

Upcoming Events/Highlights

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r12 CHURCH CAMPAIGN

This weekend we dive into **Week 4: Coming to Grips with the Real You**. To enhance this lesson, during the week read **Section 3 of the r12 book** and work through **Session 4 with your small group**. If you'd like to review any of the r12 sermon series, just visit VentureChristian.org and click "Listen Online."

SHARE YOUR r12 STORY ONLINE

Where are you in your r12 journey? What have you learned so far? Tell us what it meant to you to sign the blank check of your life. Share with us at VentureChristian.org.

BAPTISM CLASS - February 13

Part of becoming an r12 Christian is modeling after Jesus... publicly announcing your commitment and relationship to God through baptism. At the close of the r12 Campaign (February 27-28), we will have a special time for baptisms. For those of you who wish to be baptized that weekend, you will need to attend Venture's Baptism Class next Saturday, February 13 at 6:30pm in Start Here (formerly Common Ground). Please RSVP to Karen Deeter (408.997.4622 or kdeeter@venturechristian.org).

PARK OFF SITE & SHUTTLE IN

For those of you who attend Venture for two services on Sunday, may we request you park off-site and enjoy shuttle service to the Worship Center? There is parking along the sides of Guadalupe Mines Road and we provide shuttle service to and from the church from 7:45-9:15am, 10-11:15am, and

12:15-1:15pm. Thank you for helping us create more space for all of our new visitors.

FEED THE NEED

r12 Community Outreach Project

- ✓ **This weekend:** Don't forget to take your empty grocery bag! Grab extra bags in Venture's foyer to involve your co-workers and neighbors.
- ✓ **Small Group Hosts & Mid-size group leaders**—After the service, come up to the front of the Worship Center by the Baptristry to receive your adopt-a-family packet and 10-minute orientation.
- ✓ **This week:** Small groups/mid-size groups come up with a game plan to provide for your family in need (*this project is separate from the food drive*).
- ✓ **Next 2 weekends (February 13/14; 20/21):** Bring back your filled grocery bags to church. Leave them directly behind your vehicle and a team will pick them up. If it's raining, please bring canned goods to one of Venture's entrances.
- ✓ **Next 2 weeks (February 15- 26):** Small groups visit your family in need.

Got questions? See the card inserted in your bulletins this weekend for more details or visit VentureChristian.org for a list of Feed the Need FAQs.

NOTE Room Name Changes:

- **Venue 2:** (formerly Fellowship Hall)
- **Start Here:** (formerly Common Ground)

ADULT MINISTRIES

Sundays at Venture—For information on classes available Sunday mornings, pick up a ***Sundays at Venture*** brochure at the Information Center. Here are some highlights of classes we offer:

Life Community Focus of the Week—

Sundays at 9am: *GPS—Growth, People, Service* (Room 224). Leaders: Frank and Rhonda Teruel. “Know Your Path!” Where are you headed in your life journey? We are a group of all ages who are growing together, encouraging each other, having a blast, and serving our church and community. Everyone is welcome. Join us as we venture through the r12 Study Guide together. Check us out at www.venturegps.org.

Life Community Focus of the Week—Sundays at 11am: *Growing Families* (Room 213). Leaders: Jim & Darlene Weber. This is a community of parents with children ranging from infants to middle school. We focus on strengthening our marriages, sharpening our parenting skills, and personally drawing closer to our Lord. We meet for a time of fellowship, prayer, and teaching. We are currently studying material from the r12 book.

50 Plus Singles Events:

- **Super Bowl Party**—Bring your favorite snack and beverage and join us **Sunday, February 7** at 4pm. For details, contact Jorgia (408.892.5560).
- **Valentine’s Day Party**—Join us **Friday, February 12** for Fun, Fellowship and a movie you will love. Snacks provided. For more info, call Gracie Willson (408.294.9257).

Visit: www.jefe74.com/Koinonia/plus50.html for details on all 50 Plus Singles events.

HEALING MINISTRIES

DivorceCare is a special weekly seminar and support group for people who are separated or divorced.

Join us Wednesdays at 7pm in Room 217-218. There is a \$15 fee which includes a workbook. Find help, discover hope, experience healing. For details, contact Frank and Bev Buxton (408.225.3624 or bjbuxton67@sbcglobal.net).

GriefShare: GriefShare is a special seminar/support group for people grieving the death of a loved one. The next session will be February 21 - June 6, meeting every Sunday (except Easter) from 2:30-4:30pm in Room 218. There is a \$15 fee for the session (workbooks included). To register or for more information, contact Anne Jones (408.997.0713 or annej47@sbcglobal.net) or Eva Smith (408.972.1729 or evas@pacbell.net). Note: Childcare is not provided during the support meeting.

Joyful Rebounders: If you are a woman who has found herself “alone again” after a divorce or the death of a spouse, then this group is for you! For details, contact Sybil Ruggles (408.356.8860).

GLOBAL MINISTRIES

The Global Ministries February Prayer Calendar is available at the Information table in the lobby. If you would like to receive the calendar each month via email, please contact Tammy Quigley (tquigley@venturechristian.org).

