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The Vistoso

MIDWEEK SERVICE TIME CHANGE

Although our Wednesday midweek service has traditionally 1112 1 started at 7:00 pm, many have requested a time change 10 in order to avoid driving after dark. As a result, beginning Wednesday, May 1, the new time for the Wednesday, 7 6 5 midweek service will be 5:00 pm. The service format will be the same: opening announcements, a time of prayer, and then approximately half an hour of Bible Study.

Beginning in May, Pastor Peter will lead a verse-by-verse study of the Book of I Thessalonians during the Bible study time on Wednesdays.

SUMMER BIBLE STUDY



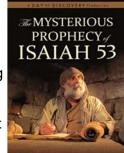
After a pause during the month of May, Tuesday morning Bible studies will resume June 4. The combined men's and women's study will focus on a survey of the first half of the Book of Romans. Beginning at 9:30 am each

Tuesday, the study will be eight weeks—every Tuesday in June and July, except the week of July 4. There will be a one-page study discussion sheet for each lesson that will be discussed at the beginning of the session, but the majority of the period will be teaching time shared by our pastors, Kevin Redig and Peter Tranvik.

Everyone who plans to attend is asked to sign up on the shelf on the way into the Fellowship Hall.

SPECIAL PROGRAMS IN MAY

Since we have such a welldeveloped routine of Bible study on Tuesday mornings, we plan to hold a few enrichment programs during the month of May, prior to the start of our next study on the Book of Romans that starts in June.



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So, on Tuesday May 7 and Tuesday May 14, at 9:30 am, we will show segments of a video series focusina on Isaiah Chapter 53. The series is led by Dr. Michael Rydelnik, who was the Professor of Old Testament studies

at Moody Bible Institute. Dr. Rydelnik is joined by three other scholars in a fascinating discussion of the text of Isaiah 53. This should be a marvelous follow-up to our recently completed celebration of Easter.

Please consider joining us Tuesday May 7 and 14 at 9:30 am!



On Hiatus.

- Saturday services have ended for 2019.
- VCC choir has no weekday practices until September.
- Tuesday morning study of the Book of John resumes on Tuesday, October 1.

HeartCall meets on Thursday, May 9 and 23 at 9:30 am.

Men's Bible Study meets Fridays at 7:30 am—May 3, 10, 17, 24, and 31.

VCC's Midweek prayer time and Bible study service meets at the new time of 5:00 pm on May 1, 8, 15, 22, 29.

VCC Quarterly Business

Meeting is 5:00 pm on Wednesday, May 22. Members are urged to attend as our Bylaws require a quorum of the VCC membership to conduct any business at the meeting.



Sunday Streams App

Sunday Streams is an application (app) that you can download onto your tablet or smartphone. This app gives you online access to the VCC Sunday worship service either live on Sunday morning or recorded during the rest of the week. Log-in with the password Vistoso. For more information, see Page 2.

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ANOTHER WONDERFUL BLESSING AT EASTER

As you know if you attended, our Easter Cantata was truly a great time of blessing. At the same time, as our choir was ministering on Easter Sunday morning, a lesser blessing was also occurring. For the entire service was *live streamed* which made it accessible to anyone with an internet or cellular connection.

We have heard from as far away as Egypt and the Philippines (Yoojin's parents) and from others around the country who were able to join us during this time of worship. I, for one, am very grateful to be able to include others who have the desire to join with us in the worship of our Savior.

We are in the early stages of developing our capacity to stream our Sunday morning services,

and no doubt things will change and improve, but here is a snapshot of the current project status:

- You can access our feed at: <u>www.sundaystreams.com/go/Vistoso</u>
 There is also now a link on the home page of our website (www.vistoso.org) to connect you directly to our current livestream program or file.
- 2. Our motive in taking on this service is two-fold. First, we would like those who, for a variety of reasons. are not able to be physically with us, to be able to join us in worship on Sunday mornings. Second, we would like those who fellowship with us during the winter months to be able to continue to join us during the summer if they wish.
- 3. What happens if you can't be online during our Sunday morning 9:30 time slot? We are planning to maintain a copy of the streamed video for a period of at least a week, so that you can catch-up at your convenience. For example, if you try the link right now, you should be able to access the Easter Sunday morning service, which will remain up for a few weeks.
- 4. As we become proficient with the technology on our end, we intend to have a small team of people who will be able to help you access the video, should you experience difficulties.

And, of course, stay-tuned for further refinements and adjustments. But for now, what a blessing to be able to share our Easter morning service, and every Sunday following, with those not able to join us.

The picture of the choir and orchestra below was captured from our live stream.



