

family ministries

Family Ministries
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FAMILY EVENT

FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

COME JOIN OTHER FAMILIES FOR A FREE NIGHT OF FUN! Over 130 joined us last month and had a blast. Once again, enjoy games, food, and more! Music by our high school worship team! Bring strollers for the little ones and wear comfy shoes. Bring food and something to BBQ. Call 714-971-4159 for more info.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

C U @ C3 EVERY SUNDAY

By Kyle Bonenberger, Worship Leader

C3 is the pioneering contemporary ministry of the Crystal Cathedral that meets every Sunday morning, at 11 AM in the Freed Theater with the goal of being a community built around the love of Jesus Christ that reaches seekers, builds believers, and changes the world.



What should I expect at C3? C3 is a LIVE video venue of the Crystal Cathedral with the same interview and message as Crystal Cathedral Classic, plus full contemporary (rock-style) worship in an awesome venue called Freed Theater located on the lower level of the Welcoming Center building. After the service, connect with others over free coffee in an environment where people know your name.

Who attends C3? Anyone is welcome at C3. We have all ages ranging from seniors in their latter years to infants. Children are welcome to worship with their families in C3, though we encourage kids to attend Kid Power Plant or Student Ministries in the Family Life Center.

How can I get involved in C3? For starters, start by simply attending every week, and then let us know your volunteer interest and you're on your way. There is a small interview/questionnaire and training in the areas you need!

How can I plug my family into the broader church? At C3, we care about families — all sizes, shapes, and life-stages. It is our goal to help you connect with families similar to yours.

For more details, go to www.crystalcathedral.org/c3/about.

ASK DR. SHEILA

TRUSTING GOD WITH OUR LOVED ONES

Dear Sheila,

My husband is in the military. He was recently deployed to Afghanistan. I miss him terribly, but most of all I find that I am very afraid that something will happen to him and I will lose him forever. How can I trust that he will be okay—that God will bring him back home to me?

—Trying to Be Brave



Dear Brave-heart,

Being brave doesn't mean not having fears; it means calling on God for the faith to face your fears. And I applaud you for being proud of your husband for being one of your heroes.

One of my sons is in what I call "homeland security"—he is a sworn police officer who keeps our city safe. Never in a million years would I have thought my tow-headed cello player would grow up to be a sworn police officer. But he wants to help people and make our world a safer place.

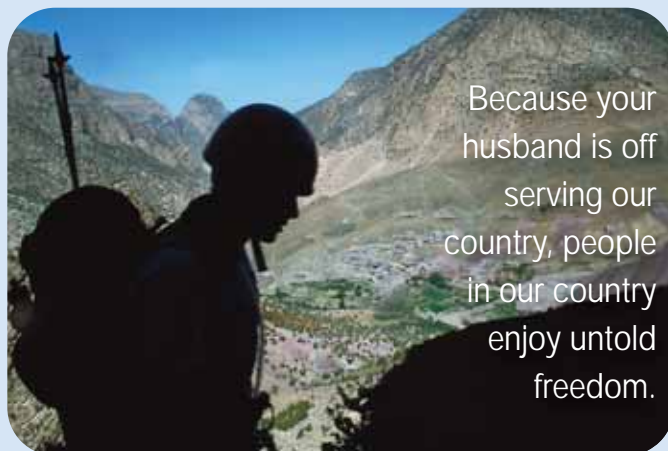
Because he is willing to put his life on the line for people in the wee hours of the night, we can all sleep peacefully. Because your husband is off serving our country, people in our country enjoy untold freedom.

May God protect our peace officers, whether at home or abroad. May he grant their families a peace that passes understanding. May you feel the pride that comes from knowing your husband is making a positive difference. And may none of us take for granted all that they do for us.

God bless you and yours!

— Sheila Schuller Coleman

Send your questions to asksheila@crystalcathedral.org.



YOUTH



KIDS

KID POWER PLANT

Attention all Families: Bring your kids to join us each and every Sunday morning at 9:30 AM, 11 AM, and 1 PM for the third year of Kid Power Plant where kids experience an exciting, power-packed, interactive worship and learning experience. Here children are inspired to plug into the true Power Source – our loving Lord. If you have any questions, please call 714-971-4087.



KPP NEEDS YOU!

