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SUPERINTENDENT

REV. BRET ALLEN

It was the third conversation I had in a week that held the same theme, *“I am so grateful for Ben Brown and his ministry at my church.”* In the same period of time, I was asked *“Do you know anybody who can help our church with worship? We have no worship leader.”* The area of well-trained and effective worship leaders has always been and probably always will be a need in the life of our district. What a joy to know that assistance of a practical and appreciated nature is being made available to the worship leaders, worship teams, and worship ministries of our district.

Rev. Ben Brown leads a ministry called *“People of His Presence.”* This ministry is backdropped with years of ministry experience as a worship leader at the local church level, as well as leading worship at District level events. I have been blessed in my relationship personally and professionally with Ben Brown. Ben leads worship with expertise combined with great sensitivity to the Holy Spirit. It is my privilege to introduce him and his ministry to you in this article.

Here is some valuable information for you to know about this **District Evangelist & Ministry:**



People of His Presence Ministries

OUR MISSION Worship renewal in the local church... accomplished through Spirit-driven worship leading, relevant preaching/teaching, and dynamic altar ministry Worship re-sourcing for the local church... accomplished through half-day or full-day workshops, one-on-one mentoring/support, and larger regional training opportunities.

OUR VISION To foster powerful worship experiences in the local church through presence-driven ministry, practical training, and purposeful networking...

Presence-Driven Ministry:

Ben and Jill live with the conviction that strong worship ministry is a key to all God wants to do in this hour. When time is fostered in God’s presence, things change, heaven invades earth, and lives are transformed. Through People of His Presence Ministries, Ben

and Jill are contending for a stronger sense of His presence, greater breakthrough in corporate worship times, and the people of God rising up in their role as worshipers. This is accomplished through Sunday morning worship leading, preaching/teaching on worship concepts, and extended times of worship and prayer.

Practical Training:

Ben and Jill are available to train and resource worship ministries in churches of all sizes, whether it be through leadership workshops, team training, or 1:1 coaching. They bring a great deal of knowledge in areas such as: Working with a Band; Exhorting and Leading with Authority; Building a Set List; Working with Tracks; Pastoring and Administrating a Worship Ministry; Preference vs Bridge-Building; Lyric Presentation Software; Media Directing; Audio Basics.

Purposeful Networking:

Ben and Jill have a heart to see worship leaders and their teams find connection through prayer, encouragement, and coaching. Whether it's meeting 1:1 for coffee or a small group hang out, Ben and Jill would love to connect with you! Launching in 2025, People of His Presence Ministries will host Regional Worship Drive-ins across the Northern California & Nevada Assemblies of God District. These will be one-day gatherings for worship leaders and their teams, as well as media directors and their teams, within driving distance of each attendee.

In addition, Ben has written a book titled “People of His Presence”. Ben’s book provides a comprehensive yet straightforward approach to praise and worship for the local church.

Readers will:

- Gain a biblical understanding of praise and worship
- Learn how to approach the presence of God
- Discover the benefits of a fruit-filled worshipping life
- Foster spirit and truth God encounters
- Realize the power of praise
- Develop depth and character in worship

We are fortunate to have a ministry such as “People of His Presence” available within the life and ministry of our District. I would encourage you to not only read Ben’s book and engage him as a trainer for you worship ministry, but also add Ben to your churches monthly support. This ministry is meeting a need that has always and will always exist in the life of our churches.

Thank you, Ben and Jill, for all you are doing to minister to the worship leaders and worship teams of our district. You have been and continue to be a great blessing to Northern California and Nevada.

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Instagram: @people_of_his_presence



Ben, Jill, Ashlyn & Lydia Brown

U.S. Missionary Associates: Worship Renewal & Worship Resourcing



People of His
Presence

**Fostering Worship Renewal in the Local Church
through Presence-Driven Ministry, Practical
Training & Purposeful Networking**



ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT DR. SAMUEL HUDDLESTON



What a gift to fellowship with Pastor Tim and Maria Crandall, Pastor Esteban and Lori Talavera, and Rev. Edgar and Rosa Ogarrio.



