



July



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NACCC Annual Meeting and Conference

The Annual Meeting and Conference for the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches (NACCC) was a hit! It was held at Mission Valley Marriott in San Diego, and the meeting was hosted by our CalWest Association of churches. Special thanks to Dave Hill, the Moderator of the CalWest Association. He did a wonderful job leading our association in this large endeavor! Special thank you as well to Pastor Jim Schibsted, Penny Schibsted, Pastor Emily Miller-Todd, Pastor Sandy Freud, Linda Freud, Roger Bowers, and Janice Bowers for assisting at the meeting!

Pictured on the right, the Samoan Congregational Christian Church in San Diego shared their cultural history through music and dance during one of the evenings of the conference..



Below, Pastor Jim is working on the mission project that the adults, young adults, and youth participated in together. Churches brought jeans and those who attended cut out patterns that could then be made into shoes for children in Uganda. Many in Uganda suffer from jiggers that burrow into the skin and make walking very painful. Sole Hope provides care and relief, cleaning out the skin and then providing shoes to help protect their feet.

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July

Sunday Morning Worship
10:30am in the Sanctuary

**Dinner and Worship with
NorthEast of the Well**
Mondays, 6-8pm
McKenzie Hall/Sanctuary

Men's J.O.G. Meeting
Monday, July 9th
Speaker: Andrew Gregory
12-1:30pm, McKenzie Hall
RSVP: Mike 714-425-2649
Cost: \$12

Adult Choir
The choir is taking a break
for the summer.

**International Children's
Choir led by Raffia Ford**
The children's choir is
taking a break for the
summer

August

Women's Group
Lunch & Bunco
Join us as we play bunco
and enjoy lunch at the
church!
Monday, August 6th
11:00 in the Griffith House
RSVP: 714-776-0960

Men's JOG Luncheon

Featured Speaker Andrew Gregory



Andrew walked through the doors of Shafter Teen Challenge on August 19th, 2014. He was broken, confused, and ready for change. Through the ministry of Teen Challenge the Lord was able to renew his mind from the junk of his past.

In January of 2017 Andrew was hired as Outreach Coordinator and Student Advisor at Teen Challenge. In August of last year, the Lord blessed him with his beautiful wife Haylie. They both serve full time at Teen Challenge and NorthEast of the Well.

When: Monday, July 9th 2018

12:00 pm - 1:30pm

Where: First Congregational Church of Anaheim

515 North State College Blvd Anaheim, Ca 92806

(Located one block south of La Palma on the west side of State
College in the city of Anaheim)

Cost: \$12

Plan on enjoying another delicious meal prepared especially,
By Adam Curry and his helpful staff.

Please RSVP via email at chuck@penningtons-inc.com or
Call Chuck at 714-350-8983 or Mike Austin at 714-425-2649

JOG



Of Orange County

Just Ordinary Guys

Meeting the 2nd Monday of Every Month

JUNE EVENTS



ABOVE: Bev Aye hosted a beautiful baptismal service and BBQ at her home at the beginning of June! Cathy, Noah, Donald, and Zenaida were baptized!

BELOW: (Left) Ed Buckely meeting with those who help organize the JOG lunches each month. (Right) The Women's Group, organized by Linda Hill, enjoyed learning to play Bunco together last month over BBQ lunch from Blake's!



Missions' Corner



ABOVE: Students from the Panamerican Institute in Tijuana performed traditional dances during the San Diego Annual Meeting and Conference for our national church association.

BELOW: The day after the annual meeting in San Diego, 40 people stayed an extra day to visit the school. They spoke with each classroom and were greeted by beautiful table settings and warm hospitality! It was a joy for many to see how much the school has improved over the years—some had visited the school 20 years ago, the last time the national meeting was held in San Diego. It was also a joy to see what an incredible job the school is doing, serving some of the poorest children in Tijuana.





ABOVE: (Left) A photo of the missionaries that attended the Annual Meeting and Conference in San Diego last month. The missionaries each had an opportunity to share about their ministries before lunch each day, they shared at display tables throughout the conference, and they had the opportunity to share in more detail at the missionary's meal during the conference. (Right) Young adults at the conference helped with demolition and construction at a home in San Diego as part of a service project.

FROM MISSION MINISTRIES PHILIPPINES

Dear Family and Friends,

Stew went to be with the LORD in Paradise yesterday. He suffered from Parkinson for over 6 years. He survived pneumonia last month and was inserted a gastric tube. After a few days his speech slurred. He passed away at the nearby hospital after doctors were trying to revive him due to septic shock.

He lived a very productive and colorful life for 89 years! We were planning to celebrate his 90th Bday in August but I'm glad he will celebrate it with Jesus and all the saints!

Thank you so much for your love, friendship, prayers, support and partnership with Stew and me. .

We who are left behind are continuing his legacy of raising a new generation of leaders through advocating for quality Christian early childhood education; holistic, transformational and contextual theological and biblical education; and grassroots movement of pioneering churches among the poorest of the poor.

Stew's body is at St. Peter Chapels in Quezon Avenue. Tomorrow and Monday we will hold Memorial services and July 3, 2pm will be Cremation service.

Thanks much for your prayers and support at this time of bereavement.

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July Birthdays

- 3 Cynthia Montes
- 8 John Michael Morookian
- 9 Katherine Nguyen
- 9 Christina Ramsay
- 12 Raquel Rodriguez
- 11 Carolyn-Ann Alba
- 11 Carson Parker
- 12 Terri DiCamillo
- 13 Tanya Santos
- 15 Jim Schibsted
- 21 Jennifer Brunson
- 22 Teresa Davies
- 22 Christina Alba
- 23 Ramina Swanson
- 27 Janice Bowers

If you would like to have your birthday included in the CALL, please contact the church office at 714-776-0960 or fccaooffice@gmail.com.

NACCC Annual Meeting and Conference Continued...

The youth and young adult portion of the national conference for our national association also went well! Pictured on the right are four young adults who have been participating as interns on ministry councils in the association. We are praying that the intern program continues to grow and to be a blessing.



The youth and young adult conference included a high school group and a young adult group for those who are 18-26 years of age. They met on the campus of UC San Diego.



Pastor Emily led sessions for HOPE (the 18-26 year olds) and had a wonderful time with them! The conference included Bible Study Sessions, small group conversations, worship, fellowship/games, and service projects in San Diego. The theme that the young adults chose for the week was "Be. Do. Love." The verses for the week were from 1 Corinthians 16:13-14, "Be on your guard; stand firm in the faith; be courageous; be strong. Do everything in love."



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