

#The Torch July 2019

Getting Things Organized

No, this article is not going to be about Marie Kondo – even if she is the organizational genius! The past few weeks have been filled with a lot of meetings, everyone has been extremely helpful with trying to get me up to speed on the life and times of El Camino!

I have just finished moving into my office at church, and if you are a book lover, you will understand what I am about to say... getting rid of books is always a painful thing to do – we become attached...we've spent money on them...a lot of money! Unfortunately, there comes a time in every book hoarder's life, that you run out of room on your bookshelves or you realize that things have changed a little over the past 30+ years and half of your books no longer matter. I got rid of half of my books before I moved them down to my office...I needed to because, (1) I didn't want to move that many books, and (2) I didn't want to move that many books! What is left of my books is up on the beautiful shelves in the office and now all I have to do is organize them and...get rid of a few more books!

It is an exciting time to be a part of El Camino! We begin a new journey together, asking God what He wants to

do in this part of His Kingdom. There is so much to learn, and I look forward to exploring all of the possibilities with you as we begin to focus on what God is calling us to do. El Camino has a great history of wonderful mission and ministry, and I believe that God is ready for us to continue moving forward with the Gospel to the next generation of those who will give their lives to Jesus. Thank you for your ongoing support of the ministry here at El Camino. It is my prayer that over the next several weeks and months, God will give us a clear vision of His unique calling, and we will go and bear much fruit!

I am the true vine, and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit, He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit, He prunes it so that it may bear more fruit...abide in Me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself unless it abides in the vine, so neither can you unless you abide in Me. I am the vine, you are the branches; he who abides in Me and I in him, he bears much fruit, for apart from Me you can do nothing.

John 15:1-5

Pruning,
Pastor Bruce

July 4th—A day to remember

On July 3, 1776, the day after the Continental Congress declared independence from England, John Adams wrote to his wife, Abigail, reflecting on what he had shared in Congress and, with prophetic insight, declaring the importance of that day:

"The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary Festival. It ought to be commemorated, as the *Day of Deliverance*, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty [emphasis mine]. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever.

"You will think me transported with enthusiasm, but I am not. I am well aware of the toil and blood and treasure that it will cost to maintain this Declaration, and support and defend these States. Yet through all the gloom I can see the rays of ravishing light and glory. I can see the end is worth more than all the means, that posterity will triumph in the day's transaction even though we [may regret] it, which I trust in God we shall not." –John Adams

Adams seems to be treating the Declaration of Independence a little like Moses' statement to Pharaoh, "Let my people go!" In both cases, they were solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty for their freedom and independence. In both cases a mighty military power loomed over them and gave the people reason to be afraid. In both cases, after freedom was achieved, the people were admonished to teach their children what had happened and to acknowledge God's hand in it. How are the children taught?

You must build a relationship between your child and the event you want them to remember. As with all relationships, it must begin with respect. Your child must see that you have great respect for the event to be remembered. If you treat it casually, they will. If you treat it as a time to party without explaining the significance of the event, then it will be relegated to the level of entertainment and eventually forgotten. Teach your children to show respect for the courageous act the Founding Fathers did. Many of them would suffer loss of life and property as a result of their action.

After demonstrating that you hold the event in great respect, next show them **why** you hold it in respect; teach the significance of the event itself and relate it to their lives. You must teach the **truth** of the event, e.g., Moses **did** lead the children of Israel out of Egypt. The event did happen; you can trust the truth of it. It contains enduring value and should be preserved.

Finally, what is the "enduring value" that renders the event timeless? For the Children of Israel, the fundamental truth was, and is, that God's hand was leading them and caring for them and stood in their defense against the Pharaoh.

As for our Declaration of Independence, it makes a clear statement of how we are to treat others and the liberties we strive for. Commit yourself anew to celebrate July 4th for what it stands for and teach your children to do the same.

--Paul Davis, Chairman of the Board



Family Ministries

UCYC Preteen Away Camp

From June 7th-11th, El Camino took seven 4th & 5th graders to camp. Four of those students were from our Good News Club ministry. It was a great few days of learning who these kids are and watching them learn who God is through different people of the Bible. These people displayed Incredible Faith and are superheroes of the Bible. The kids learned about Noah (a.k.a Ark Man), Joseph (a.k.a Professor Positive), Jesus (a.k.a The Mightiest Hero of All Time) and Esther (a.k.a Captain Courageous). The

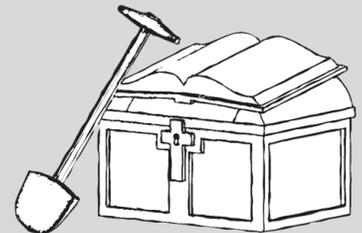


kids had a wonderful time doing all the activities and learning how to be brave even when they are scared to do certain activities. Please be praying that the kids took what they heard to heart and God begins to work in their lives and in their family's lives.



