# Monthly News and Updates

# Branches of the Cross Anglican Church The Christian Healing Center

Sunday Service Begins at 10:30 a.m. followed by our Church Family Gathering

We are located at 791 Valley Crest Drive, Vista, CA 92084

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Welcome to the first issue of our newsletter! Now you can keep track of everything that is going on at BoC & CHC for the month and beyond.

# Welcome Fr. Gabe!



"BE HAPPY IN THE MOMENT, THAT'S ENOUGH.

EACH MOMENT IS ALL WE NEED, NOT MORE." ~ MOTHER TERESA

Here are the latest opportunities to strengthen your faith and connect with the community.

### **BoC Members Meet Their New Pastor**



We are excited to welcome Rev. G. Martin Garcia as our new Sr. Pastor. Fr. Gabe has spent more than 20 years pastoring various churches and brings a great love of God and His Word to us.

Join our Sunday service.

It begins at 10:30 a.m. in the Chapel. Or join us on Zoom.

To go to our website, click on this link: *branchesvista.org* scroll down and click on the Sunday Service Zoom button.

Fr. Gabe and the congregation would love to meet you.

#### Mark Your Calendar

Bishop Keith Andrews will be with us on July 23-25 to visit the congregation and perform the Rector Installation Service.



#### THE BOOK OF EPHESIANS BIBLE STUDY

Join us for an exciting look into the Book of Ephesians. The first class was Wednesday, June 1st, will be every Wednesday following. Fr. Gabe will teach in English and Spanish.

## ENGLISH Study at 10:30 a.m. SPANISH & ENGLISH Study at 7:00 pm.

You can choose to join us in the Chapel, or connect via Zoom. The link will be sent out in an email. Contact *office.branchesvista@gmail.com* and let us know you would like to join us online for this Wednesday class.





### Saying Goodbye...

We have to say goodbye to Brent and Bobbi Calhoun in a few weeks. Most of us have known them for several years at one church or another. What a faithful couple to the Lord they are. We will miss him leading our worship in song on

Sundays and during our 3-Day prayer retreat. How do you say goodbye to part of the glue of our little church? Brent, with the vestry, held us together while searching for a new rector for 2 years. Now they are embarking on a new journey following their grandchildren to Texas. Time for them to slow down and take a breath. Of course that won't happen right away as moving isn't relaxing.

We can't send them off without a farewell party, so we are going to celebrate our friendship with them on Sunday June 12 after church on the Disciple House patio.

The church will be providing a gift and card to be signed from all of us. If you would like to bring your own personal card, I am sure they will appreciate it. A basket will be provided at the back of the church.

## **KAIROS JAM**

Last Saturday, May 21, was the Kairos Jam session on the Branches of the Cross patio. Kairos's mission is to provide ministry to prisoners at Donovan Correctional Prison in San Diego. The mission has been in existence for 32 years and our Brent has been a member for 30 of those years. Scott Hauser also from our church was there. Randy Skow and Jim Bechtold past members of the Resurrection of the Cross attended, Jim coming from Arizona for the reunion.



Between 40 and 50 men, women and children attended this reunion. Ninety minutes of music stories and laughter were enjoyed by everyone and hopefully our neighbors. A very uplifting time. The children were kept busy creating...





Creative kids!



Everyone was very engaged.



Testimony from a previous inmate who came to Jesus.



The children had a blast.

## **CAMPUS NEWS**



#### IT'S TIME TO TIDY UP OUR CHURCH GROUNDS

We want to put out best foot forward with the arrival of our Bishop at the end of July.

LET'S CLEAN!

DAY: JULY 16 FROM: 9 A.M. TO 1 P.M. More on this event in the July issue.

#### DISCIPLE HOUSE KITCHEN REMODEL

This Sunday, May 29th will be the last time we will be using the kitchen for fellowship. The kitchen at Disciple House is getting re-piped and new cabinets! At this time it is too expensive to expand the area, but maybe in the

future.

Does this mean no fellowship until it is done? Of course NOT. This just means coffee, microwave, etc. will be moved to the living room. Items from the kitchen cabinets will be moved to the tables in the dining room which makes it unavailable for awhile. We will make do by eating outside on the patio and praying for good weather each Sunday.

#### IN REMEMBRANCE

Many of us remember **Jim Edwards** from Church of the Resurrection. He was faithful in coming to church every Sunday with help of members until it just got to be too difficult for him. His daughter Terri is sharing this information.



Memorial Service for James Martin Edwards Location: Clubhouse at Palomar Estates West 1930 W San Marcos Blvd San Marcos, CA 92078 Time date: Saturday June 11, 2022 at 2 pm

Refreshments following: Please join us. Dad was a WWII and Korean War Veteran, Serving from April of 1941 to May of 1953. Based out of San Diego on USS Aircraft Carrier Bairoko.

# June Calendar of Events

May 28 1-Day Intensive Prayer

June 1 Bible Study on Ephesians Begins English 10:30 a.m. Spanish 6:30 p.m.

June 3 The Aspirant/Postulant Retreat at Disciple House. 8 am – 3 pm

June 5 Pentecost Service 10:30 a.m.

June 8 Bible Study on Ephesians English 10:30 a.m. Spanish 6:30 p.m.

June 12 Sunday Service 10:30 a.m. Farewell Party for Brent & Bobbi after the service.

June 13-15 3-Day Intensive Prayer

June 15 Bible Study on Ephesians English 10:30 a.m. Spanish 6:30 p.m. June 19 Father's Day Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.

June 22 Bible Study on Ephesians English 10:30 a.m. Spanish 6:30 p.m.

June 25 CHC 1-Day Intensive Prayer

June 26 Sunday Service 10:30 a.m.

June 29 Bible Study on Ephesians English 10:30 a.m. Spanish 6:30 p.m.

#### What's Coming In July

July 11-13: 3-Day Intensive Prayer

July 16: Cleaning Day!

July 23-25: Visiting Bishop

July 30: 1-Day Intensive Prayer

# Christian Healing Center News

#### CHC NEWS

The 3-Day Intensive Prayer Retreat will be held on June 13-15.



## Upcoming Events at the Christian Healing Center (CHC)

#### NEW – Starting May 28

#### **ONE-Day of Intensive Prayer**

This special **One–Day** is designed for those unable to attend a 3–Day Intensive Prayer Retreat during the week. Unfortunately, it turns out that we cannot hold the June 25 retreat after all. Hopefully, future months will work out; we will announce them monthly as the schedule becomes clearer.

To sign up, or get more information on any 1-Day or 3-Day Prayer Retreat, or to come for Personal Prayer Ministry, contact: CHC.branchesvista@gmail.com

> This email can also be used to submit 1 or 3-Day Retreat applications.

# PRAYER CORNER

Are you, or someone you know, in need of prayer? BoC and CHC has a dedicated team of intercessory prayer ministers ready to take your prayer



request to our Father God on your behalf. Contact: *prayers.branchesvista@gmail.com* to send in your request.

If you would like personal prayer contact: *CHC.branchesvista@gmail.com* for further information.

## **CONTACT US:**



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