

## Pastor D's Letter April 1st, 2022

APRIL 2022

What happened to Lent? It seems like only yesterday I was burning the palm fronds from last Palm Sunday to make ashes for "Ash Wednesday" services. Next Sunday is Palm Sunday once more, and then comes Easter. What happened to Lent?

Though Lent has come and (is almost) gone, it has served its purpose. Lent has reminded us of our need for God's grace and called us to trust in Christ Jesus alone for our salvation. As part of Lent, we have heard from some of our Mission Partners and been reminded of our "partnership in the Gospel" (Phil 1:5).

On April 3, 2022 we will welcome a new Mission Partner, KCFY (local Christian Radio in Yuma). As I prepared the service and got ready to preach on Sunday April 3rd, I looked at Isaiah 52:7.

How beautiful upon the mountains  
are the feet of him who brings good news,  
who **publishes** peace, who brings good news of happiness,  
who **publishes** salvation,  
who says to Zion, "Your God reigns."

The word PUBLISHES is repeated twice. We tend to think of PUBLISH as preparing something written for public distribution. But in Isaiah 52:7 the word publish, is the Hebrew word shama'. Pronounced shaw-mah', the word means to hear intelligently, or with understanding. It also means to hear and obey or in the case of Isaiah 52:7 to respond with faith.

Isaiah reminds those who bring good news, to be certain that those whom they hear UNDERSTAND the good news of God's peace, happiness, and salvation. Isaiah is calling upon those who know the good news to share the good news, so others can hear and believe, "OUR GOD REIGNS!"

To me that is a call to Mission. Publishing the good news is what KCFY does every day on the radio. In both the traditional meaning of the word publish and the Isaiah 52:7 meaning, KCFY daily calls people to hear and believe, the good news of Jesus. Through music and talk KCFY publishes, proclaims, calls people to hear and believe, "Jesus is Lord". That is the good news we also share. In this world where news is often bad, may we be people who PUBLISH peace, bringing GOOD NEWS of happiness and salvation through faith in Jesus Christ to everyone.

By the way, the rest of April holds some very special services, I hope you will take advantage of all of them.

April 10, 2022    Palm Sunday. Stuff Easter Eggs during Fellowship time.  
April 14, 2022    Maundy Thursday Service 6 P.M.  
April 17, 2022    Easter Sunday. Easter Egg hunt after worship.

See you on Sunday if not before,  
Darren



Rick Davies; Elaine Manifold; Bob Wilcox; Mona Nelson; Crystal Echols; Mary Ellen Cutlip; Mary and Bob Schaal; missionaries around the world; Scott Gillespie; Leonard Troxel; Betty Hammann; Makyla Ruttle; Lynn Bell; Dean Holland; Cindy Michels; Kylie Rivera; the unrest in our country, Police and Law enforcers; Total Recovery Ministry; leaders of our country; the unsaved; our military and their families; all those affected by COVID-19; Afghanistan situation; Border Patrol; Ukraine and Russia.



## April

BIRTHDAYS



## May

BIRTHDAYS

### APRIL

4 Judy Apple  
5 John Plante  
21 Harold Maxwell  
29 JoAnn Livingston

### SCOUTS APRIL

5 Clara Orlich  
8 Jayson Mosley  
13 Zachory Clarke  
17 Timothy Tolman

### MAY

3 Bob Anderton  
9 Glanda Newcomer  
14 Shelley Hawkins

### SCOUTS MAY

6 Kalizza Peynado  
9 LillyAnne Zavala  
22 Jeb Vaughn  
23 Audrey Zavala  
29 Mikayla Williams

## May

ANNIVERSARIES

21 Myrle & Karen Marlatt  
31 Bob & Marty Anderton

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

Haley Hill

The Girl Scouts would like to thank SVPC for our successful movie night. The girls had a great time enjoying pizza, popcorn, candy, cupcakes and the movie!



We are in need of plastic eggs and candy (no chocolate please) for our annual

## Easter Egg Hunt

## Pancake Breakfast

SUNDAY MAY 1st

The Youth will be holding this Event. Proceeds collected by the Scouts will go toward purchasing Bibles for Crossroads Mission.



Come enjoy a  
**GOOD BREAKFAST**  
and support this  
**GREAT CAUSE**

## MISSION

Lynette Hamilton

Thank you to those who helped with the

### BAKED POTATO BASH

and those who gave generously!

The food was delicious and we raised

**\$670.00 for Jesus Pan De Vida Church**  
in San Luis rio Colorado., Mexico!



## FOOD SUNDAY

1st Sunday of each month  
donations go to Crossroads Mission

# TREASURER'S REPORT

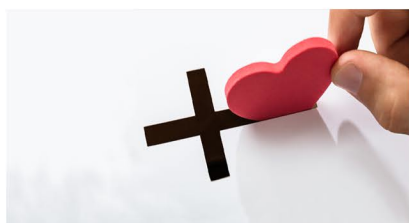
Glen Moss

The financial information below includes all 2022 income and expenses through February 28. The income figures include all giving, whether toward a pledge to the Annual Stewardship Campaign or donations to a Mission Partnership, a Special Offering, or any other type giving. The expenses include all expenses incurred including the distribution of monies donated toward special projects or Mission Partnerships.

