

LAST SUNDAY

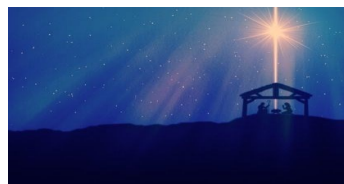
Average Morning Attendance	236
Average Evening Attendance	95
Average Giving	\$6,217
Weekly Budget	\$5,219

THIS WEEK @ A GLANCE

DEC 3/4	TUES WED	6:30 PM 10:00 AM	Ladies Bible Studies
DEC 4	WED	7:00 PM	Prayer for Family Members (@ the Church) Worship Team Rehearsal
DEC 6	FRI	6:00 AM	Men's Breakfast @ Big Apple Bagel (Waverly)
DEC 7	SAT	6:30 AM 9:30 AM	Men's Theology Training Christmas Program Rehearsal

UPCOMING EVENTS

DEC 12	Women in Touch Prayer
DEC 14	Caroling & Chili Supper
DEC 22	No SS or PM Service
DEC 22-27	Church Office Closed
DEC 29	Secret Agent Sunday
DEC 29	Benevolence Offering
DEC 29	No SS or PM Service
JAN 9	Finger Food Fellowship Ladies Only Event



Join us for
"A Savior's Birth"
 A Celebration of
 Christmas
 and the Gospel
Sunday, Dec. 8
@ 6:00 PM

MISSIONARY of the MONTH: Dennis & Jan Horn

Dennis and Jan Horn were approved as Baptist Bible Fellowship missionaries to Bolivia in Sept 1985. Dennis is a 1984 graduate of the missions course of Pacific Coast Baptist Bible College in California, and Jan is a 1985 graduate of the missions course of PCBBC. They served their internship at Faith Baptist Church in Riverside, California, where Dennis was ordained. They have one daughter and one son. Their daughter Ruth had cerebral palsy and passed away at the age of 19.

ORDER OF WORSHIP

- ◇ Announcements Pastor Timothy Durey
- ◇ Baptism/New Member Celebration Chandra Budd
- ◇ Song of Praise* *Joyful, Joyful We Adore Thee*
- ◇ Song of Worship *We Have a Savior*
- ◇ Prayer of Corporate Confession & Lament Pastor David Pollard
- ◇ Song of Confession *Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silent*
- ◇ Song of Anticipation *Prepare Him Room*
- ◇ Worship in Giving & Song Worship Team
- ◇ Children's Time Jeff Lindell
- ◇ Message **John 12:44-50**
- ◇ Communion -Whether or not you are a member of Ventura, it is our desire to celebrate communion with any Christian who is looking to Jesus for forgiveness and for grace to follow Him.
- ◇ Song of Response *What Child is This*
- ◇ Benediction Romans 15:5-6

**If you need assistance reading the lyrics for the songs, there are printed copies located under the TV in the Gathering Center.*

THE GOSPEL: The good news of God's love provided through the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus; granting forgiveness for sin and eternal life to all who trust in Him for salvation.

EVENING SERVICE

There is no evening service tonight.



MISSIONARY GIVING TREE

Today through Dec 15, the missions committee will have a tree set up in the Gathering Center by the Missions Board, with gift tags that have the name of a missionary and a specific gift written on it. To give a gift to missionaries for Christmas, select a tag and place the tag along with the gift in an envelope and put it in the offering plate. Multiple gifts can be included in a single envelope and on a single check. Please just be sure to include all the tags for the gifts. Any gifts marked for "missions" with no tags will be divided among all our missionaries. As always, checks should be made out to Ventura Baptist Church.



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WELCOME TO VENTURA

Thanks for being here today! We welcome you to Ventura Baptist Church and pray that God would draw you closer to Himself through your time with us.

Our Mission is to **Pursue Jesus Together**.
 "Christ died, and He died for all, so that those who live would no longer live for themselves, but for Him Who for their sake died and was raised" (2 Cor. 5:15).
 Believing in this truth compels us to live in three simple ways:



Exalting God



Edifying His Church



Evangelizing the World

FIND COMMUNITY

Pursue growth, accountability and unity with other individuals or families through prayer and fellowship in a **Midweek Fellowship Group**. For more information contact Pastor Timothy at durey.vbc@gmail.com.

