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Upcoming Events:



**Vacation Bible School (VBS)
July 14-18, 9AM - 12PM
Register now!**



**All Church Angels Game
Friday, August 29th
Sign Up Today!**

Why Taps is Played

by Pastor Ed Rutherford



We in the United States have all heard the haunting song, *Taps*. It's the song that gives us that lump in our throats and usually tears in our eyes. But, do you know the story behind the song? If not, I think you will be interested to find out about its humble beginnings.

Reportedly, it all began in 1862 during the Civil War, when Union Army Captain Robert Ellicombe was with his men near Harrison's Landing in Virginia. The Confederate Army

was on the other side of the narrow strip of land. During the night, Captain Ellicombe heard the moans of a soldier who lay severely wounded on the field. Not knowing if it was a Union or Confederate soldier, the Captain decided to risk his life and bring the stricken man back for medical attention. Crawling on his stomach through the gunfire, the Captain reached the stricken soldier and began pulling him toward his encampment.

When the Captain finally reached his own lines, he discovered it was actually a Confederate soldier, but the soldier was dead. The Captain lit a lantern and suddenly caught his breath and went numb with shock. In the dim light, he saw the face of the soldier. It was his own son. The boy had been studying music in the South when the war broke out. Without telling his father, the boy enlisted in the Confederate Army. The following morning, heartbroken, the father asked permission of his superiors to give his son a full military burial, despite his enemy status. His request was only partially granted. The Captain had asked if he could have a group of Army band members play a funeral dirge for his son at the funeral. The request was turned down since the soldier was a Confederate, but, out of respect for the father, they did say they could give him only one musician. The Captain chose a bugler. He asked the bugler to play a series of musical notes he had found on a piece of paper in the pocket of the dead youth's uniform. This wish was granted. The haunting melody, we now know as *Taps* used at military funerals was born.

The words are:

*Day is done ... Gone the sun ... From the lakes ... From the hills ... From the sky ... All is well ...
Safely rest ... God is nigh.
Fading light ... Dims the sight ... And a star ... Gems the sky ... Gleaming bright ... From afar ...
Drawing nigh ... Falls the night.
Thanks and praise ... For our days ... Neath the sun ... Neath the stars ... Neath the sky ... As
we go ... This we know ... God is nigh.*

Quotes from President Abraham Lincoln during those daunting and fearful days of the Civil War:

"I have been driven many times upon my knees by overwhelming conviction that I had nowhere else to go. My own wisdom, and that of all about me, seemed insufficient for that day."

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UPCOMING MESSAGES

- July 6 "Be Free Indeed"
- July 13 "Carpe Diem"
- July 20 "Worship That Changes Your Life"
- July 27 "Faith That Can't Be Stopped"



Summer is in full swing. The beaches are crowded. Malls are insane with sales and such. But Crossfire is still here and going strong. Our beach trip is coming up soon, so don't miss out. And also, summer camp is at the end of the month. Make sure to get your registration in soon - it will be here before you know it!

We also want to thank all of you for your support of our spaghetti dinner on Sunday, June 29th. All proceeds from that are going to help our Fine Arts competitors get to this year's competition in Charlotte, North Carolina.

We also want to thank the church for their support and prayers. We could not do this without the support of our church family, and we greatly appreciate it.

The Royal Rangers



Royal Rangers Winding Down for the Summer

After a very active year, the Royal Rangers will be winding down for the summer.

This year's activities included Camporee, the Pinewood Derby, and a trip to the Aircraft Carrier Midway.

We will be looking to kicking off of the new year in September. Wednesday, July 2 will be our last meeting for the summer.



June was another great month for the Attic. The acoustic night was very enjoyable for everyone in the audience. Two of our very own performed (David and Rick), and together with two other bands, they put on a great show.

Our Wii systems also entertained many of the teenagers and adults with its interactive gameplay.

We are very excited for our next show on August 1st, and thank you for your continuous support of this ministry.

Missionettes



What a busy month June was for us. As the Daisies and Prims worked on various crafts and badge requirements before breaking for the summer, our Stars continued to practice their human video to be performed at Stars Camp. Their practice performance for the congregation was well received and I think the girls did a wonderful job. Thanks again to Mary Pryer for working with the girls.

Friday, June 20th was our annual end of the year sleepover. We had a great time sharing pizza, smores, crafts, games, and movies.

As we prepare to leave for Stars Camp (July 7 - 11), I ask that you be in prayer for our girls to remain well and safe. Please also pray that the girls be blessed. We go in anticipation of a mighty move of the Holy Spirit. Thank you to the parents for allowing us to share this experience with your daughters. Have a great summer.

Bible Quiz National Competition



Junior Bible Quiz Competes in Kenosha Teens Prepare For Nationals

Orange Hills Junior Bible Quiz team traveled to Kenosha, Wisconsin to represent Orange Hills and the national Bible Quiz Festival. The team did well finishing second in the 10th division.