Ethiopia Update & Reception: Please join us **Saturday, February 13, at 6:30pm in Venue 2 to welcome and meet two special partners from Hope Enterprises in Ethiopia.** Zenebe Ayele, Executive Director of Hope Enterprises,

will share what they are doing in Addis Ababa and throughout Ethiopia for the poorest of the poor; he will also give us an update on what is happening at our Heeraraa School. Pastor Mattewos Hambebo, chaplain/pastor for feeding centers, will share what our "Globe Project" actually provides for the homeless in Addis. Please RSVP your attendance to Sherry Mason (408.410.4743, samason500@aol.com).

Missionary Requests: We have several missionary families that will be in the area during the summer/fall and are in need of a vehicle and/or housing. If you can help with either of these, please contact Tammy Quigley (408.997.4636).

LOCAL OUTREACH

Community Pregnancy Center Updates:

- If you are interested in volunteering for the **CPC ministry**, an **orientation** will be available March 1, 2 and 4 (6:30-9:15pm).
 - **CPC HOPE Retreat:** Join us February 27-28 for a HOPE (Healing Of Past-Abortion Emotions) Retreat designed to embrace the needs of women who have experienced abortion.
- For details, contact the CPC South San Jose Center (408.978.9310).

MEN'S MINISTRY



The Herd Men's Ministry Tuesday Night Bible Study:

Men, are you "all in" for Christ? Come join The Herd Tuesdays at 7pm in Venue 2. This comprehensive Bible study (we're currently in the book of Matthew) is for men who desire a stronger knowledge of the Bible and its application to their lives. For more information, contact John White (408.224.8405). Come run with The Herd!

SMALL GROUPS

Small groups—find out what they are all about. Visit the Small Groups section at VentureChristian.org. For more information, please contact Robin Coleman (408.997-4617; rcoleman@venturechristian.org).

SPORTS

Open Tennis for all Adults Wednesdays from 6-8pm and Sundays at 4pm at Leland High School (6677 Camden Ave). Please contact Stephanie Dunkle (408.226.8714 or shepaintsalot@yahoo.com).

STUDENT MINISTRIES

Middle School: Join us Saturdays at 5pm or Sundays at 11am. Middle School r12 Small Groups are Tuesdays at 7pm in Room 305. **For more information on our upcoming Mission Trip, join us Tuesday, February 23 at 7pm.** Middle School Pastor, Rob Walter (RWalter@venturechristian.org or 408.997.4660).

High School: We meet Sundays at 11am and Tuesdays at 7pm for our r12 groups in Venue 2. High School Pastor, Dave Molchan (DMolchan@venturechristian.org or 408.997.4661).

College: We meet Sundays at 7pm in Venue 2. For details, contact College Pastor, Josh Becknall (JBecknall@venturechristian.org).

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

New to Venture and looking for a women's Bible study? Stop by the Information Center and ask for our latest Bible Study brochure or visit the Women's page at VentureChristian.org.

Save the dates:

- **April 17**—Next CAFÉ
- **May 14-16**—Women's Retreat

AMERICAN TROOPS PROJECT

The Koinonia Kookie Kommandos are shipping Valentine cookies to our troops on February 9. **Please provide cookies no later than this Sunday, February 7** (you can bake them now and freeze them or deliver them fresh on Feb. 7). Stop by Venue 2 at 9am on Sunday to get more details.

DATA MINER/STATISTICIAN

Venture needs help gathering statistics for the Bay Area. If you already have statistical data or are able to gather data for us, please contact Carrie Collins (ccollins@venturechristian.org).

JOIN THE r12 PRAYER TEAM

Has God given you a burden to pray? Join us for the r12 pre-service prayer group to cover the pastors, the worship leaders and the body in prayer and to ask God to pour out His Holy Spirit. Join us in Room 203 anytime before the services on Saturday from 4:15-4:50pm and Sunday from 10:15-10:50am. For more information, please contact Judy Porter (408.480.4029 or judy@portermarais.com).

VENTURE RESOURCE CENTER



Would you like to share the r12 book *Living on the Edge: Dare to Experience True Spirituality* with a friend or give it to a neighbor? Extra copies are available for purchase at the Venture Resource Center located in Start Here (formerly *Common Ground*).

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Dive deeper into r12 online!

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WEEKEND SERVICE TIMES

- Saturdays @ 5pm
- Sundays @ 9 and 11am

FEBRUARY CALENDAR...

Feb. 6—Feed the Need begins

Feb. 9—Troops Valentine Shipment

Feb. 13—Baptism Class

Feb. 21—Ministry Huddle

r12 Campaign Schedule at a Glance

DATE	FOCUS	READ (r12 book)	SMALL GROUPS	COMMUNITY OUTREACH
Week 1: Jan. 16-22	Join the r12 Journey	Intro of Book	Session 1	
Week 2: Jan. 23-29	Surrendered to God	Section 1	Session 2	
Week 3: Jan. 30-Feb. 5	Separate from the World's Values	Section 2	Session 3	
Week 4: Feb. 6-12	Sober in Self-Assessment	Section 3	Session 4	Feed the Need
Week 5: Feb. 13-19	Serving in Love	Section 4	Session 5	Feed the Need
Week 6: Feb. 20-26	Supernaturally Responding...	Section 5	Session 6	Feed the Need
Week 7: Feb. 27-28	Celebration Weekend & Baptisms			