

Upcoming Events/Highlights

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THIS WEEKEND AT VENTURE



We're glad you've joined us! This weekend we welcome Jack Alexander for part 4 of the "Cents and Nonsense About Money" series. Jack has co-founded and been

CEO of a number of businesses. He is on the boards of three ministries and is producing a series of short films that highlight Kingdom principles. Jack has been married to Lisa for 30 years. They live in Atlanta, Georgia and have 3 sons.

FALL FOCUS

Starting September 11 & 12, Venture Church will align church-wide for eight weeks (children through adults), to focus on Spiritual Simplicity – Doing Less ... Loving More. Each week, you will focus on one key attribute of God in the weekend services, small groups and individually by reading a daily devotional from God: As He Longs for You to See Him to help you take that next step in becoming an r12 Christian this Fall.

NIGHT OF PRAYER AND WORSHIP

Join us for an evening of prayer and worship on Tuesday, Sept 7, at 7pm in the Worship Center as we prepare our hearts for our Fall Focus.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Sign-ups begin this weekend (after all services) for the Fall studies. Pick up a brochure at the Information table or in the church office during the week. For more information, contact Tammy Quigley at 408.997.4636; tquigley@venturechristian.org.

VOCAL AUDITIONS

We are looking for passionate and gifted r12 Christians to help lead our church in worship each weekend. Auditions for the weekend vocal team will be held Thursday, August 26. Auditions for the New Classic Venue Chorale will be held Sunday, August 29. For more information please contact Regina Pruitt at 408.997.4692; rpruitt@venturechristian.org.

BOY SCOUTS

Join the Boy Scout Troop 577 for an informational dinner and showing of "UP" on Friday, September 10, at 5:30pm in Venue 2. Boys in 6th Grade or 11 to 17 years old are eligible to join. For more information please contact the Troop at troop577@me.com.

BLOOD DRIVE

The next blood drive will be held Monday, September 13, from 1:00pm-7:00pm at Venture Church in the “Start Here” room. Organ and tissue donation information will also be available. Schedule an appointment online at bloodcenter.stanford.edu.

MOPS I & II (Mothers of Preschoolers)

Mothers of Preschoolers program at Venture begins this September. MOPS I meets the second and fourth Fridays of the month from 9:30-11:30am and MOPS II meets the first and third Fridays of the month from 9:30-11:30am. MOPS I contact Anna Mammen 503.475.4672; anna@neilmammen.com. MOPS II contact Kristi Guardanapo 408.476.0408; kreenee48@yahoo.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 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.

Life Community Focus of the Week—Sundays at 11am: Men on the Move (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.

Life Community Focus of the Week—Sundays at : Act II (Room 213)

Leader: John Lyons (jl Lyons611@gmail.com). For those (40s-50s plus, couples or singles) desiring to be in a community and grow in their relationship with Christ, along with other like-minded followers of Jesus. The focus is on supporting one another by fellowship, prayer, and expository teaching of Scripture. Currently we are studying the Gospel of Matthew.

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).

Heeraraa Sponsor “Thank You”

We invite all of you who have sWe invite everyone who is interested in what VCC is doing in Ethiopia to a reception to say “thank you” for making a difference in the lives of children on the other side of the world and opening

the door for them to learn of God’s saving grace. What an amazing gift they have given these children.

Please join us Saturday, August 21 at 6:45pm in Room 213. If you have questions about our child sponsorship program, please contact Sherry Mason (samason500@aol.com).

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 current session of GriefShare runs August 4 - October 27, and you can join anytime. We meet off-site on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm. For more information, please contact Anne Jones (408.997.0713; annej47@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.

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).

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.

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.

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).

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.

CONNECT WITH VENTURE

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UPCOMING DATES TO NOTE:

- **Aug 21:** Heeraraa Student Sponsor "Thank You"
- **Aug 27-28:** Small Group Foundations in Leadership
- **Sept 7:** Night of Prayer & Worship
- **Sept 11-12:** "Spiritual Simplicity" Series Begins

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