

IRAQ UPDATE

Dear Friends of the 4th Brigade Combat Team:

Spring has arrived in northern Iraq. We have sunny days with temperatures in the mid 70's. The grass and flowers are in full bloom. Things remain quiet in Mosul. We continue a positive trend of no serious injuries or deaths. We are consistently rolling up "bad guys" who wish evil not only upon us but the fine people here. I am amazed at our success day in and day out. The Iraqi Police and Iraqi Army continue to take the lead. We back them up by providing support. Mosul is a success story. I again thank each church and individual who supports and prays for us. You are a part of our success!

The soldiers of the Brigade Combat Team are doing great. We have a phrase to describe life in Iraq: "Groundhog Day" from the movie with the same title. Not much changes from day to day. However, these American Heroes continue the mission of supporting the Iraqi Government.

We continue to see great success with our two Chapel Services which have doubled in size since our arrival. Our Chaplains are doing great work for the kingdom of God. Day in and day out, these Chaplains deal with life and death issues.

In the near future you will hear word about helping our wounded soldiers who are back in El Paso recovering from injuries. Many need physical and practical help like child care. I ask each of you to consider helping out these American Heroes.

In closing, I ask your prayers for the following:

1. For the families of our fallen soldiers
2. For the recovery of soldiers who have sustained battlefield injuries
3. For the continued success of our Chapel Programs/Services
4. For the success and safety of our mission in Mosul
5. For the soldiers, leaders and families of the 4th Brigade Combat Team
6. For our Chaplains: Ch Darin Mitchell, Ch Dan Rice, Ch Vince Myers, Ch Andy Taylor, Ch Jeremiah Catlin, Ch Chad Davis, Ch Martin Chang, Ch Shawn Hunze (In Baghdad) and Ch Perez

Mitch A. Butterworth, CH (MAJ) USA, Brigade Chaplain, Task Force Lighting, Mosul, Iraq

2007 - YEAR OF PRAYER

Would you like an opportunity to pray for our city and region (Juarez/El Paso/Las Cruces)?

Vista del Sol Church will be participating with other churches in the 2007 Year Of Prayer and needs people who will pray on Sundays for a 30 minute time period. You can choose from 1:00 to 7:00 p.m. and you can do this in the privacy of your home.

Please fill out the Response Card or contact Terry Gooding at 479-0367 for more information.

THIS WEEK AT VDSBC

Tuesday, March 20

Men's Prayer Group 6:00 a.m.
Ladies' Small Groups 9:00 a.m.
Ladies' Small Groups 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, March 21

Little Learners/MDO 9:00 a.m.
AWANA 6:30 p.m.
F.I.R.E. United 7:00 p.m.
Starting Point 7:00 p.m.
Men's Fraternity 7:00 p.m.
Grupo Pequeño 7:00 p.m.
Prayer and Praise 7:00 p.m.
Ladies Small Groups 7:00 p.m.
Men's Prayer Group 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, March 22

MOPS 9:30 a.m.
Ladies' Prayer Group 9:30 a.m.
Celebration Choir Rehearsal 6:30 p.m.
Mixed Small Group 6:30 p.m.

Friday, March 23

Little Learners/MDO 9:00 a.m.

Saturday, March 24

Men's Small Group 7:00 a.m.



**BUILDING
COMMITTEE**

Meeting on March 25th at
4:00 p.m. in the Library



Church Council Meeting **TODAY** at
4:00 p.m. in the Library

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

LOOKING FOR PART TIME EMPLOYMENT?

We are in search of part time non-certified substitute teachers for Mother's Day Out-Little Learners. Starting wage is \$6.00 per hour.

If you have a love for children and feel that you have the stamina to work 5½ hours from 8:45 to 2:15 on Wednesday and Fridays with our precious little ones, please contact Jackie Wilson at 598-3396 or Cheryl Reed at 855-3798.

MOTHER'S DAY OUT-LITTLE LEARNERS

Parents, do you need a safe place to leave your little ones a couple of times a week? Mother's Day Out - Little Learners is open on Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 - 2:00 p.m. We have excellent teachers for each age group. The age groups are birth through 5 year-olds and first through third grade children on intersession.

Our rates are very reasonable. Come and try us or call 855-3798 for information. Jackie Wilson, Director and Molly Gamble, Co-Director.

Mothers of Preschoolers will meet **Thursday, March 22 at 9:15 a.m.**



All preschool moms are welcome to join us for a hot breakfast, fun, and fellowship. Give yourself a break and come have a good time with other moms!! For more info contact Tanya Bell at 593-8116. Topic: CPR

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**EXPERIENCING THE
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March 18, 2007



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9:00 and 10:30 a.m.

"Jesus, All For Jesus"
"You're Worthy Of My Praise"
"Hosanna"
"Here I Am To Worship"
 Singing Together

PRAYER

WELCOME/NEWS

"Jesus Take The Wheel"
 Susannah Rayas

TODAY'S MESSAGE
"You've Got Guidance"
 Walter Mueller

TIME OF COMMITMENT

GIVING BACK TO GOD

"Come Holy Spirit"
 Debbie Sikes

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STUDENT MINISTRY

"FLOWER GARDEN" YOUNG LADIES RETREAT
 MARCH 23-24 at the HAMPTON INN & SUITES
 Friday 5:30 p.m. to Saturday 2:30 p.m.

A retreat to help Jr. and Sr. High young ladies become biblical women.

Cost is \$25 per person. Money and Release Form are due **today**. Register today and pay your fee at table located in the foyer.

