years Resolutions?

Why not take a refreshing personal spiritual retreat at Rancho Capistrano and map out God's plan for the New Year for yourself. If you have a weekday available, we have wonderful accommodations near the lake or with a garden view for your retreat. Spend some quality time with the Lord, without the distractions of television, phones, and stressful demands. We are located near many fine restaurants and attractions.

Meditate while walking on the beach or at the harbor, or around our lake and lush landscaped grounds. Seconds from the freeway and miles from the hustle and bustle – visit us and see for yourself what an oasis we have in Southern Orange County. Conveniently located halfway between San Diego and Los Angeles. Also the perfect spot for marriage enrichment retreats for your ministry group! Call 949-347-4000 to learn more.

RANCHO CAPISTRANO CHRISTIAN SCHOOL Maximizing Each Child's Unique God-Given Potential

Rancho Capistrano Christian School accepts mid-year enrollment. Your child can experience enrichment of mind, body, and spirit on our



beautiful Spiritual Oasis. Learn why we believe in identifying and maximizing each child's individual giftedness by calling the school office at 949-347-7860 or sending an e-mail to schools@ranchocapistrano.org. Rancho Capistrano Christian School serves preschool through 8th grade.

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Crystal Cathedral Congregation Endowment Fund

Legacy Club to Gather on January 13

We're currently planning our 2nd annual Legacy Club gathering for Sunday, January 13, to thank a generous group of friends who have made decisions to include the Crystal Cathedral local congregation endowment fund (CCLCEF) in their long range giving plans. Hosting this year's event will be Robert and Donna Schuller, who are looking forward to seeing anyone interested come out for this year's gathering.

Individuals and couples qualify to become members of the Legacy Club by making an outright gift to the CCLCEF of money, securities, property, or other marketable assets; creating a charitable remainder trust or life estate gift to benefit the CCLCEF; and/or naming the CCLCEF as a beneficiary of a new or existing life insurance policy, or a bequest in a will or living trust.

It is the commitment, rather than the amount, that is the overriding factor in qualifying for membership in the Legacy Club. If you now qualify for membership please let us know. If you would like further information, please call Rev. Glenn DeMaster at 714-971-4311 or e-mail glenn@crystalcathedral.org.

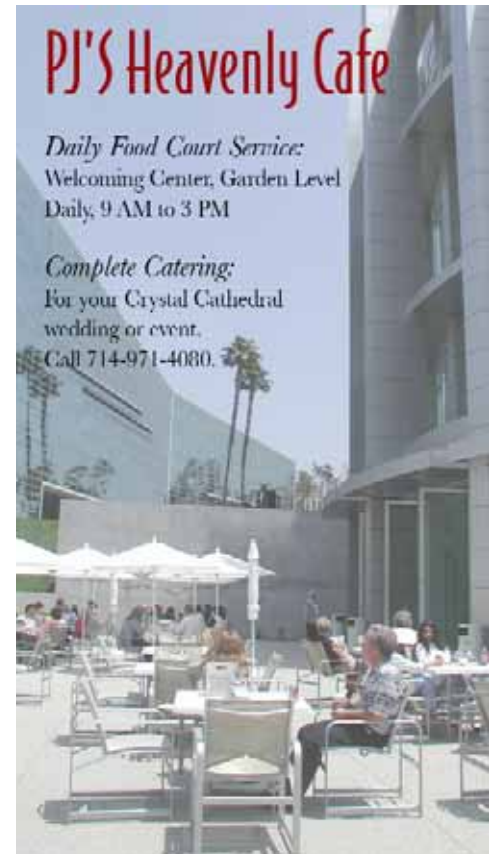


"Passing the torch to future generations!"

PJ'S Heavenly Cafe

Daily Food Court Service:
Welcoming Center, Garden Level
Daily, 9 AM to 3 PM

Complete Catering:
For your Crystal Cathedral
wedding or event.
Call 714-971-4080.



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the land where Jesus Christ walked. His presence and purpose touched people whose lives were forever changed, just as mine has been by “walking where Jesus walked.”