I AM INTERESTED IN A MWF GROUP

BECOME A MEMBER

Discovering Ventura classes meet several times a year to share Ventura's history and vision, core beliefs, and the meaning of membership. For more information contact Pastor Timothy at durey.vbc@gmail.com.

I AM INTERESTED IN DISCOVERING VENTURA

SERVE

We steward the grace we have received from God by using our gifts to serve. For more info email mail@venturabaptistchurch.com

I AM INTERESTED IN SERVING

List any areas of interest or skills:

CONNECT WITH US

We encourage you to fill out a **Connection Card** below so we can know how to serve you better and help you get plugged in. You can tear off this card and drop it in the offering plate or hand it to any one of our greeters.

I AM A...

1st TIME GUEST REGULAR ATTENDEE

MEMBER OUT OF TOWN GUEST

PRIMARY CONTACT INFO

NAME _____

EMAIL _____

MOBILE # _____

MAILING ADDRESS _____

CITY, ST _____ ZIP _____

DOB / / GENDER M F

MARITAL STATUS _____

SPOUSE

NAME _____ DOB / /

EMAIL _____

MOBILE # _____

CHILDREN

DOB / /

PRAYER REQUESTS/COMMENTS/QUESTIONS

PRIVATE PRAYER CHAIN

DISCIPLESHIP & FELLOWSHIP

WOMEN'S DISCIPLESHIP

WOMEN IN TOUCH PRAYER GATHERING: This is a precious time to pray with sisters in Christ - praising God for Who He is, confessing our need for Him, thanking Him for His work on our behalf, and interceding for our families. Our next **WIT** prayer gathering will meet on **Thurs, Dec 12 at 7:15 pm** at Heidi Covey's house (16958 Durwood Street). We look forward to praying with you!

FINGER FOOD FELLOWSHIP—LADIES ONLY EDITION: Ladies, mark your calendars for **Thurs, Jan 9 at 6:30 pm** for fun night of fellowship here at the church. More information to come!

MEN'S DISCIPLESHIP

MEN'S BREAKFAST: Every **Friday at 6 am**, men are invited to meet together at Big Apple Bagel on Waverly to discuss what God is teaching them and to encourage each other in every area of their lives. All men are welcome! For more info please contact Ben Jacques.

MEN'S TRAINING GROUNDS: We currently have three classes being offered for men on Saturday mornings: **Bible Study & Community** (Jeff Lindell), **Church History & Systematic Theology** (Mike Davito), and **Biblical Theology** (Pastor Timothy—for members only). If you would like more information on these classes, please contact the group leader or call/email the church office.

ADULT DISCIPLESHIP

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES: Adult SS classes will be combined on **Dec 8** and **Dec 15**. New classes will begin on January 5, 2020.

DISCOVERING VENTURA CLASS: Beginning **Sun., Jan 12**, Pastor Timothy will again be offering the "Discovering Ventura" class at 9:30am during the Sunday School hour. If you are new to Ventura and are interested in joining our church family or if you would just like to know more about our church and how God has worked in it's history, please let Pastor Timothy know that you would like to attend or fill out the "Connect With Us" card and drop it in the offering plate.

MIDWEEK FELLOWSHIP GROUPS: Prayer groups gather in various homes during the week (on **Wednesday** except for the first of the month) for prayer and fellowship. Our desire is to encourage an atmosphere of accountability, spiritual growth, exhortation, and unity among one another. This is a wonderful way to connect with a smaller group within our church family. For more information or to join a group, please contact Pastor Timothy (durey.vbc@gmail.com) or one of the group leaders.

CHURCH FAMILY

PIANIST—HUNTLEY BROWN: We are thrilled to announce that on **Sun, Jan 19** during our morning worship service, we will host pianist Huntley Brown. He will both play piano and bring a message. Brown grew up in a Christian home on the island of Jamaica. His parents taught him what it means to be a Christian, and at an early age he accepted Christ. Without knowing how to read music, he learned to play the piano by imitating his brothers. He had some informal instruction, but mostly, he learned by listening to different recordings. Eventually, Brown attended college and received a bachelor's degree in piano performance and later earned a master's degree in piano performance and pedagogy. **We will be taking a special offering for him that morning as a thank you for his time and service.**

Due to our limited space and Brown's popularity, we will not be advertising outside of our church family.



Jesus Came to Save

John 12:44-50