We had a great week with the kids during VBS!! The kids had a blast learning about how we got the Bible and how Jesus' parables can be used in our lives! We in Family Ministries hope that the kids were impacted by what they heard and that seeds were planted that would grow into a beautiful harvest!! Stay tuned! Pictures and further information will be coming in the August Torch Article!!

DIGGIN' GOD'S WORD



EL CAMINO VBS 2019

Upcoming Events

July 3rd, 10th, 17th
August 11th
September 6th

Family Night Bible Studies (Wednesdays)
Awana Begins
Wildside Preteen Youth Group begins

Summer Family Bible Study Nights

Wednesdays!

Nursery
Summer
Bible Study



Wednesdays,
June 5th - July 17th
5:30pm - Family Dinner
6:15pm - Family Worship
6:45pm - Age-Appropriate
Bible Studies

Preschool
Summer
Bible Study



Noah's Ark

ELEMENTARY
BIBLE STUDY
WEDNESDAYS
JUNE 5TH - JULY 17TH

happy
Campers
SPEND YOUR SUMMER WITH GOD



5:30PM -
FAMILY DINNER
6:15PM -
FAMILY WORSHIP
6:45PM -
AGE-APPROPRIATE
BIBLE STUDIES

5:30PM DINNER
6:15PM WORSHIP
6:45PM STUDY & GAMES

CAMPING WITH ABRAHAM

MIDDLE SCHOOL - WEDNESDAY NIGHTS
JUNE 5TH - JULY 17TH

HIGH SCHOOL SUMMER BIBLE STUDY

1 PETER

Wednesdays
June 5 - July 17
5:30pm Dinner (\$3)
6:15pm Worship
6:45pm Study in College Room

**Prayer Hour
Wednesdays**
6:45pm
Prayer Room

Women's Ministry Summer Bible Study

Priscilla Shirer

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in a million

BOOK COST: \$16

journey to your promised land

**WEDNESDAYS
JUNE 5 - JULY 17**

**SUMMER
FAMILY NIGHTS**

**DINNER
5:30 PM**

**WORSHIP
6:15 PM**

**STUDY
6:45 PM - 8:15 PM**



MEN'S SUMMER STUDY

*Summer Family Nights
videos with discussion*

NO COST

Wednesdays June 5 - July 17
Dinner at 5:30pm
Worship at 6:15pm
Study from 6:45pm - 8:15pm



El Camino Middle School

July is here and so is the monsoon! I've got to be honest the monsoon season is what really gets me through the Tucson summers. By mid-June I've been baking in the 110-degree weather for too long and I'm ready for a break, and what do you know... right on time... as if somebody had perfectly planned it out that way... God gives us the monsoon! I love sitting on my porch drinking a cup of coffee in the midday or evening watching the rain come down in buckets. The rain cools down the air, and it produces that fresh just washed desert smell, the flowers grow and the trees just seem a little greener as July, and the monsoon goes along. As we celebrate our 4th of July, have pool parties and enjoy the rain, let's be sure to thank God for all the little gifts that he gives.



Thank you all so much for all your prayers over the last few months on behalf of our students as they headed off to camp. Your prayers were felt and the Holy Spirit walked with us every step of the way. Camp was so much fun!! We had an amazing time running, climbing, zip lining, and kayaking through the week!

