CONEJO VALLEY CHURCH OF CHRIST

BE the BLESSING

June 9, 2019

Welcome!

**We are so glad you are here!
We pray that you will encounter
God as you worship with us.**

Today

8am	First Worship Service
9:30am	Bible Classes (all ages)
10:45am	Second Worship Service
6pm	Senior Banquet

This Week

Jun 12	Hungry / Thirsty at Walls
Jun 13	Small Group at Fosters

Upcoming Events

Jun 17-20	Vacation Bible School
Jun 23-28	Youth Mission Trip
Jul 14-20	Teen Camp
Jul 21	All-Sing and Ice Cream
Jul 28-Aug 3	King's Kamp
Aug 4	Won By One
Aug 11-15	Pismo Camping

Welcome and Response

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Best Wishes to the Class of 2019

By Andy Wall

*"Many people die with their music still in them.
Too often it is because they are always getting ready to live.
Before they know it, time runs out."*

– Oliver Wendell Holmes Sr.

Congratulations to the class of 2019! You've worked hard on your schooling for twelve (plus) years, you've reached the legal age of adulthood, and you're on the precipice of whatever comes next. Here are seven suggestions to take with you as you continue on your journey of life and faith.

Grades aren't everything. For those of you going on to college, remember that grades are only a slice of the pie. Grades do not tell the whole story about you. Or even the most important things about you. If you're good at getting good grades, that's terrific! But there's more to life (and you!) than good grades.

Check your tech. I know you love your phone. But please, don't let tech rule your life. Limit your tech, whether that's video games, cell phone, or Netflix. Don't believe what Instagram, Snapchat, and other social media are telling you about others' "picture perfect" lives.

Sing your song. Discover and pursue your God-given gifts. God has made you a one-of-a-kind masterpiece. You are the only one just like you in the world. So go and figure out the song God has given you to sing. This will probably mean some trial and error, some dead ends, and some mid-course corrections; all of this is par for the course.

Invest in relationships. You need a few trusted friends to share your life with. To have a friend, you have to be a friend. Take an interest in others. Be there for people. Your life is a long journey and the journey is better when it's shared. An old African proverb says, "If you want to go fast, go alone. If you want to go far, go together."

Stay connected to Christ. As you move into your young adult years, I encourage you to root your life in Christ. This can include Scripture and prayer, service and worship, faith conversations and making the world a better place. Find a local church that both challenges and feeds you in your faith. Build a web of trusted Christian friends.

Remember to play. This is simply a reminder to live a balanced life. Take days off from your work (or studies). Take vacations. Make time regularly to enjoy hobbies and activities that rejuvenate you and give you energy.

You can do hard things. You're going to face some difficulties as you move into your adult life. People will disappoint you. Adulting will have its frustrations. Life's learning curves will challenge your patience. Cheery news, right? But the truth is that you're stronger than you know. And as you stay connected with Christ, invest in relationships, and remember to play, you'll be well equipped to face and overcome life's challenges. May the Lord bless you and keep you always!

What's Happening at Conejo

Adult Education

Auditorium Class: During the month of June, we are inviting members of the Conejo Church who presented classes at Pepperdine's Harbor to share those classes with us. These clasees begin today, with Tim Willis sharing about "The Life of David: King and Father."

Pismo Beach Trip

The 17th annual Pismo Beach trip this year is August 11-15, 2019. Please note that this year we have the group campsite at Lopez Lake reserved Sunday afternoon through Thursday morning. Feel free to come up for a day or stay all four nights. Lopez Lake is located about three hours north of Thousand Oaks. Our camp site is very family friendly, with a nearby water park and marina. Activities include fishing and boating on the lake, a cookout on the beach (Monday), riding ATVs on the sand dunes (Tuesday), worshipping around the campfire, cooking meals together, and just enjoying each other's company. For more information about the daily schedule and to sign up online, see cvccpismobeach.shutterfly.com or contact Mark Davis at (310) 892-9986 or mrkwdvs@gmail.com.

Online Giving

For the last two years, we have offered online giving as one way to participate in congregational giving. Our hope is that online giving will provide flexibility in how and when we give and will also help us better develop the habit of giving regularly. This will be particularly helpful during the summer months when many are out of town for weeks at a time.