Over the past several months as I was writing my latest book, *Walking in Your Own Shoes* (Ed. Note: Now a bestseller; see sidebar), I did a great deal of thinking about what it means to walk in your own shoes. Walking in your own shoes is really about having the courage and faith to BE all that God created you to be, and to DO all that God has called you to do. It's about living life on purpose, and living life with purpose.

As I re-visited the age-old town of Bethlehem, walked by the Sea of Galilee, traveled the road to Jericho, reflected at Golgotha, and stood overlooking the city of Jerusalem – a city Jesus “wept” over – it struck me: Who better than Jesus under-

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stands what it means to walk in your own shoes?

Walking in your own shoes is about doing the right thing. Remember Jesus' prayer in the Garden of Gethsemane: “Father, if you are willing, please take this cup of suffering away from me. Yet I want your will to be done, not mine” (Luke 22:42, NLT). Jesus always did the right thing. And that's what we're called to do, too – to have the courage to do the right thing.

Sometimes, walking in your own shoes means facing challenges, frustrations, and pain. It's never going to be a perfectly smooth road. But in the end as you “walk in your own shoes” and become all that God intends you to be, and do all that He's planned for you to do (Psalm 139:16), you will experience true joy and blessing in your life.

As you celebrate Jesus' birth this Christmas, may you find renewed strength, courage and faith to walk in your own shoes. Your possibilities are endless!

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GROWING IN FAITH

Winter Quarter: The Bible, Plain & Simple

Winter quarter begins January 14

By Anita Sherbanee, Elder

The winter quarter of The Bible Plain and Simple begins January 14, Monday evenings, 7 – 9 PM in the Freed Theater.

Throughout the academic year, almost 300 people attend this truly ecumenical Bible study taught by teacher extraordinaire, Dr. Bill Creasy, whose lively and animated style of teaching brings the Bible to life like never before. It is lecture style, and there is no homework! Just bring your Bible, and come and listen!



Dr. Bill Creasy

You can begin this series of classes at any time and catch up on any lectures you may have missed. Past lectures of The Bible Plain and Simple are available on MP3 discs (\$85/quarter). You may

register for the spring quarter at the Box Office (714-544-5679) or, for further information, contact Logos Ministries at 310-915-2007 (logos-min.org).

Living by God's Design

Mark your calendars today to ensure your attendance at the next Living By God's Design series, which will be held Sundays, Feb. 24 – March 16, 9-10:30 AM. For more details and to register, call 714-971-4062.

COMMUNITY MISSIONS

Dry Socks for Christmas

The need for clean, new, dry socks is so great. There will always be, cold, wet feet, but especially at this season of the year. If you are able to donate, please bring them to Tower-8 or place in the barrel on the Plaza on Sunday mornings, or call 714-971-4047. These socks will go out to the very needy mission organizations in our surrounding communities as the weather cools and Christmas warms our heart with the joy of giving.

Join the ESL Family!

Would you like to be part of our English as a Second Language (ESL) family? It's a warm and welcoming one. If you would like to help others in life through the ESL program, we'll help you become a tutor. Or, if you know anyone who desires to improve their English, please send them our way. For more information, call Gudelia at 714-971-4047.

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Erwin McManus.

Rethink has orchestrated an unprecedented convergence of some of the most influential Christian and global thinkers, innovators, and leaders of our time. For three days, you will be immersed in the latest thoughts of respected icons in media, politics, faith, science, business, and technology. Each speaker will reveal his or her perspectives, discoveries, strategies,

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and action plans in 20 riveting minutes utilizing the latest media technology. You will also have time to process what you've learned.



Erwin McManus



Larry King



Charles Colson



Dr. Ben Carson

Small groups led by presenters and other facilitators will give you an opportunity to wrestle with, dialogue about, and take what you've learned a step further by deciding how it applies to you – your work, your life, your ministry.

During Rethink, you along with 2500 other conference attendees will fill the Cathedral and connect with tens of thousands of simulcast viewers across the country by using your mobile device's text message capability to register and compare your reactions and perspectives in a series of polls conducted for each speaker.

No gathering of this kind has ever been done before. I strongly believe that God is on the move. He is raising up leaders who are better equipped to influence our culture in positive ways for Jesus Christ and I urge you to be part of it!

For reservations and information, visit rethinkconference.com, or call 866-450-9713.

