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A New Beginning at 323 Workman Mill Road

“Therefore if any man is in Christ, he is a new creature, the old things passed away, behold, new things have come.” 2 Corinthians 5:17

New beginnings can be wonderful. The first breath of a newborn infant seems almost miraculous. The first step of a heretofore crawling baby can be awe-inspiring. The first words of a firstborn can bring thoughts of post-graduate degrees to ever hopeful parents. The first day in a new class, the first paycheck from a first job, the first day in the life of newlyweds can all bring untold joy and satisfaction to those experiencing those new beginnings.

We, at Evergreen SGV, have had the profound privilege of experiencing a new beginning in our corporate lives together. We have broken ground. We have taken a first step. We have set sail on our maiden voyage. We have occupied the land given to us by God.

Our first official worship services in our new church home is now history. It was an incredible, it was fabulous, it was a unique and gratifying experience. All praise and glory go to our God who is faithful, generous and worthy to be worshipped.

Almost 600 attended the 8:00 AM worship service and over 300 attended the 11:00 AM worship service. But numbers don't tell the story,



Pastor Cory Ishida

Left, People emerged out of the fog to attend 8 am worship service on Nov. 4.

people do. Those numbers represent people who came to worship our mighty God.

Here are a few personal observations.

People were excited.

People were joyful.

People were grateful.

People were ready to worship.

Well, you get the picture. It was a great time to be present before the Lord.

The Saturday before (at our practice) and on that first Sunday, whenever I entered into the sanctuary, I kept thinking, what did we do to deserve all this. It felt so grand. The answer is... absolutely nothing. We didn't do anything to deserve God's goodness. He did it all.

The greatest new beginning of all time happens when a person decides to invite Jesus into his or her life. The Bible says that when that happens “...the old things passed away, behold, new things have come.”

Yes God did it all, He did it by creating us, then by saving us through His Son and then by giving us this land out of His pure graciousness.

This new beginning for us is the direct result of God's sovereign grace in our lives. May we be a grateful people who bow down to worship our Mighty King.

Blessings,

Pastor Cory, d.v.

d.v., deo volente: God willing

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Home Page

Thanksgiving Service

This has been a year of "firsts" for Evergreen SGV. Have you paused to count your blessings lately? We have the opportunity to give thanks in our church home on Wed., Nov. 21 at 7:30 pm.



Congregational Meeting

Our next Congregational Meeting on Nov. 18 is to consider the 2008 budget. Members, remember to bring the budget copy with you to the meeting!

Bring your own lunch if you haven't purchased a lunch ticket.

Save the Date!

Saturday, Dec. 8 (5:30pm) is the night set aside for the **All Church Christmas Potluck**. Plan to join in and enjoy a time of fellowship around the table as we enter into the season of remembering Jesus' birth. Plan ahead and share some of your home made specialties with the church family. ("Lion's Head" or "Ants on a log", anyone?)

Christmas Eve Service will be held on Monday, Dec. 24 at 8 pm. Come share the majesty of *Agnus Dei (Lamb of God)* as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. The traditional candlelighting is always a highlight of the service.

Sharing the Holidays with our Kobo Family

Sign up now for the opportunity to "gift" a child or staff member of Kobo Cottage. Be sure to send your package off soon so that the recipient won't be empty-handed over Christmas.

The traditional *otoshidama* (new year's monetary gift) will be received by Evergreen in December. Evergreen SGV will then send it to Kobo so that the children know they are remembered in this special way.

Coffee Hour Needs Help

Are you looking for an opportunity to serve at our new church home? The Coffee Hour Ministry can use more help! Most volunteers (some are families) serve once a month. To find out more, please contact info@evergreensgv.org

Retired Ministers & Missionaries Offering

On Sunday, Dec. 2, our congregation will receive the Retried Ministers and Missionaries Offering (RMMO).

The RMMO is an annual American Baptist Churches (ABC) USA offering that provides 1) Thank You checks to over 3,000 retired ABC ministers, missionaries and their widowed spouses, based on 15 or more years of ABC service, and 2) emergency and other financial assistance based on need. Please help us remember those who have served us.

