

VILLAGE BIBLE CHURCH FAMILY NEWSLETTER

**JUNE 2018** 

The Booth Brothers will be in concert at VBC on Friday, June 29th at 7 PM. Brothers Michael and Ronnie Booth started singing originally with their father as a professional group. Ronnie Booth sings lead and is featured on some ballad-type songs. Michael Booth sings the first tenor part and provides comedic relief that seems to come naturally. Paul Lancaster is a strong vocalist and is very versatile in rounding out the trio for a great three-part sound.

While you will definitely be entertained and hear some great music, their goal in each concert is to encourage the audience and to be God honoring in every way. They have good arrangements of traditional songs as well as interesting slants on new songs such as: "Ask the Blind Man, He saw it all."

We have had some of the best Southern Gospel groups as part of our summer concert series and the Booth Brothers will continue that trend. We are fortunate to be able to secure these concerts. Thank you for your support thus far, every group has wanted to come again. As always, I am asking those who attend to give as if they were attending a paid concert so that we can continue to have a reputation of financially supporting these events.

Maybe you have been intending to invite someone to church for some occasion and you are not sure if they would attend a regular Sunday service. This is an opportunity to invite your

friends, neighbors, relatives and associates to a non-threatening event where they may get acquainted with some of our people and hear the message of the Gospel. Invitation cards are available at the Welcome Center.

Have you ever thought after an event, when you heard people talking about it, that you wished you would have come? This will be one of those events!



**Pastor Levan** 

Hope you can make it!



### **Financial Report April 2018**

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10		JAN 1 - APR 30, 2018		Prior Year to Date
				JAN 1 - APR 30, 2017
	Act	ual	Budget	Actual
Income/Collections	\$327,523		\$333,072	\$330,902
Expenses	\$284,226		\$333,842	\$340,859
Net Income (deficit)	\$43,297		\$(770)	\$(9,957)
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Bob & Jeanette DeVinney		06/02	Mike & Lindi are so very thankful to announce Mike's graduation from Gordon-Conwell Theological Seminary University on Saturday, May 13, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. with his Doctor of Ministry. We are so thankful for the prayer and constant support of a loving church body. God is so good, and we give Him all the glory, honor and praise as we seek to serve Him! We love you His, Mike and Lindi, Michael II, Forrest and Madi	
Pete & Sue Hemenway		06/02		
Mike & Debra Urash		06/03		
Jim & Ruth Neal		06/04		
Jim & Jo McKeand		06/06		
Ron & Roxy Tooley		06/08		
Jim & Marlene Davis		06/11		
Richard & Jean Penuell		06/13		
George & Valerie Kittner		06/14		
Ray & Judy Clem		06/15		
Steve & Susie Masters		06/19		
Brad & Nancy Jones		06/19		

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**RADIO MINISTRY** 



Our radio ministry is designed as an outreach for the unchurched. Please remember to mention our broadcast to those you know who do not have a church home. Visit the Welcome Center and pick up some of the small imprinted cards to share with friends and neighbors. Sunday's sermons are broadcast on station KVRE (92.9 FM) at 9:00 am on Sundays. Note: Since the sermons are previously recorded, they will not be heard on the same Sunday as preached at VBC.



Staff

**Rev. Jim Neal, Associate Pastor** 501-766-6789 email - jim@vbchsv.org Rev. Levan Hubbard, Pastor of Worship & Care 501-353-3040 email - levan@vbchsv.org Barbi Mirenda, Office Manager **Ministry** 501-922-0404 email - barbi@vbchsv.org Mary Buffington, Administrative Assistant 501-922-0404 email - mary@vbchsv.org

Ray & Jane Drake

Vin & Liz Hayes

Steve & Maribeth Petro

## **Operation Christmas** Child Project

This year our projected goal is 300+ boxes. You can participate in this project in multiple ways: Pack An Individual Box / Invite or Challenge A Friend To Pack A Box / Small Group Service

Project / Monthly Item Collection / End Of Project Packing Party. Each month from April to October a list of specific items will be requested.

#### For the month of JUNE we are collecting CLOTHING : Socks, underwear, t-shirts, flipflops etc...

A collection box will be in the hallway by the Women's Ministry table. For more info or questions, call Debbie DeNicola 501-226-5183 or Terry Christensen 501-922-3909.



# Your VBC Elder Board



Larry Collins



Glenn McCaleb



Dick Leach



Dennis Gullickson



John Batjes



John Sowers

The Elder Board is elected by the congregation to provide leadership, spiritual direction, and oversight of the various ministries of Village Bible Church. Faithful leadership involves promoting the spiritual welfare of the church, evaluating and establishing goals and priorities, and the ongoing development and approval of policy and procedure to ensure program effectiveness. They appreciate your continued prayers for guidance as they serve Village Bible Church!

#### **Good Samaritan Outreach Ministry**

VBC serves at Good Sam on the 4th Wednesday afternoon of the month from 2:30—4:30 PM and we need additional volunteers to help with BINGO!