MORE NEWS

Now on GodTube!

Crystal Cathedral's *Hour of Power* Sunday worship services are now streamed and viewed by thousands on GodTube.com. As its popularity grows, friends and family may soon say to you, "I saw you guys on GodTube!" Though our services continue to be streamed from our Web site, GodTube is an additional opportunity to get our



positive message of God's love and grace out to a wider audience than ever before. GodTube is a video-sharing site with tightly monitored Christian content, with each video approved before being released on the site. Videos include music, comedy, and theological debates, as well as Sunday worship videos, like our own.

Handel's Magnificent "Messiah" Returns!

Last year's concert overflowed the cathedral, with many unable to experience the beauty and majesty of Handel's most meaningful work. This year, be sure to get there early to ensure yourself and your party a seat! This sure-to-be spectacular evening of music will be performed at 7:30 PM on Sunday, December 2 as Don Neuen and the Crystal Cathedral Choir with Orchestra once again present the beloved, classic, and soul-stirring oratorio, *Messiah*.

Be a Part of the Wonder...

Be a part of the wonder of the Christmas here at the Crystal Cathedral with a gift of \$10 for a Christmas poinsettia. Each year the Crystal Cathedral and campus are beautifully arrayed with the beauty of the favorite flower of season - poinsettias.

These flowers are provided by members of our congregation, and this year that can include you! Donate in honor or memory, of your loved ones. If you would like to be a part of this wonderful tradition, please pick up a form at the Box Office or South Kiosk and return it to the Reservation Center by Sunday, December 30.



extended 30 min. after the show begins). Pay rate starts at \$10+ per hour depending on experience. If interested, call Human Resources, 714-971-4332, Mon. - Fri., 7 AM - 3:30 PM.

February Concert Announced

By Sean Groombridge, Senior Organist

The Cathedral Choir will perform an hour concert of their most loved anthems, accompanied by our Cathedral Organists and Orchestra on Thursday, February 28 for the annual convention of the American Choral Directors Association. Join more than 1,000 Choral Directors for the free concert, held in the magnificent Crystal Cathedral.

Holiday Season Job Opportunity

Seeking full- and part-time seasonal phone operators to accept reservations for *The Glory of Christmas* and other Crystal Cathedral events. Must have good verbal skills and minimum one year computer experience. Typing minimum is 45 WPM. Customer service and bilingual a plus. Must be able to work 24-40 hours weekly through Jan. 5 (*The Glory of Christmas*). Operating hours: Mon. - Fri., 9 AM - 6 PM; Sunday, 9 AM - 1 PM. During the run of the show (Nov. 23 to Dec. 30), 9 AM - 6 PM (box office hrs.



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Good Friday service at the Crystal Cathedral, they were immediately hooked. They joined in 1968, and Wendell testifies to the major contribution this ministry made to his life. "It changed me," he

states, "and Helen, too. As we met happy people, we became nicer, too. I started to be able to be friendly to folks I previously couldn't stand," Wendell declared. Not only that, he said he started getting pay raises at work. "I just became un-self-centered," he said. "It was the preaching and the happy friendliness." And, as Wendell and Helen deepened through this ministry, they found even more blessings as they committed themselves to tithing.

In World War II, Wendell had served his

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country in the U.S. Coast Guard. His duty was confined to Southern California around Newport Beach and San Pedro. It was relatively peaceful except for one vicious storm that practically blew their boat apart. But his hearty disposition kept him laughing even then and, other than a couple of serious injuries, he reflects

that he's never been sick. He doesn't even catch the flu!

The church is Wendell's life, with a secondary hobby of being a revered Pottawattamie Indian. His son, a retired M.D., is the Director of the Pottawattamie Nation in Northwestern U.S. There are small benefits, like subsidized pharmaceuticals and assistance with some medical appliances, but the main thing is

enjoying an identity where he is truly regarded as one of their treasured people. We want Wendell to know there is a second place here at the Crystal Cathedral where he is greatly treasured, too. Wendell also knows how much Jesus loves him and he still exudes the happiness that began so long ago.