Linda was blessed to share at the Galentines Coast Counties Sisterhood and I was blessed to share at Las Lomas Community Church.



Our General Superintendent, Doug Clay, with our Chi Alpha Leaders in Springfield.



Linda and I loved being at the dedication of the new Convoy of Hope global headquarters in Springfield with Pastor John Withers and Rev. Ryan Allen.



I enjoyed visiting Pastor Ed Melton at Christian Life AG in Gridley, CA.



Celebrating the legacy of Scott & Betsy Peterson at The Hill, Vallejo.

Teen Challenge



I, Rick Souza, have been the Executive Director for Faith Home Adult Teen Challenge for 7 years. In my research, one enterprise I thought would be possible is raising bees for pollination and honey. I researched, but the timing to begin the business wasn't right. In 2022, however, it was evident the timing was right. I began online classes to be trained and certified, researched, and became knowledgeable about bees. A neighbor of the Ranch, Christine Gemperle, had years of experience and blessed us with thousands of dollars of equipment and practical direction and advice. I asked three staff members about becoming trained to work with bees, and they are taking the same classes. We joined two local bee clubs called Delta Bee Club and Big Valley Bee Club. I also, enrolled at UC Davis to become a certified Master Beekeeper. At the Ranch, there are acres of seed for wild flowers, mustard and perennial clover as a local feeding source for our bees. Our long-term plan is to grow our operation and eventually have enough honey to offer to supporters for a suggested donation for our Teen Challenge. It will likely take five years to grow to that level. I am excited to see the vision placed on my heart more than six years ago come to fruition.

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ITINERATING U.S. MISSIONARIES
Shane and Marty Couch





SECRETARY-TREASURER

DR. JAY HERNDON

Many are called. Few are chosen.

Most of us have tried to wrap our minds around this statement of Jesus. I've spent much time trying to theologically differentiate the meanings of "calling" and "chosen" and match them with different divine actions in the salvation process, to reconcile Election, Pre-destination, and Free-will. It's hard to do because, frankly, the words come from the same root and are near synonyms! Whatever distinction there might be is super fine and hard to substantiate. We wonder why Jesus would build such an important doctrine on such a slim and subjective distinction.

However, it recently occurred to me that the passage is far simpler than we supposed—He wasn't talking about salvation, but about "Kingdom Living." The two actions are not qualitatively different, they are different only in sequence: **God gives us an opportunity (the calling), and if we do well, He rewards us with another opportunity (the choosing). And the cycle repeats.** He precedes this point with a story of a king who invites everyone in town to a wedding. Some refused to attend, and one showed up poorly dressed. These did not benefit from the invitation. They were called, but not chosen.

The ones who did attend (appropriately dressed) were treated to a royal wedding! It's a good thing they had a wedding garment in the closet! They got to experience the red carpet and to dine on the magnificent spread. They had an opportunity to listen to the royal orchestra and watch elegant ladies in extravagant gowns dancing with handsome noblemen in sartorial attire. They had the chance to talk with the people they would never meet otherwise, to make new business contacts, perhaps even to talk to the King himself. **This was not only the highlight of their social life, but it was an opportunity to change their life.**

They were called AND chosen. But only because they were ready. Only because they took advantage of the opportunity. It wasn't hard, they merely had to scrub up, dress up, and show up. That's all. But the guy who wasn't ready? It passed him by.

I think ministry is like that—we must prepare ourselves (now) for invitations and opportunities that we cannot even imagine. If we wait until the invitation comes, we will not have time to prepare, and the opportunity will soon pass.

I'm amazed at how many times this occurs: a talented young minister is offered a position, but it is contingent on them having credentials, and they haven't yet applied. A staff pastor is asked to submit a resume for a lead position, but the resume isn't prepared. Another inquiries about leading something new, but it requires education that they don't have. They are called, but not chosen.