There are three ways you can access our online giving.

1) The Conejo website: go to conejochurch.org and click on the "online giving" link.
2) Go directly to conejochurch.churchcenter.com.
3) Text a dollar amount to 84321.

You'll be able to make a one-time donation or to schedule regular donations directly from your checking account or from your debit or credit card. You can even designate giving toward the regular offering, the *Be the Blessing* campaign, or the youth group mission trip. If you have any questions, please contact Jay or Wendi King at finance@conejochurch.org.

Summer Camp at Many Mansions

Our neighbors at Many Mansions have given us a list of items that they will need for the summer camps they provide for the children in their communities. These items include:

- **Pool Supplies**—pool towels, spray sunscreen, sunscreen lotion, face sunblock sticks, beach balls, dive toys, goggles, pool noodles, BPA-free water bottles, one-piece swim suits, swim shirts, water shoes, and flip flops.
- **Activity Supplies**—googly eyes, pipe cleaners, cotton balls, glow sticks (bracelet size), brown paper lunch bags, plastic beads, plastic Easter eggs, bean seeds, patterned washi tape, lollipops, chocolate chips, dinner-sized paper plates, and dessert-sized paper plates.
- **Gift Cards**—for the following retailers: Amazon, Michaels, JoAnn's.

Conejo Adult Summer Experience: Our Story

For our adult education experience this summer, we are inviting all members of our church community to consider sharing significant faith moments. We will have opportunities for people to share their stories during our Bible class time in the months of July and August. Please consider what stories you might share and how best you might share them, and then look for an email requesting your response. If you would like to participate, please talk to Andy Wall to find out more. We are looking forward to hearing your stories because each story makes up Our Story.

All-Sing and Ice Cream / July 21

Do you love to sing praises? Do you enjoy eating homemade ice cream? Join us at the church building on the evening of Sunday, July 21 for a time to sing both time-honored and contemporary songs, hymns, and spiritual songs as a church family. Our time of worship will be followed by a homemade ice cream social. Get out your hand-or electric-crank ice cream makers and bring your favorite recipe.

Summer Camps

Although early-bird reduced rates deadlines have passed, it is not too late to register your kids for church camp.

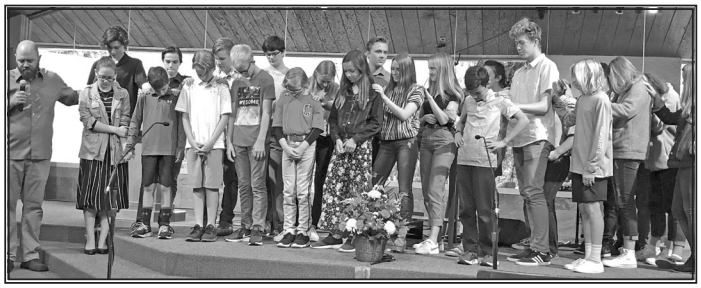
King's Kamp (July 28 – Aug 3). King's Kamp is for students entering grades 4 through 8 in the fall of 2019. Registration can be completed for King's Kamp at www.kingskamp.org. This year's theme is "King's Knights of Idyllwild," coming from the passage in Ephesians 6 about the armor of God.

Teen Camp 2019 (July 14-20). Teen Camp is for students entering grades 8 through 12 in hte fall of 2019. Registration can be completed for Teen Camp at www.socalteencamp.org.

High School + Middle School

Promotion Sunday

The youth group was excited to welcome Justus Baird, Wyatt Daringer, Jordan Downey, Bronn Landis, and Henri Lani into middle school this past Sunday! We pray that their time in the youth group will equip them to be disciples, help them come to a greater love for God, and challenge them to become God's servants in the world!



SYS 2019 – Trajectory

Our theme for the Summer Youth Series this year is TRAJECTORY. In this series, the youth will be tackling doubt. The goal for this series is to discuss the role of doubt in our lives and to provide our youth with a process to face their doubts, while staying on a trajectory toward the message and hope of Jesus. The first of this series is this Tuesday evening, June 11, from 5:30-8pm. The group should meet at the Conejo church building with their dinner at 5:30pm and in a good pair of walking shoes. These SYS nights will have a variety of games, experiences, and lessons that tie into the theme of Trajectory.

