



Newsletter



From Pastor Jeff

Dear Village Church Family and Friends,

Last Sunday, I announced that I will be on sabbatical for the month of October this year, and September and October next year. I'm writing this letter to explain what that means for me and for our congregation.

The word, "sabbatical" is related to the word "sabbath," which is an Old Testament word that means "stopping" or "ceasing" (the Sabbath day is literally, "Stop Day"). Throughout the Old Testament Law, God's people were commanded to stop and rest. A pattern formed of stopping every 7 days, 7 years, and 7x7 years. Sabbath and sabbatical are times for intentional rest, refocus, and reconnection with God. After the last few years with the pandemic and life in general, I find myself in need of all three of these. My plan for this October is to rest, to spend time in prayer, in solitude, to hike, to journal, and to read. My goal is rest for my body and my soul, and reconnection with God, my family, and myself.

While I am away, Pastor Tony Conragan will be covering all of the pastoral duties at our church. He will be preaching a sermon series on the Book of Nehemiah and available to counsel with those in need. Various Session elders will be attending staff meetings and available to assist with administrative needs that may arise. I have full confidence in the staff and elders to be able to handle the needs of our church.

I cannot say enough how grateful I am for this opportunity to rest and recharge and I know it is a gift. Thank you!

In Christ,

Pastor Jeff

Sabbatical

refresh | rest | refocus

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN SEPTEMBER



COFFEE/FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Sundays following the 10AM Service Coffee/fellowship hour every Sunday! We have fellowship time in the Fireside Room & Patio after the 10am service. There will be coffee, tea, lemonade, ice cream, and treats.

THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Sunday, September 4th
The Lord's Supper will be celebrated at our Sunday morning worship services on September 4th



POTLUCK LUNCH

Sunday, September 4th
Potluck lunch following our 10:00 a.m. service. Church will provide fried chicken. Please bring your favorite dish, side dish, salad, fruit, etc. to share.



LABOR DAY

September 5th
The Office and Preschool will be closed on Monday, September 5th in observance of Labor Day.

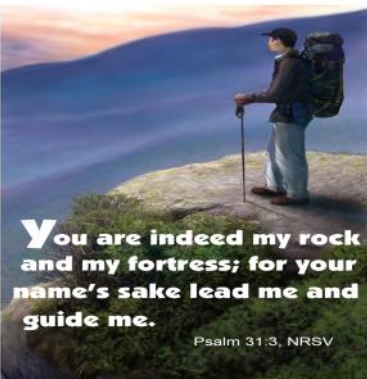


SESSION MEETING

Wednesday, September 14th
The Session of The Village Church will be meeting on Wednesday, September 14th at 4:00 p.m.

DEACONS' MEETING

Sunday, September 11th
The Deacons will be meeting on Sunday, September 11th at 11:30 a.m. in Pastor Jeff's office.



MOUNT ROSE HIKE

Saturday, September 17th

Would you like to see the spectacular views from the top of Mt. Rose? We will be hiking Mt. Rose on Saturday, September 17th leaving the church parking lot at 6:50 a.m. and starting the hike at 7:00 a.m. from the Mt. Rose parking lot. The hike is over ten miles with a net vertical gain of around 3,000 feet.



HIKING

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We have several ministry areas at the church where we need volunteers. We are in need of volunteers for Children's Sunday School teachers, K-6 pod, hospitality, nursery, thrift shop, etc. If you would like to volunteer at the church please contact the Church Office at 775-831-0784. Thank you!

VILLAGE CHURCH EVENTS

September 2nd: Preschool Teacher Workday – Preschool Closed
September 4th: Lord’s Supper; Fried Chicken Potluck; Last Outdoor Worship
September 5th: Labor Day – Preschool & Office Closed
September 6th: K-6 Pod at the church first day of school
September 7th: Great News Club Volunteer Mtg; Alpha Course & Dinner
September 11th: Deacons Meeting
September 14th: Great News Club at IES; Session Meeting; Alpha Course & Dinner
September 15th: WM Board Meeting
September 17th: Mt. Rose Church Hike
September 23rd-25th: Tahoe Men’s Retreat

Church Hikes Saturdays at 8:00am

8 & 10am Worship Services on Sundays

Children Sunday School & Nursery Sundays at 10am

Grief Share Group on Mondays - will start back in November

Incline Small Group meets on Tuesday at 6:30pm

Hispanic Church Iglesia Resturacion Tuesdays at 6:00pm in the Sanctuary

Men’s Bible Study meets on Wednesday at 6:30am

Prayer Group meets on Wednesday at 10:00am

Great News Club on Wednesdays 2:35 at the Elementary School for children K-5

Praise Team Practice on Wednesdays at 4:30pm and Sundays at 9:00am

Alpha Course & Dinner meets on Wednesdays at 6:00pm

AA meets on Thursday Nights in the Fireside Room at 7:00pm



Church Hikes
Saturdays at 8AM
Meet at Church Parking Lot

**YOU'RE
INVITED!**

Save the Date

**SEPTEMBER
23rd - 25th**



TAHOE MEN'S RETREAT

Friday, September 23rd - Sunday, September 25th 2022

855 W Lake Blvd, Tahoe City, CA 96145

Get ready to enjoy a weekend of rest, relaxation and fun! Our hope is that you would be able to deepen your faith, make some connections, and recharge your emotional battery. Invite a buddy or two and join us!

