

Upcoming Events/Highlights

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THIS WEEKEND AT VENTURE



This weekend we welcome Dave Stone as our guest speaker introducing the “Cents and Nonsense About Money” series. Dave comes to us from

Southeast Christian Church in Louisville, Kentucky, where he serves over 19,000 people each weekend as Senior Minister. Dave also speaks at conventions throughout the United States and his last book, *Refining Your Style*, won the Preaching Magazine Book of the Year Award. He and his wife, Beth, have three children: Savannah, Sadie and Sam.

THE GOD TALK KIOSK OPENS THIS WEEKEND!



Our “God Talk” kiosk at Oakridge Mall is open all of August for the busy back-to-school shopping season.

It’s a great opportunity to share our faith with thousands of unchurched shoppers. If you would like to join our volunteers for one 3-hour time slot at the kiosk, please contact 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 this 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.

INDIA MISSION TRIP MEETING



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 this Sunday, August 1 at 12:45pm in Room 216. Questions? Contact Sue Size (408.269.4973; chefnsue@aol.com).

ADULT MINISTRIES



Keep updated on coming changes in weekend classes... 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: New Horizons (Room 218). Leaders: Joe and Faye Viskovich. Come join this exciting mid-sized community as we pursue God's divine purpose for our lives and the steps necessary to achieve our mission as believers. We begin with a time of fellowship, light refreshments, and prayer. This group is open to adults of all ages and all levels of spiritual growth.

Koinonia special guest speakers: Join the Koinonia life community next 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: Get details and view upcoming events at <http://www.jefe74.com/Koinonia/plus50.html>.

GLOBAL MINISTRIES

The Global Ministries August 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).

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 begins this week... August 4 - October 27.** We meet off-site on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm. For more information, please contact Anne Jones (408.997.0713; anej47@sbcglobal.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.

Join potential and current Venture small group leaders at a fun and informative conference, *Foundations in Leadership*, presented by Pastor Mark Collins. Gain insight into how leadership works and receive core skills and tools!

Topics will include raising up the next generation of leaders, group

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dynamics and conflict resolution. Meals will be provided. **See the sign-up card in next weekend's bulletin!** Questions? Contact either Robin Coleman (408.997.4617 or rcoleman@venturechristian.org) or Sharon Stonehouse (408.997.4644 or sstonehouse@venturechristian.org). You won't want to miss this great opportunity to become a more dynamic small group leader.

SPORTS MINISTRY



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. **Registration ends August 13.** Mail or drop off payment and registration forms at the church office during the week. 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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UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- **Aug 1:** India Mission Information Meeting
- **Aug 1:** Ministry Huddle
- **Aug 4:** GriefShare Begins
- **Aug 27-28:** Small Group's "Foundations in Leadership" "

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