



Irvington Presbyterian Church

Fremont, CA

June 2013

Sundays

Encouragement to Pray

Bible Study 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

(Nursery and Children
Sunday School During
Service)

The devil smiles when we make plans.
He laughs when we get too busy.
But he trembles when we pray.
Is prayer your steering wheel or your spare tire?

Corrie ten Boom

Irvington Chinese
Presbyterian Service:
10:15 a.m.

In prayer you align yourself to the purpose and power of God, and He is able to do things through you that He could not do otherwise... For this is an open universe, where some things are left open, contingent upon our doing them. If we do not do them they will never be done. So God has left certain things open to prayer – things that will never be done except as we pray.

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Books on prayer are good, but not good enough. As books on cooking are good, but hopeless unless one prepares the meal, so with prayer. One can read a library of prayer books and not be one whit more powerful in prayer. We must learn to pray, and we must pray to learn to pray.

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God has instituted prayer so as to confer upon his creatures the dignity of being causes.

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When we work, we work. When we pray, God works.

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The prayer preceding all prayers is "May it be the real I who speaks. May it be the real Thou that I speak to."

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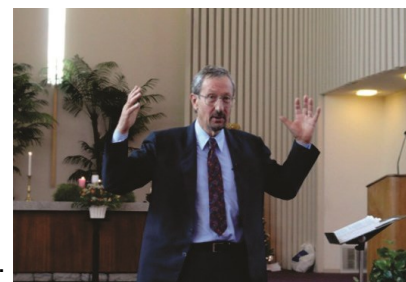
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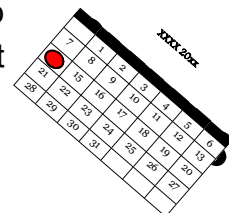
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Missions - The Heart of the Church

Ongoing Service

For many years IPC Mission supporters have faithfully given to the Meal-a-Month project in special monthly offerings on the second Sunday of the month. These offerings go to Tri-City Volunteers to buy food products for the needy of our community. Tri-City Volunteers dispenses food on a weekly basis to those who are registered with them and we are fortunate to be able to participate with them in this service by providing them with money to purchase supplies. They purchase foods in bulk amounts and thus are able to get it more cheaply and have a greater amount.



THE MISSIONS TEAM - COME JOIN US!

Meets every second Thursday at 5 pm. The goal of the missions team is to enable IPC to be part of God's great plan to spread the good news of Jesus both locally and around the world. The team keeps in touch with our missionaries in different parts of the world and let the people of IPC know what God is doing through our missions outreach. Do join us on a Thursday in the McKowen Room.

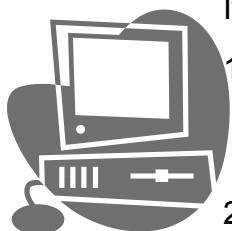


NEW MEMBERS CLASS

NEW MEMBERS On Friday June 7th, 7pm to 9 pm and Saturday June 8th, 9 am to noon, Pastor Michael and the elders of IPC will lead a class for those who want to learn more about IPC and what it means to follow Jesus Christ. If you want to unite with IPC, this class is the way to do it.

Do you HAVE A COMPUTER?

If you answered yes, IPC has three exciting news items for you!



1. LIKE us on our FACEBOOK page:
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Irvington-Presbyterian-Church/116256295065982>
Share events, make comments, keep in touch with friends.
2. Visit our website at www.irvingtonpres.com. It is updated with all events and news. We will also be posting the Cornerstone to the website so you can read it there also.
3. If you have provided us with your email address, starting in June check your in-box for your electronic copy of the Cornerstone.

June is our first month for the electronic Cornerstone. We hope you enjoyed receiving your monthly Cornerstone via email. If you would prefer to continue receiving your copy of Cornerstone in the mail, please contact Frankie in the church office at 657-6133 or send an email to ipchurch@pacbell.net or ipccornerstone@frontier.com. If you prefer a hard copy, please ensure to include your mailing address.

Father's Day ~ 16 June



Guys, if you have a Hawaiian shirt,
wear it to worship to celebrate Father's Day.
Deacon's will honor our fathers with
strawberry short cake after worship.