Weekend Highlights: Great food all weekend long! Free time on Saturday afternoon to enjoy Lake Tahoe with optional hiking, biking, and golfing.

Keynote Speaker: Bill Paige - New York City Area law-enforcement, VP for Young Life, & NFL/NBA Chaplin

Musician: Ryan Fonseca - San Antonio, TX

Hosted by Mountain Metro's Anchor Point Lodge

www.aplodge.org, 530-740-2173 *registration link coming soon!

Registration link: <https://forms.gle/q2km5QvKUJERnNW56>

Great News

Club

**Wednesdays 2:35pm-4:00pm
Incline Elementary School
Meet in Front of the School Office**

Great News Club is an exciting, fun-filled, free after-school club

- * Dynamic Bible Lessons * Creative Learning Activities**
- * Life-Changing Scripture Memory * Songs * Fun Games**

Hosted by: Debra Ornelas

Sponsored by: The Village Church

Registration Link: <https://forms.gle/hwY214n4FMb52ukD9>



VILLAGE YOUTH

YOU'RE INVITED

**2nd & 4th Sundays of the Month
At 10:00am**

**Join us at The Village Church
In the Youth Room or Via Zoom**



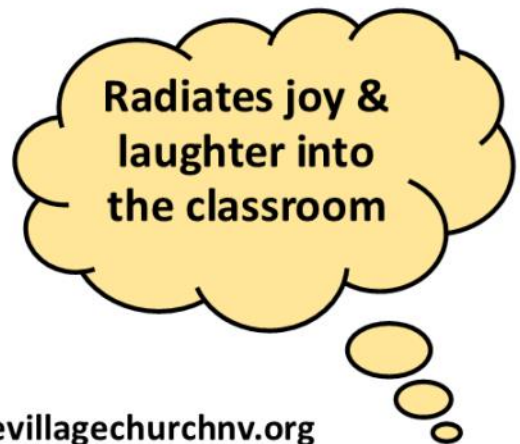
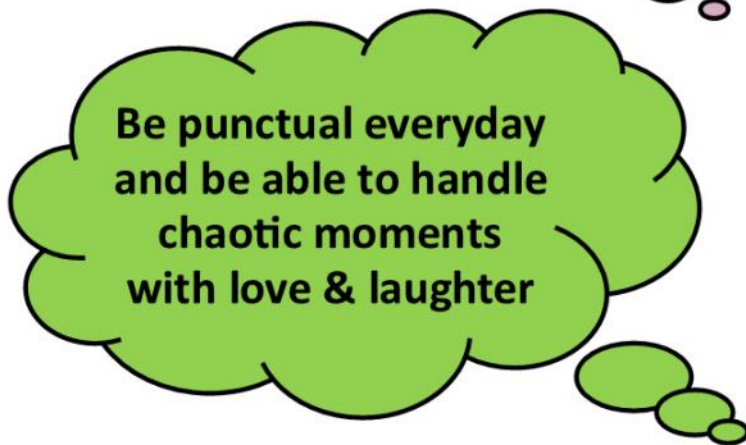
BibleProject

Zoom Link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98494686433>



NOW HIRING PRESCHOOL TEACHERS



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



The Village Christian Preschool | 775-831-1184 | www.villagepreschoolnv.org

Village Christian Preschool Photos



BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES

Village Nursery & Children Sunday School - Sundays 10:00 a.m.
PreK-5th Grade is upstairs in Room C. Infants & Toddlers in the Nursery.

Village Youth - 2nd & 4th Sundays 10:15 a.m. In-Person and Online
This is a group for youth. They are doing the Bible Project. You can join in-person in the Youth Room or online. Link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/98494686433>

Grief Share Group - off until November
Everyone is welcome to join. Held in the Fireside Room. Pastor Tony leads this group.

Incline Village Small Group - Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m.
Everyone is welcome to join. In-person and online via Zoom.
Link to join [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/396067313?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/396067313?pwd=Smc1U29GVEVsYW85UkZoODFycHIDdz09)
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Prayer Group - Wednesdays at 10:00am
Held at the Church. Everyone is welcome to join.

Men's Bible Study - Wednesdays at 6:30 a.m.
All men are invited for prayer and Bible study. In-person in the Fireside Room and via Zoom. Link to join [https://us02web.zoom.us/j/284810005?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/284810005?pwd=QVJ6SszZzc2VDNlZwcFNobnBwTjhTUT09)
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Alpha Course & Dinner - Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

If you would like to start a new small group/Bible study or would like to let us know of an existing one, please let us know the date and time.



