

From Pastor Jeff

“Abide in me, and I and you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I and him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.” John 15:4-5

Here in John chapter 15 Jesus gives us the key commands to the Christian life. Jesus commands us to “abide in him” in order that we “bear much fruit.” To abide in Jesus is to stay united to him, centered on him in all of life. It is to obey his word and follow his teachings. Jesus desires us to live lives full of joy and love. As we dwell in him and obey him, we find ourselves transformed to experience this new kind of life. But just as grape vines grow best, not on their own, but tended in a vineyard, we Christians don't grow well on our own. The context of the kind of life Jesus desires for us is in a fellowship of believers. All of the “yous” in John 15 are plural; they are “y'alls” as it were. If we are going to grow and produce the fruit Jesus desires, we must be part of the local church.

Jesus called his disciples into a group, a band of followers. He never sent them out alone but always in 2s and 3s. You cannot experience the life Jesus wants for you alone. You need the Church. The local church is Jesus' instrument for nurturing us, pruning us, and making us fruitful. On Friday, March 15th, from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm and Saturday, March 16th from 8:30am to 1pm, we will be hosting a new member's retreat. Here we will be looking at what it means to live out our discipleship together as a covenanted band of Jesus's followers. If you have not yet committed yourself to the fellowship of believers here at The Village Church please sign up and plan on attending. It is in the context of the local church that our abiding in Jesus is meant to be experienced and expressed. Don't miss out on what he wants for you!



VILLAGE CHURCH EVENTS

March 3rd: Communion; 10am Service Only
March 10th: Daylight Savings; Celebration for Tony Conragan – Potluck
March 14th: Women’s Ministry Board Meeting 2pm
March 15th: New Members Class & Dinner 6pm
March 16th: New Members Class continued 8:30am to 1pm (breakfast and lunch provided)
March 17th: Deacons Meeting
March 20th: Nominating Committee Meeting at 1pm
March 21st: Session Meeting 4pm
March 24th: Palm Sunday; Tony Conragan’s Last Sunday – Cake after 10am service;
Preschool Kids singing at 10am service
March 28th: Maundy Thursday – Tenebrae Service 7pm in the Sanctuary
March 29th: Preschool Closed; Good Friday Service at Cornerstone Church at 7pm
March 31st: Easter Sunday 7:15am Sunrise Service; 10am Service in Sanctuary;
Kid Activities during 10am service; Easter Brunch at 11:30am

Some info on our Bible Studies and Small Groups:

Sunday Mornings, Nursery, Preschool, & K-5 Sunday School (10:00am) in-Person.
2nd & 4th Sunday Mornings, Village Sunday Youth Group (10:00am) in the Church House
Monday Evenings, Grief Share Group (5:00pm) in-Person Fireside Room. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87585496366?pwd=K0o2TmwXNWxnUkxFO0RUQ0hmeXpwQT09>
Monday Evenings, Women’s Bible Study (6:00pm) in-Person at the Church House. <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85693949419?pwd=QkU5ZDgvcHpnNHJHMkVmaU5lSUo0UT09>
Tuesday Nights, Incline Small Group (6:30pm to 8:00pm): in-person at the Ferrell’s House and via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/396067313?pwd=Smc1U29GVEVsYW85UkZoODFycHlDdz09>
Wednesday Mornings, Men's Bible Study (6:30am to 7:30am): in-person the Fireside Room and via Zoom <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/284810005?pwd=QVJ6SzZzc2VDNlZwcFNobnBwTjhTUT09>
Wednesday Mornings, Children’s Chapel at 9:30am in the Sanctuary.
2nd & 4th Wednesday Afternoons, Middle School Girls Group: 1:45-4:45pm at the YL Incline
Wednesday Afternoons, Great News Club (2:35pm to 4:00pm) at Incline Elementary School
Wednesday Nights, Adult Bible Study at 6:00pm in the Fireside Room.
Thursday Mornings, Women’s Bible Study. Cornerstone at 9:30am at Cornerstone Church.
Thursdays at Noon, Prayer Time for the Church and Schools
Thursday Nights, AA meets in the Fireside Room at 7:00pm

WE WILL BE CELEBRATING PASTOR TONY’S
many years of service to our Church with a
taco potluck on March 10th at 11:30am.
The church will provide tacos, beans, and rice.
Please bring a side or a dessert.
Pastor Tony’s last day is Sunday, March 24th.



