

CrossTalk

“Year’s end is neither an end nor a beginning but a going on, with all the wisdom that experience can instill in us.”
 Hal Borland

A Monthly Newsletter **January 2009**

As we enter 2009 it's not a stretch to say we are living during a crucial time in the history of the world. We see it. We hear it. We feel it. For many of us this past year has confirmed what we've sensed for some time now. The future is more uncertain than its ever been before. Of course many of us are experiencing this financially. As the so called "American Dream" seems to be slipping away, we wonder what security will look like for us in the years to come. But its not just the economy. The geo-political forces in our world are changing. We're getting a new president. A new government. The power structures of the world are being reshaped for better or worse. What will this mean for us? It's a question on many of our minds. As Christians we often talk about putting our trust in God. What do we mean by those kind of statements anyway? This month we'll be exploring together at CrossWalk what it means to live faithfully in times of uncertainty. As we embark on this journey together may we think about the words of Jesus more deeply: Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid. -John 14:27
 ~ Jeff Gang

CrossWalk's Anniversary Party



1:00 pm
 November 1, 2008 we celebrated our 5 year anniversary at CrossWalk. It was a day packed full of friends, family, food, and love.

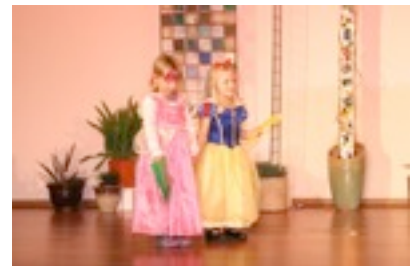


4:15 pm
 Pastor Genevieve, Jeff, Michael, and Wade each took part in the baptisms.

2:00 pm
 The day started with a wonderful church service followed by a tasteful lunch provided by CrossWalk. We went all out and had Cuca's Mexican Food in Redlands Cater.



6:30 pm
 After everyone dried off and rested for a bit, we gathered back at CrossWalk for a kids costume show and games for all ages.



3:00 pm
 Everyone met in the back parking lot of the church under the big tents. We sat together and shared many stories of CrossWalk and each other.

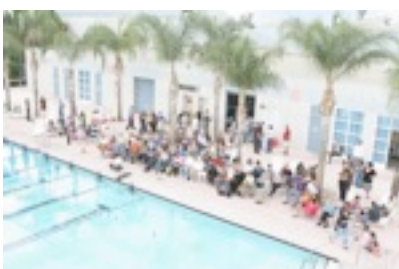


7:00 pm
 Each child dressed up and walked the stage to show off their costume then went around to each table to collect candy. The children went back to the "Big Room" to play musical chairs and other games.

3:30 pm
 After lunch we were blessed to have 11 CrossWalker's dedicate their lives to God as they were baptized at the Drayson Center.



7:30 pm
 The adults stayed in the Sanctuary to play a few games including "Date my church." This was a game designed to help members get to know other people from our church.



4:00 pm
 Many friends and family members joined together to see the baptism happen.



8:30 pm
 We want to thank everyone who helped make this day possible. There were so many things going on that we could not have done it with out your help.
 -Contributed by Christianne Duarte

Calendar Highlights

Social Activities

3 January	Blue Jean Sabbath	1:00 pm
10 January	Talents Talk	4:00 pm
18 January	Hollywood Social	all day

Praise & Worship Services

30 January	Friday Night Praise	7:30 pm
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Leadership Meetings

Staff Meeting:	Every Tuesday	9:15 am
Vine Teachers Meeting:		7:00 pm
7 January		
Leadership Meeting:		7:00 pm
28 January		

Saturday Worship is held at 9:00 am and 11:30 am. — The Vine classes start at 10:20 am and go to 11:20 am.

Talents Talk



On January 10, at 4:00 pm, artist Hyatt Moore will return to CrossWalk to present his talk "The Talents." Moore's presentation is about finding the courage to use your God given gifts. The artist didn't begin to paint full time until he was 52 years old. He will share principles for using your gifts regardless of your age or talents.

As Moore sees it, we've all been created in the image of God. He tries to capture this in all of his paintings. Much of this has been inspired by the many years Hyatt and his wife Anne spent working around the world as missionaries for the Wycliff Bible Society.

Moore states, "We've used art, because, well, He (God) did. And to emulate Him in this, however paltry by comparison, is another evidence that we are all created in His image."

Moore uses a variety of artistic media, including oils, acrylics, and pastels, on such surfaces as canvas, wood, and even sandpaper. Some of Moore's paintings come from memory, but many are pictures and slides that have touched Moore and inspired him to re-create these images to share with the world.

Moore said one purpose for painting is to enable everyone to "look deeper inside others and see God in them. Seeing God in all people shows that everyone is important and worth knowing."

Moore's paintings prove extremely effective in showing others about the Wycliff ministry and the success that it has in reaching ethnic groups around the world.

