

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



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Today's Message: “Persisting in Prayer”

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MORNING SERVICE

- ◇ **Announcements & Call to Worship** Pastor Timothy Durey
- ◇ **Baptism (11:15 service)** Claire Hedberg
- ◇ **Song of Worship** *Before the Throne of God Above*
- ◇ **Prayer of Corporate Confession and Lament**
- ◇ **Song of Assurance** *All the Way My Savior Leads Me*
- ◇ **Song of Anticipation** *Christ Our Hope in Life and Death*
- ◇ **Parent/Baby Dedication (11:15)** Carolyn Hedberg (David & Bethany)
- ◇ **Sermon ~ Luke 18:1-8** Pastor Timothy Durey
- ◇ **Prayer of Response** Congregation
- ◇ **Benediction** 2 Peter 1:2-3

GIVING

If you have an offering, you can place your offering in one of the offering plates that is located in the Gathering Center and the Main Auditorium.

Average Giving	\$7,378	Weekly Budget	\$6,597
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EVENTS & INFORMATION

NEW MEMBER CELEBRATION: On **Sun, Jan 31**, we look forward to welcoming **Colby & Michelle Bardin** as members of our church family during the 11:30 service. We praise God for His faithful shepherding of His flock here at Ventura!

MEMBERS' MEETING: Please mark your calendars for **Sun, Jan 31 at 5:00 pm** for our next Members' meeting.

PARENT MEETING: Parents of students 8th-12th grade, please make plans to attend a brief Q&A regarding the upcoming Wayumi trip (June 13-18) following the Members' Meeting on **Jan. 31**.

CHILD CARE NEED: We are in need of one adult female to supervise child care for children ages 4-10 (approximately 8-10 children) during our Wednesday morning women's discipleship group (10—11:30 am) **starting Feb. 3**. This is a paid (\$20) position. Please contact Amy Buhl if you are interested.

CHILDREN'S DISCIPLESHIP GROUPS: Beginning **Sun evening, Feb 7** (5:00-6:30) we look forward to resuming our Children's Sunday School time. Nursery will be offered during this time for ages 0-2. Sunday school classes will be offered for the following groups: Ages 3-Kindergarten, 1st-3rd grade, 4th-5th grade, SQUAD (grades 6-8), and SOWERS (grade 9-12).

CHOIR MINISTRY: We are making plans to begin a modified choir ministry again starting in **March**. Rehearsals will be the first Saturday of the month from 9-11 am. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Mary Price (maryprice@gmail.com).



Oh, the depth of the riches and wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are his judgments and how inscrutable his ways! For who has known the mind of the Lord, or who has been his counselor? Or who has given a gift to him that he might be repaid? For from him and through him and to him are all things. To him be glory forever. Amen. Romans 11:33-36

MISSIONARY OF THE MONTH



Bryan & Heather Mac-Phail Fausey—Cameroon

Bryan has shared several requests for their ministry:

- Pray for the continued development and funding for the *L'Imprimerie Sola Scriptura* printing project we are working toward in cooperation with Bethlehem College and Seminary, Yaoundé Extension Site and Training Leaders International. There is a great need for doctrinally solid resources here in Cameroon and this will help us to meet these needs.
- Pray for me as I begin preparing some course work to teach some one week modular courses at a seminary a couple hours south of Yaoundé (probably in February and April).