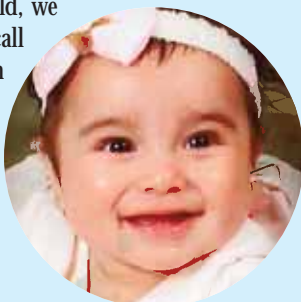
Calling all God-serving individuals who love the Lord and understand the need to bring Biblical truths to our children. Find your niche to serve for the 1st (9:10 AM) and/or 2nd (10:40 AM) hour on Sunday mornings:

- * Volunteer Sunday School Teachers
- * Kiosk Check-In Helpers
- * Tech. Crew

Please contact Children's Ministry Department 714-971-4087 for more information.

BLESS YOUR BABY WITH BAPTISM!

If you are a local attender and 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 TUESDAYS: 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 – 8:30 PM at the Youth House. From 7 - 7:30 PM is Hang Out time. Then, 7:30 - 8:30 PM is Games, Life Topic Teachings, Small Groups, and more!



SUNDAYS: It's for students who really want to deepen their faith. We meet Sundays at 11 AM in the Family Life Center basement, room B22 along with our Sr. Highers for a great time of worship, community, and Bible Teaching.



HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

FUEL WEDNESDAYS: FUEL shatters the stereotype that church is boring. FUEL is designed to celebrate life and relationships. FUEL meets Wednesday nights, 7 – 9 PM at the Youth House. 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: It's for students who really want to deepen their faith. We meet Sundays at 11 AM in the Family Life Center basement, room B22 along with our Jr. Highers for a great time of worship, community, and Bible Teaching.



Love God and Love Youth!
 If you feel called to encourage our youth on Tues. or Wed. nights, contact Brett DePena for more volunteer details:
 714-971-4180



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
 Brett DePena, Director
crystalcathedral.org/ccsm
 or e-mail:
ccsm@crystalcathedral.org
 714-971-4180

ADULT Ministries



MEN'S NETWORK

ilies, homes, communities, and church. To connect with Harold, call 714-971-4236.

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 just waiting to be your friends.

TRAVEL MINISTRY

PAGEANT OF THE MASTERS

Be sure to be there for this year's spectacular live recreation of the world's greatest art. On Sun., Aug. 23, the motor coach will leave the CC for Laguna Beach at 5:30 PM, returning at approx. 11:30 PM. Tickets, \$69 each.

RESERVATIONS/INFORMATION

Go to the Crystal Cathedral Box Office in the Welcoming Center or call for details and reservations, 714-544-5679. Find more information online at www.crystalcathedral.org/ministries/travel. Trips and pricing are subject to change.

MATURE ADULTS

GAIL & EZRA!

Thursday, June 18, 11:30 AM, Arboretum

SPECIAL GUESTS: Whether speaking for corporations, associations, churches, or schools, Gail Wenos' purpose in her programs is more than entertainment. She makes a positive difference in the lives of others by sharing the gospel of Jesus



Christ through laughter, music, and the spoken word. With his knobby knees, and budding personality, Ezra takes on the world! He struts. He cuddles. He sings, and his rapid-fire remarks entertain folks from all walks of life. No matter who you are, Ezra touches the child inside. He is one smart dummy!



MORE: Free raffle ticket at the door with nice prizes, plus music and more.

RESERVATIONS: To reserve your very reasonable and delicious lunch (\$5 @ door), call 714-971-4031 or e-mail 50plus@crystalcathedral.org. Bring your friends and neighbors!

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

BIBLE STUDY "LITE"!

Is your light flickering? This summer, plug into the Power Source. Join leader Rhea Zakich and women of all ages for three mini-retreats! All FREE. Tuesdays, 9:15 - 11:30 AM on Tower-3, June 2, July 7, and August 4. Come early to get a good seat

LUNCH HOUR "WOMEN AT THE WELL"

Every Wednesday at noon on Family Life Center, Floor 3, come be a part of an energized group of women who want to drink of the "Living Water" that Jesus provides. Louise Dunn leads this lively book discussion to discern the message the Lord is revealing through the readings. The current book is Tommy Tenney's *Mary's Prayers and Martha's Recipes*. For info, call, 714-971-4045.

**EVENING "SOUL FOOD":
NEW SUMMER SCHEDULE**

During the busy summer months, this weekly women's evening Bible fellowship will meet only one Friday per month on June 12, July 10, and August 14, 6:30 to 8:30 PM in the Family Lounge.

