

THE PULSE



PENINSULA COMMUNITY CHURCH'S MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FOR FAMILY & FRIENDS

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SUMMER DISCIPLESHIP AND MUSICAL FOR KIDS

by Pastor Bruce

Quest is a fun discipleship program for children who are ready to take the next step in their walk with God.

This summer we will focus on the story of Joseph as we discover that our real problems are not outside of us, that is, our circumstances, but inside and that God must be our treasure. We'll be excavating the landscape of our hearts, as well as learning what Joseph treasured in his heart, allowing him to respond to difficult, unfair, and challenging circumstances in God honoring ways.

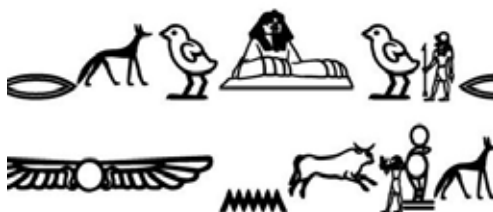
Who can attend Quest?

Quest is for students who have completed 1st up through 5th grade by June 2010. (Those finishing 6th-8th grades can participate as group helpers and can be in the musical).

Qualified Senior High Youth through Adults can help as group leaders.

When does Quest meet?

Quest meets every Thursday, 1:30-4:30 pm, July-August beginning July 8th. The week of last week of August is reserved for additional musical rehearsals during the week with the presentation of the musical Sunday, August 29 at 5:00 pm. The musical this summer...Joseph: From the Pit to the Palace!



Quest 2010

Thursdays in July and August
1:30-4:30 pm

Joseph: From the Pit to the Palace - Sunday, August 29 at 5 pm

Registration forms available at www.pccpv.org/children/quest

For more info, contact the church office.



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GENERAL FUND UPDATE

by Pastor Jeff

On Sunday, June 13 in both services chairman of the elder board, Les Sheckman, gave our church family an update regarding the status of the general fund. We want you all as the church family to be aware of the status of the general fund as well as the steps we are advising at this time.

Currently, the general fund is running approximately a \$14,000 deficit, which means that spending out of the general fund has outpaced giving. The general fund covers the cost of ministry expenses, staff salaries and benefits, facility costs related to the building, missionary support, and more. Historically, the general fund giving dips in the summer months, then builds in the fall, and finishes strong in November and December. In the past, we have had a cushion in the general fund that floats us through the drier summer months of



giving, and then the cushion replenishes in the fall and winter.

Currently we do not have that cushion, and other funds are being used to cover expenses while the general fund is short. What does that mean? First, the sky is not falling. We will not run out of money tomorrow. Furthermore, spending has been curtailed. Currently, we are spending far below what we have budgeted and are making cuts wherever possible.

The staff and elders first and foremost want to let you as a church family know where the general fund currently sits so you are aware of the current situation. We want to address the shortfall and build back up the cushion in the general fund.

One way we are addressing the situation is by asking each of you to prayerfully consider giving a gift above and beyond your normal contributions during the

summer months. For instance, if 150 individuals gave an extra gift of \$300 over the course of the summer months, we would have an extra \$45,000 that would address the immediate general fund shortage. We want to emphasize the above and beyond nature of this gift, and ask that you do not give unless you feel you can do so cheerfully and freely.

We want to thank you all for being such a generous and giving church family. Your financial sacrifices make ministry possible not only here but also around the world, allowing many people to hear the good news of Christ and learn what it means to follow him more fully.



FINANCIAL UPDATE

(AS OF MAY 31, 2009)

GENERAL FUND	ACTUAL	BUDGET	2009 ACTUAL
Income	\$359,102	\$439,755	\$384,790
Expenses	407,163	435,522	433,431
Year-to-Date Balance	-48,061		-48,641
Beginning Balance (1/1/09)	\$33,265		
Ministry Enhancement Balance	\$80,079		



BOMBO MEDICAL MISSION



Last year's medical team

Plans are well underway for a medical mission to Bombo, Uganda in August. Members of the team will be leaving the USA on various dates starting August 16. The clinic in Bombo will set up on Sunday, August 22 and be open from August 23-27. Once again Pastor Jim and Dr. Dapo

Popoola will lead the team as they work to meet medical needs of the citizens of the Luwero Valley.

Pray for the necessary funds to come in to buy medications, recruit local medical staff and cover necessary shipping and transportation needs. There is also still time for you to sign up to join the team. Just ask the church office for an application, fill it out and return it to Pastor Ken or Pastor Jim.