I want to encourage you not to let this happen to you! Get your training, get your credentials, and get ready for the opportunity that God provides! (And, if you have someone else in your life that needs to hear this, please remind them!)

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A SEAT
FOR YOU**



START THE PROCESS TODAY



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VITAL INFORMATION

DISTRICT MINISTERS & CHURCHES



Seeking Ministerial Recognition:

Acosta, Giovanni E lic
 Acosta, Itzel lic
 Adair, James A rein ord
 Baeta, Leonard J rein lic
 Delfin, Ed R rein lic
 Gampon, Mykael rein lic
 Gampon, Tesia K rein lic
 Gatrell, Shavon R lic
 Ghansah, Isaac lic
 Green, Lawrence W rec ord
 Lambdin, Daniel G rein lic
 Leatherman, Ashley M rein ord
 Leatherman, Samuel W rein ord
 McFarland, Gary D cm
 Menjivar, Jorge A lic
 Miller, Khristian A rein ord
 Milner, James L rec ord
 Nicolet, Joshua lic
 Phillips, Trisha M rec ord
 Ramsey, Taylor A lic
 Rashid, Naseem A rein ord
 Snider, David F lic
 Tuifua, Samiuela L rein lic
 Zuiderduin, Elena A cm

New Credentials:

Bonnington, Timothy B cm
 Cheng, W.S. Josephine lic
 Cunha, Charise J lic
 Gonzalez, Jasmine R lic
 Holderread, Kevin R cm
 Manuel, W Brian lic
 McIntire, Janelle R lic
 McIntire Jr., Robert A lic
 Melton, Edward S prov cm
 Pritchard, Dana L lic
 Rodriguez, Sydney M lic
 Shrum, Makenna K lic
 Wells, Brandon T cm
 Wilks, Stephen J cm

Change in Status:

Geer, Kenneth J adv lic
 Rodriguez, Dominic J adv lic

Transferred In:

Donaldson, Jocelyn M So CA
 Espinosa, Peter P NPLAD
 Hagan, Karen D MN
 Hagan, Scott A MN
 Marple, Joel H So CA
 Richardson, Kristopher MT
 Rogers, Denver J AK
 Scoma, Anthony C N TX
 Steward, Stanley A OR

Transferred Out:

Ferrin, Daniel K TN
 Maremont, Virginia B AZ
 Ogarrio, Edgar NPLAD
 Rich, G Charles N TX
 Rorie, Jesse D ID
 Valci, Roger G Pen FL

Reinstated:

Lindvall, Randy ord

Resigned:

Lucan, Eric ord
 Richardson, Kristopher lic

Lapsed:

Azucena, Amanda M ord
 Azucena, Josue M lic
 Baker, Dale D cm
 Barrera, Steven R ord
 Batres, Gena J lic
 Batres, L Nathan lic
 Chai, Sea Faa ord
 Chin, Ronald C ord
 Da Silva Santos, Antonio ord
 Fred, T Daniel cm
 Goh, Jit Heng ord
 Hager, Cassandra R lic
 Hansen, Erik J ord
 Henderson, Michael J ord
 Hicks, Basil N lic
 Jackson, Carlos M Jr lic
 Ku, Evelyn ord
 Much, Ashley S lic
 Pedroza, Michael A lic

Schlegel, Brooke A lic
 Smith, Jonathan E ord

Not Renewed:

Dismissed:

Deceased Ministers:

Chan, Henry H: Freemont, CA
 1/31/1950 - 1/12/2024; Ord/SR

 Firzlaff, James (Jimmy) R: Las Vegas, NV
 5/21/1941 – 3/5/2024; Cert

 Freeman, Eumid: Lakeland, FL
 3/19/1933 - 1/9/2024; Ord

 Morris, Jerry D: Siloam Springs, AR
 11/5/1930 - 4/13/2022

 Oehler, William J: Modesto, CA
 4/4/1938 - 1/22/2024; Ord/SR

 Kowalski, William E: Henderson, NV
 12/22/1936 - 12/13/2023; Ord/SR

 Taito, Tottie M: Hayward, CA
 12/19/1947 – 3/2/2024; Ord

Wheeler, Eugene (Dawson) D: Turlock, CA
 12/2/1941 - 2/12/2024; Ord/SR

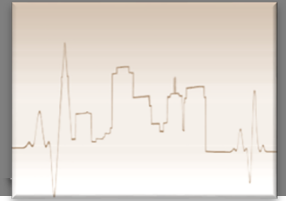
Deceased Spouses:

Mayton, Judith Ann: Raleigh, NC
 6/22/1943 – 2/25/2024

 Owen, Richard M: Chico, CA
 4/22/1938 - 2/12/2024

VITAL INFORMATION

DISTRICT MINISTERS & CHURCHES



New Pastors:

Freedom, CA:

Freedom Community Church AG
Reverend Abby J Sterling
District Council Affiliated

Fremont, CA:

Harbor Light
Reverend Timothy J Inman
General Council Affiliated

Gridley, CA:

Christian Life Assembly of God
Reverend Edward S Melton Jr
District Council Affiliated

Las Vegas, NV:

Samoan AG Christian Fellowship LV
Reverend Misionare Moananu
District Council Affiliated

Live Oak, CA:

The Father's House of Live Oak
Reverend Dwayn Speers
General Council Affiliated

Pine Grove, CA: Mt Zion Assembly of God

Reverend Brandon Heskett
General Council Affiliated

Reno, NV:

Vertical Church
Reverend Gregory W Marr
General Council Affiliated

Sacramento, CA:

Cornerstone Community Church
Reverend Matthew L Reneau
General Council Affiliated

Sacramento, CA:

Streamline Church of the Assemblies of God
Reverend Caleb D Cole
General Council Affiliated

San Francisco, CA:

AG Full Life Christian Center
Reverend Anthony Scoma
General Council Affiliated

San Rafael, CA:

Trinity Community Church
Reverend Scott R Martin
General Council Affiliated

Santa Cruz, CA:

Christian life Center
Reverend Chris Chavez
General Council Affiliated

Sparks, NV:

Crosswinds Assembly of God
Reverend Jordan E McDermid
General Council Affiliated

Valley Springs, CA:

Valley Springs A/G
Reverend Jeffrey Green
General Council Affiliated

Open Pastorate:

Covelo, CA: Covelo Assembly of God
District Council Affiliated

Salinas, CA: Sanctuary Christian Fellowship
General Council Affiliated

Resigned Pastors:

Greenville, CA: Greenville Assembly of God

Reverend Cynthia Christensen
District Council Affiliated

Hillmar, CA: Hilmar Family Church AG

Reverend Jesse McGaffee
District Council Affiliated

Church Information Changes:

King City, CA:

Full Gospel A/G
Mailing Address:
549 El Camino Real
Greenfield, CA 93927
PAC Affiliated
Parent Church: Greenfield,
First Assembly of God

Modesto, CA:

Trinity Samoan AG
Mailing & Location Address:
430 Downey Ave
Modesto, CA 95354
District Council Affiliated

Mount Shasta, CA:

The Gathering
Mailing Address:
534 Everitt Memorial Hwy
Mount Shasta, CA 96067
PAC Affiliated
Parent Church: Burney, Word of Life
Assembly

Pittsburg, CA:

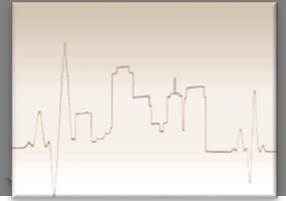
Crossroads Chr Ctr AG Contra Costa
Mailing Address:
3856 Warbler Dr
Antioch, CA 94509
General Council Affiliated

Olivehurst, CA:

Olivehurst Community Chr AG
Mailing Address:
4997 Olivehurst Ave
Olivehurst, CA 95961
District Council Affiliated

VITAL INFORMATION

DISTRICT MINISTERS & CHURCHES



Church Information Changes:

Quincy, CA:

Christian Life Fellowship
Mailing Address:
PO Box 208
Quincy, CA 95971
General Council Affiliated

Roseville, CA:

Legacy Community Church
3785 Placer Corporate Dr
Rocklin, CA 95765
General Council Affiliated

San Jose, CA:

Light of the World Christian Ctr
Mailing Address:
PO Box 611724
San Jose, CA 611724
General Council Affiliated

San Jose, CA:

Oriental Christian Center A/G
Mailing Address:
1030 S Winchester Blvd
San Jose, CA 95128
General Council Affiliated

Stockton, CA:

Stockton Anugrah Full Gospel Fellowship
Mailing Address:
2724 Carnation Way
Lodi, CA 95242
General Council Affiliated

Turlock, CA:

One Church Assyrian Fellowship
Mailing Address:
2361 Scenic Dr
Modesto, CA 95335
PAC Affiliated
Parent Church: Modesto, One Church

Woodland, CA:

Limitless Church
Location Address:
315 Walnut St
Woodland, CA 95695
General Council Affiliated

Corporate Name Change:

Modesto, CA:

Harvest Church Ceres Campus
To: Harvest Church Hatch Road Campus
Parent Affiliated
Parent Church: Turlock, Harvest Church
of Turlock, Inc

Salinas, CA:

Northside Assembly of God
To: (DBA) The Father's House of Salinas
General Council Affiliated

Stockton, CA:

Calvary First Assembly of God
To: Ruakh Stockton AG
General Council Affiliated

Change in Status:

Freedom, CA:

Freedom Community Church
Parent Affiliated to District Council Affiliated

Las Vegas, NV:

Faith, Hope and Love Fellowship
Parent Affiliated to District Council Affiliated

Tracy, CA:

Light of the World Christian Ctr AG
Parent Affiliated to General Council
Affiliated

Valley Springs, CA:

Valley Springs A/G
General Council Affiliated to District
Council Affiliated

New Churches:

Modesto, CA:

Grace River Church
1717 Sylvan Ave
Modesto, CA 95355
Reverend Tracey G Traub
Phone: (209) 402-0861
General Council Affiliated

Watsonville, CA:

Green Valley Christian Center
376 S Green Valley Rd
Watsonville, CA 95076
Mr. Dennis H Smith
Phone: (831) 728-1424
General Council Affiliated

Closed Churches:

Hilmar, CA: Hilmar Family Church AG
Loc: 19840 Dayton Ave
District Council Affiliated

Plymouth, CA: Calvary's Love
Loc: 16829 Latrobe Rd
District Council Affiliated



LEGACY HONORS



Gary Anderson for Kenneth J Geer
 Jessie Armstrong for J. R Gonzales
 Jason Bishop for Brandon T Wells
 Char Blair for Dominic J Rodriguez
 Char Blair for Sydney M Rodriguez
 Char Blair for Randy Lindvall
 Justin Blattel for Dominic J Rodriguez
 Lynn Clayton for Dominic J Rodriguez
 Lynn Clayton for Sydney M Rodriguez
 Matt Clayton for Dominic J Rodriguez
 Calyb Danna for Dominic J Rodriguez
 Dean Deguara for Jasmine R Gonzales
 Kevin Doyle for Janelle R McIntire
 Kevin Doyle for Robert A McIntire

Katrina Farwig for Janelle R McIntire
 Ron Fortenberry for Edward S Melton
 Ken Edwards for Edward S Melton
 Greg Fairrington for Makenna K Shurm
 Melanie Francis for Jasmine R Gonzales
 Jeff Green for Randy Lindvall
 John Gregg for Brandon T Wells
 Andrew Huson for Stephen J Wilks
 Geary Jimenez for Stephen J Wilks
 Brian Johnson for Kenneth J Geer
 Cathy Lehman for Sydney M Rodriguez
 Yen-Sha Lim for Josephine Cheng
 Sean Marshall for Makenna K Shrum
 Patrick McConville for S. M Rodriguez