MATURE ADULTS
Dr. Jim Kok, Pastor

MEN'S & WOMEN'S
Michelle Cavinder, Director

FALL MEN'S RETREAT

Be sure to set aside the weekend of Sept. 25-27 to enjoy the fellowship of men during the Crystal Cathedral's Annual Men's Retreat. For more information, please call 714-971-4187.

MEN'S WEEKLY MEETINGS

Call 714-971-4236 for more details:

Band of Brothers: Monday evenings 7 - 9 PM, FLC-435.

Men's Bible Study: Wednesday mornings, 7 AM, Tower-2.

CONNECT WITH MEN'S MINISTRY

Men, the person you need to know at the Crystal Cathedral is Harold Shaw, Men's Steering Team Chair. As a leader in the Men's Ministry, Harold, who has been a member of the Crystal Cathedral since 1982, focuses on helping men to grow in leadership skills and abilities in their fam-





Bible Study Lite

3 MINI-RETREATS
First Tuesdays:
6/2, 7/7, 8/4
 9:30 - 11:30 AM
 Tower of Hope, floor 3
 Taught by
Rhea Zakich




Join the dynamic Kim Kimpel for summer refreshment, including fellowship, prayer, community, and a stimulating Bible/Book study. Info: 714-971-4240.



WEEKDAY "WOMEN'S NETWORK": ON SUMMER HIATUS

On hiatus during the summer months, this weekly women's Bible fellowship will return in September, every Tuesday, 9 AM in the Art Gallery. Leader Rhea Zakich will help you discover life-changing Biblical truths while you enjoy the sense of community with over two hundred other Crystal Cathedral women and friends. During this creative Bible study unlike any other, enjoy singing, sharing, praying, stimulating object lessons, and small group time. All are welcome! Questions? Call Kari, 714-971-4080.

FALL WOMEN'S RETREAT

Get out your calendars and save the date so you'll be sure to attend the heart-building and soul-enriching "Love Can Build a Bridge" Women's Retreat, Sept. 13-15. For more information, please call 714-971-4236.



WE MADE "BLESSING BAGS"!

By Rhea Zakich

Recently the Women's NetWork Bible Study collected hundreds of small items that might be useful to someone who is out of work or homeless. The group had been talking about the many people who are out of work and on the streets, so we wondered, "How can we, as Christians, respond to these people? What can we do to extend God's love if we see someone at the end of a freeway off ramp?"

Since the Women's NetWork is a place to practice applying the words of Jesus, Doreen Walters suggested we make "Blessing Bags" to carry in our cars so that we always feel prepared to offer something to someone less fortunate. We gathered

CRYSTAL CATHEDRAL SCHOOLS

ELEMENTARY/MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOLS
WHERE POSITIVE VALUES
ARE DEVELOPED

At the Crystal Cathedral Academy and High School (grades K-12), Monday through Friday, 7 am until 6 pm, positive values are developed, creativity is valued, friendships are formed, love is alive, and Jesus Christ is Lord.

This private Christian school was established in 1977 to offer excellent academics with the arts and Bible as part of the core curriculum for every student. In the over thirty years since its inception, the Crystal Cathedral Academy has expanded to include an excellent middle school and outstanding high school.

The elementary, middle and high schools have all received the highest accreditation report possible by Western Association of Schools and Colleges. The high school, which is only in its sixth year, has students who have gone on to at-

tend Eastman School of Music, USC School of Architecture, and pre-medicine, just to name a few.

For more information, go to crystalcathedral.org/academy, or call 714-971-4158.

CRYSTAL CATHEDRAL PRESCHOOL
FULLY ACCREDITED & FIVE-STAR RATING!
By Marlene Kikta, Preschool Director

Recognized in Orange County with a Five-Star Preschool rating, the fully accredited Crystal Cathedral Preschool offers a developmentally appropriate curriculum for children ages 2-5.

Open from 7 am until 6 pm, Monday through Friday, the school features a loving Christian environment, low teacher/child ratios, low staff turnover, and a remarkable facility. Please stop by the preschool, located on the first floor of the Family Life Center, any time to visit, or call 714-971-4141 for more details.



soap, toothbrushes, toothpaste, lip balm, tissues, shampoo, band-aids, bottled water, deodorant, combs, clean socks, granola bars, McDonald's coupons, crackers & cheese, pretzels, Bibles, pens, pencils, tablets, and other small items that would fit in a 12x12 Ziploc bag.