By the way (Pastor Jim won't like this, but that's tough!), on Saturday night, July 24, Pastor Jim will be honored by Operation Heal Africa at a dinner at

the Beverly Wilshire Hotel in Beverly Hills. All are welcome to attend and contribute to this great ministry. You can get information online about the dinner and how to register to attend at [operationhealafrica.org]. It would be fun to have some PCC folk there to witness the event.

So pray now for the mission in August, and if you'd like to contribute to the mission, just write a check to Peninsula Community Church and mark it Bombo Mission.



PRIME TIMER EVENTS

by Pastor Ken

I'm excited to announce that recently Jim & Lyn Demus and David & Claudia Gulino joined the Prime Timer leadership team. One of the things we have initiated is a Prime Timers' Newsletter. A copy of the first edition of that newsletter is included in this Pulse.

We had a wonderful trip in June to downtown Los Angeles where we had lunch at Philippe's and then took in a performance of "South Pacific" at the Ahmanson Theater. We also enjoyed a performance of the Peninsula Symphony later that month.

If you are 50 years of age or older and not ashamed to admit it, come and join us for any of these events.



UPCOMING EVENTS

- **Church Picnic-Sunday July 11 at Hesse Park**
- **Hymn Sing-Sunday, July 18 at 4:30 in the choir room**
- **Museum of Tolerance, Thursday, August 12**
- **Fall Pot Luck Lunch kickoff, Thursday, Sept. 2**
- **Huntington Library and Gardens and Dinner at the Spaghetti Factory, Thursday Oct. 7**

PRIME TIME *news*

REACHING OUT TO THOSE WORTHY SOULS 50 AND OLDER



Your Ideas

Give us your ideas about what we should call our newsletter and what kinds of information you would like it to include. We're always listening.



✕ *Something New* ✕

We're going to try a new thing (which is sometimes hard for all us old folks). The Demuses, Gulinos and I have decided to try to publish a Prime Timers' newsletter once in a while. Notice I didn't say monthly, or quarterly or anything like that. Just once in a while.



Prime Timer activities and let you know about some of the things we're thinking about for the future. Eventually it will probably contain more; maybe some contributions of stories, humor, etc. from some of you as well.

So here goes for the inaugural issue.



The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you up to date on

Upcoming Hymn Sings

Last month we had 34 folks at our hymn sing, one of the largest groups of singers ever! We might make Cleve's choir after all!

We have two more sings scheduled before the end of summer. Here are the dates:

- Sunday, July 18
- Sunday, August 22

All the hymn sings are in the choir room and last from 4:30-5:30 in

the evening. Maybe you can invite someone who hasn't been coming and then go out to dinner with them after the sing is over!





MINISTRY NEEDS

In this section of the newsletter, we intend to publish some of the ministry needs of the church in hopes that some of you will volunteer your valuable skills and gifts to help the body of Christ that is PCC.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL Teacher's helper for grades 1st through 5th

This position is a once per month involvement from 8:30-10:00 am on Sunday mornings.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL June 21-25

There are a lot of needs for VBS, from registration, teachers, games, crafts, and much more. One week investing in the lives of some children. Contact Pastor Bruce if you're willing to help.

QUEST

Thursday afternoons in July and August

Another children's ministry event. Thursday afternoons until 4 pm. Various positions are available, and it is another great opportunity to invest yourselves in the lives of children. Once again, contact Pastor Bruce if you want to help.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Thursday, June 3 POTLUCK LUNCHEON 12:30 in Fellowship Hall

Les and Janet Smith will share about their trip to Israel. This will be our last potluck luncheon until September, and we'll talk about the theme luncheons we're planning beginning in September.

Sunday, June 27 PENINSULA SYMPHONY CONCERT

**7:00 PM at Rolling Hills
Covenant Church**
no charge for admission
Group will meet at RHCC and sit together if possible

Thursday, August 12 MUSEUM OF TOLERANCE 11 am

Entrance is \$12, and transportation is \$15. We will leave PCC at 11:00 am and lunch at the museum.

Thursday, Sept 2 POTLUCK LUNCHEON 12:30 in Fellowship Hall

Our first luncheon of the fall will be a themed luncheon. More on this at our lunch on June 3.

Well, that is a busier calendar than we're used to but it all looks enjoyable.

THE PRIME TIMERS LEADERSHIP TEAM

Welcome aboard to Jim & Lyn Demus and David & Claudia Gulino who have joined the Prime Timers' leadership team. Much of the calendar of events comes from ideas they brought to us. Thanks to all four of you!