3/1 Jason Stanton	3/7 Nancy Leonard
3/2 Tim Gilbert	Bill Critchfield
3/3 Bob Beart	3/9 Jan Paulson
3/4 Caryl Bydash	Jane Duffield
Ann Schofield	3/12 Guy Fortier
3/5 Sharon Sigler	Robyn Barnes
3/6 Edie Farrell	3/24 Faith Ogden
3/7 Paul Hamer	3/27 Millie Clarke
Ruth Jensen	3/30 Sara Stanton

VILLAGE CHURCH NEWS

UPDATE FOR SUNDAY MARCH 3RD: We will only have the 10AM Service in the Sanctuary and online on March 3rd. Due to weather we will not have the 8am service.

RESCHEDULED - NEXT SUNDAY MARCH 10TH - WE WILL BE CELEBRATING PASTOR TONY'S many years of service to our Church with a taco themed potluck on March 10th. The church will provide the tacos, rice, and beans. Please bring a side or dessert.

NEW MEMBER RETREAT – Are you interested in becoming a Covenant Partner (New Member) of The Village Church? We are having our new member retreat on March 15th & 16th. We will gather for dinner and study on Friday night, March 15th at 6pm. On Saturday, March 16th 8:30am to 1pm. Continental Breakfast and lunch will be served on Saturday. Childcare Provided. Please RSVP to apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org

AV HELP NEEDED: We need help with either running the sound board or the computer on Sundays. Even if it is one Sunday a month, we could use your help. We will train you. Please send me an email if you are interested in volunteering.

EASTER SUNDAY REQUEST: We would like to have a Easter Sunday Brunch (for example cinnamon rolls, cut up fresh fruit, lemon bars, bacon, ham, egg dishes, potato dishes, etc.) for Easter Sunday morning after the 10am service. Please email apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org if you would like to bring something. There is a signup sheet at church as well.

CHURCH NAME TAGS: Please send email apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org if you would like a church name tag, include the spelling of how you want your name to be on the name tag.



A BIG THANK YOU TO PASTOR TONY!!
Thank you for your many many years of service to the Church in all of the different ministry areas! We appreciate all you have done. Many blessing to Pastor Tony and his wonderful wife Stephanie. Thank you Stephanie for all you have done for the Church! We will miss you both so much!

Pastor Tony's last Sunday with us will be March 24th.



NEW MEMBER CLASS

NEW COVENANT PARTNER (MEMBER) RETREAT

Friday, March 15th at 6pm to 8pm

Dinner Provided

&

Saturday, March 16th at 8:30am to 1pm

Breakfast & Lunch Provided

Childcare Provided

**Please RSVP to the Church Office at 775-831-0784 or
email to apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org**



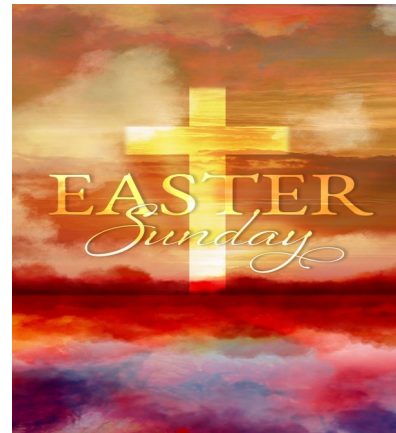
HOLY WEEK - SAVE THE DATES

PALM SUNDAY 3/24 - We will have palm branches available to everyone who wants one. During the 10am service the preschool children will be singing. Also, we are celebrating Pastor Tony's Last Sunday with Cake after the 10am service in the Fireside Room.



MAUNDY THURSDAY 3/28 - We will have a Maundy Thursday Tenebrae service in the Sanctuary at 7pm.

GOOD FRIDAY 3/29 - There will be a community worship service at Cornerstone Community Church at 7pm.



