

## Upcoming Events/Highlights

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### THIS WEEKEND AT VENTURE

This weekend Pastor Chip Ingram concludes the Holy Ambition series with part 6 "Courageous Soul." Learn how to handle opposition and embrace the courage to see you through obstacles.

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](http://www.Godtalkinthemall.com).

### LAST WEEKEND TO PURCHASE TICKETS FOR THE NEXT CAFE



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](mailto:LKelaita@abhow.com)).

### MINISTRY HUDDLE



If you're involved in ministry in any way here at Venture, you won't want to miss **the next Ministry Huddle on Sunday, August 1 at 5pm in the Worship Center.** We'll have tools to help equip you for the fall season as well as share the goals and vision for Venture's future. For more information, call the church office (408.997.4600).

## 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 11am: Men on the Move—men only (Room 219).** Leader: Ron Canty. Want to dig a little deeper into the weekend sermons? This class will review the sermons from the previous week, discuss some of the issues and how they apply to you. It's a great way to take the next step. All men are welcome.

**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:** Join us Saturday, July 31 for dinner at Mimi's Cafe and the live theatre performance of Sisters of Swing, the story of the Andrews Sisters, at the Retro Dome (1694 Saratoga Ave.). For more details and to view other upcoming events, visit <http://www.jefe74.com/Koinonia/plus50.html>.

## GLOBAL MINISTRIES

**India Mission Trip:** Looking for a way to get mobilized outside the U.S.? We are looking for a few people with an interest in serving the Lord



and the poor to join a missions team headed to Northern India February 12-26, 2011. We will be

visiting a Venture sponsored school in Gangoh as well as other venues. **Get more details at an informational meeting Sunday, August 1, at 12:45pm in Room 216.** Questions? Contact Sue Size (408.269.4973; [chefsue@aol.com](mailto:chefsue@aol.com)).

## GRIEF SHARE AND DIVORCE CARE 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](mailto:annej47@sbcglobal.net)) or Eva Smith (408.972.1729; [evas@pacbell.net](mailto:evas@pacbell.net)).



Divorce hurts... find help at DivorceCare. A new session begins this fall, Sept. 8 - Dec. 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](mailto:bjbuxton67@sbcglobal.net)).

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

## Ministry News (cont.)

### 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!

### SPORTS MINISTRY

**Deadline for early registration for the Fall Youth Soccer League is July 31!**



Get details on Venture's Fall Youth Soccer league and download registration

forms at [VentureChristianSports.org](http://VentureChristianSports.org). You can also pick up forms at the Information table on the patio or at the church office during the week. Mail or drop off payment and registration forms at the church office during the week. **Prices go up on August 1, so sign up today!** If you have any questions, please contact

Tammy Quigley (408.997.4636; [tquigley@venturechristian.org](mailto:tquigley@venturechristian.org)).

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

### STUDENT MINISTRIES (*VentureStudents.org*)

**Note: Middle School will not meet this Saturday (July 17).**

**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 8:30-10:30pm (each week at a different house selected by the V3 staff). For more details, contact Dave Molchan (408.997.4661; [dmolchan@venturechristian.org](mailto:dmolchan@venturechristian.org)).



## Church News

### 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](mailto:mnauman@venturechristian.org)).

### 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.TalleHammam.com](http://www.TalleHammam.com).

### 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.

### SHUTTLE SERVICE ON BREAK FOR THE SUMMER

There's no shuttle service during the summer, so please enjoy parking on-site during the summer months. We'll let you know when the shuttle service is back in action.

### 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](mailto:judy@portermarais.com); 408.480.4029).

### 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.

### 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](http://venturechristian.org); click the "Resources" tab.

### HEAR THE SERMON ONLINE...



Listen to each Sunday's sermon on our website at [VentureChristian.org](http://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.

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### UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- **July 21:** God Talk Mini-Training
- **July 24:** Women's CAFÉ with Beth Moore Simulcast
- **July 25:** God Talk Mini-Training
- **August 1:** India Mission Information Meeting
- **August 1:** Ministry Huddle
- **August 27-28:** Foundations in Leadership Seminar

Chip's teaching can be heard weekdays at 10am on 88.1 FM & 11am on KFAQ 1100 AM 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](http://www.VentureChristian.org)