REMEMBER with LOVE
GIVE with GRATITUDE

Worship and Prayer

Set time aside to seek the Lord and hear His voice. The next meeting is on Dec. 1 at 8:30 am for a time of focused worship and prayer. God has graciously given us land, now we need use it according to His will.

Nametags

Need a nametag? Sign up for one at the Open House. Let's help out those people who can't remember names! Have **you** met anyone new in the last week? Pick up your requested nametag at the Information Table.

Our Condolences

Our deepest sympathy is extended to *James Padilla* and family on the loss of his daughter, *Jessie Padilla*, in Denver in late October.

Event Calendar

November

- 15 Thu glo Young Adult Ministry
- 16 Fri Youth Ministries
- 17 Sat Harvesters Seniors Group
College Ministry
- 18 Sun **Worship Services**
Prayer Ministry
Congregational Meeting
- 20 Tue MIB Men in the Bible
- 21 Wed Thanksgiving Service
- 22-23 Thu-Fri Thanksgiving holidays
Church Office closed
- 23 Fri No Youth Ministries
- 24 Sat College Ministry
- 25 Sun **Worship Services**
Prayer Ministry
- 27 Tue MIB Men in the Bible
- 29 Thu glo Young Adult Ministry
- 30 Fri Youth Ministries

December

- 1 Sat Workday
College Ministry
- 2 1st **Sunday of Advent Worship Svcs**
Retired Minister & Missionary Offrg
Communion
Prayer Ministry
Last day for ACS
- 4 Tue MIB Men in the Bible
- 6 Thu glo Young Adult Ministry
- 7 Fri Youth Ministries
Board Meeting
- 8 Sat Keiro Worship Service
All Church Potluck 5:30 pm
- 9 2nd **Sunday of Advent Worship Svcs**
Staff Offering
Prayer Ministry
- 11 Tue Trustees Meeting
MIB Men in the Bible
- 13 Thu glo Young Adult Ministry
- 14 Fri Youth Ministries
- 15 Sat Harvesters Seniors Group
College Ministry
- 16 3rd **Sunday of Advent Worship Svcs**
Staff Offering, Otoshidama Offering
Church School Christmas Program
Prayer Ministry
- 20 Thu glo Young Adult Ministry
- 21 Fri No Youth Meetings
- 22 Sat College Ministry

PAATT Update 3.7

Firstly, kudos to two of the hardest working staffers whose diligent efforts made our first service such a great success. (see photo, upper right)

Secondly, in a highly dangerous but successful attempt to save money, the Construction Team used *Pastor Adam* to solder together sections of two inch copper pipe for our new sprinkler system. (lower right)

Everything about our first regular Sunday Worship Service seemed to work out well except for the sewage smell that occasionally wafts from the treatment plant to the west of us, and from sewer connections on private property to the east of us. *Jerry Mar* has spoken at length with the original contractor who built the sanctuary and pretty much the smell has been problematic for the entire history of the site. The county is aware of the problem and routinely sends in crews to drop deodorizing chemicals into the sewers, but the effects do not seem to be long lasting.

Additional electrical power was supplied to the sanctuary and the Sound and Lighting crew did an excellent job installing the video projector and piping sound to the Bridal Room. I told *Gary Murakami* that the crisp, clear sound quality in the sanctuary was so good using the old, temporary equipment that we really didn't need to purchase any expensive, permanent, state-of-the-art sound equipment in the future. He was not happy.

We are continuing to focus on the classrooms in Buildings A, B and C. Air conditioning is being installed in C building. Classrooms are being painted and the carpets and vinyl tile are scheduled to be installed presently. Windows and safety film are being installed simultaneously. Carpets for the D wing arrived sooner than expected and are being installed. Bathrooms including tile and stalls are being refurbished.

In case you haven't noticed, all the trees have been either removed or

Right: Who's a conehead? Facilities coordinator Carey Yung assists Pastor Ian as he tries on a parking marker.