Check in as early as 3:00 p.m. The first session begins at 5:30 p.m.

Things to bring: Bible and bare necessities for overnight stay. Mothers are invited to attend with their daughters.



ANNUAL SPRING YARD SALE

We are now accepting your unwanted treasures for our Annual Spring Yard Sale which our youth will be having on Saturday, April 7. Funds raised will facilitate their attendance either to the Super Summer Camp or the Mission Trip to Mexico.

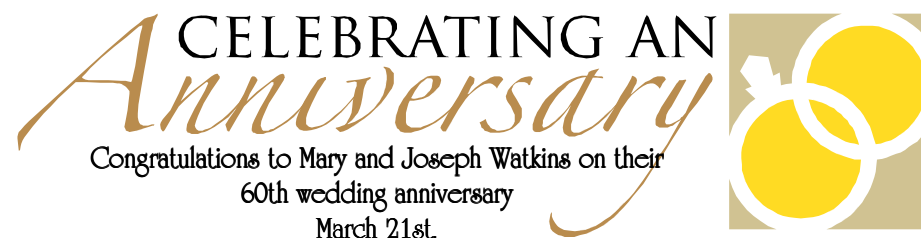
If you would like to donate any items to this worthwhile cause, please drop these off at the church office or call Donna Webb at 203-0548 if you would like these picked up. Thank you for supporting our Student Ministry!

DAY OF PRAYER AND FASTING FOR MARK BROWN

Mark Brown, pastor of Hemet Valley Baptist Church in Hemet, California and son of Bill and Ginny Brown (members of Vista del Sol Church), would like to ask you to join with them in a day of prayer and fasting **tomorrow, March 19**.

Two years ago Mark had major surgery on his back. A metal cage was inserted and bolted to his lower spine. After months of much pain it became evident the surgery did not accomplish what was intended so another surgery was performed and another cage inserted on top of the previous one. After two years Mark is still in excruciating pain and unable to carry out his pastoral duties.

Won't you join the Browns, Hemet Valley Church, North Coast Church, and Maywood Baptist church (his brothers' churches) in this day of prayer for Mark's recovery?



"YOU'VE GOT GUIDANCE!"

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(Jesus)... "I will send the Comforter to you... When the Holy Spirit, who is truth comes, **he shall guide you.**" John 16:7, 13

"I will instruct you and **guide** you along the **best pathway for your life**; I'll advise you and watch your progress." Psalm 32:8 (LB)

"Live by following the Spirit." Galatians 5:16 (NCV)

I. HOW DOES THE HOLY SPIRIT GUIDE?

- By helping us _____ what God has already said.
"The Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name ... will remind you of everything I have said to you." John 14:26 (NIV)
- By inspiring _____ in our minds.
*"For God speaks again and again in dreams and visions... causing them to **change their minds**, and keeping them from pride... and keeping them from falling into some trap."* Job 33:14-18 (LB)

II. HOW CAN I RECEIVE GUIDANCE?

1. _____ FOR IT!
"Lord, teach me your ways, and guide me to do what is right!" Psalm 27:11 (NCV)
2. _____ IT!
*"... God is always ready to give a bountiful supply of wisdom to all who ask him; But when you ask him, be sure that you really **expect** him to tell you."* James 1:5-6 (LB)
3. _____ FOR GUIDANCE!
*I'm a pilgrim here on earth; I need a map and **your commands are my chart and guide.**"* Psalm 119:19 (LB)
4. _____ FOR IT!
"Some of you want to light your own fires and make your own light. So go, walk and trust your own light to guide you. But this is what you'll receive... a place of pain." Isaiah 50:11 (NCV)
*"He **guides the humble** in what is right and teaches them his way." Psalm 25:9 (NIV)*

III. HOW TO TEST AN IMPRESSION (1 John 4:1)

- **Does it agree with the Bible?**
"Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away." Luke 21:33 (NIV)
- **Does it make me more like Christ?**
*"If you harbor bitter envy and selfish ambition in your hearts ... such 'wisdom' does not come from heaven but is of the devil ... **the wisdom that comes from God is... pure, peace-loving, considerate, submissive, full of mercy.**"* James 3:14, 15, 17 (NIV)
- **Does my church family confirm it?**
"The wisdom of the righteous can save you." Proverbs 11:9 (GN)
- **Does it concern my responsibility?**
"We will all be judged one day, not by each other's standards, or even our own, but by the judgment of God... it is to God alone that we will have to answer for our actions." Romans 14:10, 12 (Ph)
- **Do I sense God's peace about it?**
*"God is not the author of confusion." 1 Corinthians 14:33 (KJV)
"The true children of God are those who let God's Spirit lead them." Romans 8:14 (NCV)*

INFORMATION FOR YOUR FIRST TIME AT VISTA DEL SOL YOUTH MINISTRY
 Youth, 7th - 12th grade meet at the Firehouse located across the street Next to Big Lots at 9:00 and 10:30 a.m.

DROP OFF THE CHILDREN
 Our children's ministry provides a warm, nurturing and well-supervised program for your child (infants - 6th grade) during the Worship Service. Assistants at the Connection Center will direct you to the proper classroom.

PLEASE COMPLETE A RESPONSE CARD
 So we can better know how to serve you take a moment to fill out the Response card and place it in the offering basket at the end of the service or take it to the Media Center for a free tape of the service.

DO NOT FEEL OBLIGATED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE OFFERING
 The offering is for regular attenders who consider Vista del Sol their church home. Let this service be our gift to you.

As a courtesy to those around you please silence all cell phones.