

- ❖ **Daylight Savings** ends next Sun. Turn your clocks back one hour.
- ❖ **Sunday Evening Service** is cancelled the next two weeks and will resume November 14 at 6:00 PM.
- ❖ **Join us Wednesday at 7 PM for midweek services.** Pastor Ed leads a family-style study while Pastor Balt leads a teen class.
- ❖ **Saturday, Nov. 6, at 9 AM, Men's Prayer Breakfast.** See the sign-up sheet in the foyer. Burrito prices begin at \$7 cash.
- ❖ **Join Pastor Balt's Teen Ministry Meetings.** See Pastor Balt for details or contact him at the number below.
- ❖ **For a list of upcoming retreats at Ironwood** for couples and ladies, see the poster in the foyer.
- ❖ **If you need to reach a pastor or Selina, our office administrator,** please use one of these contact numbers:
 Pastor Scott: 714-931-6167 | Pastor Balt: 562-335-3062
 Pastor Ed: 951-285-2849 | Selina: 714-309-3201
 or you can email Info@community-Bible.com

SPECIAL MISSIONS FOCUS

Penny Harden - Missionary to the Deaf

Vallejo Bible Church (Biblical Ministries Worldwide)



Vallejo Bible Church for the Deaf is a church planting ministry. Our goal is to establish deaf churches where the deaf people become the pastor, teachers, Sunday School teachers, elders, deacons, etc. Right now, we are a work in progress. Deaf people are making decisions for the Lord and strengthening their walk with the Lord, but we do not have the spiritual maturity or the numbers yet to become

an independent deaf church. My ministry involves going to deaf events and evangelizing, discipleship to deaf women, some administrative duties of the ministry, and occasional interpreting.

Monthly Financial Report

September 2021	Actual	Budgeted
Giving	14,185	15,000
Expenses	25,937	31,681
Year-to-date		
Giving	126,799	135,000
Expenses	264,585	285,131

** A detailed accounting of all expense & additional income is available to CBC members upon request. Please see Selina for a copy.*

IFCA DEVOTIONAL

“Abide in Me”

In one of our previous homes, we had several varieties of grape vines growing in the back yard. They grew rapidly in the warm Eastern Washington summer climate. We never really harvested the grapes, but instead left them for the birds to feed on in the fall and early winter months. Those vines often reminded me of the illustration Jesus gave about the vine and branches in John 15.

“Abiding” (v. 5) means having a sense of dependency upon Jesus and the things He taught His disciples. It involves actions of our wills—to believe in, obey and practice His teachings. In John 14:15 Jesus told His disciples that if they loved Him, they would keep His commandments. They would take to heart His teachings and respond in faith and belief demonstrated through their daily lives.

This “abiding” will become evident in our motives, attitudes, speech and actions. We will become more and more like Jesus. By faith we believe in who Jesus is and what He has done for us, dying in our place to pay for our sins. When we make this decision, our new life begins and we receive His forgiveness, entering into an eternal relationship with Him. By faith we grow in our understanding of God and His will; we mature spiritually, and we “bear fruit” for God. “He who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit” (v. 5).

What a wonderful promise to know that our lives have meaning and are useful to God when we “abide” in Him. And, as Jan Markell (olivetreeministries.org) has said, “Look back and thank Him, look around and serve Him, look ahead and trust Him, always look up and expect Him...He is coming again soon...sooner than you think!”

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