Since the women who attend the Women's NetWork are always encouraged to put our teachings into practice, we are all now carrying a Blessing Bag in our car, and asking the Lord to help us recognize who he would have us bless, in his name.



Lovely Settings for Your Special Day

*Crystal Cathedral
Weddings*

What could be more glorious than a wedding in the light-filled Crystal Cathedral or beautiful rboretum? 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 available.

Call 714-971-4240

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encouraged that God is at work and his kingdom is in our midst at the Crystal Cathedral! Here are some highlights from NDP:

- Church leaders, elders, congregants, people from the community, and viewers of Hour of Power from around the world prayed side by side for hour-long shifts (on average).

- Every person who signed up to participate in the Prayer Vigil was prayed for by name at least twice

- Every seat in the Crystal Cathedral was touched and prayed over that the people who sit

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there for services would have eyes to see and ears to hear Christ’s gospel, that they’d wake up to the presence of Christ in their midst, and learn from him how to live within his kingdom of grace and truth. The ministry from our church pulpit, choir loft, organ, and stage were prayed over.

- Many other aspects of our church were covered in prayer including the search for our future senior pastor, wisdom for our Board of Directors and ministry leaders, finances, etc.

- In the wee hours of the morning, a woman from Russia showed up! She said, “Dr. Schuller brought God to us in Russia. God told me that he needed my prayers so I travelled here to pray with you.” She walked through and prayed over each part of the Crystal Cathedral with an elder.

Here are some comments from participants:

“I enjoyed praying in the Cathedral for National Day of Prayer. It was a peaceful, relaxing, and uplifting experience. I definitely want to participate next year.”

“Thanks for letting me be a part of the World Day of Prayer. I chose from 6 to 6:30 AM and got such a blessing that I am going to have that be a part of my morning routine from now on. It will be wonderful to be with Jesus for a half hour every day. Thanks again for letting me be a part since our church did not do anything.”

“God Bless. I live in New Zealand. Thank God for including me in your National Day of Prayer, today, and thank you the good work. Yes, I did pray, ‘God bless the Hour of Power and same to the USA.’ Thank you!”

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lighted cross. Many lives have been changed by its silent witness.

One night, just after midnight, a security guard who was making his rounds at the Crystal Cathedral found a young woman lying unconscious in our parking lot. He called one of our New Hope counselors, asking for them to come and check on her.

“I knew that if I could just get to the cross, I would find help!”

The counselor came downstairs just as the young woman was starting to regain consciousness.

They carried her upstairs in the Tower of Hope and gave her some coffee and wrapped her in a warm blanket. For four hours, this counselor stayed with the girl until she was coherent. As she was leaving to receive medical attention, she said to the counselor, “I knew that if I could just get to the cross, I would find help!”

The cross is where each of us must come to find the answer to our deepest needs. When you come to the cross, you will meet Jesus. He will fill your soul with courage and strength. At the cross, help is always available!

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more of these questions, you need Divorce and Grief Recovery, a two-phase, 14-week healing experience led by Sharon Lockett and a team of trained facilitators.

Phase 1, which begins after summer break in September, will cover topics such as: Picking Up the Pieces; Grief, Loss and Other Torture; From Where I Was to Where I Will Be; To Thine Own Self Be True; Forgive Him/Her - Surely You Jest; Intimacy as a Single - Help; and Free to Be Me.

Phase 2, considered the “graduate course in recovery” is designed for those who have survived the initial crisis of death, illness, or divorce and are now putting the pieces of their lives back together. Topics include: Embracing the Truth that will Set Us Free; Harnessing those Out-of-Control Emotions; Help - I’ve Forgotten Who I Am; Seems I’ve Been Here Before; Letting Go of the Past - Embracing the Future; Learning to Trust Again; and Single-Confident-Compassionate.

Cost: \$50/advance, \$55/@door. A children’s program, “Confident Kids,” runs concurrently (\$7/child for the series). Call Barbara Bernardin at 714-971-4084 to register. Give yourself the gift of recovery.

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BIBLE/BOOK STUDIES: Weekly Inspiration & Encouragement

More details, pg. 8.

