

Upcoming Events/Highlights

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THIS WEEKEND AT VENTURE

This weekend we welcome Kevin Queen to Venture from Atlanta, Georgia.

A Word from Chip:

"As most of you know, I have a passion for helping young people see God's hand on their life. A few years ago, I met Kevin through one of my sons and watched as God worked deeply in and through him to build him into a magnificent young



pastor. Kevin is now one of the teaching pastors for the fastest growing church in America and I wanted Venture to benefit from his heart and the teaching gifts God has given him."

Kevin serves as a campus pastor for 12Stone Church, where he has been on staff for 7 years. He and his wife Rea celebrate 10 years of marriage this week, and they have four children, Raleigh (6), Camden (5), Durham (3), and Bolton (1). Their family lives in the Metro Atlanta area.

GOD TALK AT OAKRIDGE MALL

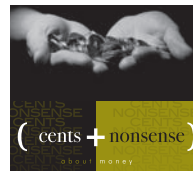
It's almost time for back-to-school shopping and that means an opportune time for our God Talk kiosk at Oakridge Mall. Join us in this great outreach project that has opened up opportunities for many people to learn about God. If you would like to join our

volunteers for one 3-hour time slot at the mall in August, please attend a **mini-training session this Sunday, July 25 at 12:45pm in Room 213**. For additional information, please call Rich and Charlene Sevcik (408.354.3966); you can also check out the website at www.Godtalkinthemall.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—arrive at 4:40pm for refreshments and fellowship in the lobby**. Chip will share the plans for the fall season and equip you with the tools you'll need for your ministries. **Childcare is available if you RSVP by Thursday, July 29**. For more information and to RSVP, call the church office (408.997.4600).

"CENTS & NONSENSE ABOUT MONEY" NEXT WEEKEND



Join us next weekend as we begin a 4-part series on the biblical aspects of dealing with money.

INSIDE... VENTURE ON MISSION

- ▶ *Beautiful Day Community Project*
- ▶ *India Mission Trip Meeting*

ADULT MINISTRIES

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: Improv (Room 211).

Facilitators: Aaron and Holly Carmichael. This is a friendly group desiring in-depth, interactive Bible study. Each week, the study is facilitated by a rotating team of couples using the Serendipity Bible as well as commentaries and other discussion materials. True to its name, Improv emphasizes interactive discussion and fellowship.

Koinonia special guest speakers:

Join the Koinonia life community on Sunday, August 8 at 9am in Venue 2 for guest speakers Tim and Bobbi Bettger, missionaries with Cadence International. The Bettgers host North County Hospitality in Watertown, NY where they minister to the soldiers stationed at Fort Drum.

Singles 50 Plus: Join us Saturday, July 31 for dinner at Mimi's Cafe and the live theatre performance "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; chefnsue@aol.com).

Beautiful Day Project: Help us make a difference in our community by joining us in cleaning up



the weeds in Worcester Park next Saturday, July 31 from 7-11am. Scotch Broom is a very invasive weed taking over in the park and causing a serious fire hazard. Anyone can help... all ages welcome (this counts as a community service activity for students). Please RSVP by Wednesday, July 28 so we can plan for enough equipment for all volunteers. Stop by the Beautiful Day table after the service to get more details! Contact Rob & Sarah Berrett (408.268.1870; sarahbcm@aol.com) or Seth & Carmen Degnan (408.206.8101).

HEALING 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, Sept. 8 - Dec. 8. We'll meet on Wednesdays from 7-9pm in Room 217/218. For more information,

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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 in August!

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. 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).

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

STUDENT MINISTRIES

(VentureStudents.org)

Middle School: Join us on Tuesday nights (7-8:30pm) this summer for games, music and a time of teaching. For details, contact Rob Walter (408.997.4660; rwalter@venturechristian.org).

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).

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).

AMERICAN TROOPS PROJECT

We're committed to ensuring that our loved ones serving in the military know that we love and support them. If you would like more information, stop by the American Troops Project table just outside of Venue 2 on Sunday mornings. You can view many of our pictures as well as get details on how you can participate. Join us with Koinonia on Sunday, August 8 for special guest speakers, Tim and Bobbi Bettger, missionaries with Cadence International who minister to soldiers stationed at Fort Drum in New York.

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

Our shuttle drivers are enjoying the summer off, so please remember to park on-site. We'll let you know when the shuttle service will start back up.

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).

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; click the "Resources" tab.

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.

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AARP DRIVER SAFETY PROGRAM AT VENTURE

We're offering AARP's 2-day driver safety course for drivers over 50 on Tuesday, July 27 and Thursday, July 29 from 10am-3pm (with a lunch break) in the Ranch House Den. The cost is \$14 (\$12 for AARP members) and can be paid in advance by check or cash at the door; fees are due at the door on July 27. Class size is limited to 30. At the completion of both sessions you will receive a certificate that may be presented to your insurance agent for a possible discount on your rate. For more details and to reserve your spot, contact Gary Hess (408.997.4610; ghess@venturechristian.org).

UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- **July 25:** God Talk Mini-Training
- **July 31:** Beautiful Day Project
- **July 31-Aug 1:** "Cents & Nonsense..." Series Begins
- **Aug 1:** India Mission info Mtg.
- **Aug 1:** Ministry Huddle
- **Aug 27-28:** Small Group's "Foundations in Leadership" "

Chip's teaching can be heard weekdays at 10am on 88.1 FM & 11am on KFAZ 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