

# The Vistoso Voice

Friday, January 28, 2022

## Weekly

### SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING—SUNDAY FOLLOWING SERVICE

Following the service this coming Sunday, January 30, we will have a special meeting of the membership to approve the 2022 slate of officers. This article provides some information about the VCC officers and that vote.

#### Who's on the Slate?

The congregation votes to approve members of the church board, chairs of the various ministries, individuals handling the church monies, and the church office staff.

#### New Officers

For most of the positions, a person can serve as long as they are called and willing. The exception is that our bylaws set term limits for the five officers on the VCC Board: two terms in the same office, and one additional term in a different office.

Retiring Board Chair John Sellers first served two terms as Finance Officer and then has ably served as VCC Board Chair for the past two years. Thanks, John!

John Bechard, who has served as the Board's Finance Officer, will be moving to the position of chairman of the church board. Replacing John as Finance Officer is Rob Grover who comes from a career in banking and prior experience in church finance.

#### Terms of Office

As Board members serve two-year terms, we will vote on two of the Board members pictured below on Sunday, the other positions will be on the 2023 slate.



John Sellers  
Retiring Chair



John Bechard  
2022-23 Chair  
On Ballot



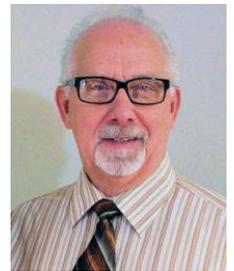
Dee Bethke  
Personnel Officer  
Mid-term



Carolyn Carson  
Admin. Officer  
Mid-term



Rob Grover  
Finance Officer  
On Ballot



Darwin Thorton  
Property Officer  
Mid-term

### NEW WATCH-CARE MINISTRY

In association with VCC's Deacon's outreach, we are starting a new *Watch-Care* ministry to better coordinate meeting needs that occasionally arise in our fellowship. The needs may range from providing a ride, delivering a meal, or just making contact with someone who needs support. LuAnn Detloff is the new coordinator for this outreach. As part of getting organized, LuAnn is asking for volunteers to contact the church office or sign



up on the clipboard on the information desk in the church foyer.

After you sign up, LuAnn will contact you with more information.

Note that we already have a group that makes meals and loads our freezer, but we need volunteers to get those meals delivered when needed.

Thank you in advance for any role you might be willing to play on the Watch-Care team in meeting the needs in our fellowship.

### SCHEDULE UPDATE

Although the case numbers have started to come down, they are still very high and our hospitals remain full, therefore:

- **Tuesday** Men's and Women's Bible Study—Restarting on February 8, in-church or streaming.
- **Friday** Men's Bible Study—Pending.
- **Friday** Ladies Share, Care, and Prayer, 10:00 am.
- Choir practice—Pending
- Quarterly Business Meeting—pending.



## VCC'S LEGACY FUND FOR MISSIONS

Some years ago, a generous donor with a heart for missions gave the church an unusual gift. He wanted this donation to go to missions—nothing unusual about that. But, he also requested that the money be invested and given to missions over the course of time. That was the beginning of our VCC Legacy Fund for Missions.

### What is it?

You can find additional details on the Legacy Fund and how it works in the column at right or in the flyer available at the church. The short version is that the Fund reached its initial target of \$100,000 several years ago, and so now each year it disburses investment returns and 10% of whatever the principle might be, but always at least \$10,000 to support our mission outreach.

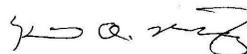
### What does it do?

Two years ago we had the blessing of using Legacy funds to support a start-up effort to train pastors in the Philippines. Last year, we helped bring the life's work of two Wycliffe translators to fruition by providing a significant portion of the monies necessary to cover the final expenses associated with completing the first publication of the New Testament in the language of the Nuyo Mixteco people.

The Missions Committee is again going to be blessed this year to have a sizable disbursement from the Legacy Fund to support a special project outside of our normal budget. We are trusting the Lord to reveal to us an open door, that we might continue to fulfill the intent of those

who have donated to this fund. We are keeping a particularly keen eye on possibilities that are either caused by Covid or open up as we move forward.

If you would like additional information on our Legacy Fund for Missions, please speak with either the Chair of the Missions Committee, Michael Galyen, or Pastor Kevin.

In His grace, 



## HOW THE LEGACY FUND WORKS

Management of our Legacy Fund for Missions follows these guidelines:

- **Accumulation.** Initially the fund was restricted from disbursing funds until it reached a total of \$100,000. The fund reached that goal in 2019 allowing the fund to begin making distributions in 2020.

- **Management.** A three-person investment committee manages the investment of donated monies. The intent is to invest conservatively in vehicles that will provide annual income.



- **Disbursement.** Each year, the Legacy Fund will disburse an amount consisting of the sum of the following: 1) Any income the Fund has earned during the previous year; and 2) 10% of the principle but not less than \$10,000.

The fund is not strictly an endowment because it will distribute both income and principle. This assures donors that over time their gifts are directed to support the activities of which they would approve.

## NEW MISSIONS VIDEO

Take the time to visit our website Missions Channel in order to view a year-end summary of Love Thy Neighbor's (LTN) ministry. Simply click the Missions button on the VCC homepage: [Vistoso.org](http://Vistoso.org).

We support the LTN efforts here in Tucson on a monthly basis, and so I encourage you to better understand the challenges of their ministry that you might pray for them.

## NOTICE

Members of the Fellowship Committee will be cleaning the kitchen on February 2. If you have dishes or items that you have brought to church still in the kitchen, please remove them before Wednesday.