- Band of Brothers: Mon., 7 PM, Family Life Center, room 435, 714-971-4187.
- Women’s Network: Returns in September, Tuesdays, 9 AM, Art Gallery, 714-971-4080.
- Men’s Bible Study: Wed., 7 AM, Tower of Hope, Floor 2, 714-971-4187.
- Women at the Well: With Louise Dunn, Wed., NOON, Family Life Center, Floor 3, 714-971-4045.
- Soul Food: Summer schedule, one Fri./mo., 6:30 PM, Family Lounge, 714-971-4240.
- Co-Ed Bible Fellowship: Sat., 7 AM, Family Life Center, Room 221, 714-971-4187.

NEW LIFE: Character-Changing Seminars

Free seminars!

RSVP @ Box Office, 714-544-5679

Whether you’re a church member, a recent visitor, a seeker, a long-time or new believer and want to grow in your faith, come and be encouraged as Pastor Ortiz and church leaders build spiritual strength in YOU!

NL-101 “I Want to Have New Life”: Deepen your

faith and discover exciting new tools to use every day as you grow to understand the wonderful plan that God has for you. (Date/time/location TBA.)

NL-201 “I Want to Grow Spiritually”: Every time we adopt a habit of Jesus, we become more like Him. Find out how to grow spiritually by living, experiencing, and putting into practice the teachings of Jesus and His apostles. (Date/time/location TBA.)

NL-301 “I Want to Serve the Lord”: Discover how you can use your time, treasure, and talent to help accomplish them, as you are motivated to find your purpose and place in the Crystal Cathedral church family. (Date/time/location TBA.)

FALL MEN’S RETREAT: Get Away to Grow Together

September 25-27

Info: 714-971-4187

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FALL WOMEN’S RETREAT: Love Can Build a Bridge

September 13-15

Info: 714-971-4236

Save the date so you’ll be sure to attend this upcoming heart-building and soul-enriching retreat.

Rancho Capistrano

The South Campus of the Crystal Cathedral Ministries

SUMMER DAY CAMPS

Fishing, Swimming, Canoeing, Arts & Crafts & Themed Events

By Ms. Hubert, Camp Director

Our Summer Day Camps offer caring counselors and a safe environment designed to make a positive impact on your child as it energizes his or her mind, body, and spirit! Children ages 5-14 enjoy a multi-acre gated property with towering trees, a glistening lake, swimming pool, and rolling hills. Activities include swimming and water play, canoeing, art projects, field games, hiking, and drama. Your camper will experience a day chock full of activities to enhance the weekly themes from "Awesome Oceans" to "Extreme Sports" featuring special guests and camp cheers and songs.

Rancho Capistrano Statement of Purpose

To be a "spiritual oasis" where people may find peace and balance of mind, body and spirit, and grow in the understanding of themselves, others and God.

Each unique week is action-packed and full of fun with special themes and special guests – all this without leaving our beautiful campus:

Week 1 (June 22 - 26) **Fun in the Sun:** With an emphasis on summer safety, enjoy making new friends through teambuilding relays, daily pool activities, explorations, and special guests (an EMT and a Crime Buster).

Week 2 (June 29 – July 2) **Celebrate USA:** With an emphasis on honoring our nation, join in patriotic games, potato sack races, and spirited team relays, with special guests (a member of the military and firefighters).

Week 3 (July 6 –10) **Beach Blast:** Beach themed activities including water relays, luau limbo, lava tubes, our annual WET ZONE, and special guests (lifeguard and professional surfer).

Week 4 (July 13 –17) **Green Planet:** Discover what you can do to make a difference creating eco-friendly art, cooking s'mores using solar power, and discovering what a carbon footprint is.

Week 5 (July 20 – 24) **Heart, Brain & Body Power:** Explore the power within your amazing heart, brain and body is by engaging in hands-on activities about each of the major systems.

Week 6 (July 27 – 31) **Superstar Talent:** Calling all "superstars" to take part in our Talent Show! Special guests include a super star dancer and a performance by our very own camp counselor band.

Week 7 (August 3 –7) **Extreme Sports:** Discover the science behind awesome roller coasters, hang gliders, rocket blasters, and parachutes, plus capture the flag, ultimate Frisbee, and an outdoor obstacle course..

Week 8 (August 10 –14) **Awesome Oceans:** Explore creatures of deep blue sea – luminous jellyfish, sharks, and other creatures of the deep abyss, with deep-sea scuba divers and the Aquarium of the Pacific.

Week 9 (August 17 –21) **Jungle Safari:** Take a walk on the wild side as we go on a jungle safari! Participate in tribal relays, survival scenarios, and even a jungle boogie.

