

## RESTORATION

By Bill Brant

It was horrific! They were ripped from their dwellings, forced to travel for months, held as slaves for 70 years, everything about "home" was remembered and some had never seen the places they were told about. Their names were changed, they were expected to eat different foods and told to assimilate into their new surroundings or else!

Then one day, they were allowed to go "home." Just under 50,000 who made the four months' journey wanted to reclaim what they had left. The story of the Jews returning from Babylonian captivity is found in the first six chapters of Ezra. Those chapters talk about how those returning exiles went to great lengths to restore their place of worship, the Temple; to restore their religious practices, festivals and sacrifices, to restore their relationship to Jehovah God. Ezra, the writer, tells about the almost insurmountable obstacles that cluttered their way and how their determination conquered those barriers. They wanted restoration with God. Being separated from Him by distance, by culture, even by kingly command did not quench that need to be once again close to their God.

And God Almighty has always wanted restoration with his creation. From the time man introduced sin into the world and God asked "where are you?" *Genesis 3:8-11(NIV) 8 Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and they hid from the LORD God among the trees of the garden. 9 But the LORD God called to the man, "Where are you?" 10 He answered, "I heard you in the garden, and I was afraid because I was naked; so I hid." 11 And he said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?"* to the image of Jesus standing at a door knocking, waiting to be let in *Revelation 3:20(NIV) 20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with him, and he with me.,* God has made it possible for man and woman to be "pure and Holy" again in His sight.

Like the Israelites of old, we too can find ourselves ripped from our homes, forced to go places we don't want and become slaves to our emotions and desires. BUT we can go "home" anytime we choose restoration with our Father.

*We can go home anytime we choose*

### YEARLY CORPORATION MEETING

**TODAY**

Immediately after services

### TAX TIME

If you need a letter for your taxes please see Lynn Gloschen or Donnie Henderson.

### GUEST SPEAKER AT PALO VERDE

**Jerry Rushford**, Professor of Church History Pepperdine University will speak at Palo Verde on Friday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm. They will have a dessert fellowship at 6:30 p.m. Jerry will begin speaking at 7:00 pm.



### SPARE CHANGE FOR

### "VILLAGE OF HOPE"



Children in grades "Kindergarten - 6<sup>th</sup> grade"

are invited to stay after worship

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 22<sup>nd</sup>**

We will sort and count the change collected for the Village of Hope.

Lunch will be provided!

### Changes to Ina Road Church Service

### STARTING JANUARY 8<sup>th</sup>, 2012

**Prayer 8:30 am to 8:45 am**

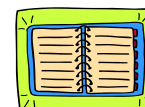
**Coffee and donuts 8:45 am to 9:00 am**

**Sunday Bible Class 9:00 am to 9:45 am**

**"WORSHIP 10:00 AM"**

**"NO" Sunday Evening Service**

### CHURCH DIRECTORY



It's time to update *Ina Road Church Directory*. Please check your information in the notebook on the table in the foyer. Write down any changes that need to be made or added.

Thanks, Lynn

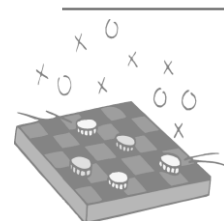
### Game Night

**For all ages!**

**Saturday, January 14<sup>th</sup>**

**5:30 pm** at the building.

It will be a Pot Luck dinner and games.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR FAMILY

♥ **Paul Adams** asks for prayers for the family of his brother, **Tom**. He was killed in a sand-rail accident on December 30<sup>th</sup>. **Paul & Marie** plan to travel to California for the services being held on January 14<sup>th</sup>.

♥ **Virginia Posey** is having serious health problems. Please keep her in your prayers.

### Ongoing prayer concerns

Mike Hobby, Paul Adams, Dick Ragland, Marlene Longhofer, Wilma Young, Kelly Eller, Anna Sherry, Andrea & Misty Poteet, Tracey Carpenter, Kelley King, LeArta Boettcher, Virginia Posey, David & Michael Wattleton & the Wattleton family, John & Ruth Fulton, OnaBell Chapman and Scott & Sharon Grumm.

### Those overseas and in the Military

Sgt. Matthew Hammons.



# INA ROAD YOUTH

**INCREASE** (Spending time with the Word of God and Pizza)

**Friday, January 13<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 – 9 pm**



### FOOD BANK MINISTRY

**January 19<sup>th</sup>** is getting closer, we need to fill our Pantry, it is **"EMPTY"**

### Items Needed below:

Canned Meat – Dried Beans – Jelly & Peanut Butter  
Rice – Spaghetti & Spaghetti Sauce

### FEEDING THE NEEDY

Canceled until Friday, February 17<sup>th</sup>

Good time to stock up on the items for the sack lunches.