Final Mission Trip Team Meeting

The mission team will have its final meeting and lunch together on Saturday, June 15, from noon to 2pm at the home of James & Cindy Stephens (6617 E. Smoketree Ave. Oak Park, CA 91377).

2019 Mission Trip Theme: "Built to Last"

Our 2019 theme is from the passage in 1 Peter 2:1-12 which speaks of Jesus as the cornerstone of our faith and the solid foundation we must build our lives on. This foundation isn't a temporary thing like the homes we build in Mexico but is a truth and reality that guarantee us an inheritance that will never spoil or fade. When we put our faith and trust in Christ, we begin a process where God builds our lives into spiritual houses. Our lives reflect the attributes of God's "priesthood," which exists to bless the world and glorify God through serving and loving our neighbors.

Children's Ministry

Bible Classes

This week 1st-3rd Grades will be in the "Museum of Biblical History" and the 4th-5th Grades will be in the "How Great Thou Art" studio for Bible Classes.

See map at children's ministry sign-in table.

Scripture Memory

Taste and see that the Lord is good;
blessed is the one who takes refuge in him!
Psalm 34:8 (NIV)

Vacation Bible School—Life is Wild; God is Good

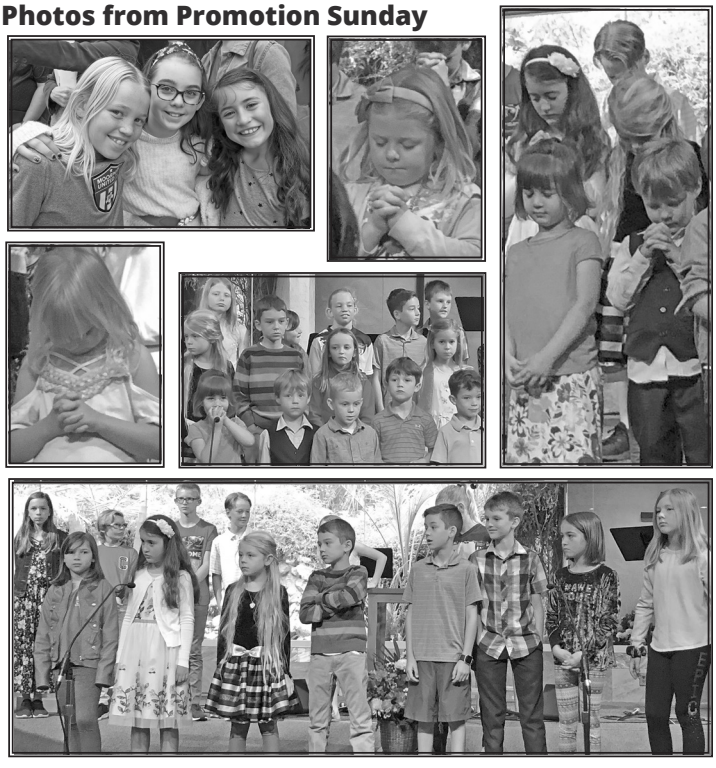
Registration

Registration is open for VBS June 17-20 (Monday through Thursday). Closing Program is on Thursday evening at 7:00 pm.

Volunteers

Volunteers are needed for a variety of roles. Please see Penny White for details.

Photos from Promotion Sunday



Prayer Corner

Devote yourself to prayer being watchful and thankful. Colossians 4:2

PRAISES

PREGNANCIES: **Erin Opdahl** (September); **Lauren Kliest-Blankfein** (September)

Mike Thomas (husband of Maureen Thomas) – back on his feet after stroke-like incident on Easter.