Academic Summer School Camps for 1st-8th graders feature a specialized curriculum for accelerated or remedial learning in specific subjects.

Visit our website at www.rancho-capistrano.org for detailed information and a registration form you can print out and mail in, or e-mail the Camps department at camps@rancho-capistrano.org. Find out why, since 1995, Discover Camps is the first choice of southern Orange County campers on the most beautiful campus. We look forward to a great summer with your child as they attend Discovery Camp 2009!

WEDDINGS & RECEPTIONS

A Natural Choice for Your Special Day

Rancho Capistrano is a natural choice for your wedding. All at one location, have your rehearsal dinner, wedding ceremony, and reception, and overnight rooms for you and your guests are just steps away. You may even have a breakfast the next morning for your out-of-town guests!

Choose from church, garden, plaza or courtyard ceremonies. Enjoy cuisine prepared by our award-winning chef, and the service of caring staff



members who will do all they can to make yours 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. Our reception packages offer wonderful enhancements to your event, such as the option of a second site for your hors d'oeuvres reception.

Our Design Packages feature stunning coordinated options for your reception. With our Design Packages, you have more time to put the little details in place that make your wedding even more memorable because we take care of the major design elements such as centerpieces, linens, place settings, linens, and chairs. Call 949-347-4000 for more info, or visit www.rancho-capistrano.org/ranchweddings.

CONFERENCE & RETREAT CENTER

Many Options for Your Ministry Event

Spend some quality time with the Lord, without the distractions of television, phones, and stressful demands.

If your retreat can be scheduled during the week, we have wonderful accommodations near the lake or with a garden view at special pricing that will surely come in under your budget! In addition to the beauty of the sparkling lake and gazebo view from meeting rooms, and beautifully detailed mission-style architecture, we have added new delicious menus inspired by French cuisine, turn down service in our guest rooms, and welcome cookies at registration on Fridays.

Seconds from the freeway and miles from the hustle and bustle, visit us and see for yourself what an oasis we have in south Orange County, conveniently located halfway between San Diego and Los Angeles. In addition, it's the perfect spot for marriage enrichment retreats for your ministry group! Call 949-347-4000 to learn more.



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Global Community

AT CRYSTAL CATHEDRAL

BIG DREAM FOR CHINA

A Springtime Excursion Continues Our "Big Dream in China"

By David Rathbun, Dr. Schuller Institute for Possibility Thinking, Inc.
Beijing Representative Office

On Tuesday, May 5, 2009, 40 orphans from the Daxing Country Orphanage – nearly all of them disabled – experienced the Beijing Zoo and Beijing Aquarium for the first time in their lives. And that's thanks to "love in action" by Grace and Simon Yeung, two Christians and friends of Dr. Schuller and the *Hour of Power*.

The Dr. Schuller Institute for Possibility Thinking, Inc., Beijing Representative Office, helped to organize the event, along with the Daxing Country Orphanage Foster Parent Training and Coordination Center. The aim was to give the children and their foster parents a new view of world around them...a world touched by laughter, smiles, and hope.

The children left their rural village early in the morning to spend a full morning visiting an array of animals in the zoo, followed by lunch in a shady park. As far as I could see, all of the children savored their Kentucky Fried Chicken lunch as if they were dining out at a 5-star hotel!

Following lunch was a visit to the nearby aquarium for an afternoon highlighted by a show featuring trained seals and jumping dolphins. On the ride home, each child received a colorfully illustrated Christian comic book, sticker booklets, and small folding fans for the long summer ahead.

Can you imagine a group of 40 disabled orphans, ranging in age from about 4 to about 17, not crying or complaining even once during the course of this nearly 10-hour, day-long excursion? They appreciated every second of outing. I remember one boy with brittle bone disease and a severely twisted leg always smiling, doing his best to keep up with the happy bunch because he didn't want to miss out on anything. Though at times it was extremely hard for him to get from place to place, he never lost his smile. And all of



the orphans appreciated the special adventure with laughter, smiles, wide eyes...and a shining beauty radiating from within.

Each child also received a small sticker which read "God loves you," which was placed on their caps, plus a laminated prayer card from Grace and Simon Yeung, the hosts of this trip on behalf of the *Hour of Power*.

The prayer reads:

God creates all things beautiful and wonderful.

We are God's children.

God loves you, so do we.

We thank God. We praise God.