Below: Is that on his job description? Pastor Adam learns a new skill soldering copper piping under Carey's watchful eye.



trimmed, including all the palm trees in the parking lot. Baby trees were actually growing in the roof gutters of the Sanctuary. These were removed when we pressured washed the Sanctuary exterior.

Construction on the reception area has passed its second inspection. Electrical and drywall has been installed and we are now waiting for counter tops, cabinets, skim coating and painting. A new sub-panel is being installed to pull additional power into the Sanctuary as present amperage is inadequate to supply the office needs.

With the rainy season soon to be upon us, we are struggling to address the drainage problems that have plagued the site for years. Presently, when it rains, there is a small lake that forms in front of the Multi Purpose Room as well as a raging river that runs in front of the Sanctuary. Victory Outreach routinely built a wooden bridge to span the area from the parking lot to the sanctuary walkway. So after we consult with the architects, the southwest corner of the parking lot and the adjacent walkways will be demolished, the area regraded, and concrete repoured to

divert most of the rainwater from the West Wing and the lawns west of the Sanctuary into a storm drain facing Coberta Avenue. Incorrectly canted concrete walkways between the D wing, MPR and the southwest corner of the Sanctuary were demolished and new concrete poured. The whole lawn south of the Sanctuary was removed and the soil regraded to allow proper water drainage onto the emergency roadway and not into the middle of campus. At the same time conduit from the Sanctuary to D wing was laid underground, which will allow for fiber optic cable to be pulled to all outlying portions of the campus for phone, computer, security and public address systems. Since we are tearing up the lawn and sidewalks anyways, trenching and laying of new copper piping for future water usage was also completed. Yes, *Pastor Adam* was really laying pipe.

Our next workday is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 1 from 8 am to 3 pm. Tasks planned include exterior painting and removal of exterior wiring. Email info@evergreensgv.org for more details.

Steven Ogata

Building Project Administrator



Devoted to Him: "Praising God's Faithfulness" by Janis Nakamura

I'd been looking forward to our Inaugural Service at our new church home in La Puente. I was thankful for the opportunity to be able to serve on the worship team on this day. As we had our practice on Saturday, I sensed the Lord's covering over each aspect of what was to occur on Nov. 4. There existed a sense of excitement among the staff and lay people that were serving the next day.

When driving to church on Sunday, I was frustrated by a roadblock at Workman Mill off Valley Blvd., yet I knew that the Lord was somehow covering this situation. I took an alternate route and thankfully, I got to church by 7:30am. I couldn't wait to go inside the sanctuary! As I was unloading my guitar from the trunk, however, the diamond of my wedding ring got caught on the trunk latch. The stone and prong broke off my band and was nowhere to be seen. I shared this with three of the parking attendants where I was parked and they looked in my trunk and on the surrounding areas but couldn't spot it anywhere. I appreciated their taking the time to stop and help me in the midst of serving in their ministry. I knew, however, that it was important that I go in to prepare with the wor-

ship team, so I decided to go in. On the way, one of the parking attendants stopped me and asked if they could pray for this situation. This was such a blessing to me!

I felt worried and sad since the ring was given to me by my husband Ron 22 years ago (see photo below) when we got engaged. It had a lot of sentimental value, but I sensed God's covering as I entered the sanctuary. I was grateful for my worship team's prayers, which helped me focus. During the greeting time, I asked one of my friends to pray that I would stay focused on the Lord and served Him in the midst of losing my diamond. She agreed and asked if she could go outside to search. I felt it was more important that she stay in service as it was a special Sunday service I didn't want her to miss.

By the Lord's leading, she went outside to look. She didn't know what type or color car I had, but the Lord

led her straight to my car. As she was searching, a parking attendant came by and shared how he as well as a few other attendants had looked for my diamond, but didn't have any success. They both continued to scour the ground near my car. She picked up several rock chips from the ground, and as she set the rock chip back down on the ground; she noticed something gold within one inch of where she had placed the rock chip. It was my diamond!

