

FCCA News & Events

Women's Lunch

Wednesday, June 12th from 11:30-1pm

Location: Terry Browning's home; 315 S. Citron St., Anaheim, CA 92805

Terry Browning has graciously offered to host a women's lunch at her home in June! Please RSVP to the church office if you plan to attend (fccaoffice@gmail.com; (714) 776-0960).

Meridian Senior Living: We have been providing a time of worship for residents at Meridian Senior Living once a month. It has been a blessing to meet residents and hear their stories. If you would like to join, contact the church office.

NACCC Annual Meeting & Conference: Pastor Jim and Pastor Emily will be attending the Annual Meeting & Conference for the National Association of Congregational Christian Churches June 22-25th. We are excited that Pastor Lincoln Skinner from the Congregational church in Oneonta has agreed to come and preach while they are away.

4th of July at Peralta Park

Food, Activities and Entertainment: 3-9pm

Fireworks: 9pm

Pastor Jim plans to setup a small area for anyone from the church who would like to gather for an afternoon in Peralta Park before enjoying fireworks at 9pm! If you plan to join, RSVP to the church office to receive text updates about the group's location in the park.

Multi-Cultural Festival

Saturday, August 3rd from 12-6pm

Unlimited Church is spearheading a summer Multi-Cultural Festival for all of the congregations on our property to participate in and enjoy! We look forward to this opportunity to connect with the community on our campus and with the broader neighborhood. Mark your calendars, join us for the fun and let the office know if you would like to volunteer!



JOG Luncheon

Featuring Guest Speaker, Clyde Waite



Meet Clyde Waite! Film maker, teacher, book writer, and poet. Ever since his conversion to Christ, Clyde has been diligently sharing his faith with others. His ministry is called GoClyde Productions and can be easily found on YouTube. Clyde retired in 2021 from a fifteen-year career as a Senior Maintenance worker with the North Orange County ROP Career Center. Clyde and his wife, Liz, are joyful seed planters and when they are not sharing their faith online they can be found enjoying time with their eight children and thirteen grandkids.

When: Monday, June 10th, 2024

12:00pm – 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

Enjoy the music of singer and guitar player Bob Goodrich, as well as the humor from Normandy Veteran, Jack Gutman, and football coach, Tom Meiss. We have an excellent meal planned, and tables are always filled with good fellowship.

Please RSVP via email at chuck@penningtons-inc.com or call Chuck at 714-350-8983

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Meeting the 2nd Monday of Every Month

Missions' Corner

Featuring NorthEast of the Well

A Letter from Linda Freud, Mission Chair



This month I would like to share some information about a special outreach of the mission known as NORHTEAST OF THE WELL. NorthEast has been gathering here at FCCA on Monday nights for dinner and worship for many years. Our Women’s Luncheon group was blessed to have Irma and Lorena join us in May to update us on their human trafficking ministry. They are the director and coordinator of this particular ministry. They gave moving personal testimonies and shared the “what and why” of this ministry.

NorthEast of the Well meets people in their “before”—before they are sober, before they are healed, and before they know Christ. They go to more than 22 transitional programs, shelters, safe houses, jails and drug treatment programs weekly sharing God’s Word, worship, and testimonies in a way that leads to deeper connection with Him. They offer the hope of the Gospel to the most desperate and marginalized in our communities. When the lost and hurting experience Jesus’ love for the first time, their hearts are transformed, and this transformation takes time. That’s why they also stay with people in their “after.”

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Recovery is a process that can only happen in community. As people leave the treatment programs and residential centers, they stay connected through weekly gatherings and discipleship. NorthEast of the Well sets people on a path to discover God's love and experience the freedom that comes from knowing Him. "We do discipleship," explains Executive Director and Founder Laura Suk. "We don't just meet people where they are, we form a community." NorthEast of the Well makes disciples of men and women who then become disciple-makers themselves.

A significant number of those that NorthEast serves have been trafficked during their lifetime. This is one of the many reasons why they have chosen to step onto the frontlines of trafficking sites. On Friday nights, between 9pm and 12am, a team meets with over 45 girls being trafficked; shivering, barely clothed, waiting for the next "John" to objectify them. They are putting boots on the ground to empower the women by showing up as "the Church," praying with them, and offering next-step solutions as well as care-packages that assure them they are seen, known, and loved by God. The battle against trafficking speaks to the heart of NorthEast of the Well's mission to bring God's Word into hard-to-reach places.

From the beginning, prayer has been the heartbeat of NorthEast of the Well. Through prayer, God led them to see the needs of the people in the community. Thirteen years later, God continues to send them out to meet people where they are so they can preach the good news. As they continue to reach more people, one thing that has not changed is their commitment to prayer. I invite you to pray for the Human Trafficking outreach of NorthEast of the Well. If you want to help with a monetary donation, please mark your check or offering envelope for NorthEast of the Well Mission. We also know that they need handwarmers, bracelets (the expandable, stretchy kind), lip balm/chap stick, and encouraging scripture verses written on notecards for the care packages. Donations of these items would be gratefully accepted, and will be passed onto the Human Trafficking Outreach Team.