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WORDS ON WORSHIP



by Martin Allen

I've written previously of worship being wholly a response to the initiating action of God. God initiates relationship and we respond in worship to prior and/or immediate relational encounter. We do, however, have a role to play in seeking an opportunity for encounter and response. Psalm 16:8 reads, "I have set the LORD always before me. Because he is at my right hand, I will not be shaken." James 4 encourages us to "draw near to God and He will draw near to you."

So how do we set the Lord before us? I've copied an excerpt from "Pray With Your Eyes Open: Looking at God, Ourselves, and Our Prayers" by Richard Pratt below. This is a good start. I encourage you to take time to read and study the following passages.

One of the first steps toward renewing our attention to God is to address Him with variety. Variation creates new interest in God. For instance, thinking about Him as the "Exalted King," "Master of the Universe," "Giver of Life," or "Mighty Fortress" immediately stirs our hearts. Unusual ways of calling on God evoke all sorts of concepts and attitudes. They help us focus more

clearly on who God is and what He does for us. Consider...the many titles given to Jesus in the Old and New Testaments:

- "Righteous Judge" (2 Tim 4:8)*
- "Head of the Church" (cf. Eph 1:22)*
- "Firstborn of creation" (cf. Col 1:15)*
- "Firstborn among many brothers" (Rom 8:29)*
- "King of Kings" (Rev 19:16)*
- "Morning Star" (Rev 22:16)*
- "Advocate" (cf. 1 John 2:1)*
- "Word of Life" (1 John 1:1)*
- "Alpha and Omega" (cf. Rev 1:8)*
- "Chief Cornerstone" (Eph 2:20)*
- "Prince of Peace" (Isa 9:6)*
- "Lamb of God" (John 1:29)*
- "Resurrection and Life" (cf. John 11:25)*

Sadly, we seldom hear these titles of Christ used in prayer. Yet, each of them is packed full of powerful significance that draws us toward Him.

May we worship and pray in fullness. Peace.

FAREWELL TURNER FAMILY



No matter what the circumstances, it always hurts when those you care about move. It is particularly true in the case of the John and Angie Turner. The Turners, with their three kids, Georgia, Diego and Caleb, will be moving to Dayton, Ohio this July. Sunday, June 27 was their last Sunday with us here at PCC. John, as many of you know, is in the Air Force. In a few years, he will have served for 20 years in the Air Force and "retire" to pursue full-time ministry.

The Turners will be sorely missed here at PCC. They have been models of faithfulness to Christ and have embodied in many ways what it means to follow him. Angie has been actively involved in both women's and children's ministry, and John has faithfully served in a variety of ministry opportunities, most notably as our small groups coordinator and as an elder, providing spiritual care and oversight of our church body.

While parting can be difficult, we know that God will continue to work through the Turners to reach many people for Christ and help them grow in what it means to know and follow him. Keep this family in your prayers in their continual journey of seeking and following God faithfully.