GET IN TOUCH

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Web Site crystalcathedral.org

New Hope Hotline

24-hr. phone counseling. 714-New-Hope or 639-4673
Web Site newhopenow.org
TeenLine, 4-10 PM, M-F. 714-New-Teen or 639-8336
Web Site teenline.org

Rancho Capistrano 949-347-4000
E-Mail info@ranchocapistrano.org
Web Site ranchocapistrano.org

THE JOY OF GIVING

"One poor widow...gave two mites... her whole livelihood" Mark 12:41-44

CRYSTAL CATHEDRAL

"No Idea is Too Small"

Story and photos by Jill Schoenemann

Women's Network (the women of the church and community who meet on Tuesday mornings at 9 AM in the Art Gallery) decided to reach out to the community during the holiday season. One of the group's members, Susie Nass (a lady on a mission full of compassion), felt that the group could help a family in need at Christmastime. Her idea, "Let's clean off our bookshelves. We can trade our unwanted books and make a donation for the ones we want to take home!"

On a Tuesday morning in October, more than 500 books were brought in and, during the 20-minute "coffee break," 65 women raised \$252. The four bags of leftover soft-covered books were donated to the Prison Ministry at the Cathedral and two boxes of hardback books went to a local library.

With the recent devastating fires that ravaged through Orange County and the surrounding counties, Susie felt that the funds raised should go to a family who lost so much during this recent travesty. Then she heard about a young mother who has had a recurrence of cancer and who could use some financial assistance. So Susie came up with another brilliant idea: "Let's bring our old unwanted jewelry and do the same thing!" On the second Tuesday in November, the Women's Network group brought in more than 1,000 pieces of jewelry and raised \$495! A grand total of \$747 will be donated to this needy family.

No idea, given unto a person by God, is too small to place into action.



NICOLE'S NETWORK connecting with your church community

Administration Assistance

Assist on Tower 9 or 11 between 9 AM - 4 PM. Help with word processing documents, light data entry, answer phones, mailing, copying. Enjoy a very fun, positive atmosphere!

Know= computer basics;
Love= people; Serve= Cathedral staff.



sort mail.

Know= points of contact; Love= being helpful; Serve= people on campus.

Crystal Cathedral Tour Guides

Give guided walking tours of the Crystal Cathedral to visitors from around the world! Share your knowledge while you share your heart. Shifts available, Mon. - Fri., 9 AM - 4:30 PM, and Sundays as well!

Know= the Crystal Cathedral; Love= sharing your church; Serve= visitors.

Traffic Ministry

Direct the flow of traffic inside the Crystal Cathedral parking lot. Greet and guide attendees of our Sunday Service and *The Glory of Christmas*. Sundays 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM. Glory show days and times vary.



Know= giving direction;
Love= smiling and greeting;
Serve= Cathedral visitors.

Shuttle Drivers

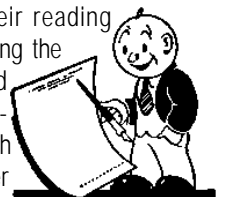
Meet people from around the world while transporting them from the parking areas to church for worship. Two shifts available each Sunday. Great fun, thorough training, and a rewarding ministry!

Know= church grounds layout; Love = our guests; Serve= Involvement & Service Ministry.

Lampson Elementary Reader

Help children improve their reading skills. Have a hand in shaping the future of our community and our world through our children! This is a three-month commitment for 1 hour per week, 9 - 10 AM.

Know= patience; Love= children; Serve= our future.



Step into Africa Assistants

Guide participants through the experience of living in Africa! An exciting new exhibit is coming to the Crystal Cathedral this January. Plan some time to connect with your community by assisting with this experience. Many times, days, and positions will be available.

Know = plight of those in global community;
Love = people; Serve = our community.

Tower Lobby Hosts

Assist in the Tower lobby between 9 AM - 4:30 PM. Answer visitor's questions, direct people to the correct floor, answer phones, monitor traffic, and

VOLUNTEER ONLINE at crystalcathedral.org/volunteer. Complete a profile and discover ways to become involved! OR CALL Nicole Stephens, Director of Involvement & Service Ministry, at 714/971-4321. OR E-MAIL nicoles@crystalcathedral.org. OR SEE ROTO-RACK on the Plaza every Sunday morning for complete listings.