Congregation Happenings



Highlights for June

Mondays: Women's Bible Study

Wednesdays: Band Practice
Children's Choir, Adult Choir
Pastor's Study Group

Fridays: Men's Bible Study - Bay St Coffee
Band Practice

Sundays: Journey Into Faith

6th - Worship Team Meeting
7/8th - New Member Class
13th - SIS
13th - Mission Team Meeting
14th - Church Alive Meeting
15th - Church Officers' Retreat
16th - C.E. Meeting
18th - Deacon's Meeting
27th - Session Meeting

Bible Studies

Men's Bible Study - This class meets with Pastor Michael at Bay Street Coffee Roasting Friday mornings from 8 am to 9 am.

Women's Bible Study - Women meet weekly in the McKowen Room. The theme is 102 fascinating Bible studies. Contact Betty Blizel for details.

Home Bible Study - Regularly scheduled bi-weekly Bible Classes at Mary Ellen's house



Children's Ministry News



Keep Saving Water Bottles!

Help us build new wells for families of Massai village in Africa. We are collecting PLASTIC water bottles, clear PLASTIC soda bottles, and aluminum cans for our VBS mission project. Throughout the months leading up to and including VBS Week (July 15th-19th) we're asking you to save your PLASTIC water bottles, as well as clear PLASTIC soda bottles and aluminum cans. These bottles and cans should be rinsed, and the cans crushed.

GRADUATION



GRADUATE SUNDAY

The Church will honor our graduates on June 9th. If you have a family member who is graduating this year from Elementary, Jr. High, High School or College, please give this information to the church office. If possible the graduates should be in church on June 9th to receive their recognition.

CHURCH OFFICERS RETREAT

Church officers retreat for elders and deacons will be June 15th 9am – 3pm. We will meet in the McKowen Room. Bring your own lunch. It would be wonderful if all deacons and elders could be there.



F.U.N. SINGLES

IPC F.U.N. Singles meet the first Sunday of the month at 5.P.M. in the McKowen room. We invite all singles to join us. A good time is had by all! . Our next meeting will be on July 7th.

We enjoyed a day at the Sunset Magazine open house in Menlo Park. We were able to explore the New Model Home, the Test Kitchens, the Gardens, view the various demonstrations and check out the vendors showing their products.

We had our meeting on Sunday June 2nd at 5:00P.M. On July 23, 2013 we will be going to the Oakland Zoo. We will have a Docent and a tram to ride on. We will meet to car pool at Irvington Presbyterian Church parking lot at 9:30 A.M. We are going to have a picnic, so bring a lunch. Lets go and have a enjoyable day.

LOOKING FOR FUN THIS SUMMER?

SUMMER IS ALMOST HERE AND THAT MEANS ONE THING—VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL TIME AT IRVINGTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH. COME HANG WITH US FOR 5 DAYS OF FUN, FOOD AND FRIENDS. SPACE IS LIMITED SO MAKE SURE YOUR PARENTS SIGN YOU UP

JULY 15TH-19TH 9 A.M.-NOON
\$10.00 PER CHILD*

*(NO CHILD IS EVER TURNED AWAY FOR LACK OF FUNDS.
PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE FOR MORE
INFORMATION)*

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510-657-3133

REGISTER ONLINE AT:

WWW.GROUPVBSPRO.COM/VBS/EZ/
IPC_NEWHOPEVBS201



JULY 18TH FINALE 6PM-8PM

FAMILY NIGHT!
HOT DOGS & ICE CREAM SOCIAL
AND

FEATURING A MAGIC SHOW
WITH BARNEY KINARD

Kingdom Rock Vacation Bible School

July 15-19, 2013

IPC is partnering with New Hope Community Church again this year to host the Kingdom Rock Vacation Bible School on the IPC campus during the week of July 15 through the 19th. Kingdom Rock is an amazing experience for kids in kindergarten through 5th grade to explore God's incredible love for His children. With an exciting program of activities, songs, skits and games, kids will focus on different Bible lessons each day that show them how to stand strong for God.

Space is limited, so parents be sure to register your kids by July 5 to reserve a place. Sign-up is easy through the church website, just follow the link on the home page at:

<https://sites.google.com/site/irvingtonchurch/>.

The cost is \$10, but no child is ever turned away for lack of funds (please contact the church office for more information).