Gary Morefield for Janelle R McIntire
 Raymond Mudaliar for W Brian Manuel
 Gideon Nair for W Brian Manuel
 Deena Reyes for Timothy B Bonnington
 Steve Reyes for Timothy B Bonnington
 Careea Richter for Janelle R McIntire
 Tiffany Saathoff for Makenna K Shurm
 Dillon Scott for Robert A McIntire
 Richard Shinn for Josephine Cheng
 Jeremy Swift for Robert A McIntire
 Rebekah Withey for Janelle R McIntire
 Steve Withey for Robert A McIntire
 Perry Wong for Josephine Cheng

Need to ADVANCE to Ordination??

PLEASE PLAN AHEAD AND ACT NOW! YOU MUST ALLOW A MINIMUM OF 5+ MONTHS FOR THE APPLICATION PROCESS. Due to the time involved in processing individual applications, the following timeline is strongly encouraged. Please plan accordingly.

- June 16th Last day to request official application
- July 23rd Last day to receive official application at DRC
- Sept 22nd Last day to receive Final Exam at DRC
- Oct 13th Last day to receive references; file MUST be COMPLETE
- Nov 29th Last week For Credential Interview (As per Sectional Presbyter's schedule)

FINAL DEADLINE IS DECEMBER 2ND. This means fully COMPLETED ordination application files must be returned to the Credentials Office by this deadline, which includes your formal credential interview with the Sectional Leadership Committee.



ELIGIBILITY

- An eligible applicant must be:
- A high school senior, recent graduate, or current college student under the age of 30.
- A regular and active participant in an Assemblies of God congregation or Chi Alpha located in the NCN district.
- Student must be pursuing undergraduate education at a regionally accredited or ABHE accredited college that is also legally affiliated with the Assemblies of God.
- Student should be pursuing one of the following majors:
 - Pastoral Ministry, Education / Teaching, Music , Missions
- Student should have at least a 3.0 GPA in their previous 2 semesters.
- Special consideration will be given to students who are children of NCN credential holders.

Legacy Scholarship

Application Includes:

- Student's contact information
- Student's academic matriculation to date.
- GPA for previous two semesters
- Student video and essay describing their involvement in A/G church or Chi-Alpha. Maximum of 300 words describing why they are enrolling in their particular program, what their academic goal is, and how this will help them fulfill what they perceive to be God's call on their life.
- Two References: one Assemblies of God minister and one educator.

Applications available online at agncn.org under Resources.

For additional information please email: credentials@agncn.org



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

REV. DEBBIE HEDEN

Coming Up!



WM Brunch 2024:

WM Day

Celebrating God's Faithfulness- *Psalms 89:1* I will sing of the Lord's great love forever; with my mouth I will make your faithfulness known through all generations.

Date: Monday April 22, 2024

Time: 10am-12pm

Location: Destiny Church/Atrium

6900 Destiny Dr.

Rocklin, CA 95677

Brunch: \$20.00

Guests: NCN World and US Missionaries

Come enjoy a great brunch followed by a time of worship, a fun connection time, and prayer over our NCN Missionaries. Let's celebrate together all that God has done through the NCN Women for missions.

APRIL 1, 2024 - APRIL 1, 2025

PROJECT SISTERHOOD EQUIP THE CALLED



Solomon & Lori Wang
Asian Pacific
Theological Seminary



Kim & Laurel Harvey
Rural Ministries
Community Chaplaincy
Training



Stephen & Glenda Evans
Zimbabwe Rural
Bible School



A Taste of Home Abroad
Support for Assemblies of God world
missionaries with household supplies
and emergencies

Our new Project Sisterhood 2024-2025 goal is \$140,000. The deadline for giving is April 1st, 2025. You can find more information and promotional materials on our website.

Sweet Life 2024 Recap

What an amazing time we had with the ladies of NCN on March 8th and 9th at our Faith Unseen Sweet Life conference. Thank you to Bethel Church of San Jose for hosting our conference this year, as well as the great number of volunteers who made this event possible.