### ITEMS NEEDED FOR SACKS LUNCHES:

\*Paper lunch sacks \*Plastic spoons & forks  
\*Bottled water or juice \*Individual canned meat  
\*Fruit cups or apple sauces (*all with pull tabs*).  
\*Individually packaged bags of crackers, chips or pretzels.



### WEEKLY EVENTS

- ❖ **Radio Program** - Sunday morning at 7:30am on **940AM KGMS**
- ❖ **FriendSpeak Conversation English Class** throughout the week.
- ❖ **Sign Language Class** - Thursday 9:00 am.
- ❖ **Ladies Bible Class** - Thursday 10:30 am.
- ❖ **Men's Bible Study at Barnes & Noble** - Thursday, 7 pm.
- ❖ **Small Groups** - You're not attending? Want to attend? Contact Bernie Huerta at 869-4386 if you have any questions.

\*\*\*\* PLEASE FILL OUT YOUR \*\*\*\*

### ATTENDANCE CARD

### MEMBER OF THIS CONGREGATION

Please Check:  Sunday School  Evening Worship

Date \_\_\_\_\_  Morning Worship  Winter Visitor

Family Name \_\_\_\_\_

Family Members Present \_\_\_\_\_

Comments/News/Prayer requests \_\_\_\_\_

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Prayer 8:30 a.m.  
 Coffee & donuts 8:45 a.m.  
 Bible Class 9:00 a.m.  
 Worship 10:00 a.m.

No Evening Service

**Our Ministers**                      **Our Deacon**  
 Billy Wilson                              Jim Klein  
 Caleb Grimes

**Our Ministry Leaders**

Assemblies & Greeters..... Carl White  
 Benevolence..... Carl White  
 Building & Landscape.....[facilities@inaroadchurch.org](mailto:facilities@inaroadchurch.org) Jim Klein,  
 ..... Tim Marvin & Carl White  
 Education.....Christina Henderson  
 Fellowship .....Andrew & Gail Aslin, Sarah Wilson,  
 Donnie & Christina Henderson  
 James Gang..... Earl Wattleton  
 Member Care..... Sarah Wilson & Christina Simpson  
 Missions .....Bernie Huerta  
 Prayer ..... inaprayrministry@yahoo.com  
 Young @ Heart ..... Joanne Irons  
 Youth.....Caleb Grimes

**Records**

January 1, 2011

<b>Budget</b>	\$ 4,364	<b>Bible Class</b>	N/C
<b>Contribution</b>	\$ 3,677	<b>A.M. Worship</b>	98

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**Bulletin Deadline is noon on Thursdays.**  
**Song Selection Deadline is noon on Tuesdays**

**Guests**

**Welcome to our Services**

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City, State, Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_

How did you hear about Ina Road Church of Christ: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check all applicable:**     First-time visitor     New Resident

Would like a visit     Like to know more about this church/Christianity

Invited by \_\_\_\_\_

**WELCOME TO  
 INA ROAD CHURCH SERVICE**

*Call to Worship – J.D. Taylor*

*Song Leader – Chuck Watson*

*Song # 587/446                      Sing and Be Happy (1<sup>st</sup> verse only) / Hear, Oh Israel*

*Opening Prayer – Carl White*

*Song # 18                                      Faithful Love*  
*Song # 410                                      He Leadeth Me*

**Scripture Reading – Matthew 5:13-16 – Johnny Simpson**

**Offering – Nash Huerta**

*Song # 47/288                              Holy, Holy, Holy (1st & 3rd verse only)*  
*Fairest Lord Jesus (1st & 3rd verse only)*

**Communion – Skip Henson**

**J.A.M. (Jesus & Me Time) Dismissal Ages 3-8**

**SPARE CHANGE FOR “VILLAGE OF HOPE”**

*Song # 528                                      I Know That My Redeemer Lives*

**Lesson – Billy Wilson**

*Song #837                                      I Need Thee Every Hour*  
*(Verses 2, 3 and 4 only)*

**Closing Prayer – Andrew Aslin**

If you have any needs that we can help you with please feel free to talk to the person who invited you, any member or our preacher.



**Cry Room** (Under 1 year)

Babies that need nursing, napping and changing.

**Nursery** (Age up to 3 years)

When “worship service starts” there will be an attendant in the Nursery, but not the Cry Room.

Please pick up your child “immediately once worship is over”.

**Today’s Nursery Attendant: Kathy Armstrong**

**January 15, attendant Pam Emerson**

**“Revised” JANUARY SERVERS SCHEDULE and CALENDAR**

Jim Klein and Bernie Huerta will be doing the scheduling for the Servers. Please help them as much as you can by letting them know as soon as possible if unable to serve. The schedule and calendar is on our website and posted in the foyer, please check for your name and if not able to serve call Jim Klein 954-1715 or Bernie Huerta 869-4386 so a replacement can be found.

**Ina Road Church of Christ**  
**January 8, 2012**

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