

The Vistoso Voice

Weekly

Friday, July 31, 2020

thisweek

Sunday, August 2, 9:30 am:
Worship in church and via
livestream. No Q&A or fel-
lowship following service.
Social distancing practiced.

Wednesday, 10:00 am:
Midweek Bible Hour. Pastor
Peter teaches livestream
New Testament lessons.

Friday, 10:00 am: Pastor
Kevin's Bible study series:
*The Christian Life—Starting
with the Basics.*

nextweek

Sunday, August 9, 9:30 am:
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Reminder

During these contagious times,
continue to do everything you can
to minimize your exposure to
others: maintain social distancing
and wear a mask as you are able.

EVA SAYS, "GOD HAS BEEN SO GOOD TO ME!"

Eva Froehner, the subject of
many prayers this month, is now
home and completely free of the
coronavirus. Eva says that she is
thanking God and thanks every-
one for their prayers and cards.

Eva's ordeal began in early July
when she became quite weak
and was aching. She also had
no ability to smell or taste. When
she became weak enough that it
was difficult to move around, she
called 911. She was transported
to Oro Valley Hospital and placed
in the ICU. But, blessedly, Eva's
coronavirus case was a mild one
and she did not require a respira-
tor. She was soon moved to a
regular hospital room. Eva was
in the hospital for 5 or 6 days and
then stayed in the Hearthstone
Rehab facility for the remainder
of her quarantine period.



By the time she was ready to
come home, Eva noted that she
was "tired of laying around." She
said "I am almost ready to start
baking, and, when I start baking,
you know that I am really OK!"

The VCC family is thanking God
for answered prayers for Eva.

NEW VIDEO SERMONS OPTION ON WEBSITE

There are now three Video ser-
mons options on our website:

- The Book of Ruth—five sermons.
- The Christian Way of Life—
currently two lessons. A new les-
son will be added each Friday.
- Salvation—Two Bible studies.

Video Sermon Series

The Book of Ruth
[Summer 2020 - Five Part Series by Kevin Redig](#)

The Christian Way of Life-Starting with the Basics
[July 2020 - Six Part Series by Kevin Redig](#)

Salvation
[June 2020-- Two Part Series by Kevin Redig](#)



For the Ruth Series, there is a down
arrow (circled), click it to display the list of
sermons. Select the sermon and then
push the play arrow in the lower left corner
of the screen to start the broadcast.



MISSIONS REPORT

PAUL AND HOPE TOWNE'S COVID-19 EXPERIENCE

The Towne's had been serving at SIL's Mitla center in Mexico for a little over a year when the Coronavirus struck. In mid-March the first couple of virus cases were diagnosed in the nearby city of Oaxaca. Most of the SIL workers were encouraged to work at home. Paul and Hope, however, continued to work in the office as essential workers because of their positions in the computer and finance areas.



As much as possible, their colleagues were encouraged to interact with them remotely. Workshops that Paul would normally have provided support for were cancelled. Hope altered procedures to limit the amount of times she had to stand in line at the bank. Nevertheless, in May both began to experience COVID-19 symptoms and were asked to quarantine for two weeks.

After 16 days Paul's symptoms abated and his quarantine ended. However, Hope travelled a frustrating path of a day or two without symptoms, followed by days of continuing chest pain. In the final days of June, Hope too was released from quarantine, due to a change in CDC guidelines, which now indicate that 10 days after onset, the patient is no longer contagious. Unfortunately, Hope still has chest pain though it is diminished. Paul's symptoms have increased recently to almost constant mild chest pain.

Paul was able to work from home during his confinement, providing computer support to Mexico Branch members, primarily using Bomgar and email. Bomgar is a computer program that allows him to connect to and manipulate another person's computer, allowing him to more quickly and accurately solve problems. To a lesser extent, Hope was able to perform her financial tasks from home. She has been back to work half-time since late June.

As you can imagine this has been tough on normally healthy young people who are accustomed to powering through anything that comes their way. It's



been especially tough for Hope as she reluctantly passed some of her responsibilities to others, not wanting to add to their workloads. She still struggles with decisions regarding how much to work and when to rest.



As life has seemed unpredictable, Paul and Hope have found strength in God's promises and faithfulness, as they have spent time in His Word. They have learned that:

"No matter what, God is with us and He is in control. His plans cannot be stopped, and He is working in us through every life event, pleasant or frightening, doing soul surgery, teaching us perseverance, gratitude, courage, dependence, and a hope that looks ultimately to a happy ending that lasts forever."

In addition, they say:

"We've really appreciated the livestream messages from Vistoso. It's an encouragement to hope in Jesus' grace, seek the things that are above, and remember that we're not alone in the midst of this situation."

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