

Upcoming Events/Highlights

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THIS WEEKEND AT VENTURE

Join us this weekend as Pastor Chip Ingram tackles the topic "Personal Commitment" in part 5 of the "Holy Ambition" Series.

If you would like to review any of this series on "turning God-shaped dreams into reality," CDs are available at the Information table after the weekend services.

GOD TALK AT OAKRIDGE MALL



Our God Talk kiosk at Oakridge mall will reopen on August 1 for 31 days of back-to-school shopping

crowds. It's a great opportunity to share our faith with thousands of unchurched shoppers; last March over 130 Venture volunteers were able to share their faith with numerous people. If you would like to join our volunteers for one 3-hour time slot at the mall in August, please attend our **mini-training session either on Wednesday, July 21 at 7pm or on Sunday, July 25 at 12:45pm both in Room 213.** If you would like additional information, please call Rich and Charlene Sevcik (408.354.3966); you can also check out our website www.Godtalkinthemall.com.

INVESTIGATE GIVING THE GIFT OF LIFE...

By Mike Nauman, Missions Minister

Someone in our community needs to find a kidney donor. I have been the beneficiary of such a gift and know from personal research and decades of data, that kidney donors have extended life expectancy – not reduced. Every donor I've met has told me it's the best thing they have ever done. If you would be interested in confidentially exploring the possibility of making such a gift, and you have type A or O blood, please contact me, Mike Nauman (408.206.9061 or mnauman@venturechristian.org).

BAPTISM CLASS THIS SUNDAY

First step to being baptized at Venture.

Have you recently committed your life to Christ? Take the next step and follow Jesus' example by being baptized. **The next class will be this Sunday, July 11 at 11am in the Ranch House Den.** Please RSVP to Karen Deeter (408.997.4622).

HUME LAKE CAMPS THIS WEEK

Please keep our students in prayer as we send them off to their Hume Lake camps this Sunday. **Note: Due to the camps, Middle School and High School groups will not be meeting this weekend or on Tuesday night (July 13).**

ADULT MINISTRIES

Weekends at Venture—Keep updated on coming changes in weekend classes and new classes being offered... get details in the **Weekends at Venture** brochure at the Information table in the lobby or on the patio.



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 God’s Word together. Check us out at www.venturegps.org.

Roca de Poder (Rock of Power) Bible Study: This is a Spanish-speaking Bible study on Thursday nights in Room 214. For more information, please contact Porfirio Flores (408.472.3025). This study is an extension of the Roca de Poder Spanish-speaking service on Sundays at 1pm in Venue 2.



Singles 50 Plus: We’re an active group! Find out what we’re up to... visit <http://www.jefe74.com/Koinonia/plus50.html>.

GLOBAL MINISTRIES

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

GRIEF SHARE AND DIVORCECARE MINISTRIES

Are you “broken or heart-heavy” because of losses in your life from the death of a loved one, separation or divorce? We’re here to help you through the pain and healing.



GriefShare is a special seminar/support group for people grieving the death of a loved one. The next session will run August 4 - October 27. We meet off-site on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm. For more information, please contact Anne Jones (408.997.0713; annej47@sbcglobal.net) or Eva Smith (408.972.1729; evas@pacbell.net).



Divorce hurts... find help at DivorceCare. A new session begins this fall, September 8 - December 8. We’ll meet on Wednesdays from 7-9pm in Room 217/218. For more information, please contact Frank and Bev Buxton (408.225.3624; bjbuxton67@sbcglobal.net).

Both workshops meet for 13 sessions. The cost is \$15 which includes your workbook.

SMALL GROUPS



Mark your calendars for the next **Foundations in Leadership Seminar** August 27-28.

This is a great opportunity to learn new skills for small group leadership as well as strengthen skills you already have. More details to come!

Ministry News (cont.)

