

# The Vistoso Voice

Friday, August 21, 2020

## Weekly

### thisweek

**Sunday, August 23, 9:30 am:**

Worship in church and via livestream. No Q&A or fellowship following service. Social distancing practiced.

**Wednesday, 10:00 am:**

Midweek Bible Hour. Pastor Peter teaches livestream New Testament lessons.

**No Friday livestream.** Pastor Kevin will not teach this Friday.

### nextweek

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#### Meetings

**Tuesday, Sept. 3, 10:30 am:**

Missions Committee meeting.

**Saturday, Sept. 13, 10:00 am:**

Security Committee meeting.

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### THE PASTOR'S MESSAGE ON VOTING

Let me suggest that every Christian should vote, which of course means you need to be registered to vote. The registration deadline for this November's national and local elections is October 5th. To that end, if you are a resident of Arizona and not yet registered, we have the necessary forms in the Church Office, and you can stop by any time we are open to pick them up. If you have questions regarding the forms, we would be glad to try and help, and have outside contacts that can assist with unusual situations. If you would prefer to register to vote on-line, you can do it at: <https://servicearizona.com>.

If you would like ongoing reminders regarding upcoming elections, an organization called, "My Faith Votes" has a nice resource. Sign up at the following site: <https://ourchurchvotes.turbovote.org>.



Now why do I think every Christian should vote? Consider the following passage from I Timothy 2:1-5:

*I urge, then, first of all, that requests, prayers, intercessions and thanksgiving be made for everyone—for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. This is good, and pleases God our Savior, who wants all men to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. For there is one God and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus. . .*

Consider two applications from this scripture:

1. We are to pray for those in authority, that we may live a certain quality of life while the Gospel goes forth. Anarchy in the land inhibits godly living and the spread of the Gospel. Party platforms either promote peaceful lives and godly living or they are in opposition to it. From the standpoint of a Christian, there are always significant choices to be made—and we should make them—because they are going to impact our ability to engage in our mission to reach the lost and grow the saved.
2. This doesn't mean we are looking to affirm the character or behavior of a politician for whom we might vote. No matter what they claim, I always assume politicians to be thoroughly secularized. Instead, what I look for are principals that are most closely aligned with what's Biblical. Then I look for who is most likely to act in a manner that will allow the church to be about its God-ordained calling. We are going to pursue our calling no matter what, but, since we have the privilege to vote, why not vote for candidates who will maintain the freedoms we have to assemble, teach the truth, and engage in missions and evangelism?

So if we can help, we would be glad to do so. Our goal is not to tell you who to vote for, but instead to encourage you to avail yourself of what amounts to a great privilege—that of allowing you to exercise your divine viewpoint through your vote!



## NOT CHURCH NEWS, BUT SOME SQUIBS TO MAKE YOU SMILE

I still can't believe people's survival instincts told them to grab toilet paper.

**I'm going to stay up on New Year's Eve this year. Not to see the New Year in, but to make sure this one leaves.**

If I had only known in March it would be my last time in a restaurant, I would have ordered dessert.

At the store there was a Big X by the register for me to stand on... I've seen too many Road Runner cartoons to fall for that one.

Having some states lock down and some states not lock down is like having a peeing section in a swimming pool.

**Until further notice, the days of the week are now called, thisday, thatday, otherday, someday, yesterday, today & nextday.**

**THEY SAID A MASK AND GLOVES WERE ENOUGH TO GO TO THE GROCERY STORE**

**THEY LIED, EVERYBODY ELSE HAD CLOTHES ON**

The dumbest thing I've ever purchased was a 2020 planner.

When Does Season TWO of 2020 Start?  
I Do Not Like Season ONE.

Keep in mind, even during a pandemic, no matter how much chocolate you eat, your earrings will still fit.

The buttons on my jeans have started social distancing from each other.

I never thought the comment "I wouldn't touch him/her with a 6 foot pole" would become a national policy, but here we are