THOSE GRIEVING

Scarlett Lani – loss of father, John Taylor

Char Hurley – loss of father, Dale DeForest

Buzz Guilbault – loss of step-father, Dan Verbonitz

Sandy Stivers – loss of mother, Nadine Tiner McBee

Grace Price – loss of brother, Mark Poblete

Ron Hall – loss of father, Maurice Hall

Alexis Lasiter – loss of mother, Mary Bell

Family and friends of **Linda Marcinkoski**

Nicole Montanez – loss of her grandfather, Howard Segar

Rob West – loss of mother, Helen West

Michael family - Loss of Joella's brother, Jon Hayes

FIGHTING CANCER

Robin Brown (former member) – breast cancer

Ted McAllister (former member) – multiple myeloma

Dick Williams (father of Heather Phillips) – esophageal cancer; receiving hospice care at home; prayers for comfort for family

Taneisha Schuman (friend of Buzz Guilbault) – diagnosed with stage IV cancer

Valerie Corbet (sister of Abby Wilson) – inoperable stage IV brain cancer; undergoing chemo and radiation

James Wooley (uncle of Rene Heard) – bone cancer.

Kurt Krebs (friend of Ed and Sheryl Sanders) – multiple myeloma, loss of job

Ryan Lohoff (Julia Chesson's dance teacher) – stage IV brain cancer

Dede Koldyke (cousin of Steve Scott) – responding well to treatment for stage IV squamous cell thymic carcinoma

Joella Michael – recovery following mucosal melanoma treatments

Yashica Budde's friend, **Ruth** – final stages of cancer

Dana Sheehan (friend of Lisa Scott) – undergoing chemo

Jesse Carrington (father of Michele Carrington) – spine cancer, pain relief

Aaron Robinson (friend of the Audeninos) – grade IV glioblastoma multiforme

Marlene Michaels (friend of Lisa Scott) – stage IV cancer

Susie Baston (Cindy Randolph's cousin) – spinal cancer

Justice Howard (Yashica Budde's cousin) – thyroid cancer

VARIOUS CONCERNS

Tom De Long (father of Ty De Long) – Recovering from quadruple bypass surgery

Joe Burroughs (father of Sue Ann Meador's) – fractured elbow that is limiting his activities

Asher Nicholas (great nephew of Rene Heard) – born prematurely during week 31

David and Allegro Rankin (uncle and aunt of Daelan Blankfein) – continuing physical therapy

Adria Ballard – relief from chronic pain

Claudia de Bruyn and family – seeking answers for fainting and dizzy spells

Sarah Ballard – relief from chronic back pain

Ashlyn Thomas – continued health issues; pray for answers and successful treatments

Pat Tudor – disease has been identified; pray for energy and healing

Peter Thompson (Pepperdine's Volunteer Center Director) – recovering from brain tumor removal

Kathy Cocke – pulmonary fibrosis, pulmonary hypertension

Margie Caldwell – heart issues

Vera Davis – aortic valve tear

Sam Audenino – recovery from bicycle accident

Harriet Nutter (Daphne Green's mother) – received a defibrillator/ pacemaker

Betty Brown – pain relief, healing, and regaining of strength

Carol McNutt – neuropathy

Mary McQuillan (Kay Falletta's sister) – Parkinson's disease

Caleb Rodriguez (8-year-old son of Marcus and Julia) – ongoing seizures

MILITARY SERVICE

Tyler Scott – serving in the Navy in Camp Lejuene, NC

Bobby Blackburn – serving in the Navy in Pensacola, FL

Micah Smith – serving in the Army Rangers

Derek Willis (Tim Willis' nephew) – serving in PA in the Army

Michael Warford – stationed in San Diego with the Navy

MISSION EFFORTS

Megan Randolph – teaching in Thailand

Julie Broyles – Bible English Study Center in Cambodia

Raul & Betty Alvarado – mission efforts in Panama

Charles & Darlene Coulston – mission work in Kenya

Tom Bonner – mission work in Albania

David & Danna Willis – mission work in Samoa

Ryan Campbell – mission work in Philippines

Attendance + Giving

June 2 Attendance	
8:00 Service	75
10:45 Service	122
Total Attendance	**197**

June 2 Giving	$13,394
Weekly Giving Average (2019)	$11,656
Weekly Giving Budget (2019)	$12,995
Be the Blessing Giving (To Date)	$936,120
Wall Settlement	$225,000

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