EASTER SUNDAY 3/31 - Pastor Jeff will lead a Sunrise Service at 7:15am at Burnt Cedar Beach.

EASTER MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE AT 10:00AM in our Sanctuary. Fun activities for the children.

EASTER BRUNCH AT 11:30AM in the Fireside Room.



MAUNDY THURSDAY TENEBRAE SERVICE

MARCH 28TH @ 7PM
THE VILLAGE CHURCH SANCTUARY

7:00
pm

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE

Multi Church Service | Friday March 29th | Location: Cornerstone Community Church | Kids Program Downstairs



Easter Sunrise Gathering

March 31st @ 7:15AM

Burnt Cedar Beach

Led by Pastor Jeff Ogden

Easter Sunday

**March 31st
10:00AM**

Worship Service

**Including Fun
Kid Activities**

Brunch at 11:30AM

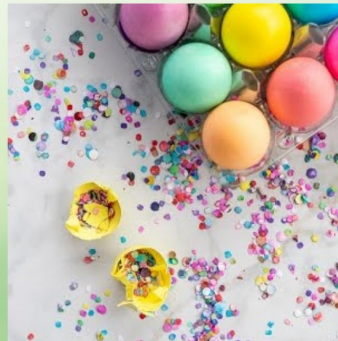
**736 McCourry Blvd. Incline Village, NV
775-831-0784 www.thevillagechurchnv.org**



Easter Sunday

MARCH 31ST AT 10AM

Kids! Come enjoy Easter morning with the Children's Ministry Leaders! Let's celebrate together breaking cascarones and making crafts all while learning about the Empty Tomb!
Plus, take a Goodie bag home!



THE VILLAGE CHURCH
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SHARE
EASTER
FLOWERS
IN HONOR OR
IN MEMORY OF
A LOVED ONE



If you would like to share Easter Flowers with our church family, please complete the form below and return it to the church office. The flowers are ordered and delivered to the church and will be placed in the Sanctuary for Easter morning. Your celebration or memorial will be printed in the Easter Service bulletin.

Please make your \$12 check out to The Village Church and mark it "Easter Flowers".

Drop off your check at the church office or mail the form and your check to:

The Village Church
736 McCourry Blvd.
Incline Village, NV 89451

Deadline for all orders is Sunday,
March 24th

EASTER FLOWER ORDER FORM

Name _____

No. of Plants _____ Phone _____

In Celebration of _____

In Memory of _____

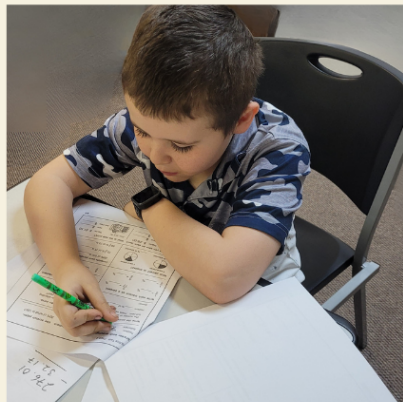
The potted flowers this year will be an assortment of spring flowers and Easter lilies.

Please check this box if you would like your plant(s) donated to a shut-in.

VILLAGE CHRISTIAN ACADEMY

KINDERGARTEN- 5TH GRADE 2024-2025 SCHOOL YEAR

NOW ENROLLING FALL 2024



Development of life-long love of learning
Passionate, credentialed teachers
Christian curriculum that is personalized & challenging



775-831-0797

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NOW HIRING PRESCHOOL TEACHERS