The following are some ideas needed for Bingo prizes (items can be new or used, but should be in good condition): Stuffed animals, clip-on earrings, jewelry, women's scarves, trinket boxes, new men's socks, coin purses, cosmetic bags, soft candy, cheese cracker packets, chocolates, toiletries, aftershave, body spray, tape measure, harmonica, playing cards.

We use 30-40 prizes weekly, so in your spring cleaning, please give as the Lord leads!

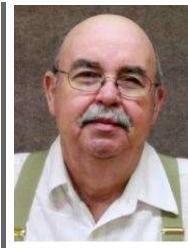
To find out more contact Mary Ellen Mathias: 501-922-8491







Ronald and Sherryl Nye moved to the Village from Lacombe, Louisiana. Ron accepted Jesus as his savior in 2006. Sherryl was raised Baptist where she was baptized at age 12 and in 2010 rededicated her life to Christ. The Nye's were introduced during the May 13th service. Please be sure to welcome the Nye's into our fellowship!



#### A Very Special Thank You...

Over the past five years, the finances of Village Bible Church have been handled

in the greatest manner by a person who remained in the background. I truly believe it's time for us to honor and give recognition to this individual. For those of you who are not aware of his name; he is Jeff Fomby. I have worked with Jeff over the past 3 1/2 years; and he deserves to be recognized for his efforts on behalf of our church and the church of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please, when you see Jeff in church or elsewhere, express to him your appreciation. I wish to use this note to express my personal appreciation to the best partner that any person could have in service to Village Bible Church. Thank you Jeff!!!

Carroll Weyrich Treasurer



Louise Westbury 6501 Village 6 Leisure Village Camarillo, CA 93012

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# **REMINDER:**

### VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Is Fast Approaching June 4-8, 8:30 to Noon

Discovering Jesus from Eternity Past to Eternity Fulure

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Time is at hand to start our Vacation Bible School. Don't wait another minute to sign up. At **"Time Lab**" kids will discover Jesus as they "travel through time" from eternity past to eternity future. Children starting kindergarten through completing 6<sup>th</sup> grade are invited.



Teachers and many volunteers have been gearing up to provide a great adventure through song, drama, crafts, creative snacks, games, and even a Tesla demonstration by Richard Mathias. Kids will be blessed by the most amazing time in the most welcoming place around.

Sign 'em up now! You may call the church office at 501-922-0404 or go to <u>www.vbchsv.org</u> to register online or print a pdf form. Call Fran Taylor for additional information at 501-240-8836 or email <u>frtaylor29@sbcglobal.net</u>.



The VBC Search Committee wants to acknowledge the prayers of this congregation for the Senior Pastor search.

God blessed the committee with unity of spirit, freedom of communication, insight beyond our natural abilities, and a host of resumes to consider. During the process, He guided through the Elders' criteria, written responses to e-mailed questions, Skype interviews, listening to multiple sermons and our individual and group prayers.

We were as amazed as any of you at the speed of the process in this day of technology and are very grateful for that too.

Thank you to all who prayed. God heard. We are a blessed Body!

Dennis Gullickson, Jim McKeand, Floyd Jordan, Bruce Davis, Sara Sue Fuller, Betsy Bochte, Elaine MacIntire *Women's Ministry invites* **YOU** *to attend* 

The Bride of Christ

Thursday, June  $28^{th} \sim 6:00 \text{ pm}$ 

Village Bible Church

Registration ~ June  $3^{rd}$ ,  $10^{th}$  &  $17^{th}$ 



Fellowship ~ Dessert ~ Entertainment

Please submit your bridal photos to Rebecca Coplin, Jo Knight, or the VBC Office by June 17th. They will be scanned and returned to you!

Discover VBC'

July 15<sup>th</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> We recognize that every church handles the issue

We recognize that every church handles the issue of church membership a little bit differently. Here at Village Bible Church we have the following steps:

First, we ask you to attend the Discover VBC class. This gives you an opportunity to get to know more of the "personality" of VBC and our distinctiveness. Second, you fill out a membership application (available at the Welcome Center). Third, you will meet with two elders, as they will ask you to give a short summation of your salvation experience, and you can also ask questions about the church of them. Finally, we introduce you to the church family.

Membership is a step of commitment in the life of a follower of Jesus, and we are always appreciative when people show that level of dedication and trust. If you have any questions, please feel free to talk with either a pastor, or an elder.

## SAVE THE DATE!

- June 4-8, Vacation Bible School
- June 20, Women's Summer Book Club
- June 28, Women's Summer Fellowship
- June 29, Booth Brothers in Concert
- July 11, Women's Summer Book Club
- August 4 & 5, Missions Conference
- September 5, Women's Fall Bible Studies begin
- September 8, Congregation Wide Picnic for Small Groups
- September 10, Griefshare Seminar Begins
- September 16, Ministry Fair
- December 7, Christmas Concert

#### **GriefShare Program Restarting**

This program features Biblical, Christ-centered teaching that focuses on grief topics associated with the death of a loved one. The DVD seminar features nationally respected grief experts and real-life stories of people, followed by a small group discussion about what was viewed. Past participants have related how helpful the information and follow-up discussion were to them.