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MISSIONS REPORT

THE TOWNES ARE OFF TO A GOOD START IN MEXICO

Paul and Hope Towne are not only VCC's newest supported missionaries, but also the youngest. They arrived in Mitla, Oaxaca, Mexico, in January where they quite literally dropped most of their luggage and were busy the next day. First, they did some visa finalization in Oaxaca City and the following day hopped on a bus for a pastor's conference in San Marcos, where our own Sharon Stark spent many years translating the New Testament into the Popoloca dialect.

First Assignment—Translators at the Bible Conference

The conference was an exciting time of serving and of learning. The Towne's main focus was as translators at mealtimes and during breaks. Many of the conference attendees spoke only Spanish and indigenous languages, while some of the conference team members spoke only English. Their friendly, easygoing personalities allowed them to make many new friends. Beyond their invaluable service as translators, the conference was a learning experience for them. They improved their vocabulary and learned illustrations to clearly present the Gospel in Spanish. The conference strengthened their vision for Bible translation as foundational to the training of in-



digenous leaders to rightly divide the Word of Truth.

Beginning Their Permanent Assignments

After an exhilarating but exhausting first week, the Townes caught the bus back to Mitla to begin their main assignments. Hope has been trained into her job in the Finance office. She has a tendency to focus on the day to day details, thinking that her job isn't very important. God, however, arranged a lesson to show her the importance of her work. The SIL office in Oaxaca City had an issue with their bank account and the electricity to their office was about to be shut off. Hope was able to get a check from the Mitla office to the bank in time to keep everything running! Paul recently helped Bible translators get their computers set up for a workshop and get them connected to printers. He has also taught mini-workshops on e-mail, internet browsing, and online data storage.

Aren't we glad to have representatives in Mexico who are young enough to travel the bus system, move easily between cultures, and crawl under tables to set up and dismantle equipment?



(Top) Paul in his computer workshop. During the Bible conference in Mitla Paul and Hope stayed with a local church family. (Bottom) Hope in the Finance office.

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HELP WANTED—OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

Computer Savvy?

The computer in the sound room that displays the slides on the screens in the sanctuary is an Apple and we use ProPresenter



software to organize those slides. If you know your way around computers and would like to learn how to develop and

show the service visual programs, contact Dee Bethke.

Green Thumb?

Are you a year-around resident? Do you have a green thumb, or even a partial green thumb? The Property Committee needs some-

one to tend our flower pots and roses on the west patio and the plants near the ramp into the Fellowship Hall. If you are interested, con-



tact Darwin Thornton, Property Committee Chair.

OUR EASTER SERVICES WERE THE WORK OF MANY

More than 700 people filled our Church to overflowing on Easter Saturday and Sunday. What does it take to provide such Godhonoring services for such a crowd? We see and applaud the choir, musicians, and our talented director who worked and practiced for months to perfect the music.

But there are many others who work behind the scenes:

Because our Music Director



Yoojin Muhn commutes from her home in Austin, Texas, she is not available for all the choir practices. In her absence,

the choir is ably directed by our Conductor Dan Detloff.

 The sound room team who installed and managed the equipment necessary to provide audio, visual, and live streaming support for our services.

- Property volunteers who rearranged the sanctuary, re-set lights, set up seating in the foyer, and restored order when it was all over.
- The security team that monitored the doors, managed the crowd, and even directed traffic and found places for visitors in our very crowded parking lot.
- Greeters and ushers who worked mightily to provide bulletins and get everyone seated in our packed and overflowing sanctuary.
- The decorating team that arranged flowers and hung banners to beautify the sanctuary.
- Many with the gift of hospitality who provided a wonderful food spread and a welcome opportunity for fellowship following Sunday's service.

Our Easter services were glorious, but even more glorious was the number of volunteers who cooperated to make our Easter services an effective community outreach.



| Kenneth Budd | 05/01 |
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| David Aufmuth | 05/02 |
| Patty Lott | 05/03 |
| Ralph Webb | 05/07 |
| Carol Warner | 05/09 |
| Nancy Crews | 05/12 |
| Doris Alban | 05/15 |
| Phyllis Hughes | 05/15 |
| Phyllis Ketring | 05/16 |
| Karen Hunt | 05/17 |
| Erika Wallow | 05/17 |
| Susan Bong | 05/19 |
| Joey Tranvik | 05/19 |
| Christine West | 05/21 |
| Bill Studt | 05/21 |
| Stan Swank | 05/24 |
| LuAnn Detloff | 05/29 |
| John Mitchell | 05/29 |
| Timm Bax | 05/29 |
| Nancy Johnson | 05/30 |
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| George and Ginny Tanner | 05/09 |
| Dan and LuAnn Detloff—46 years | 05/12 |
| Gary and Janet Driscoll—42 years | 05/28 |
| Stan and Debbie Swank—42 years | 05/28 |
| Phil and Maureen Perkins—32 years | 05/29 |
| Lyle and Jan Fuller—43 years | 05/29 |