## YEAR TO DATE FINANCIALS

	Feb	YTD
INCOME	\$18,303.72	\$38,940.34
EXPENSES	\$23,734.35	\$48,310.43

\* Income includes gifts for special events and offerings and the Expenses also include where those special items have been "passed along" to the intended organization.



As you can see, our year to date expenses exceed our year to date income. We are fortunate that we have an Investment Account that began as the proceeds from an estate that was donated to the church. The downside is that any expenses not covered by donations and rent income from the Preschool and other users of the facilities will be charged against the Investment Account.

God is Good and we have been blessed. In all things God is faithful to us, let us be faithful to Him.  
These are the gifts of God from the people of God for the work of God.  
Let us be good stewards of His gifts.

## TRUSTEES REPORT

Harold Maxwell

The Trustees have been blessed this last month by a couple of volunteer work projects.

1.- First, Daniel Troxel organized 9 Scouts from Troop 8054 to plant a dozen dwarf Arizona Bells to form a hedge along the southeast corner of the property next to the Sanctuary. When mature this hedge will provide color and help disguise the vacant ground east of the Sanctuary.

2.- The second project was performed by Joshua Roberts.

Joshua helped Mr. Maxwell to inspect and repair the irrigation system

prior to the upcoming summer. Both projects were a great help to the Trustees.



## SIERRA VISTA SCOUTING NEWS

### MARCH 2022

#### OVERALL PROGRAM

We congratulate all levels of scouts for their keeping the program running in spite of these guidelines and mitigation efforts. As we begin winding down for the school year, we are already planning for the coming year. We will begin accepting registrations for the fall program in April.

We have reserved the giant waterslide for Wednesday, May 25 for an end of the year celebration in the grassy area of Sierra Vista. The tentative plan is a pot-luck meal where the Scout family provide hot dogs and hamburgers and buns and every family brings a dish to share. Unless there is a change in the COVID protocols, this will be our first end of the year party since 2019.

We also have reserved the Horse Heave Campground for September 1 and 2 (the Friday and Saturday before Labor Day) for a Family Camp. This tradition was canceled in 2020 and 2021 due to the pandemic but we were fortunate to get the space reserved for the two day celebration. More information will be forthcoming soon.

#### GIRL SCOUT TROOP



The Girl Scout Troop has enrolled four new girls this month. It's never too late to join. Our official Scout year runs through September 30 and will include summer activities when they are scheduled. The Girl Scouts cookie season is done. If you haven't purchased cookies yet, you may just have to wait until next year. Our girls sold over 24,000 boxes which exceeded last year's banner amount. Congratulations to all of those girls who sold cookies this spring - especially *Erin Little who sold 5,000 boxes* herself. The Girl Scouts held its Spring Awards and Recognition event on Friday, March 18 in conjunction with a movie night treat. From all reports, it was a grand and glorious evening of awards, giggling, watching a movie, more giggling, and a great time was had by all in attendance.

#### CUB SCOUT PACK

The Boy Scout Pack added three new Cub Scouts during March. The official Boy Scout year runs concurrent with the school year calendar and ends July 31. The March Pack Meeting was held on March 9.

This Pack Meeting focused on the "crossing over" of the Webelos II den into a Boy Scout Troop.

Five of the six Webelos II boys received their Arrow of Light awards - the highest award that can be earned by a Cub Scout. We had five boys move into the Troop 8054 organization.

Each boy who crossed over received a neckerchief and slide from the receiving Troop and a BSA Troop Handbook and cover from the Pack. We wish them all well in this new adventure.

#### BOY SCOUT TROOP

The Boy Scout Troop is diligently working on various advancement materials and earning Merit Badges. The Troop welcomed the Webelos II who crossed over and immediately began them on the journey to Eagle. We have several boys who are planning on attending summer camp at Camp Geronimo near Payson during the first week of June. It appears that they will be joined by at least four boys from Troop 7305 from the Troop at St. Johns Neumann Catholic Church in the Foothills.

# APRIL 2022

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Scouts 6pm  
Adult Bible Study  
6:00 pm

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Food Sunday

Scouts 6pm  
Adult Bible Study  
6:00 pm

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Palm  
Sunday

Scouts 6pm  
Adult Bible Study  
6:00 pm

Maundy  
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Good  
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Easter Sunday  
Easter Egg Hunt

Scouts 6pm  
Adult Bible Study  
6:00 pm

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Scouts 6pm  
Adult Bible Study  
6:00 pm