In-between all the games and fun we had some great time to worship and dig into God's word. Throughout the week we took a look at the life of four major leaders in the history of Israel: Samuel, Saul, David, and Solomon. We learned that God calls us to listen to

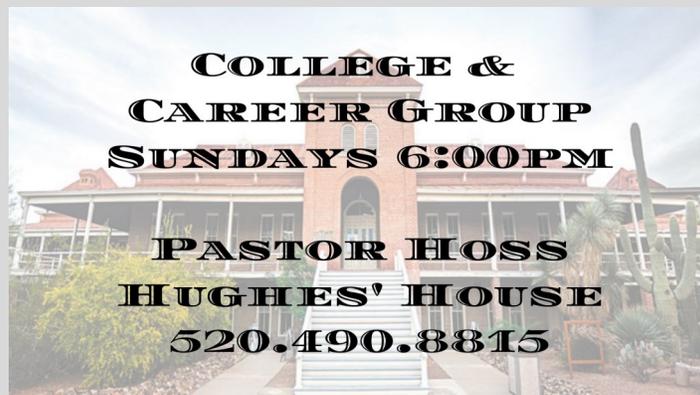
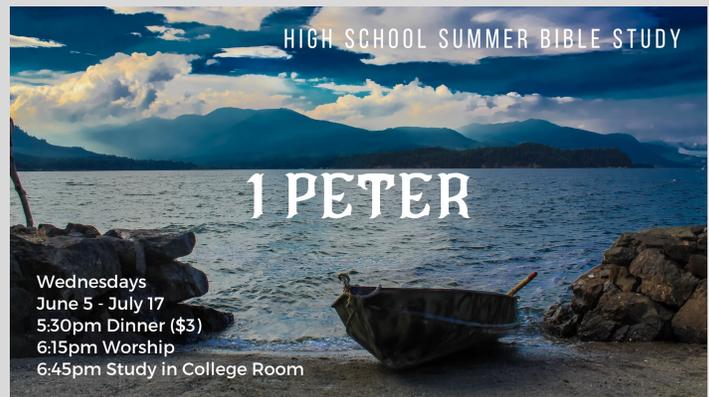
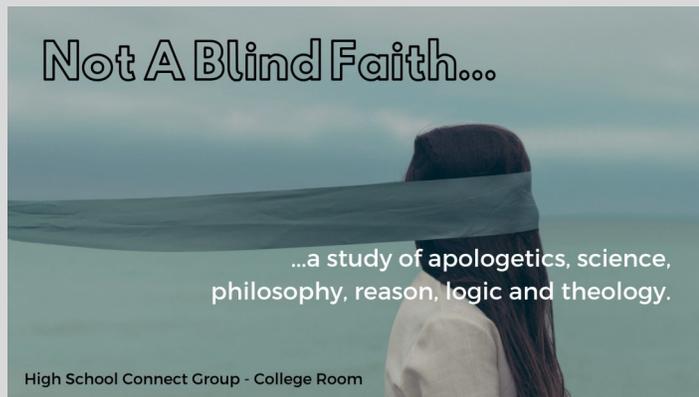
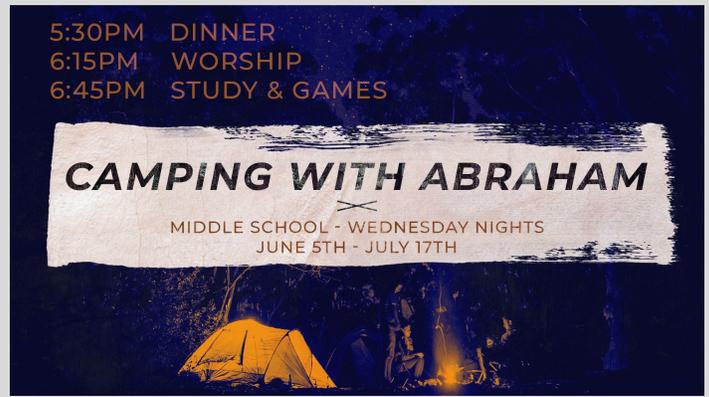
His voice just like Samuel. We saw the effect of sin and pride in our lives by looking at the life of Saul. Looking at David we got to see what it looks like to be a man/woman after God's own heart, and how God looks at the contents of our hearts rather than how impressive we look. Finally, we learned that just like God used Solomon to build His temple and create great things, God wants to use us to build His church and grow His Kingdom with our God-given gifts and talents. All being said and done, camp was a great time to grow together, learn from each other and God's Word.



I also want to thank you so much for all of your prayers and support for Adventure week! That was a great time too. We had an amazing time going out hiking, rock climbing, and discovering God out in His beautiful creation. I wanted to especially thank Josh Davis and Jacob Harmon for their help throughout the week. If you see them make sure to shake their hands and give them a big ole thank you! More information and pictures about adventure week to come in next month's Torch, so stay tuned.

Finally I wanted to remind everyone that our Wednesday night summer bible studies for both High and Middle School are still going strong as well as our Sunday School study through the book of Galatians. July 17th is going to be our last Family Bible study night and I wanted to make sure to invite all of you to come for our end of summer bonfire and s'mores!

