



The Vistoso Voice



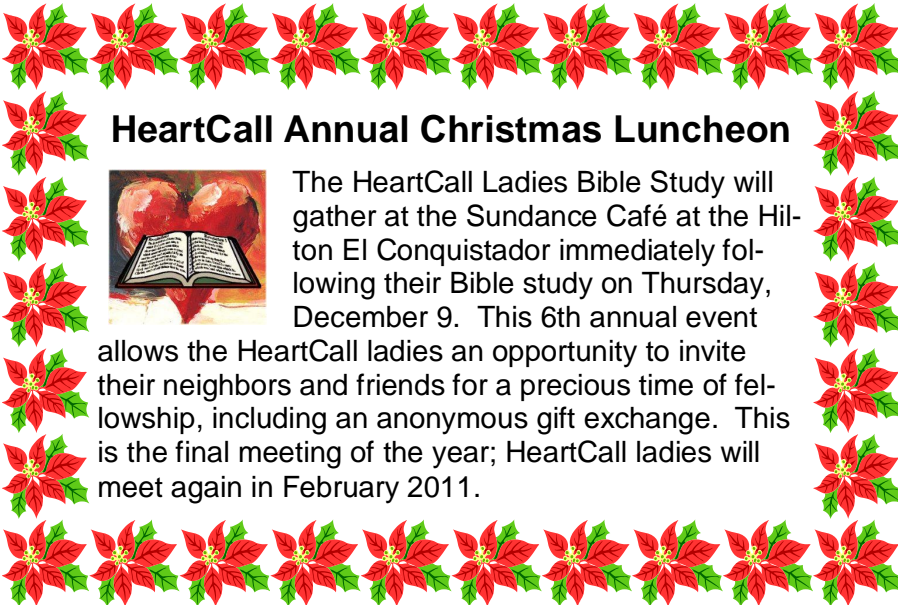
Shepherds Abiding in the Fields
By Carl Heinrich Bloch

Christmas Concert and Christmas Eve Service

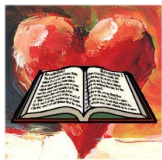
For unto us a Child is born, Unto us a Son is given; And the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace. Isaiah 9:6 NKJV

On Sunday, December 19, during our regular worship service at 9:30 a.m., the VCC choir will share a special presentation of Christmas music with scripture narration. As is usual, the service will be followed by a time of fellowship, and Bible study will begin at 11:10 a.m. in the sanctuary.

Our traditional Christmas Eve service is Friday, December 24 at 5:00 p.m. Join the VCC congregation for this joyous celebration of worship and song, commemorating the birth of our Savior.



HeartCall Annual Christmas Luncheon

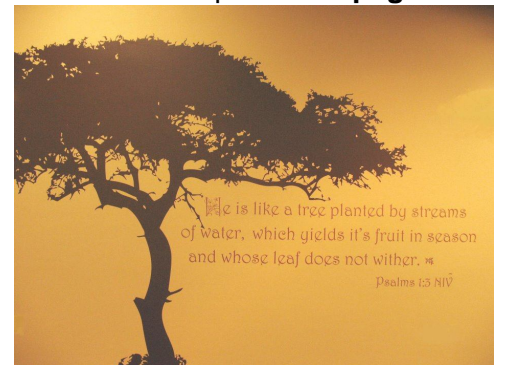


The HeartCall Ladies Bible Study will gather at the Sundance Café at the Hilton El Conquistador immediately following their Bible study on Thursday, December 9. This 6th annual event

allows the HeartCall ladies an opportunity to invite their neighbors and friends for a precious time of fellowship, including an anonymous gift exchange. This is the final meeting of the year; HeartCall ladies will meet again in February 2011.

Dedication Sunday

The mural pictured below was lovingly and painstakingly applied by a few devoted volunteers in time for our dedication celebration October 31. See more photos on **page 4**.



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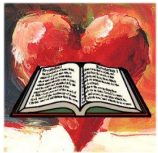
Newsletter Distribution

This is the first month that we have attempted distribution of *The Vistoso Voice* via email. If you have not received a PDF copy of the newsletter via email attachment it means that either we do not have an email address on file for you or the one we have is incorrect. Please send an email to VCCEditor@gmail.com to be added to the email distribution list. You can also use this address for any other correspondence related to *The Vistoso Voice*. If you prefer a printed copy of the newsletter, they are published the last Sunday of each month and available after the worship service. Look for the basket on the Visitors Table.



Emeritus at Tucson. Please note the new time for our outreach to the residents of this assisted living facility: Thursday, December 2, at **2:30 p.m.** See more details about this ministry opportunity on page 3.

Men of Honor. Gather with the men of VCC for prayer, Bible study and coffee, Friday, December 3, 7:00 a.m.



HeartCall. Ladies' Bible study meets the last time this year on December 9 at

9:30 a.m. at the church. The annual Christmas luncheon immediately follows. See more details about the luncheon on **Page 1**. HeartCall will then be on hiatus until they assemble again in February for a special event. Those details will be forthcoming in the near future.



Choir. Preparation for our Christmas concert continues. Practice is on Wednesdays, December 1, 8 and 15, at 5:00 p.m.

