

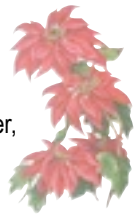


Pauma Church Chat



PVCC Mission

Our mission at PVCC is to help every person cultivate a deep, active, faith-based relationship with Jesus through prayer, Bible reading, worship and Christian fellowship resulting in Christ-like character.



Christmas Eve Service!

Join us for worship on Christmas Eve at 5:30 - 6:30 PM on Friday, December 24th.

Christmas Caroling

Share in the fun of Christmas caroling Sunday, December 19th at 4:00 PM at Chuck & Kay Lyall's home. Bring goodies to make plates to share with those whom we will visit. Dress warm. We will carpool to various locations in our community. Yummy soup afterward.

Children's Choir

Calling all kids to join Barbara and friends for singing. They will be working on a special Christmas presentation. For more info contact Barbara Clarke or Jessica Brodie.

Praise Choir

The praise choir needs your help to sing praises to our King! All this month of December we would love to have you join us in our worship. Jr. High and up are welcome. Come and rehearse with us on Thursdays at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary.

Family Dinner – Christmas Celebration

You're invited to celebrate with your church family at Family Dinner, immediately following the service on December 5th. Coming together in worship and then sharing the good food and all the little treats that you love to make will be a great start to this season of celebrating the birth of our Lord Jesus. Please bring a main dish, a salad, or a dessert.

The Pauma Church Prayer Team

– all 31 of us – will be praying for a blessed Christmas season for everyone. Please know that all of you are in our prayers. We feel privileged to be able to lift you up to

the throne of grace. Please pray along with us for those who serve in our military and their families to have the comfort of a loving Heavenly Father when they are away from each other.

Blessings!

Mary Louise Coykendall

Pastor Search

Thank you so much for your prayers for our search team, our church and for our future pastor! We've been led to some very good candidates with whom we are talking right now. We are excited about the prospects and are meeting on a weekly basis to chart our progress and move through the process of reading resumes, telephone interviews, questionnaires, emails, text messages, listening to sermons, calling references, etc. We have a great team that is committed not just to the work of finding our new pastor, but to praying for him and relying on the Lord for the outcome. We ask for your help to please keep us and our future pastor in prayer as the Lord draws us together!

Ministry Opportunities

Perhaps you're thinking your Christmas will be a little leaner than you'd like this year. Following are some ways you can make this Christmas better for others and, in the process, immeasurably better for you and your family. As Christ followers, it's what we're all about – serving others in such a way that they have an opportunity to see Jesus through us. May God receive honor and glory in all that we think, say and do.

Christmas Gifts to Benefit Children of Pauma Valley and Valley Center

Once again we are partnering with Neighborhood Healthcare and the Katherine Busse Food Closet in Pauma Valley to provide gifts for families who come to them in need. Please wrap your gift, mark it "boy" or "girl" and indicate the age of child who would enjoy the gift. Please bring your gift to church before Tuesday, December 21st.



Christmas Eve Dinner at Camp Pendleton

You're invited to come and spread some Christmas cheer with our young Marines at Camp Pendleton. Many of these young men will be over in Afghanistan next year – let's give them a Christmas that they can look back on and say, America supports us! We will serve a Christmas Eve dinner and engage them in board games, cards and conversation (it's easier than you might think). It is a day you won't forget! Marilyn Ferguson would welcome your help in providing homemade desserts and treats. Jeannie Beard is seeking help with decorations. A flyer with all the details is available at the Welcome Center. Please connect with Joyce Orrell (joyceorrell@gmail.com) if you'd like to participate.

Camp Pendleton - School of Infantry
SAC Guard Platoon
Friday, December 24th – 10 AM to 3 PM

Thank you, Helen Breckenridge, for arranging for a superb dinner for a few grateful families at Harrah's on



Thanksgiving Day. The Lord provided nourishment and a sense of being cared for to 14 of His precious ones through the generosity of one of Helen's friends.

Community Events For You!

Hiking Enthusiasts!

If you love hiking, consider joining this monthly hiking group. Please be aware, PVCC does not sponsor or assume any responsibility for the group or the hikes. The group meets once a month to hike various trails in San Diego County, and everyone is welcome – those who believe, and those who don't (yet!). The hikes range from

2-5 hours, and the only restriction is that you be in good physical condition. (In other words, if you hike in, you're hiking out). The next hike is New Year's Day, and we will meet at the crack of noon at a location still to be determined. A late lunch afterward is a possibility. For more information, please contact Debbie Johnson at debsdjranch@yahoo.com for more info.

A thought to ponder: Faith is kind of like hiking. Just when you are near the top of the hill and think everything will be an easy downhill stroll, you get to the top, and see a bigger hill in front of you – and you keep putting one foot in front of the other. Do you place your faith in your walking stick, in the motivation of curiosity, or in The One who placed you on the path and promises to go before you?

New Year's Eve @ Palomar Christian Conference Center

New Year's Family Camp! December 31st - January 2nd. Ring in the New Year with family, friends and new acquaintances as you dive into God's word and celebrate the life we have in Christ.

Activities include: Pizza fest, contest/prizes, Palomar "Minute to Win it", boulder bowling, winter trail rides, scavenger hunt, ping pong, carpet ball, and weather permitting - sledding, snowman building and more! (join us in praying for snow!) Motel style and dorm style rates. For more info call 1-800-833-1444 or visit www.pccc.org.

Are you one who trusts in Jesus' sacrifice on the cross -- to save us from the sin that separates us from God -- and His resurrection from the dead and will, therefore, hear the trumpet that announces His return to gather us to Himself? May your Christmas celebration be a dress rehearsal for Jesus' second coming!