MEN'S MINISTRIES

DR. SAMUEL M. HUDDLESTON



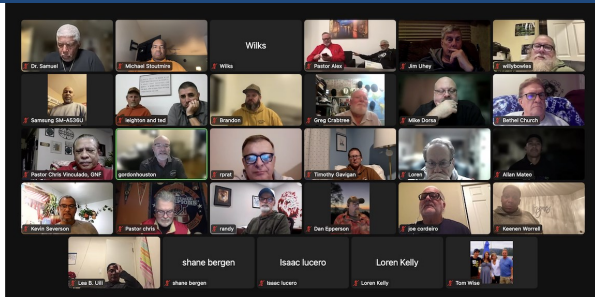
Men's Ministry Connections



I was humbled to be one of the speakers at the Tennessee Ministry Network Men's Conference. **L to R:** Exec Secretary Nicholas Serban III, Superintendent Terry Bailey and Assistant Superintendent Randel McCarty.



I enjoyed speaking to the men of the Cornerman Men's Ministry at HighRidge Church, Rocklin.



What a great evening at our first Men's Regional Zoom of the year with Rev. Gordon Houston.

Upcoming Men's Events

Let's Do This...
TOGETHER 2024

MAY 17-18
DESTINY CHRISTIAN CHURCH
ROCKLIN
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SUPERINTENDANT BRET ALLEN
REVEREND JUSTIN BLATTEL
CHAPLAIN EARL SMITH OF THE 49ERS & WARRIORS
DR. ALLEN TENNISON
DR. SAM HUDDLESTON CONFERENCE HOST

4TH ANNUAL *Light* FOR THE LOST **NCN MENS** MINISTRIES

GOLF TOURNAMENT

FRIDAY MAY 17 2024

8:30 AM SHOTGUN START

LINCOLN HILLS LINCOLN, CA

REGISTER AT AGNCN.ORG

INCLUDES: BBQ LUNCH, 18 HOLES W/CART, RANGE BALLS, \$30K CAR FOR HOLE IN ONE, PRIZES....

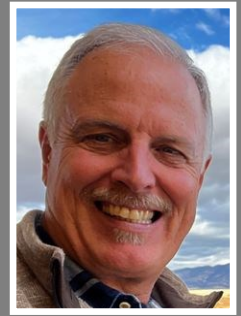
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LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT PASTORAL CARE & CHURCH PLANTING

REV. CAL SWENSON



*Hyatt Regency
Hotel & Spa
Monterey, CA
September 2-4, 2024*



*Speaker :
Rev. Glen Berteau*

S A V E T H E D A T E



*Lake Las Vegas Hilton
Resort & Spa
Henderson, NV
October 14-16, 2024*

Save the date for our 2024 Minister's Retreats! Make plans to join us at the Beautiful Hyatt Regency in Monterey or the beautiful Hilton Lake Las Vegas Resort & Spa! Both locations offer a variety of shops and fun dining experiences for you to enjoy, beautiful sceneries, and a peaceful atmosphere for your relaxation.

Rev. Glen Berteau will be our speaker for both retreats!

The Assemblies of God room rate at the Monterey Hyatt is \$229 per night plus tax and resort fee, and the Lake Las Vegas Hilton room rate is \$179 per night plus tax and resort fee.

Registration Opens on the first day of District Council, April 22, 2024.