TWO DIFFERENT SERVICES



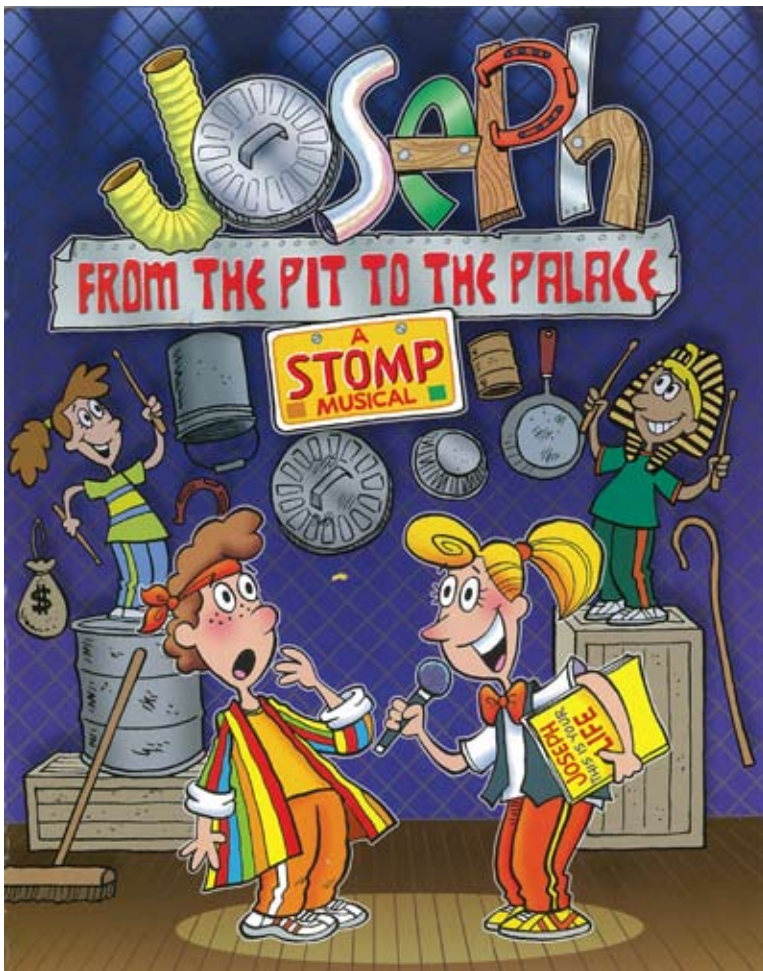
by Martin Allen

A reminder of the difference in our Sunday morning gatherings:

The 8:45 – an acoustic, “unplugged” feel that at times leans classical. More songs that have stood the test of time while also including a few new songs. You’ll hear more anthems from the choir, and we utilize the organ and orchestral instruments from time to time.

The 10:30 – an acoustic rock feel with traces of other musical genres. We turn up the volume a bit. The choir serves primarily as a worship choir supporting congregational songs. More frequent use of video. A greater number of modern songs as well as new arrangements of songs that have emerged over time as classics...where the ancient and modern meet.

Then, there are also times when the gathering styles and environments meet in the middle and are exactly the same. God loves varied and unique means by which we express our love for Him. He also loves it when we come together in unison from so many different perspectives and surrender our own preferences to the collective expression. So, feel free to participate in both!



One Night Only!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29
5 PM

You and your friends are invited to come to this fast moving and stompendous performance. Our children will be working hard this summer to be ready to put on a great show; so don't miss this dynamic musical!

High School Praxis

Every Tues night
from 7 to 8:45 pm

Friday, July 2
Family Beach Volleyball

Tuesday, July 6
A Summer That Matters

Tuesday, July 13
A Summer That Matters

Friday, July 16
Family Beach Volleyball

Tuesday, July 20
A Summer That Matters

Tuesday, July 27
A Summer That Matters

Friday, July 30
Family Beach Volleyball

August 2 - 9
Praxis Mission Trip to Seattle

Tuesday, August 3
A Summer That Matters

Tuesday, August 10
A Summer That Matters

Friday, August 13
Family Beach Volleyball

Tuesday, August 17
A Summer That Matters

August 20 - 23
Praxis EPIC Summer Retreat

Tuesday, August 24
NO PRAXIS

Friday, August 27
Family Beach Volleyball

Tuesday, August 31
NO PRAXIS

**Praxis will start back up Tuesday,
September 7.**

Jr High Refuge

Every Wed night
from 6:30 - 8:15 pm

Friday, July 2
Family Beach Volleyball

Wednesday, July 7
Case for Faith:
**If God is good, why is there so much wrong
in the world?**

Wednesday, July 14
Case for Faith:
Do science and miracles mix?

Friday, July 16
Family Beach Volleyball

Wednesday, July 21
Case for Faith:
Evolving our ideas beyond evolution

Wednesday, July 28
Case for Faith:
Is Jesus the only way?

Friday, July 30
Family Beach Volleyball

Wednesday, August 4
Case for Faith:
How can a God who loves allow hell?

Wednesday, August 11
Case for Faith:
If I doubt, do I really believe?

Friday, August 13
Family Beach Volleyball

Wednesday, August 18
Refuge End of Summer Pool Party
5:30 - 8:30 pm

@ the Keiths House (6420 Via Canada, Rancho
Palos Verdes). Wrap up an awesome summer with
all of your Refuge friends!