We hope to continue offering opportunities for God to expand his Big Dream for China, helping disabled orphans in Daxing County and other parts of China to see life around them with new eyes, new hope and with new goals, dreams and possibilities. One of our next goals is to create a computer room and training program at the Daxing County Disabled Orphan's Foster Care Training and Coordination Center for those who have deep, burning desires to learn and improve their skills and talents. They may have broken bodies, but many still have a strong longing to build their self-confidence by becoming more independent and making a useful contribution to society.

Dr. Schuller once wrote these encouraging words for our friends in China, words that still ring true today for these special disabled orphans. He said, "I want to encourage you to believe in yourself enough to have a unique dream for your life. As you build that dream, you'll also build inner power, emotional power, success power, relationship power, smile power, magnetic power. You'll become a possibility thinker. If you believe in yourself and in your dream and do everything in the spirit of love, then all things are possible."

HOUR OF POWER INTERNATIONAL

What They're Saying Around the World...

"I am still receiving the Hour of Power at 6 pm every Saturday and was greatly touched by Tommy Hollenstein's testimony. Glory to God. As Dr. Robert went on to preach, he had a word for me. I could not stop crying. Actually I was weeping. When he preached from Isaiah 41:10 on God is faithful. Thank you ever so much. You rescued me! I was so desperate I was thinking of taking my own life."

Eustina M., Zimbabwe

"I was arrested in August 2008, but nevertheless here in prison I found the faith and accepted Jesus Christ as my Saviour and surrendered my old life to Him. I find that 2008 was, in spite of sorrow and all hardships, a new beginning and a new birth in my being as human and Christian. And this, also among others, was through your televised services... Thank you! I wish you the possibility to lead as many people as possible to the way of life through TV and the services so that many more people will find and accept Jesus Christ as their Saviour."
Roland A., Switzerland (37 years old, a 25-year alcohol, drug and medication addict)

"This morning was the first time that I have heard about the Hour of Power, which gave me the guts this morning to go in front of a hundred prisoners to give them a message. I told them about the message I got this morning on TV from the Hour of Power. Keep on doing the good work of God and thank you for reminding me how much God loves me."

Janine B., South Africa

MORE NEWS

Youth & Children's Silent Auction 2009

Help support our Children's and Student Ministries during a special silent auction, Monday through Friday, June 1 to 5 (8 – 9 AM and 3 – 4 PM), and Sunday, June 7 (9 AM – 2 PM), in the Family Life Center, Room 126. All items will be silent bids or "buy it now!" (No live auction this year.) If your bid is the highest on an item, you will be contacted by phone or e-mail the following week. All payments must be cash or check only.



Community Fest / OC Live - Save the Date!

We'll be celebrating our third annual outreach festival to the community with a new name – OC Live! Be sure to save the date, September 19,



12 – 4 PM. That's when all Crystal Cathedral ministries and fellowship groups will roll out the red carpet in our North Parking lot for our neighbors. This FREE-admission event will offer delicious FOOD (from neighboring restaurants for a reasonable cost), FUN (free giant "bounce house" attractions for kids, a hot air balloon for all ages, video games for teens, and wonderful entertainment), and warm and friendly FELLOWSHIP. Plus, neighboring organizations will offer helpful information and services. Bring your neighbors and friends to this always-enjoyable afternoon event! To volunteer, please call 714-971-4081.

Easter Lily Thank You

If you graciously sponsored lily plants this past Easter, a complete list of sponsors and honorees may soon be viewed/printed online at crystalcathedral.org in the Women's Ministry section. No computer access? Call Kari at 714-971-4080.



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tising community, with an obvious focus on family-values based programming."

The network provides a platform for the return of Reverend Robert A. Schuller to the media marketplace. One of the most recognized orators in the world, Dr. Schuller served as Senior Pastor of Crystal Cathedral Ministries and hosted the phenomenally popular global weekly television program, the *Hour of Power*.

Said Reverend Schuller, "Having been on television for 32 years, I've witnessed first-hand the decline of family-values programming in America. I'm looking forward to pioneering a new definition of 'family-values' programming that speaks to all generations. As for my regular viewers on the *Hour of Power*, I encourage you to call your cable or satellite provider to get ALN so as not to miss the fall debut of my new series. I can assure you, it won't be like anything else on television today."