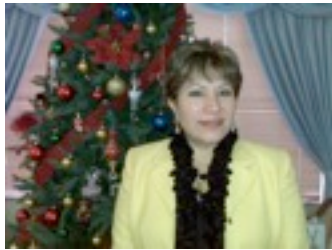
In earlier years, southern California native Moore, worked as the graphic designer for the magazine "Surfer." This skill was later applied to his ministry and his writing. As an accomplished writer, Moore has written, edited and designed five books.

To see more of Hyatt Moore's work, visit:

<http://hyattmoore.com/main.html>.

- contributed by Jeff Gang

Getting To Know You



What is your name and occupation?

Rosa M. Ramirez-Mena, but I like to be called "Rosie". My occupation is a Real Estate Agent. I love my profession especially when I help families to acquire their first home.

How long have you been a part of Crosswalk?

I have been attending CrossWalk since approximately 2002. I feel like I was born within CW having the opportunity of being involved with the fasting ministry gave me the opportunity to serve God and invite people to experience the power of God through faith.

List three words to describe yourself.

I am energetic, exciting and adventurous.

Explain how participating in a Blue Jean Sabbath has affected the way you see things.

It's very inspirational to see a community from different parts of the world. Unified and working together to serve.

In being a parent, how important is coming to church as a family?

Seeing my 13 year old daughter participate and be happy to attend church every single Saturday. It's a testimony that CW has a very special ministry for young people.

How have you learned to love well?

Being part of a mission where Jesus is the center motivates me to invite people to join us to praise the Lord of love, the Lord of compassion and the Lord of salvation. It's my privilege to serve the Godhead in a church where we are sharing the gospel and learning to love well.

- contributed by Jamie Perchez

Community Events



Colma Clarity Concert

On two different dates:

January 16, 2009

East Hills Community Church
20660 Orange Terrace Pkwy
Riverside, 92508

January 27, 2009

Invisible Children "Raise Awareness Show"
Tuesday Tunes - La Sierra Univeristy
4500 Riverwalk Pky
Riverside, 92503
Admission is FREE!

Phil Wickham Concert

Calvary Chapel in Redlands

February 14, 2009

Thomas & Friends

February 3 @ 7:00pm

February 4 @ 11am and 7pm

Visit Thomas in A Circus come to Town at the citizens business bank arena in Ontario. Purchase tickets at ticketmaster.com

Playhouse Disney Live

January 18 @ 12pm and 3pm

Come visit all of your Disney pals live at Mickey's music party at the Citizens Business Bank Arena in Ontario. Purchase tickets at ticketmater.com.

Beauty and the Beast

January 10 to February 15

Saturday's only at 7:30pm

Join the Lifehouse Theater in Highland for a magical play.

Gaslight Play / \$14

Jan. 15,16,17,23,24,30,31@8pm

Jan.18,25,Feb.1@ 2pm

Footlighters Theatre, Redlands

This classic Victorian thriller, Gaslight, by Patrick Hamilton, begins in the peaceful sitting room in the Manningsham's home on Angel Street. The calm is broken as we learn that the handsome Mr. Manningham is slowly torturing his wife Bella under the guise of kindness. An unexpected caller, Inspector Rough from Scotland Yard restores Mrs. Manningham's confidence as they build up evidence against Mr. Manningham.

- contributed by Jamie Perchez

Day out in Hollywood



CrossWalk's next social is going to be an L.A. Day Trip. We will be visiting Hollywood, Beverly Hills, and Santa Monica!

This is a light hearted activity to bring your non-church going friends to; a fun and inexpensive day for the family to spend together or just a reason to get out of the house and see some of the cool things SoCal has to offer and met new people.

Meet at CrossWalk on Sunday, January 18 at 8:45 am. Wear comfy shoes, layers of clothes and don't forget your camera. Please sign up in the foyer so we know who is willing to drive and carpool or needs a ride so everyone can be connected. Each car will receive a packet of information on how the day will go with easy directions and recommended parking places. If you have questions please contact Michelle Johnson at 909-534-7434.

Itinerary

8:45 am Meet at CrossWalk Church to receive packet, organize carpools and pray for the trip.

9:15 am Leave CrossWalk and head to Kodak Theatre.

10:30 am Optional: Meet Michelle at Starbucks in Kodak Theatre for guided Tour

12:00 pm Leave Hollywood for Beverly Hills

12:30 pm Arrive at Beverly Hills

12:45 pm Optional: Meet Michelle at Via Rodeo for guided tour

2:00 pm Leave Beverly Hills for Santa Monica

2:30 pm Optional: Meet Michelle at the corner of Colorado and Third St. for guided tour of the pier and 3rd Street.

6:00 pm Optional: Meet at the end of the pier to close the trip with prayer as a group.

6:30 pm Free to stay and play or head back home.

- contributed by Christianne Duarte