The competition consists of two grueling days of competition. On Friday, the teams started quizzing at 8:45 A.M. and quizzed 15 rounds finishing up at about 5:00 P.M. The team was lead by David Pryer who finished 16th among the 395 quizzers at the festival, and sixth grader John Pryer who also quizzed very well. Faith and Aaron had their first nationals experience and showed a lot of promise for next year.

JBQ Says Good Bye to John

This National marked the last JBQ quiz meet for John. After four years of quizzing, he will be moving on to Teen Quiz. This is always an emotional time for quizzers and John went out with style, quizzing well at his last meet. John is a special quizzer. Not blessed with many of the natural abilities of his teammates, he developed himself into a great quizzer through tenacity and hard work. In doing so, he not only learned lessons that will carry him far in life, but he taught his coaches lessons as well.

Junior Bible Quiz will be taking July and August off from regular practices. This does not mean the quizzers should stop learning. Summer is a great time to work on questions that have been challenging to you, and improve yourself. Many of our quizzers have set goals for the summer. If you are interested, see Ron or Donna Pryer for study materials.

Teens Preparing for Nationals

Orange Hills Teen Bible Quiz team is busy preparing to test their knowledge against the top 40 teams in the nation at teen nationals July 6 through July 11 in Green Bay, Wisconsin. The teens have memorized Galatians, Ephesians, Colossians, Philippians, and Philemon. This will be the last Bible Quiz Meet for James Pryer and he will carry the lessons learned as he heads off to college.

Children's Ministry



Last month was great. We started our series on The Armor of God and had a great Father's Day. All of the kids are having a blast learning about the spiritual battle we are in and how to use the tools God has given us to put up a good fight.

This month we will be continuing The Armor of God. Also, this month is Vacation Bible School. We are all worked up and excited for VBS. There is still a lot to do, however, in order for this to be a success. If you would like to be a part of this awesome ministry, please grab a circle off of the wall in the foyer of the church. Each circle has something on it that we need. All you need to do is pick one and bring the item back attached to the circle by July 6th.

VBS is free and open to all children who would like to come. Please bring you children, grandkids, neices, nephews - anyone who you can get here. Power Lab will be the best one we have had so far and it would be a shame for anyone to miss out!

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"The ways of God are mysterious and profound beyond all comprehension---who by searching can find Him out? God only knows the issue of this business. He has destroyed nations from the map of history for their sins. Nevertheless, my hopes prevail generally above my fears for our Republic. The times are dark, the spirits of ruin are abroad in all their power, and the mercy of God alone can save us."

"I trust that as He shall further open the way, I will be ready to walk therein, relying in His help and trusting in His goodness and wisdom."

Love you,

Pastor Ed

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Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. & 6:00 p.m.
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Senior Pastor Ed Rutherford



I hope all of you are enjoying your summer and have some great vacation trips planned. Usually, our Women's Ministries group does not meet during the summer months. This year, however, the committee thought differently. We thought it would be fun to get together and have a ladies night out and enjoy a light dinner fare and fun movie - a "chick flick" if you don't mind! July 24th, therefore, has been designated Ladies Night at the Movies. Our movie *Down With Love* is a '90's version of the old Rock Hudson/Doris Day movies - you know, boy meets girl, boy and girl resist feelings for each other, etc. We all know how the movie ends! The fun part is getting there.

We will start the evening off with a light dinner at 6:30 p.m. Our movie will begin at 7 p.m. On the menu will be a full Potato Bar, drinks, and dessert. We are asking a fee of \$5.00 per person to help off-set expenses. Tickets are now on sale in the Lobby. Think about it! Where can you go and have dinner and a movie for just \$5.00? I hope you will make plans now to join us on July 24th. We may even have a couple of surprises waiting for you!

We have just received information about this year's Women's Retreat. The theme this year is "Traveling Lite", and looks to be a fun weekend. I will briefly share some information about the retreat on the 24th. Anyone who has ever been to one of these retreats always comes back refreshed and spiritually uplifted. Make plans now to attend.

Save the Date:
July 24: Ladies Night at the Movies (6:30 p.m.)



Last month the Seniors had a great trip to Olvera Street. There were almost 30 people that attended! We are planning our next outing sometime in the fall, but for July, we will be having some great food and a movie at the Church. We will be watching a movie called, "End of the Spear". "End of the Spear" is the true story of a group of Christian missionaries in Ecuador who set out to reach the Wadani tribe (a violent Ecuadorian tribe defined by revenge killing). When the 5 men from this group are speared to death by Mincayani and others in the tribe (who believe all foreigners are cannibals), the wives and children of those men move into the Wadani tribe to teach them about God. End of the Spear is an amazing story of Truth, Love, and Forgiveness. We will see you on Saturday, July 12th at 11:30 AM!