That's all for now folks! In Christ, Danny Klingenberg

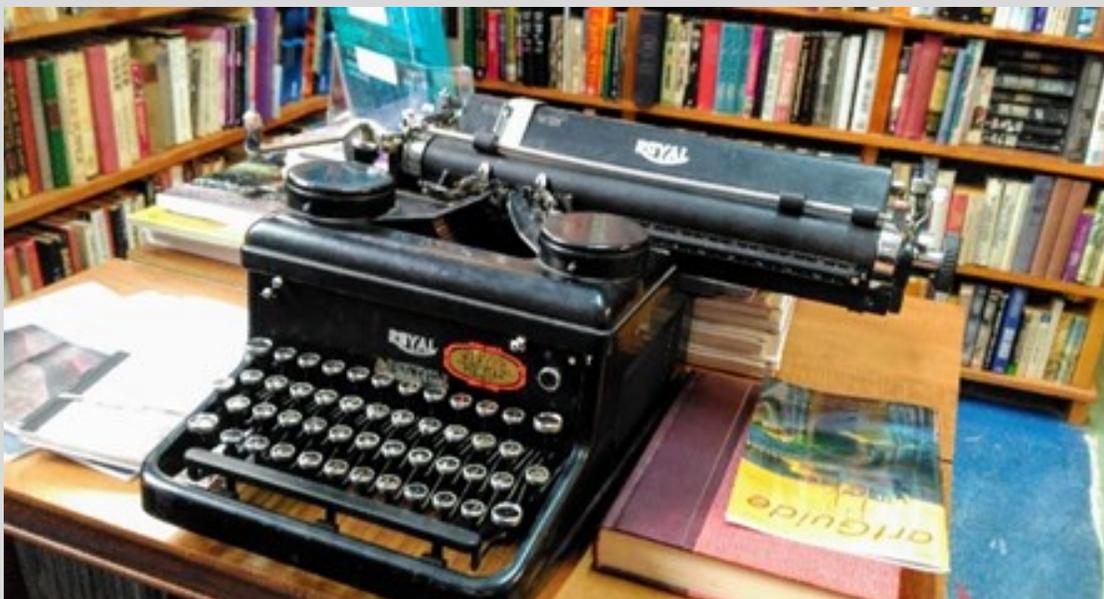




El Camino Library Ministry

WANTED: TYPEWRITER FOR USE IN THE LIBRARY

The library staff is looking for a typewriter (maybe not as old as the one in the picture!) to be used for typing library cards and pockets. If you have a working typewriter that you are no longer using and would be willing to part with, please contact the church office. If possible, please also let us know if replacement ribbons are still able to be purchased. Thanks!





WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Women's Ministry Summer Bible Study

Priscilla Shirer

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in a million

BOOK COST: \$16

journey to your promised land

WEDNESDAYS
JUNE 5 - JULY 17

SUMMER
FAMILY NIGHTS

DINNER
5:30 PM

WORSHIP
6:15 PM

STUDY
6:45 PM - 8:15 PM



P 3 1
Fitness

Tuesdays &
Thursdays
8:00am

Family Activity
Center

Contact Beth Davis
bdavis.p31fitness@gmail.com



...if you are interested in
more information about the

Widow's Ministry

**CONTACT BARBARA LUNSFORD AT 909-2887
OR CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE**

MEETINGS RESUME IN SEPTEMBER

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OTHER	\$	_____
TOTAL	\$	_____

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ADDRESS _____

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for more information
about the Blessings Ministry.



MINGO

Update

MINGO -Missionaries of the week

Duane & Jennifer Abbott



- Mission Org: Cru (formerly Campus Crusade for Christ)
- Where: Michigan / Indiana (from Arkansas)
- What: Ministry Representative for FamilyLife and the Weekend to Remember for Michigan and Indiana
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Anything Chocolate
- MINGO Number: M-14

MINGO -Missionaries of the week

David & Jerrine Berkey
(Caroline, Laura, Adriana)



- Mission Organization: WorldVenture
- Where: Venezuela
- What: Church Planting
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Dark Chocolate
- MINGO Number: G-47

MINGO -Missionaries of the week

Terry & Jeanie Dalrymple



- Mission Organization: CHE
- Where: Phoenix / World-wide
- What: Evangelism, discipleship, and church planting with community health and development
- Favorite Sweet Treat: anything Chocolate
- MINGO Number: O - 54