SPORTS MINISTRY



Sign up now for our fall Youth Soccer league: Registration forms are available at

VentureChristianSports.org. For more information, please contact Tammy Quigley (tquigley@venturechristian.org).

Adult Drop-In Tennis: For more information, contact Stephanie Dunkle (shepaintsalot@yahoo.com).

STUDENT MINISTRIES

(VentureStudents.org)

Note: Middle School and High School will not meet this weekend (July 10-11) or Tuesday (July 13) as they are away at camp.



Middle School: Join us on Tuesday nights (7-8:30pm) this summer for games, music and a time of teaching.



High School: Join us Tuesday nights from 7-8:30pm for crazy games, worship, and teaching ...and since it's summer, you can hang out

with your friends at the "Afterhouse" from 8:30 to 10:30pm (each week at a different house selected by the V3 staff). For more details, contact Dave Molchan (408.997.4661; dmolchan@venturechristian.org).

WOMEN'S MINISTRY

Beth Moore simulcast at the next Women's CAFÉ, July 24!



Let's get connected this summer! Join us Saturday, July 24 for the next C.A.F.E. (Coffee and Friends Engaged)—we'll be presenting the **Beth Moore simulcast "So Long Insecurity"** from **8:45am to 2:30pm in Venue 2**, and a continental breakfast and box lunch will be provided. **Purchase tickets after the weekend services at the Women's table.** The cost is \$20 (cash or checks - made out to VCC). There is limited space, so **NO TICKETS WILL BE SOLD AT THE DOOR.** Sorry, no childcare. Contact Lynda Kelaita with questions (408.365.5900; LKelaita@abhow.com).

Church News

ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG AT SITE OF BIBLICAL CITY OF SODOM

Have a penchant for antiquity? The Tall el-Hammam Excavation Project is in need of volunteers to dig with them on the site many scholars now believe to be the location of the ancient Biblical city of Sodom. The cost for the trip is tax deductible and college credit is available. For more information, contact Thomas

Winder, PhD (505.220.3263) or visit www.TallelHammam.com.



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PRAYER FOR OUR COUNTRY

Join us Thursdays from noon to 1pm in Start Here as we pray about topical issues for our country and leaders.

HEAR THE SERMON ONLINE...



Listen to each Sunday's sermon on our website

at VentureChristian.org.

Sermons are available for five days after the service. You can also purchase current and older CDs of Venture sermons at our Information table after weekend services.

SHUTTLE SERVICE ON BREAK FOR THE SUMMER

Thanks so much to all of you who have helped open up parking spaces on campus by parking off-site. We're giving our shuttle drivers the summer off, so please enjoy parking on-site during the summer months. We'll let

you know when the shuttle service is back in action. Have a great summer!

ONLINE BULLETIN BOARD

Have a room to rent? Have a car for sale? Have something good to give away? Check out our online bulletin board at venturechristian.org; click the "Resources" tab.

COMMUNION @ VENTURE

We celebrate communion together as a church once a month during our weekend services (this is usually scheduled the first weekend of the month). For those who make communion a weekly part of their worship experience, we invite you to come down near the stage after the service where communion tables are available.

PRE-SERVICE PRAYER TEAM

Drop in and join us as we cover the pastors, worship team and body in prayer **Saturdays from 4:15-4:50pm and Sundays from 10:15-10:50am in Room 203**. For more information, please contact Judy Porter (judy@portermarais.com; 408.480.4029).

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- **July 11:** Baptism Class
- **July 11-17:** Hume Lake Camps
- **July 24:** Women's CAFÉ with Beth Moore Simulcast
- **August 27-28:** Foundations in Leadership Seminar

Chip's teaching can be heard weekdays at 11am (PST) on KFAX – AM 1100 and weekly on Direct TV – Channel 378 – Mondays 7pm (EST)

Weekend Service Times: Saturdays at 5pm and Sundays at 9 & 11am.

Venture Senior Pastor, Chip Ingram—Get more information at www.VentureChristian.org