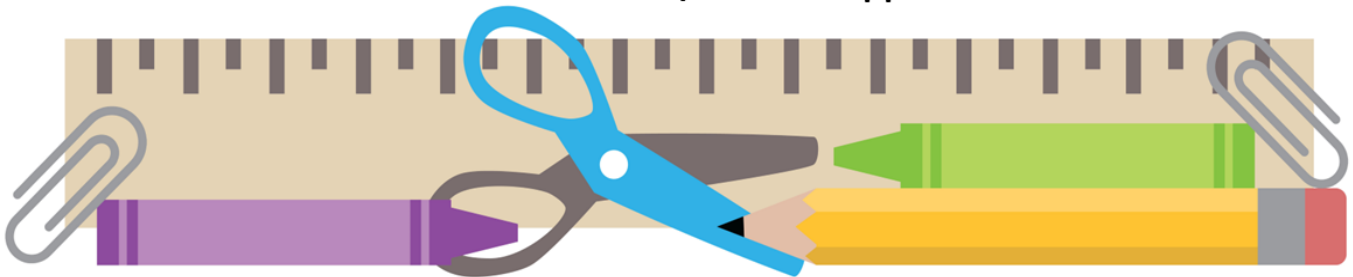
Must love children

Be hard-working and work well with others

Be punctual everyday and be able to handle chaotic moments with love & laughter

Radiates joy & laughter into the classroom

Call 775-831-1184 or email preschool@thevillagechurchnv.org for more information and/or for an application.



Missionaries Al and Annie Olsen

Al and Annie Olsen worked for Wycliffe for thirty-six years. They joined Wycliffe in 1987, initially serving in support roles as guest house managers in southern Spain. Al administratively supported and encouraged fellow Wycliffe members as they transitioned to a different role. Annie designed computer fonts so that people could read the Bible in their preferred language and script. They have worked in southern Mexico, east Africa, Kenya, and Tanzania, and currently reside in Texas.



Bible translation is speeding up as the year 2025 approaches! In 1999 Wycliffe adopted the vision that by the year 2025 every language which still needed translated Scriptures would have one started. Local churches are becoming even more engaged in this process, and incredible progress is being made. Past translation strategies focused primarily on the New Testament, but it is becoming more common to find communities so encouraged by it that there is local support for the team to continue working to translate the Old Testament, too! *Please pray for all of the language communities where God's word is still not easily accessible, if at all.*

They retired from Wycliffe on November 30th. Following a required two-month sabbatical, they will be returning as volunteers. Annie has always intended to return and continue with font design work. These are specific gifts that the Lord has given her, and she desires to manage them well in retirement.

They still desire to serve the Lord with the talents and abilities He has given them, just a little slower than when they began in 1987. As retired volunteers they are limited to a maximum of 20 hours per week and ineligible to hold leadership positions. With these two points in play, it will help them to focus their time and provide more flexibility in their days.

More translation is happening and more people are involved in creating access to God's Word today than ever before, and they desire to keep helping. If you wish to continue to partner with them financially after November, you do not need to do anything differently, and you will still receive a tax-deductible receipt. You may be wondering, "What's my role in this change?" First, please keep them in your prayers. Doing God's work in God's way still requires that they work in His strength, not their own. Second, if you are willing to continue partnering with them, your gifts will be recorded and sent as 1099 pension. The Mission Committee will continue to support Al and Annie at a reduced level as they enter this new phase.

Al and Annie thank everyone who has partnered with them over these last 36+ years. More translation is happening and more people are involved in creating access to God's Word today than ever before! Their physical address and email addresses, will remain the same. *Please also pray for Annie and Al in this new season!*

Personal Correspondence:

Permanent address:

