

**Irvington Presbyterian Church** 

Fremont, CA

January 2015

### **Sundays**

Bible Study 9:00 a.m.

Worship 10:15 a.m.

(Nursery and Children Sunday School During Service)

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

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Dear Friends,

What a big surprise gift you gave Martha and I in worship Sunday, December 21. It was a very generous gift and one that is gladly received. When Dawn in her presentation asked if anyone had asked me what I wanted for Christmas I thought of my request a year ago. I wanted to move back to the Bay Area with both God's blessing and an opportunity to still serve him. Your call to me in February was a gift that keeps giving every single day. My prayer is that I will be capable of leading you to the next level of your development as a church that we may be an even greater witness for Christ. Thank you for being so generous, welcoming and giving me this opportunity.

If you haven't picked up the book *Unbroken* or seen the movie I urge you to do so. The story of Louis Zamperini is quite an inspiration. Starting January 11 through February 8 our sermon series will feature Louis' story with added features that are missing from the book and film. If you know of someone who is going through a difficult time suffering with pain, discouragement, depression or fear, Louis' story will help inspire them.

On Sunday February 8 in worship we will have a special treat of watching a taped interview Louis did at the Menlo Park Presbyterian Church in 2012 at age 94. If you think you can't because you're too old, too slow, too hindered, the Louis Zamperini story will give you a glimpse of what God can do through your circumstances. Start thinking about who you can invite to worship! Happy New Year!!



### Missions - The Heart of the Church

### Do You Want to Learn More About Missions?

Would you like to learn more about Missions, what our Missionaries do, who they are, why they serve? Do you have one or two hours to give each month? The IPC Mission Team is looking for a few new members to our join our Mission Team. We meet once a month to discuss our Missionaries, what they are doing, and what we can do to educate our congregation about their work. No experience or prior knowledge is required. Just come and join us. Speak with Mary Ellen McKowen or any member of the Mission Team if you would like more information. We hope to see you there!

## BIRTHDAY PARTY FOR JESUS!

... was celebrated on 7 December. Once again the congregation at Irvington Presbyterian Church was very generous with their giving to the families in our community who may not otherwise have received a gift this Christmas.



The IPC Mission Team delivered 44 bags of goodies which was over 100 gifts to Tri-City Volunteers which they distributed to those families in our communities who were in need.

Thank you to everyone!

Would you like to learn more about IPC Missions or Faith

Reaching out to the World

Promise? Pick up a copy of one of our brochures in the narthex. We have a brochure that shows all of the Missionaries that IPC supports. In addition, we have put together a brochure to explain why IPC Missions is supported by Faith Promise. If you have any questions or would like more information or would like to serve on the Mission Team, please see Mary Ellen McKowen or any member of the Missions Team.

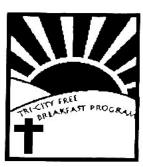
Reaching out to our neighbors

### UPCOMING EVENTS

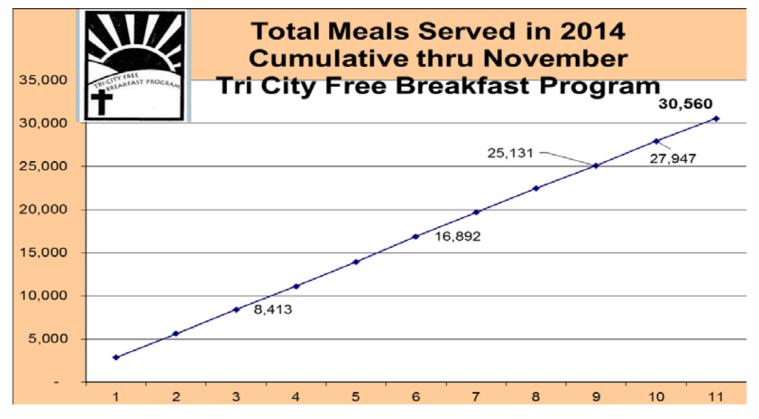
IPC LADIES OUT TO LUNCH: "IPC Ladies Luncheon scheduled for Tuesday, January 20th @ 11:30 to be held at Sala Thai, 39170 State Street, Fremont, CA, Phone # 792-0770. Please call Mary Lou Craig @ 510-396-3053 for your reservation. Let's start the new year out with a good sized group!"

## TRI CITY FREE BREAKFAST PROGRAM

In November 2014, an average of 168 versus 145 guests were served per day in October. Highest day in November was 198 guests and 275 meals, an increase from October's 160 guests and 230 meals. Average meals were 238. Total November meals 2,613 meals (first and seconds) with 311 bags of provisions distributed and 13 children served. Only eleven days of service instead of the regular 13 days reduced the number served in the month.



Year to Date – 30,560 meals served in the first eleven months of 2014. Project over 32,000 annually.



November Volunteers: 46 volunteers donated over 601 hours of kitchen service (an average of 17 workers per day) in the kitchen. Eight of the 46 volunteers are from IPC contributing over 152 hours (Betty Blizel 22.1, Dave Wegener 12.25, Jeane Garrett 34.85, Linda Fair 33.2, Mary Ellen McKowen 9.55, Mary Lou Craig 9.55, Richard Craig 22.9 and non-member Don Hammack 7.75). If we add Tom and Gerlinde Mardirosian who have been attending IPC, that's another 79 hours of service. So IPC related folks donated over 38% of the kitchen hours and more hours if you count the food purchasing and board meetings and fund raising..

5,258 bags of provisions distributed

Over 7,091 volunteer hours donated.

# **JANUARY 2015**

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Virginia Stull went to be with her Lord at the end of December. Please pray for her family as they grieve their loss.

### **Congregation Happenings**

### **Highlights for January**

1st - New Year's Day - Church Office Closed

2nd - Evangelism Committee (?)

8th - Worship Committee

8th - Mission Team

8th - Special Session Meeting

10th - Annual Report Due

13th - TCFBP Steering Committee

18th - CE Committee

19th - Martin Luther King - Church Office Closed

20th - Deacons Meeting

20th - IPC Ladies Luncheon

22nd - Session Meeting

### **FEBRUARY**

10th - Presbytery Meeting @ Sojourner Truth

15th - Annual Congregational Meeting

16th - President Day - Church Office Closed

Mondays: Women's Bible Study - Women's Bible

Study at IPC in McKowen Room

Home Bible Study - 2nd & 4th Monday

at Mary Ellen McKowen's Home

Wednesdays: Band Practice

Fridays: Band Practice

**Sundays:** Journey Into Faith

### **Bible Studies**

**Women's Bible Study** - Women meet weekly in the McKowen Room. In September they will continue their study in "Jesus in The Psalms". If you would like to join, please check with Carol Lynn to see about a study book.

**Home Bible Study** - 2nd & 4th Monday Bible Classes at Mary Ellen's house. Contact Mary Ellen McKowen for additional details.

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ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

Please note: <u>January 25th</u> is the deadline for the February issue.

All articles are to be emailed to nicholsb@earthlink.net **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. Pictures are always welcome.

### Your timely submissions are appreciated!

Do you have a computer?

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

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