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## INTRO TO NORTH HILLS LUNCH, JUNE 5

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We are inviting our new members (since Jan. 2011) and guests interested in knowing more about North Hills to join us after the morning service on June 5. We will enjoy lunch together and briefly share some of our ministry possibilities as well as a time for you to meet some leaders and ask questions. Let's get acquainted!!! [Click here to RSVP](#) and let us know how many are coming.




**July 11 – 15**  
Jeness Park  
\$285 person  
Contact Jennifer Eslick  
for students entering 7<sup>th</sup> Grade – 12<sup>th</sup> grade complete

**Camp Parent Meeting**  
**May 23**  
**7:30 p.m.**  
**Dodson Hall**

A HUGE thank you to all who supported the youth at the Spaghetti Dinner. Due to your generosity we received over \$900 in donations and tips.

**THANK YOU!!!!**

Camp scholarships and fundraising opportunities are available. Would you like to help send a kid to camp? Place your donation in the offering plate marked "CAMP" or contact the church office.

## My Dear People

*From the desk of Pastor Paul*

I am grateful for the chance to write an article for our newsletter. We want you to be informed on the happenings of our church and we think this will be a great way of communicating with you.

The Church Intentional Interim Process which we've entered into together is a spiritual 'looking glass' for church self-examination. The process provides tools for the church to use in the context of spiritual discernment to find new answers to three foundational questions:

- Who are we?
- Why are we here?
- Who is our neighbor?

The first step in this process is for all of us to join together and pray for our next pastor and our future ministry to Vallejo. I know you pray for me, I can tell every time I begin teaching the Scriptures on Sunday morning. Thank you for that. Let me explain some of the Interim process that we have and will work on:

1. Enter into a Church Covenant and Ministry Relationship.
2. The 'Breaking Free' Retreat which we did this spring.
3. Look at our recent church history, and survey the church on our strengths, weaknesses, threats and opportunities. We did this with Michael McGuffey from the California Baptist Convention. The results of this survey are in my office if you would like to discuss them with me.
4. Conduct a 'Core Values Audit' and report the results to the congregation. We want our core values to not be about buildings, budgets, and numbers. Instead we need to value people, ministry, and the future that Jesus has planned for us. The strategic team and I have been working diligently to make sure our core values follow a Biblical model. I appreciate the hard work they have been doing, and am looking forward to us adopting this plan for our future.

There are a few more steps for us to take as we prepare for the next pastor. I will talk about those at a later time.

I think the most important task we can accomplish together is to agree on a strategy that says we will follow the Biblical model of ministry and unify together around the ministry we know the Lord wants us to follow and accomplish together. Sometimes agreeing on how to accomplish this is where we as church members get at odds with each other.

Let's all remember we are in the same boat, and our destination is the one Jesus leads us too. When we row together and really love each other, we will get where we want to go so much faster.

## Music Happenings at North Hills,

We're excited about what's happening with the North Hills Worship Arts Ministry! We've just finished our Easter season musicals and are looking forward to a great summer! Whenever I think about summer, I remember my childhood. School would end and so would the obligatory practice of wearing shoes. Summer was filled with swimming, playing with friends and avoiding the star thistles (*we called them goat heads*) that reminded me why shoes were important. Out of all this, the most memorable and enjoyable part of summer was celebrating the Fourth of July! Oh yes the Fourth of July! That was back when a kid could buy and blow himself up with fireworks, ah those were the days! But I digress, the best part of the celebration was getting together with family, listening to some great music... and you guessed it, **EATING B.B.Q. at a church picnic**. Well North Hills... we're bringing the good ol' days back, minus the fireworks part. **Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>**, we're going to have church outside, (*weather permitting*) in the preschool playground with some great patriotic music from the Band and Choir. After the service we'll enjoy a good ol' fashioned church picnic, complete with a softball game and all the trimmings! My shoes want to come off just thinking about it! That's all for now. Stay tuned, next time I'll tell you about Scrooge, our annual music camp is just around the corner in August! Gotta go, someone just said something about swimming!



Bill Eslick



## Eagles Nest News

**May 30:** Memorial Day observed – Offices closed/No School

**May 31 – June 3:** Secondary Finals Week (1/2 days for secondary only)

**June 1:** 9:00 a.m. \*Kindergarten graduation in Worship Center

10:30 a.m. Elementary students' character awards chapel

7:00 p.m. Elementary students academic awards

**June 2:** Elementary Water Park Field Trip

### High School Graduation

**June 4, 10:00 a.m.**



**June 3:** Elementary students dismissed at 12:00

Secondary students dismissed at 12:15

11:00 a.m. Eighth grade promotion

**June 6:** Secondary academic awards program at 7:00 p.m.

**June 6 – 8:** Teacher/Staff meet for planning for next school year.

**June – July:** Extended care summer program goes through August  
Secondary summer school program begins June 13 (approx)  
Elementary summer tutoring program begins  
Secondary summer reading assignments due in August  
Continue work on accreditation for 2011-2012 school year

*We covet your prayers as we finish the 2010-2011 school year and plan for the 2011-2012 school year.*

## DADS & GRADS SUNDAY

We will honor our Dads and grads (high school or higher learning) on Sunday, June 19. You can submit names of your grads to the church office. Please include the name of their school and degree.

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Questions or comments?

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