Wednesday, August 25
NO REFUGE

Friday, August 27
Family Beach Volleyball

**Refuge will start back up Wednesday,
September 8.**

Sunday Mornings

8:45 & 10:30 AM
 Children's Classes
 Youth Bible Classes
 Adult Bible Classes
 Nursery

8:45 & 10:30 AM
 Worship
 Children's Church
 Nursery

Come early, stay late - Coffee on the "patio" at 10:00 am

Peninsula Community Church

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the LORD, the people he chose for his inheritance." **Psalm 33:12**

JULY 2010						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27 8:45 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 10:30 AM Sunday School & Worship Service 1:30 PM Junior High Summer Camp 7:00 PM Prime Timers Field Trip - Peninsula Symphony	28 Junior High Summer Camp	29 Junior High Summer Camp 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Praxis	30 Junior High Summer Camp 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Refuge	1 Junior High Summer Camp 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 7:00 PM Choir Practice	2 Jr Hi return from Summer Camp 4:00 PM Family Beach Volleyball	3
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11  8:45 AM Sunday School & Communion Worship Service 10:30 AM Sunday School & Communion Worship Service 12:00 PM Church Picnic	12	13 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Elder Meeting 7:00 PM Praxis	14 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Refuge	15 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 1:30 PM Quest	16 4:00 PM Family Beach Volleyball	17
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| 1 Rick Klingsporn
Georgia Turner | Bob Easton
Frances Seary |
| 2 Nancy Bond
Bruce Ellison | 19 Karyl Eugene
Cynthia Klobuchar |
| 3 George Makinto
Sheila Medawar | 20 Roxanne Ellison
Matthew Sams |
| 4 Sam Dennis
John W. Turner | 21 Frances Auricchio
David Hagelberg
Amy Jamba |
| 5 Kelly Atkinson | 22 Roy Medawar |
| 6 Refaat Bakhoum | 23 William Sanders |
| 9 Karen Garland
Robert Medawar
Virginia Smolke | 24 Brianna Nicoello
25 Lurline Hill |
| 12 Gerald Peeke | 27 Don Wallace |
| 13 Maggie Auricchio
Julie Maemoto
Nancy Manoly | 29 Nima Azar
Brittany Pearson |
| 14 Dan Kazarian
Rob Sherwin | 30 Brian Polkinghorne |
| 15 Lillie Popoola | 31 Myung Sook Lee
Flavio Posse |
| 16 Ron Blackwelder
Juliet DeMoss | |

July 2010 Birthdays



July 2010 Anniversaries

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| 3 | Loren & Christine Pearson |
| 6 | Tim & Tracy Hibsman |
| 7 | Mike & Joanne Potier |
| 9 | David & Michelle Lu
Mike & Phyllis Thomas |
| 10 | Gerald & Teresa Peeke |
| 24 | Hideki & Julie Maemoto |
| 26 | Dapo & Lillie Popoola
Flavio & Sharon Posse |
| 28 | Kevin & Lisa Nicoello |

**SUN, 7/11
NOON
HESSE PARK**

**Wear Your Picnic
Clothes to Church!**

**Bring
blanket or lawn chair**

**A-K:
bring a salad/side**

**L-Z:
bring a dessert**

**church
picnic
plan to attend!**

Sunday Mornings

8:45 & 10:30 AM

Children's Classes
Youth Bible Classes
Adult Bible Classes
Nursery

8:45 & 10:30 AM



Worship
Children's Church
Nursery

Come early, stay late - Coffee on the "patio" at 10:00 am

Peninsula Community Church

"I will never forget your precepts,
for by them you have preserved my
life." **Psalm 119:93**

AUGUST 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:45 AM Sunday School & Communion Worship Service 10:30 AM Sunday School & Communion Worship Service	2 Praxis Mission Trip 7:00 PM Beacon Light Chapel Service	3 Praxis Mission Trip 7:00 AM Men's Breakfast 7:00 PM Praxis	4 Praxis Mission Trip 6:30 PM Adult Bible Study 6:30 PM Refuge	5 Praxis Mission Trip 10:00 AM Women's Bible Study 1:30 PM Quest	6 Praxis Mission Trip	7 Praxis Mission Trip
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| 4 | Jeremy Brunnenmeyer | 16 | Marlene Iseli |
| 6 | Zee Lo | | Gloria Umbarger |
| | Chris Maier | 17 | Ginny Snider |
| | Les Smith | 19 | James Paul |
| | Diego Turner | 25 | Robyn Wolfe |
| 7 | Tracey Chang | 27 | Phyllis Thomas |
| 8 | Lilia McGregor | 28 | Judah Allen |
| | Hannah Nachev | 31 | Brandon Wolfe |