agncn.org/2024-ministers-retreat

INTERCULTURAL MINISTRIES

REV. DENNIS & LYNDA CONRAD



Nor-Cal-Nev Fil-Am Fellowship Pastors and Church Leaders



Richmond Portuguese PAC



Light of the World Christian Center, Newark



Iglesia El Sinai, Grayson



Rotuman Church, Suva, Fiji

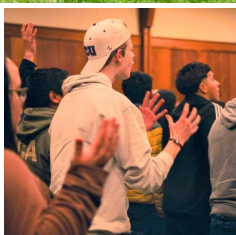
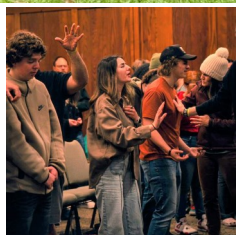
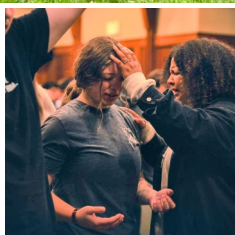
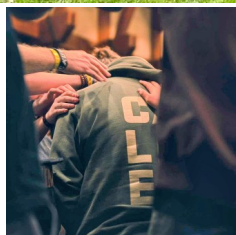
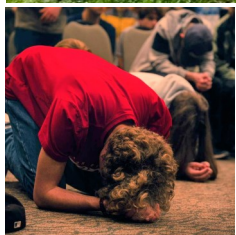


CHURCH MINISTRIES

REV. CHAR BLAIR

We're fresh off our **CALLED Camp** at Mt. Hermon where 100+ gathered to embrace our calling and equip the next generation. I'm grateful for the messages delivered by Rev. Tim Gavigan that challenged us to lean in to all that God has for us and embrace the sacrifices that come with being CALLED to ministry.

We also heard from Pastors Steve Edwards, Justin Blattel, Ben Brown, Aaron Perez, and Pat McConville. Worship leaders PJ Pate from Project Church in Sacramento and Jimmy Whitt from Refuge in Manteca led students and leaders into the throne room.



4 THINGS PRIESTS CAN DO TO HELP A GENERATION PREPARE FOR HIS PRESENCE . . . Leviticus 10

ARBITRATE:

1. Stop worshipping from the back of the room. It's a great reminder that leaders pull . . . managers push. Don't push your students toward worship, pull them toward beholding Him. When they see you actively engaged in worship from the front of the room, they will be able to follow your example in the back of the room
2. Start teaching the next generation the power of intercession. Teaching on intercession and standing in the gap gets their minds off themselves and teaches them how to pray for the needs of others.

COMMON vs. UNCOMMON

1. Stop calling your sanctuary an auditorium. I know what you're thinking . . . "Char, are you getting religious on us?" Nope, this is a practical step to reinstating the practice of teaching a generation to understand the difference between what is common and uncommon. Having a room set aside in your church for prayer and then using it for storage teaches a generation that everything is multi-use. When something is ordinary it can be offered to anyone for anything . . . it becomes yours instead of His.

HOLY vs. UNHOLY

1. Reframing: It's an altar, not a stage . . . reframing is important for a generation to understand what being set apart means. I can go back to the spot in my home church in Fort Bragg where I was filled with the Holy Spirit. This spot is a memorial to me of what He did in my life. God didn't instruct the Israelites not to mix wool and linen because He was against either of them . . . he was against their mixture. Wool and linen have opposing characteristics. Physically one absorbs while the other shrinks. Stages and altars have opposing characteristics. An altar is where one lays down their life . . . a stage is where one's life is put on display. Our verbiage displays our heart posture and is teaching a generation where to place value.



CHURCH MINISTRIES



Church Ministries

Brunch:

Join us for our annual Church Ministries Brunch on Monday, April 22nd at 10am. This year we will be at Grace Trinity Church. There are limited tickets available.

We can't wait to gather together to celebrate what God has done through BGMC and Speed The Light! And we are excited to hear from Jered Macauley, missionary to Equatorial Guinea!



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Summer Camps:

It is almost camp season and we are so excited! Inspiring services, precious altar times, crazy fun games and activities, and lots of new friends are in the forecast this summer!

Join us this summer for our Kids and Student Ministries Summer Camps! And join us in praying for transformed lives!

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- June 17-20: Kids Camp #1 // Old Oak Ranch, Sonora
- June 24-27: SM Summer Camp #2 // Old Oak Ranch, Sonora
- July 15-18: SM Summer Camp #3 // Mt. Lassen
- July 22-25: Kids Camp #2 // Mt. Lassen



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