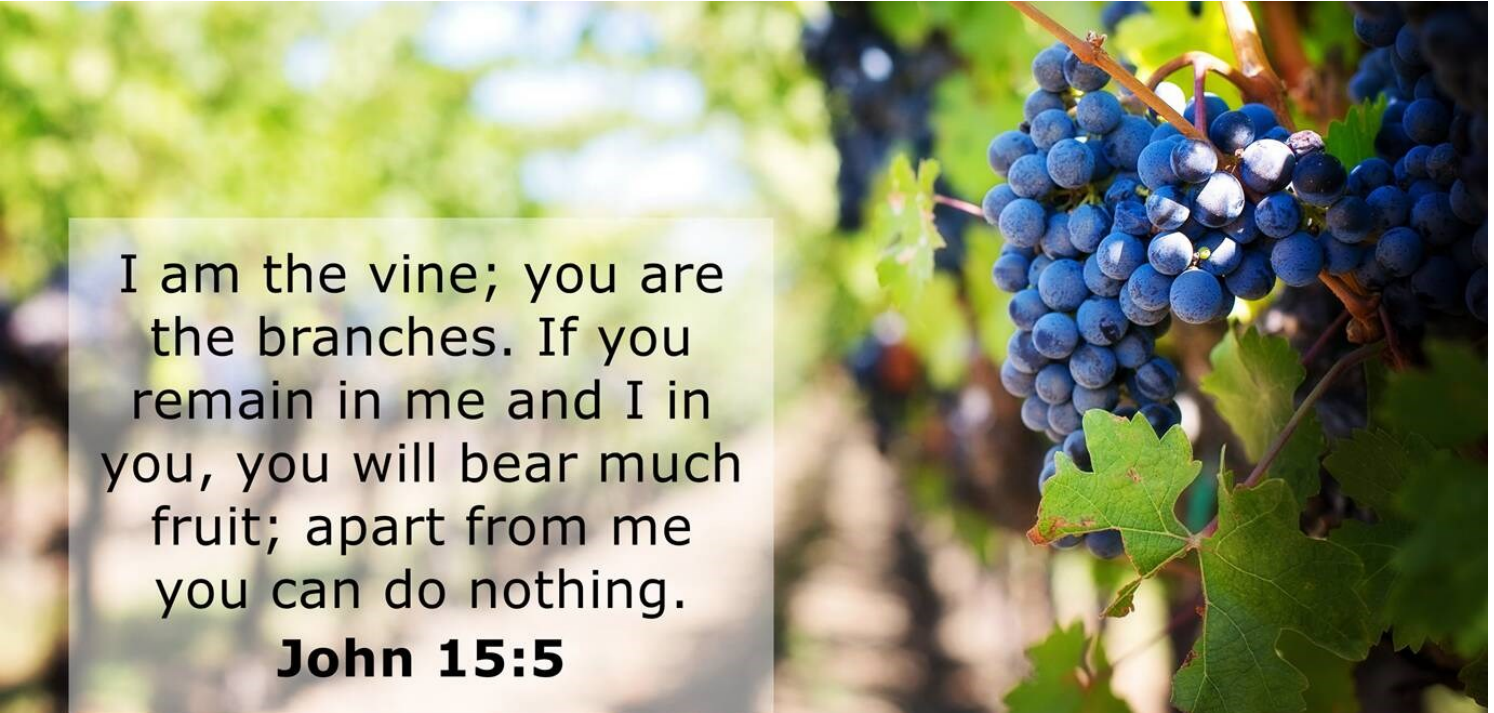
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Orlando, FL 32862-8200

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 the branches. If you
 remain in me and I in
 you, you will bear much
 fruit; apart from me
 you can do nothing.

John 15:5

Village Church Leadership

Alissa Bird - Preschool Staff
 Pastor Tony Conrigan - Assistant Pastor
 Jim Dykstra - Deacon
 Joe Farrell - Elder
 Don Ferrell - Treasurer, Elder
 Krissy Flynn - Teacher
 Betsy Garfinkle - Deacon
 Tim Gilbert - Elder, Church Project Manager
 Jenna Hilton - Office Assistant
 Travis Holzner - Preschool Staff
 Tasia Irons - Preschool Staff
 Gaby Lara - Preschool Staff
 Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director; Deacon
 Gina Longhi - Preschool Staff
 Yancy Lopez - Preschool Staff
 Khelsea Lorenzen - Preschool Staff

Marilyn Merritt - Elder
 Steve Merritt - Deacon
 Patricia Moser Morris - Deacon
 Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor
 Debra Ornelas - Family Ministries Director
 Hal Paris - Elder
 Annie Payne - Office Manager
 Chris Peterson - Deacon
 Lonny Reed - Custodian
 Linda Robins - Thrift Shop Manager
 Maricarmen Rubio - Preschool Staff
 Ann Schofield - Clerk of Session, Elder
 Lisa Snavely - Deacon Moderator
 Jason Stanton - Accompanist
 Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager
 Ellie Vigil Lopez - Preschool Staff
 Ed Windham - Elder