Many grieving people find they are only beginning the work of healing when friends or family have returned to their daily life routines. Too often people, including Christians, tend to stuff their grief instead of allowing it to do the God-given work for which it is intended. Don't allow fear of what others may think to keep you from what could help you. Confidentiality is very much a part of this program.

Your bereavement experience may be recent or not so recent. You will find encouragement, comfort and help in grieving the death of a spouse, child, parent, sibling, other family member or friend. No matter what the cause of your loved ones death, this as an opportunity to be around people who understand what you are feeling. You will learn how to recognize the systems of being stuck in grief and that you do not need to live in bondage to certain emotions. You will learn valuable information about facing your new normal in life and renewing your hope for the future.

Some of the subjects covered this fall will be 'Challenges of Grief,' 'Guilt and Anger,' and 'Heaven.' Because each session is 'self-contained,' missed sessions can be made up in a subsequent seminar.

The fall GriefShare sessions will begin on Monday, September 10th, and will meet each Monday morning from 9:00am—11:00am at Village Bible Church in room 110 until December 3rd. Call Bob Cobb, 501-915-9119 for more information or to pre-register for the fall portion of the seminar. Brochures about GriefShare are available in the Welcome Center.

# Women's Spring Retreat featuring Rachel Ann Ridge May 5th, 2018 01 V Hay e in Drough 100 400 to a Her Be a Burden-Bearer Denk Princip

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On Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup>, about 30 ladies met in the Fellowship Hall for a good ole fashioned quilting bee. Fingers flew tying knots and scissors snipping threads. Laughter, smiles, and

meeting new ladies made the 3 hours fly by. By the time it was all over, 15 quilts were made ready for their new owners. Rumor has it that the W.IN.G.S. quilting bee just may become a monthly





#### **Church Custodian needed!**

An hourly position averaging 12-15 hours weekly from 6:00 a.m. to 8:00 a.m., Monday – Saturday. Hours and day off during the week are flexible due to scheduled church events and activities.

Responsibilities are, but not limited to: sweeping, vacuuming, mopping, trash removal, bathroom cleaning, general cleaning of rooms and hallways, light bulb replacement, cleaning and maintenance of church sanctuary, sidewalks and entry ways, break down and setup of rooms for scheduled events and activities, light furniture assembly and repair, maintenance of storage and supplies and other general duties as assigned.

Candidate must be able to work independently and lift 50 pounds. Previous custodial experience is a plus. Interested candidates please submit resume to:

> Barbi Mirenda Village Bible Church 100 Ponderosa Way, HSV, AR 71909 barbi@vbchsv.org

# Happy Father's Day

Grandpa, some ninety years plus, sat feebly on the patio bench. He didn't move, just sat with his head down staring at his hands, when his granddaughter sat down beside him. He didn't acknowledge her presence at all, making the woman wonder if he was OK.

Finally, not really wanting to disturb him but wanting to check on him at the same time, she asked him if he was OK. He raised his head and



looked at her and smiled and said, "Yes, I'm fine. Thank you for asking."

"I didn't mean to disturb you Grandpa," said the woman, "but you were just staring at your hands and I wanted to make sure you were OK."

"Have you ever looked at your hands," the Grandfather said, "I mean really looked at them?"

The woman slowly opened her hands and stared down at them. She turned them over, palms up and then palms down. "No, I guess I've never really paid any attention to my hands," she said.

The elderly man then smiled and said, "Stop and think for a moment about the hands you have, how they have served you well throughout your years. These hands, though wrinkled, shriveled, and weak have been the tools I have used all my life to reach out and grab and embrace life. They put food in my mouth and clothes on my back. As a child my mother taught me to fold them in prayer. They tied my shoes and pulled on my boots. They've been dirty, scraped and raw, swollen and bent. They were uneasy and clumsy when I tried to hold my newborn daughter - your mom. Decorated with my wedding band, they showed the world that I was married and loved someone very special. They trembled and shook when I buried my parents and spouse and walked my daughter down the aisle. They covered my face, combed my hair, and washed and cleaned the rest of my body. They've been sticky and wet, bent and broken, dried and raw. And to this day, when not much of anything else of me works real well, these hands hold me up, lay me down, and again continue to fold in prayer. These hands are the mark of where I've been and the ruggedness of my life. But more importantly, it'll be these hands that God will reach out and take when he leads me home." - Author Unknown

# CARE NEEDS



If you have an emergency from 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM, Monday – Thursday, call the office and they will reach the appropriate person for you. After hours, please call Pastor Levan, 501-353-3040. If I am not in town, there will be details on the answering machine as to who is available to assist you. Should you need someone Friday – Sunday, on-call personnel details will be on the answering machine at the church phone number, 501-922-0404.

Caring for you . . . Pastor Levan

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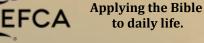
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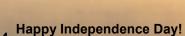
Or current resident

#### VILLAGE BIBLE CHURCH UPCOMING EVENTS

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- 4 Happy Independence Day! OFFICE CLOSED







#### JUNE

- 4-8 Vacation Bible School

Women's Ministry

**Summer Fellowship 29 Booth Brothers Concert** 

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20 Ladies Summer Book Club