We've received a terrific response to our request for donations of supplies and volunteers so far, and there are still opportunities available to be a part of this fun and fulfilling program. Please contact Brook Mantia at (510) 366-2349 or tothestarz@aol.com to find out more about how you can contribute or if you have questions. As always, your prayers for God's blessing on our VBS is essential to its success.

LADIES — "OUT TO LUNCH"

This month the Ladies - "Out to Lunch"
will be at the **El Patio Mexican Restaurant**
on **Thursday, 20 June at 11:30 am**

The El Patio is located at 37311 Fremont Blvd in Fremont.
It is near the Railroad Tracks in Centerville)

Contact Mary Lou Craig at (510) 396-3053 to reserve your spot. Please join us!
Newcomers Always Welcome!

Music Ministry



*...And on that day when my strength is failing
The end draws near and my time has come
Still my soul will sing Your praise unending
Ten thousand years and then forevermore...
- 10,000 Reasons by Matt Redman*



Eternity and Today

Sometimes minutes can drag on like days, hours can fly by like seconds, and a year can disappear like the blink of an eye; the best example of how time can change tempo is when you make and receive promises. In this month, the music ministry wants to dive into the depth of God's promise to us when we are graced with the eternal life through Jesus.

1 John 5:13-15 says: "13 I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life. 14 This is the confidence we have in approaching God: that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. 15 And if we know that he hears us—whatever we ask—we know that we have what we asked of him."

Eternity is a long time, and sometimes we can forget this idea in a world where instant gratification is a frequent daily experience: sending emails, getting the news, ordering coffee, searching the internet, and buying things online. Impatience can easily sneak up on us when our questions don't seem to be answered on our scale of time, which is why the Bible fortunately reminds us of some of God's greatest promises. Moses spent 40 years wandering in the desert, while Abraham was one hundred years old when his son Isaac was born. God also uses shorter experiences to move people, like when Daniel survived the night with the lions or fire consumed the altar of Elijah on Mount Carmel.

When you place all these events next to the measuring stick of eternity, we can see that God doesn't put us through more than we can bear when we keep our eyes on Him. Through both our celebrations and struggles, God will build his kingdom and glorify His name, and we find rich joy in the persevering promise of the eternal life with Jesus.

Romans 8:28 says "28 And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

June 2013

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Please note: June 25 is the deadline for the July issue.

Do you have an activity or event you would like to share with the congregation? Please send us an email so we can put it in the next Cornerstone. Pictures are always welcome.

All articles are to be emailed to nicholsb@earthlink.net or ipccornerstone@frontier.com
or mailed to:

Bonnie and Teresa at P. O. Box 48, Shingletown, CA 96088

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact us via email or phone at (530) 355-8685 or (510) 821-1072 (leave message and we will call you back).

The Cornerstone keeps current and past congregation members informed of all activities at IPC.

Your timely submissions are appreciated!



Where are we in the Pastor Search?

We have completed the **Mission Study Report**. The report has been approved by the IPC Session and by the Presbytery Committee on Ministry.

We have elected the Pastor Nominating Committee, or PNC. They have been organized and "trained" by the COM

The next step - complete a Church Information Form (CIF), the standard Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) document that acts as our congregation's job description for a potential pastor.

Drawing on the text of our Mission Study Report, and being limited to 1500 characters and spaces for each section, the committee is presenting to Presbytery Committee on Ministry for approval:

- ◆ a brief Church Mission Statement, and a brief description of our church programs and accomplishments
- ◆ a brief explanation of what gifts, skills and experiences our congregation possess to fulfill its mission
- ◆ a brief statement of the key theological issues of our church and society that are reflected in the ministry of our congregation
- ◆ a brief statement of the specific tasks, assignments and program areas for which our pastor will have responsibility, and
- ◆ a description of the characteristics and qualifications needed in a person who will fill this position.

We also supplied basic information about the number of members, Church School curriculum, ethnic composition of our congregation, salary range and housing arrangement offered, and three references. Finally we were asked to select a maximum of 10 skills from a list of 65 that we would like to see in the person filling our position.

Once our CIF, which is the church profile resume, is approved by the Presbytery Committee on Ministry, we will start to receive resume information about candidates. We expect over 150 candidates to pray about and understand if this is who God is calling to IPC.