I received the diamond (still in the prong) in an offering envelope via an usher during the sermon. I was amazed and thankful that the Lord had been faithful and watchful even over the smallest detail of this very exciting day. Praise the Lord for His faithfulness!! I also praise Him for the love and concern shown to me by the body of Christ at Evergreen SGV.

"Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful".

Hebrews 10:23



Janis & Ron Nakamura

Life's Moments: "The Curtained Wall" by Helen Der

In the last issue, I wondered what background would replace the green tile wall we were so used to seeing as a backdrop to photos taken at the Campus Inn.

We've only met at our new church home twice now, but I think we may have a feasible replacement.

What do you think? The curtain makes a dramatic background that adds a certain quality to the photo and does not distract from the main subject. The only thing I don't like is that dark hair disappears into the backdrop. Joyce and I noted, however, that we don't have that problem!



The Chungs: Richard, Christine, Brandon (9), Garrett (6) and Darrin (2 1/2).



Helen Der & Joyce Salgado

Congregational Life "Grow"

Surge (Junior High)

Fri., 7:30 pm, Church Lobby.

Nov. 16: We're having our Thanksgiving potluck!

Nov. 23: No meeting

Nov. 30-Dec. 2: No meeting, we're on retreat!



The Bridge (High School)

Fri., 7:30 pm, Church Sanctuary.

Nov. 16: Tonight we're on The 10 "C's" with a study on The Sabbath.

Nov. 23: No meeting!

Nov. 30: We're back to The 10 "C's" and will be looking at Honoring Parents.

NOTE: Retreat dates: 1/25-27.



Living Stones (College Age)

Sat., 6:30 pm, Intern's House. 319 Workman Mill Rd., La Puente

Nov. 17: We'll be meeting!

Nov. 24: Regular meeting

Dec. 1: Regular meeting

Check out the website, www.abidingic.net!



glo Young Adult Group

Thursday, 7:30 pm, Café.

Nov. 15: Terence will teach from 1 John 5:5-8.

Nov. 22: No meeting

Nov. 29: Come and see what our Special Event is for this month!



Harvesters - Seniors

We meet on the 3rd Saturday of each month, 8:30 am, Café.

Our meeting is Nov. 17. Our speaker will be *Sammy Masuda*, son of *Shiro Masuda*.

The Harvesters' Bible study meets in the Green Room at the new site.



Our Church School Teachers

Who do we entrust our children to each week? Who prepares Bible-based lessons and prays for your youngsters?

Here's a list of the faithful folks who serve in our church school program. Give them a word of encouragement!!

Teacher Appreciation



Infant Toddler

Meg Tsushima

Jasmine Chao
Naomi Egami
Marley Jue
Barbara Kwan
Nora Lui

Nursery 1

Mathias Nakatsui

Faye Doi
Fuychun Joa
Esther Leung
Mark Salgado

Nursery 2

Harvey Chin
Dale Hata
Beth Nakatsui
Carol Nakatsui

Kinders

Katie Wong

Beverly Chang
Jenny Gee
Karen Ho
Terri Isozaki
KT Jong
Gayle Jow
Norman Wong

Primary

Reine Ishida

Victor Chen
Kevin Cho
Cory Hata
Brent Kajikawa
Ju Lo
Miriam Lo
Maliwan Saechang
Ben Tan

Primary 2

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Mary Kubo
Brian Tse
Glenn Yonemura
Joyce Yonemura

Middlers

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Peggy Cheong
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Dawn Naritoku

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Greg Salgado

Teresa Chen
Phillip Chu
Helen Ha
Charles Hwang
Terence Shia

High School

Paul Moy

Steve Gee
Kenny Yee

Baptism Testimonies

CORY MASUDA

I just turned 10 years old and I attend San Gabriel Christian School. I accepted Jesus when I was in AWANA Cubbies. The teacher asked if I wanted to receive Jesus and I did. There were 2 verses that made me realize what Jesus had done for me. Romans 3:23 says "all have sinned" and 1 Corinthians 15:3 says "Christ died for our sins, according to the scriptures." I was just 4, but those words became true to me. My mom and dad helped me to understand more and prayed with me to accept Jesus as Lord and Savior. I'm also thankful for my church school teachers and Bible Study Fellowship teachers who helped me learn more about Jesus and God's word.