The Crystal Cathedral Ministry and Congregation join hearts in thanks and praise to God for this inspirational new outreach of Robert Anthony Schuller. The prayers of our congregation, his mother and father, and his siblings, continue to be with Robert, Donna, and their family. Our combined and most sincere prayer today is that his new ministry will reach persons everywhere, helping to change and enrich their lives through the positive love and redeeming spirit of Jesus Christ. The current economy places many thousands of persons in positions to seek and welcome the encouraging message that we know Robert will provide through his new and inspired efforts.

For full details about Robert A. Schuller's new venture, please see complete announcement online at www.crystalcathedral.org, or go to www.americanlifetv.com. Send all correspondence for Robert and Donna Schuller to P.O. Box 54090, Irvine, CA 92619-4090, or rds2008@gmail.com.



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PJ's Heavenly Cafe

Welcoming Center, Garden Level
 Mon. - Fri., 9 AM - 2 PM
 Sunday, 8 AM - 2 PM

New on Sundays!
 Breakfast Buffet
 9 - 11 AM

Catering
 714-971-2289

COME IN & BE INSPIRED

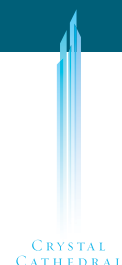
CRYSTAL CATHEDRAL BOOKS & GIFTS

OPEN DAILY 9AM-6PM

Offering a wide range of inspirational items - books, music, toys, jewelry, home decorations, and more!

THE JOY OF GIVING

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



Annual Independence Day Volunteer Orchestra & Choir

During Sunday Morning Worship Services, July 5, 9:30 & 11 AM

Join with the Crystal Cathedral Choir and Orchestra as we celebrate God's faithfulness to our country! To volunteer, musicians and vocalists must be able to read music easily, and have training and experience in orchestral music or choral music.

29 (no walk-ins).

Rehearsal: Sunday, July 5 at 6:45 AM in the Crystal Cathedral.

Music: Instrumental music will be mailed for advance preparation. No instrumental music mailed after July 1.

Rehearsal: The only one will be on Sunday, July 5. Meet at 7:45 AM in the choir room 110, directly below the cathedral.

Music: No choral music mailed prior to July 5.

Choir Attire: Black pants (men/women) or skirts (women) with a solid colored shirt/blouse in the American colors of red, white, or blue. Men, please wear a tie. Women, wear modest necklines, skirts at or below the knee, and nothing sleeveless or with spaghetti straps.

ORCHESTRA WITH MARC RILEY:

Call 714-971-4095 to register and for more information:

Registration deadline: Monday, June

CHOIR WITH SEAN GROOMBRIDGE:

Call 714-971-4150 to register and for more information:



REGISTRATION DETAILS FOR VOLUNTEER ORCHESTRA & CHOIR:

A letter will be e-mailed to all registrants with details, including dress instructions. To register:

Please leave your name, address, phone number and email address.

Orchestra: Indicate your instrument (violin I, violin II, etc.) and how long you have been playing.

Choir: Indicate your voice part (alto, soprano, tenor, bass).

VOLUNTEER POSSIBILITIES

connect with your church community!



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 M - F, 9 AM - 4:30 PM, and Sundays as well!

Kid Power Plant 1-3 PM

As our Hispanic Ministry grows under the leadership of Pastor Dante, the children attending the 1-3 PM Kid Power Plant Sunday school need your love and nurturing spirit. Needed: teacher's aides and kiosk volunteers to work the computerized check-in.



Crystal Cathedral Ushers

Assist churchgoers to their seats. Meet at either 8:30 or 10:15 AM for instruction and prayer. Be one of the first smiling faces someone sees at the Crystal Cathedral!

Kiosk Hosts/Hostesses

Greet people who are in need of information about programs or classes. Sundays, half-hour prior to service and 10 min. before end of service, then stay until replacement arrives.

Tower Lobby Helpers

Assist in the tower lobby between 9 AM - 4:30 PM. Answer visitors' questions and phones, direct people to the correct floor, monitor traffic, sort mail, etc.

Traffic Ministry Guides

Direct the flow of traffic inside the Crystal Cathedral parking lot. Greet and guide attendees of our Sunday Services, 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM.



VOLUNTEER ONLINE

at crystalcathedral.org/volunteer. Complete a profile and discover ways to become involved!
OR CALL Bonnie Balloch at 714/971-4321.
OR E-MAIL bonnieb@crystalcathedral.org