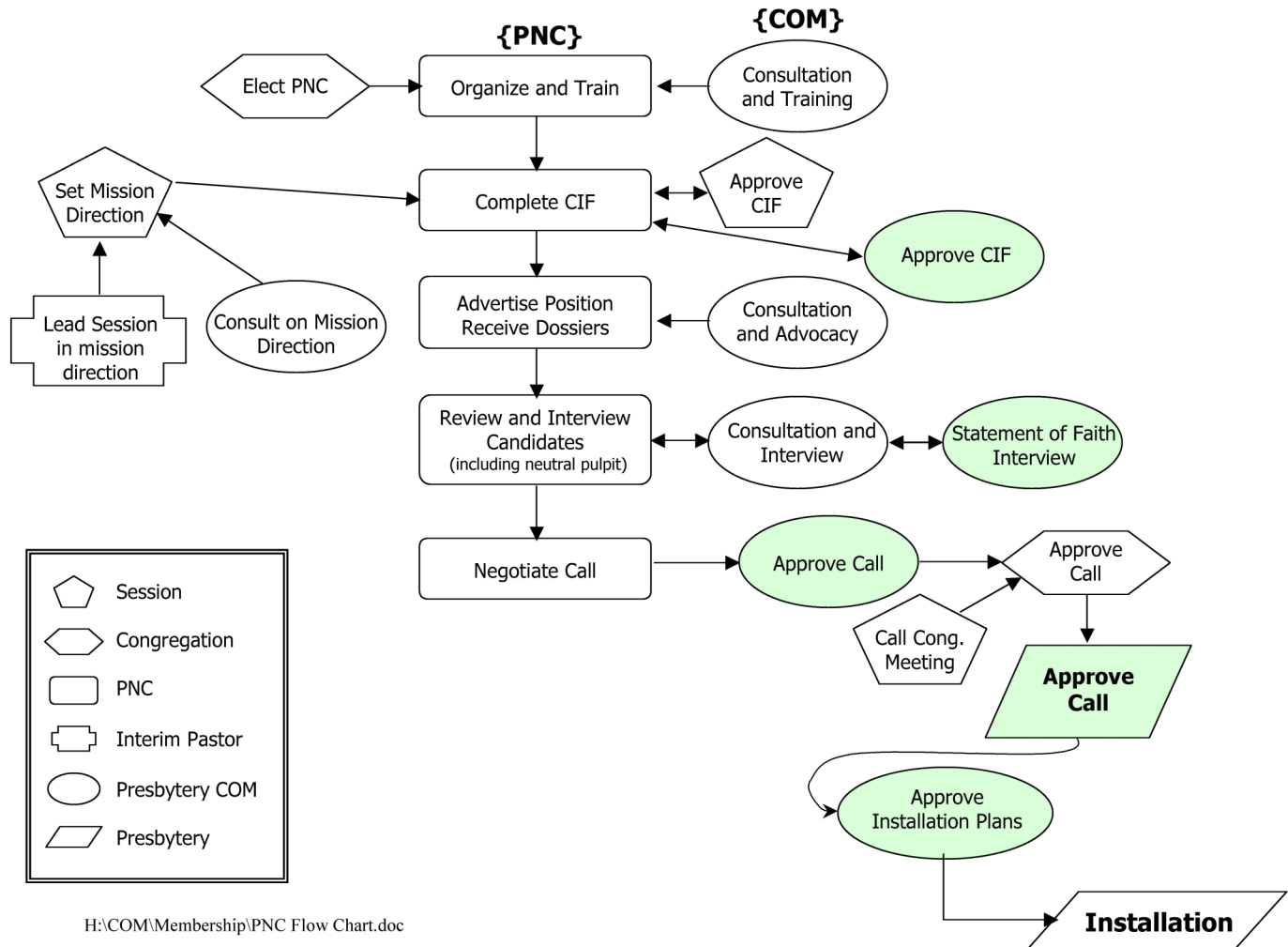
During the candidate sorting process, the PNC is under a cone of silence and cannot speak about what's happening. So, please pray for us and don't ask specifics.

Yours in His Service

Ron Fong for the PNC



the process for calling a pastor



Thank you to our guest choir from Fremont Christian Church on 19 May 2013. They were gracious enough to celebrate Pentecost Sunday with us.

Photo courtesy of Peggy Handono