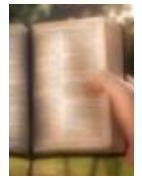
Small Group. No small group this month. The next meeting will be Sunday, January 9 at 6:30 p.m. at the home of Jim and Karen Wilson.



A WORD FROM OUR MINISTRY LEADERS

As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.

I Peter 4:10



Another Side of Stewardship

One part of stewardship is conservation and economy—making sure that we are using the financial resources that God has provided efficiently and wisely. At VCC, your communication team is working hard to ensure that we are being good stewards of the funds we use to produce our web site, bulletins, newsletter, and other publications. Another side of stewardship is making sure that we are *all* using to their full potential these communication tools that God has provided.

For example, if a friend asks you for more information about the church than you can give in a conversation, and they are the least bit computer literate, you can share our website address. By simply typing *vistoso.org* in the address bar, you are immediately connected to a wealth of information about the church—including an introduction to the staff, the history of the church and current activities. You will also have the ability to listen to sermons and Bible Studies and to download publications. I am particularly interested in spreading the word about our web site because I found VCC's web site before Bill and I moved to Sun City and it was the reason we first visited the church.

Another example of a VCC communication that can be passed on to a friend or neighbor is this newsletter. If you print or pick up a printed copy of *The Vistoso Voice*, don't throw it away when you are finished reading it. Pass it on so that someone else can read what we are doing at Vistoso Community Church. The same is true of the church bulletins. They contain information about the week's events and our core values that may be compelling to those who are searching for a church home.

The ways in which we share these communications is an important part of stewardship. We can never be sure which piece of information that we share might spark an interest in another's heart, but we can first pray for the recipients and then work to engage their interest as we share our publications. Our Boxes for Troops project may catch one person's attention, while another may be more interested in the library. Certainly, those you invite to church events will find the details in the bulletin or newsletter handy as a reminder.

We would love to hear the creative ways you have found to reach out through the communication tools God has provided for us.



Shanna Bethe

MISSIONS DECEMBER



Lottie Moon. The Week of Prayer for International Missions that launches the annual Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® begins November 28 and ends December 5. We will join in prayer with thousands of other churches to celebrate how God has responded to the faithfulness of His people. We will also pray for our missionaries as they partner with national Christians to take the Gospel to the lost. This year's slogan asks: Are we there yet? More than 6,400 unreached people groups would say no. But there is promising news: for the first time in history, researchers can identify the people groups that remain untouched by the Gospel. This indicates that we could conceivably reach the rest of the world in our lifetime! Let's support the Lottie Moon Christmas Offering® with our prayers and donations so more workers can carry a witness to those waiting to hear. The national goal is \$175 million; our VCC church goal is \$ 6,600.00.

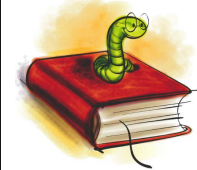
Special Missions Event. Pencil an exclusive missions event onto your calendar for Thursday, January 20. Be looking for details to follow soon.

Ministry to Emeritus. Our ministry to the residents who live at Emeritus senior living center, 2650 W. Ina Road, continues on the first Thursday of each month, but the time has changed. Join the residents of Emeritus at Tucson in *The Gallery*, December 2, at **2:30 p.m.** This month's theme is For Unto Us a Child is Born. The VCC choir will be leading the singing of some favorite Christmas carols. Please support this ministry with your participation and your prayers. If you have any questions about how you can become a part of this vital outreach, call Art or Nancye Allen 825-9076.



The Bookworm

As you all know, bookworms just devour books! And their contents, of course. Did you know, for instance, that the VCC Library contains *delicious* volumes of history—



Babylonia, Assyria, and the like? And in addition to all those, there is a whole shelf of biographies! Over by the window is a section of reference books that are chock full of sweet facts and scholarly opinions. You can use them in the library room—but please do not check them out! Others may want to look too! Oh, and a quick bit of new information: the author/title catalog in the blue binder will be updated quarterly. Watch for the new sheets on or about January 1; there are lots of new books to be added to what you have already seen.

Meanwhile, enjoy! I do!
The Bookworm



Art Riggins



Carolyn Carson	12/3
Tricia Jennings	12/3
Helen Knittel	12/3
Ann Kilby	12/4
Jack Noe	12/4
Chuck Wood	12/5
Donna McGhee	12/7
Marilyn Hartley	12/9
Joe Markwell	12/13
Doris Wood	12/13
Dolores Bone	12/17
Micah Bond	12/17
Sandy Gates	12/18
Myrtle Ferchen	12/21
Carol Smith	12/22
Lindy Youse	12/28
Robert Henry	12/29
Warren Nossaman	12/30
LaVern Townsend	12/31



C.J. and Judy Hindman, 31 years	12/2
Dan and Marian Stole-son, 46 years	12/18
Darryl and Mary Sand-ers, 48 years	12/22
Paul and Ruth Wil-liams, 67 years	12/24
Larry and Tricia Jennings, 31 years	12/29
Dick and Jean Nelson, 59 years	12/29
Don and Arlene Berg, 55 years	12/30



Dedication Sunday
Clockwise from top left: **Stephanie Adams** receives her certificate of baptism; **Charlie Bone** and **Julia Salley** place the time capsule; **Audra Southall** shares why she is a member of VCC; **Micah Bond** is baptized; **Charlie and Dolores Bone** receive special recognition.