

Jason Locke and his wife Julie were missionaries for 7 years.

Minister's Message



Today, our worship service is what we refer to as Harvest Day. It's a Sunday when we celebrate the work of God's church beyond Fresno and the Central Valley. We rejoice in our chance to assist several mission efforts across the globe, and we generously give to support them.

Our offering today is a big thing (literally!). We don't typically make much to-do about the weekly collection. For fifty-one weeks each year, someone makes a quick comment about giving before we pray and pass the baskets. But our collection on Harvest Day is one of the highlights of the day.

Our Harvest Day collection funds the three long-term works we support in Kenya, Switzerland

and China. This year, it also provides the major funding for our two annual mission trips to Mexico and Ukraine. So today's collection is both significant and sizeable.

In the past, we have funded our long-term works and our short-term trips through separate means. This year, our newly reconfigured Missions Ministry committee has taken responsibility for both sets of work. For the first time, our Harvest Day collection encompasses all these works.

These works have been carefully discussed and prayed over. We've had the opportunity to hear reports about them all. I pray that God multiplies our generous gifts for His good purposes throughout the world.

Welcome! If you are **visiting** with us today, please give us your name & contact information on *the card below*. **Tear it off and place it in the offering basket** later in the service. We invite you to experience God's grace among us and to think about finding your place in this fellowship of believers.

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Mountain View Christian School

is a church-affiliated pre-school, day care, and primary school (K-6) that uses part of our facility. It operates under its own board, most of whom are members of our church. For info about enrollment, call 435-2923.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

9:00-10:20 AM

During worship, a **Staffed Nursery** is available for children from birth to 2 years of age. That room is off the foyer.

Kids from kindergarten to 6th grade will be invited to participate in children's church, called **PowerUp**, during the second half of worship. They will be dismissed with their chaperones at about 9:30.

SUNDAY CLASSES

10:30-11:30 AM

Adult Groups

College Age	Rm 500
Drury	Rm 305
Button/Watson	Fellowship Hall
Rodriguez	Rm 411
Smith	Rm 405
Wint	Rm 406
Sue	Auditorium

Children & Youth

2-3 Years	Rm 103
4-5 Years	Rm 104
Kinder/1st Grade	Rm 205
2nd/3rd Grade	Rm 206
4th/5th Grade	Rm 203
6th Grade	Rm 307
Junior High	Rm 600
High School	Rm 600

WEDNESDAY CLASSES

6:30-7:30 PM

Life of David	Rm 406
Ten Commandments	Rm 305
Prayer Group	Rm 411
College Age	Rm 500
Overcomer's Outreach	Rm 700
Disabled Support	Rm 211
Teens	Rm 600
Kids	Children's Wing



The College Church is God's safe house, a place where you can find refuge and care. Instead of judgment, you will experience the grace of God through Jesus Christ.

Today's Order of Worship

Parade of Flags

Call to Worship ~ Aaron Scott

*Bless His Holy Name
Great Is Thy Faithfulness
Cry of My Heart
Shout Hallelujah!
Father of Mercies
Hallelujah Praise Jehovah*

Message ~ Jason Locke

"The Abundant Provision of Our God"

Text ~ Psalm 104:1-24

Communion

*Good to Me
Lord, We Come Before Thee Now
Lord You Have My Heart*

Harvest Day Offering

*~ Gary Pendleton
A Shield About Me*

Time of Response ~ Robert Chisley

10,000 Reasons

Blessing ~ Jason Locke

O Lord Our Lord

Let all that I am praise the LORD. O LORD my God, how great you are! You are robed with honor and majesty. You are dressed in a robe of light. (Ps 104:1-2)

After the sermon, we will have a "Time of Response." Various folks will be available to talk or pray. Others will be available to assist. You can respond by moving to one of the aisles.

December 4, 2011

Shepherding Group News

Sue: Sandy (Marilyn Green's sister), Jaime (Dale & Louise Stuckert's daughter) and Josh & Hillary Dildine visited with us in class. We laid hands & prayed for Jim Gaskin in the loss of his father Ralph and for Mary Leist for her health. Turn in names for Christmas Baskets by December 11. We'll make them on Dec. 16. All shepherding groups will be involved with homeless ministry this month. Ride a fire truck or hay trailer through Candy Cane Lane Dec. 11. No Sunday night Fellowship for the month of December. We are encouraged to write a card or visit Betty Brown.

Button: We appreciated Randy Feller teaching our class over the past three weeks, and are looking forward to David Morris talking to us about some key questions, such as: "What Are we Waiting For?"

Wednesday Night's!
Dinner @ 5:30 p.m.
 Spaghetti, salad, & rolls
 \$4 per Person
 \$10 per Family
Classes start at 6:30.