9/5 Mark Nielson
9/8 Lynne Swingley Donat
9/13 Cheryl Turpin
9/16 Joann Fortier
9/22 Jim Turpin
9/25 Paula Townley
9/28 Scott Johnson

**Did we forget your birthday? Call us at
the church office - 775.831.0784**

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Our regular hours are Tuesday through Friday, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.



The Village Church is affiliated with ECO: A Covenant Order of Evangelical Presbyterians. For more information about ECO, visit our website:
www.TheVillageChurchNV.org
or www.eco-pres.org.

PASTORAL CONTACT

In order to provide the best possible pastoral care in time of emergency or crisis, You can contact Pastor Jeff Ogden at 775-624-4240 or Assistant Pastor Tony Conragan at 775-830-0566. If they don't pickup please leave a voicemail and they will get back to you as soon as possible.



PRAY & GO

Saturday, October 1st at 9am
Meet at the Church Parking Lot

Pray & Go is a ministry where we walk around sections of our town praying for each house that we walk by. Then leave a doorhanger that says we prayed for them.



In-Person Indoor Worship Sundays at 8:00AM & 10:00AM

736 McCourry Blvd. Incline Village, NV
775-831-0784 | www.TheVillageChurchNV.org

VILLAGE CHURCH MISSIONS



Background: We have been supporting missionaries Drew and Linka Parlee as a church for many years. In 2014, GEM assigned Drew to Third Millennium Ministries (<https://thirdmill.org/>) where he uses his Ph.D. and M.Div. to review and write free online seminary courses for pastors and lay people who cannot afford traditional seminary education. Although they now live in California, God is using Drew's work to reach more of the world than ever before. His seminary courses are translated into several major languages, so they're used wherever English, Spanish, Chinese, Russian and Arabic are spoken - languages which represent 42% of the world's population. Both of them also make disciples locally in California.

From Drew:

Dear Brothers and Sisters of the Village Church,

Thank you for praying! Drew's heart 'surgery' on May 26 was successful. The 'surgery' was so minimally invasive that it is technically called a "procedure" rather than 'surgery.' *On the very day of the procedure, my heartbeat returned to normal!* I was able to return to work immediately! After three months of recovery, I can now climb hills without stopping to rest. After a follow-up appointment on August 23, the doctor will decide which heart medications I may reduce or even stop taking. **Praise our Lord for the blessing of living in a day and culture where such a procedure is available.**

I'm now preparing to teach three online Thirdmill Seminary courses that I've taught before.

Aug 15 – Oct 9, 2022. Building Your Theology. An introduction to 'theology.' 'Theology' is rightly interpreting the Bible and applying it to our minds, passions, and practices. My students include pastors, missionaries, church planters, and lay people from the Ukraine, where war continues, a hostile Islamic country, a hostile communist country, and from Burundi and Haiti - two of the poorest countries on earth.

Oct 17 – Dec 11, 2022. The Apostle's Creed. Basic beliefs that unite all Christians through the ages.

Jan 9 – Mar 5, 2023. What is Man? Adam and Eve were created by God in his image or likeness. Then they became corrupted by sin. This explains their need and our need for a savior from God.

Preparing to teach includes assigning some new required reading, updating homework, and writing down my latest ongoing dialogues with Jehovah's Witnesses to train pastors, future pastors, and missionaries to *rightly interpret* and *not wrongly interpret* the Bible.

Last week, a new Thirdmill Institute learning community started in Kiev, Ukraine – during the war!

Thank you for your love, prayer, and gifts!

Drew and Linka Parlee

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To give, visit [Missionaries - Greater Europe Mission \(gemission.org\)](https://www.gemission.org)

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A Joyful Place To Grow



K-6 VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The Church is hosting a K-6 schooling pod and need classroom aids to help with the children from 9am-11am. If you are interested in

volunteering for this program please email the church office at

apayne@thevillagechurchnv.org.



Village Church Leadership

Pastor Tony Conragan - Assistant Pastor

Stephanie Conragan - Office Assistant

Chuck Dowd - Elder

Jim Dykstra - Deacon's Food Distribution

Don Ferrell - Treasurer, Elder

Karen Ferrell - Women's Ministries Moderator

Tim Gilbert - Elder

Travis Holzner - Preschool Staff

Tasia Irons - Preschool Staff

Cindy Liggett - Preschool Director

Yancy Lopez - Preschool Staff

Colleen Malley - Preschool Staff

Marilyn Merritt - Deacon

Patricia Moser Morris - Deacon

Rev. Jeff Ogden - Pastor

Vicki Ogden - Preschool Staff

Steve O'Malley - Deacon

Debra Ornelas - Family Ministries Director

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

Sharon Sigler - Deacon Moderator

Lisa Snavely - Deacon

Jason Stanton - Accompanist

Paul Twichell - Elder

Vickie Twichell - Thrift Shop Manager

Ed Windham - Elder