I always wanted to get baptized, but I kept on putting it off. My sisters were pressuring me to get baptized, but I didn't feel ready. Finally, I want to get baptized today to show everyone that I have trusted in Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior.

LUIGGI MORI

I have gone through many struggles in my life that tested my mental and physical strength, but I still felt like I wasn't doing what the Lord wanted me to do.



The Lord put these obstacles in my life that tested my faith in him. These obstacles were pushing me beyond my limit. These obstacles may have been really difficult to go through but I believed in Christ that he would show me the way, and when I would overcome these obstacles I would feel this great amount of relief and accomplishment. I finally felt whole; my sins were forgiven, the gospel of Jesus Christ entered my life. I now fear nothing because I know no matter what happens, my Lord and Savior will always be there right beside me. Praise be to God for salvation in Jesus.

JANE NAMIMOTO

Seven years ago, on October 31, 2001, I embraced Jesus as my Lord and Savior. Rev. Mas Hibino came to my daughter and son-in-law's home, and he met with me and went through a little book called Partners in Growing. He asked if I would like to receive Jesus as my Lord and Savior, but I didn't understand what being a sinner meant. I had thought that a sinner was someone who had committed awful crimes, and basically, I thought I was a good person, not a sinner, so I didn't feel the need to be forgiven of my sins. However, Rev. Hibino explained to me that we are all sinners, and we need Jesus because he died on the cross for our sins so that we could have eternal life. He then asked me if I was ready to pray with him to confess that I am a sinner and to receive Christ as my Savior, and I said yes. Upon hearing my confession of faith, both my daughters were filled with tears of joy. They had been praying for my salvation for a long time. Now I see how God had been faithful in answering their prayers. It says in Matthew 21:22, *And all things, whatever you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive.*



Today, I am getting baptized to be obedient and pleasing to God. I want to thank the Lord for my family and friends for witnessing my blessing of baptism.



Some of the October baptism candidates

AMY SHIMAMOTO

When I was younger my friends and family would take me to church once in a while and I would enjoy it. However, something would always happen and I'd stop going for months at a time. I had not gone for my last few years in high school and it wasn't until college that I began to go again. College was a new environment, new people, and it felt odd since most of my friends went away for school while I was still at home. It was a large adjustment and I had a hard time accepting where God had put me so I began to question why I was still living at home and at a school where I sometimes felt lonely. So as I was seeking answers, I got involved in a group called InterVarsity which helped to remind me of God's endless love and how we have to trust in Him for salvation. I eventually started to go back to church, and loved the refreshing feeling of Sunday worship.



But this summer I went to live up north for a couple months to participate in a music program and didn't go to church while there; this put a gap between God and me. When I got home I realized, with a lot of support and encouragement from my boyfriend who had been growing in his faith, that I needed to come back to God, to stay this time. My first Sunday back at church I re-committed my life to Christ at the end of the service and have been coming ever since. I have come and gone from the church so many times and no matter how hard I had fallen or how far I'd distanced myself from God I was always welcomed back with open arms, complete forgiveness. His grace is amazing. God is in my life everyday, from when I've had a bad day and am looking for comfort to when things are going great, and I thank Him for His constant blessings in my life, and especially, for salvation I have in Jesus. Today, I'm getting baptized to show that I have accepted Jesus as my Lord and Savior.

“Planning for South Africa 2010” by Elliott Snuggs

“Lord, I thank you for this food set before us, and I pray for those in my village tonight who will not eat, because they have no food. . .” This was the beginning of a prayer for dinner by an African leader from Chad. As I listened I was impacted by the heartfelt (but not bitter) prayer. I was with leaders from across the continent of Africa and the world who were gathered in Cape Town. We were there to do the advance planning for Cape Town 2010: The Third Congress on World Evangelization organized by the Lausanne Movement.