MINGO -Missionaries of the week

Kevin and Leilani Humble
(Justin, Vincent, Breeana)



- Mission Org: WorldVenture
- Where: Indonesia
- What: Disciple Making among Unreached People Groups
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Coconut Macaroons, Mochi
- MINGO Number: O - 55

MINGO -Missionaries of the week

Josias and Susi Mendoza



- Mission Org: Mexican Christian Ministries
- Where: Mexico
- What: Church and Camp Leadership Development
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Pecan Pie
- MINGO Number: N - 33

MINGO -Missionaries of the week

Tom & Laura Requadt



- Mission Organization: WorldVenture
- Where: Mali
- What: Bible Translation & Children's Ministry
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Razzleberry and Pecan Pies
- MINGO Number: I - 25

M I N G O -Missionaries of the week

Rich & Cindy Robinson



- Mission Org: The Navigators
- Where: Tucson, AZ
- What: Disciple Making, Mission Shepherd
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Reese's Cups, M&M's
- MINGO Number: I - 29

M I N G O -Missionaries of the week

Ted and Malia Winston



- Where: Belgium
- Mission Organization: WorldVenture
- What: Evangelism & Discipleship of Young adults
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Belgium Waffles
- MINGO Number: M - 11

M I N G O -Missionaries of the week

Dr. Sumbut & Marmi Yermianto (Dio & Esi)



- Mission Organization: WorldVenture
- Where: Indonesia
- What: President of Yogyakarta Seminary
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Coklat Gelato
- MINGO Number: O - 51

M I N G O -Missionaries of the week

David & Oliva Wolf



- Mission Org: UIM International
- Where: Tepic, Mexico
- What: UIM Missionary Pilot
- Favorite Sweet Treat: Chocolate Chip Cookies and Caramel Gelato
- MINGO Number: M - 19

Missionary Bingo – MINGO

A Fun Way to Get to know your ECBC Missionaries !!

Instructions

1. Starting April 7th, two missionaries will be featured each week in pre-service announcement slides.
2. Match the number with the missionary and fill in their Name, Organization, and favorite Sweet Treat.
3. First 5 people to get "5 in a row" (horizontal, vertical or diagonal) and have their card verified by a GO Team member win a prize!

Example

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GO Team
ECBC
Ice Cream

M I N G O

11	21	33	49	51
14	29	35	47	55
16	27	31	45	53
17	25	37	43	54
19	23	36	41	58

What's Happening

Sundays

- 8:30 am Pre-Service Prayer in the Prayer Room
- 9:00 am Worship Service in the Worship Center
- 10:30 am Connect Groups - various rooms
- 4:00 pm NO Awana (resumes August 11th)
- 6:00 pm College Group at Pastor Hoss' Home

Mondays

- 10:30 am NO El Camino Missionary Fellowship
(resumes Sept. 9th)
- 6:30 pm NO Women's Bible Study (resumes in the Fall)
- 6:45 pm NO Men's Studies (resume in the Fall)
- 7:00 pm NO Seek First (resumes in the Fall)

Tuesdays

- 8:00 am P31 Fitness in the Family Activity Center
- 9:00 am Women's Prayer in Prayer Room
- 6:00 pm NO Adult Small Group Bible Study
(resumes in the Fall)
- 6:30 pm NO Ladies Night Out
(resumes in the Fall)
- 7:00 pm Men's Basketball in the Family Activity Center
- 7:00 pm America's Matters in C1
(Meets 1st and 3rd Tuesdays)

At El Camino

Wednesdays

- 12:00 pm NO Fresh Starts Widows Ministry
(resumes in September)
- 5:30 pm Family Dinner in D Building (through July 17th)
- 6:15 pm Worship in D Building (through July 17th)
- 6:45 pm Bible Studies - various rooms (through July 17th)
- 6:45 pm Prayer Hour in the Prayer Room
(through July 17th)
- 7:00 pm NO Adult Choir Rehearsal (resumes in the Fall)

Thursdays

- 8:00 am P31 Fitness in the Family Activity Center
- 9:00 am NO Women's Bible Study (resumes in the Fall)

Fridays

- 7:00 pm NO Wildside Preteen Youth Group
(resumes in September)
- 7:00 pm NO Middle School Youth Group
(On Wednesdays during Family Bible Studies)

Questions?
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