DIRECTORY UPDATE

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For the Record

Attendance:
 Worship (11/27) 360
 Bible Classes 308
 Wed (11/30)

Contribution:
 Last Week (11/27) \$5,902.75
 Weekly Average \$9,198.33
 2011 Budget \$11,078.00

In Our Prayers

Jim Gaskin: death of father, **Ralph Gaskin**, funeral services were held last Thursday.

Eveyn Howe: hand surgery

Edith Hood: cataract surgery

Ongoing Concerns: **Florence Bedoian, Avery Henderson, Mary Tarkenton, Betty Brown, Lloyd Vincent, Jessie Jarman, Eva Trader, Joann Wells, Edith Hood, Gennis Fraley, Randy Schmidt, Margaret Cooke** and **Christine Hampy**



Angel Tree "angels" are available today in the foyer. Angel Tree is a Prison Fellowship Ministry program which allows church members to purchase Christmas gifts for the children of incarcerated parents. Each child is to receive a clothes item and a fun item gifted on behalf of the incarcerated parent. Each item must be in the \$15-\$20 range. Gifts need to be wrapped with the angel gift tag on the gift. Return presents to the church on December 11th or 18th. Volunteers are needed to help deliver all the gifts on December 20th-22nd. Call **Robyn Gonzales** at 288-8773 if you can help with deliveries.

Upcoming Church Activities & Events



Today is Harvest Day! 100% of today's collection will go towards the budget below that supports the College Church's global mission efforts in 2012. Pledge slips are also available for those who wish to spread their contribution over several months. As we plan and pray, remember that our partners in Switzerland, China and Africa join us in prayer this morning. Although most of us will never personally visit these works or may not participate in the short-term trips we all share equally in the work when we give to support them. Lives have been changed through our giving, and this year's collection will likewise make an enormous difference because of today's generous response.

<i>Brady & Stephanie Smith</i>	Lausanne, Switzerland.....	\$750/mo.....	\$9,000
<i>Marcus & Julia Rodriguez</i>	Shanghai, China.....	\$750/mo.....	\$9,000
<i>Nairobi Great Commission School</i>	Kenya.....	\$1,800/mo.....	\$21,600
<i>Ukraine Children's Ministry</i>			\$10,000
<i>Mexico Missions Ministry</i>			\$10,400
<i>Smith Furlough Fund</i>			\$2,000
<i>Travel to Mission Field</i>			\$2,500
Total Harvest Day Budget			\$ 64,500

Holiday Happenings



The CHURCH CHRISTMAS PARTY is tonight @ 5:30 p.m. *Reservations were due last week.*



Candlelight Service: Members, family and friends: Please join us on **Christmas Eve** at 7:00 p.m. for readings and song as we light candles and celebrate Jesus' birth.

Christmas Morning Sunday Service.

We are having a special time of worship at 9 a.m. (our regular time) on Sunday, December 25. There will be no class that day.



Baby Shower

There is a baby shower for Sarah Scott on Sunday, December 11, at 2:00 She is registered at Buy Buy Baby and Target. Sarah & Aaron Scott are having a baby boy.

Tuesday Morning Ladies Bible Class has moved to room 411.

For Your Calendar

12/4	Harvest Day Collection
12/4	Church Christmas Party
12/24	Candlelight Service
2/10-12	Renew Conference
2/24-26	Women's Retreat
5/6	Car Show Weekend

There are studies coming out everywhere stating how important it is for teens and children to have people (adults) from across the generations investing in them. They even coined a new phrase for this, "Intergenerational Ministry"! This is such an exciting thing for me as the youth minister here because you already do this! When I look around, I see people old and young alike interacting with one another.

The newest studies are saying that we need to turn the old numbers on their heads (1 adult to 5 students) to 1 student to 5 adults! This doesn't mean that we have 5 adults in a small group pounding young people on the head, but rather 5 adults that know the name of each student and know something about them and when they see the student check on them and see how they are doing. What is so beautiful about this idea though, is not that its hard, but rather that it is so easy!!!

Here is what I challenge you to do, find a student you are not related to (college age, youth group, or younger) and find out two things from them: (their name, if you don't already know it) 1. How things are going at home and school and 2. Something you can be praying about this week for them (you might even ask them to pray for something going on with you too!).

Here's the kicker though and this is why we call it an investment, check with them next week and see how things are going again, and especially about what you prayed for! What a beautiful picture of Deuteronomy 6, of the community of God living out the greatness of God for the young people to see and learn from your lives of faithfulness! May we continue to challenge one another to live out and tell the greatness of God to those we encounter here in this place and everywhere God has called us to be!

Feature Article by our Youth Minister



Aaron Scott

Communion Servers for December

Jesse Ballard, Chris Gerking, Mike Eckrich
 Ben Koge, Sean McEowen, Tyler McEowen
 Chris McGrady, Randy Southall

Prayer Request: _____ Date: _____

Updates (Address, Phone, E-Mail): _____

Member Requests & Information