Asian Access is providing accounting support for Lausanne, and I was there to build relationships with the Trust in South Africa that will be han-

dling the local financial arrangements for the congress. Over 4000 participants are expected from around the globe. All of the evangelicals who will gather to discuss the overarching challenges to the whole church as it takes the whole gospel to the whole world.

Meanwhile, Asian Access is going through a significant transition right now as our president for the last 16 years (*Doug Birdsall*) has stepped down to devote full-time leadership to Lausanne. The Board is looking for a new president, so the search is on. Transitions in leadership are usually just a bit bumpy. So I really appreci-



Elliott Snuggs

ate your prayers as Asian Access navigates these waters. Fortunately, our ministries are well established and are moving ahead full steam. The real challenge is maintaining the funding for those ministries during the leadership transition. If you want to know more about what Asian Access is up to, visit our award winning website at www.asianaccess.org. There you will find out all about how Asian Access is identifying, developing, and releasing emerging kingdom leaders who are uniting the church and multiplying congregations across Asia. Thank you for allowing me to be a part of this ministry!

Baptism Testimonies (continued)

CINDY SO



I first heard of Jesus' love for me and how he died for my sins so I could have eternal life when I was six, from two very loving people that God brought into my life.

These two people, *Dorothy and Norman Wreyford*, whom I call my *Mama and Papa Two* have throughout my life guided and prayed with me through my many trials. God remained so faithful in his love for me that about ten years ago, I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior. Since then, I have struggled with my walk with the Lord because I was consumed with daily life and my selfishness. And yet God has always been there to comfort me when I needed Him. When my *Papa Two* passed away about four years ago, I felt a tremendous loss, but I know that he is in heaven. I am very thankful for God's blessings and feel that it is time for me to obey and live the rest of my life for Him.

NATALIE YEE



I am nine years old. I became a Christian on January 15, 2004 when I was about 5 ½ years old. With my mom's help, I asked Jesus to come into my heart. Since then, I am more interested in learning about God, worshipping Him, and praying every night. I thought of getting baptized before, but now I'm really ready to tell everyone that I'm a Christian and that Jesus is my Lord and Savior. I want to thank my parents, my church school teachers, and my teachers from San Gabriel Christian School for teaching me about Jesus Christ.



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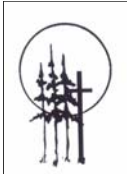
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Sunday Services

8:00 & 11:00 am

Church School

9:30 am

Office Hours

Mon-Fri 8:30 am—4:30 pm

With Our Greater Community

Operation Christmas Child

Nov. 18 is the last day to turn in your Operation Christmas Child shoebox. Our table is outside the Sanctuary. Remember to include a small amount to cover the shipping cost.



As followers of Jesus, we have been called to feed the hungry, welcome strangers, clothe the naked, and visit the sick and imprisoned. Matthew 25:40 Jesus says, "Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did it to one of these brothers of Mine, even the least of them, you did it to Me."

May God bless both the hands that give these gifts and the hands that receive them.

Toy & Clothing Drive

The Evergreen Community Center is sponsoring a Christmas sale in Boyle Heights on Saturday Dec. 1 at Light and Life Christian School (207 S. Dacotah St, LA 90063), 9am – 2pm.

Volunteers are needed for setup (7:30am) and to staff the sale.

There's also a sorting preparation day on Sat., Nov. 24 at 9am at Evergreen SGV's Quonset hut.

Stop by our signup table on Sunday for more details. Below is a photo of the van waiting for your donations.



Sing Noel

The Japanese Evangelical Missionary Society hosts their Christmas music fest. This concert is a benefit event for seminary student scholarships. Many performers representing a variety of SoCal churches and other groups will be sharing the stage.



The benefit will take place on Sunday, Dec. 2 at 6 pm at the Japan America Theatre in Little Tokyo. Tickets are available at the theatre box office 213 880-3700 and the JEMS office 213 613-0022.