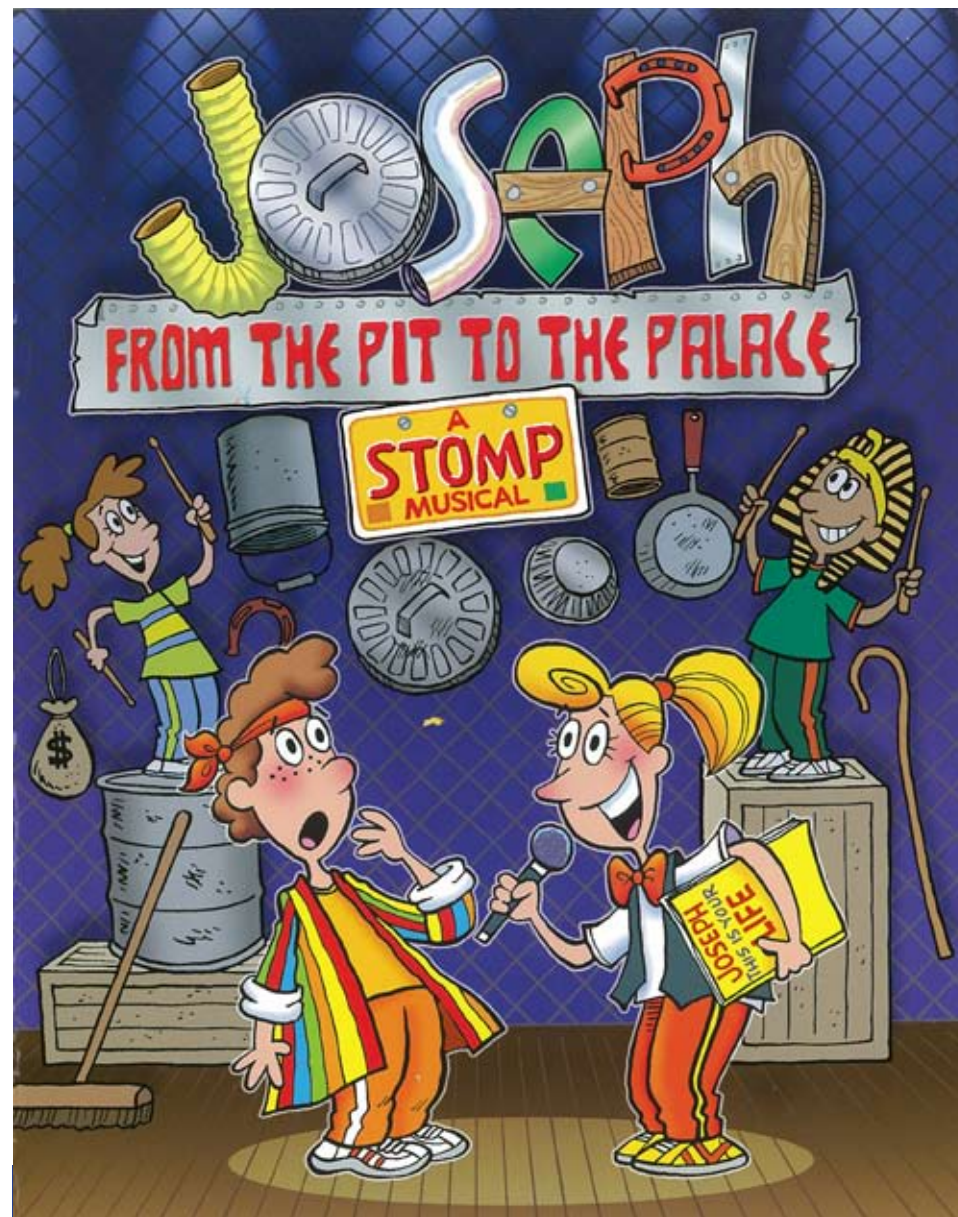
August 2010 Birthdays

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| 9 | Keiko Takahashi |
| 10 | Sharon Posse |
| 12 | Joey Eugene |
| | Shirley Hamlin |
| 13 | Megan Wooley |
| 14 | Mia Nakamura |
| | Christie Welch |
| 15 | William Chang |
| | Carisa Perkins |
| | Angie Turner |
| | Jim Welch |



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| 1 | Frank & Kimberly An |
| 8 | Joseph & Christina Jaramillo |
| 15 | Peter & Nancy Bond |
| | Bill & Carisa Perkins |
| 17 | Brian & Sharron Polkinghorne |
| 20 | Wesley & Carole Mason |
| 24 | Robert & Shirley Lie |
| 24 | Bill & Joan Rogers |
| 29 | Nathaniel & Joyce Simms |

August 2010 Anniversaries



Come see the Quest Kids for One Night Only!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 29
5 PM