

PINE VALLEY BIBLE CAMP

UNCHANGING GOD



50 YEARS

1975-2025

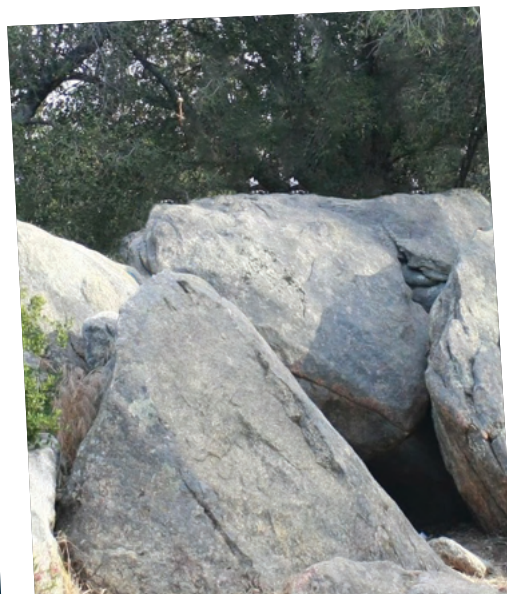
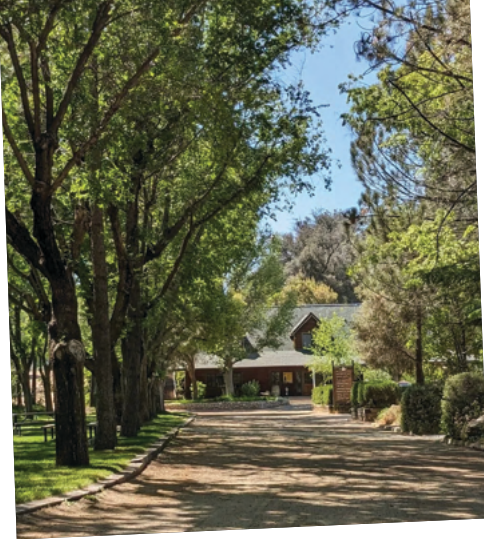
This book is dedicated to our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to all who have made our Pine Valley Retreats a place of faith, fellowship, and renewal. It is our prayer that it will stand as a testament of the faithfulness of our God, an encouragement for the present, and an inspiration for the generations yet to come.

"For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations."

Psalm 100:5

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Pine Valley History

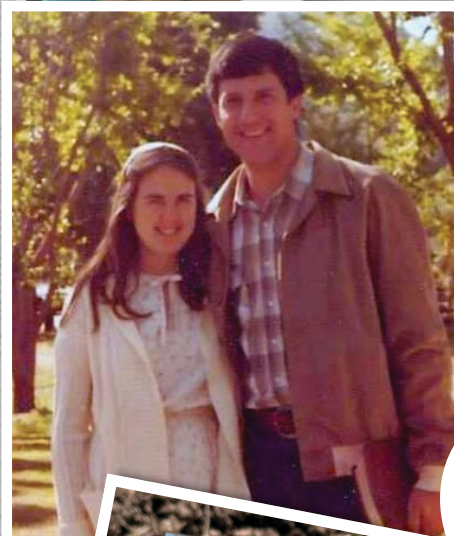
Many years ago, the El Cajon congregation thought it would be nice to get together for singing and fellowship, like a mini-camp before Camp in the summer. The "first" Pine Valley gathering was actually held at a Boy Scout Camp in Julian, CA. It was a rustic camp site... very rustic... too rustic. They had to do the cooking and cleaning, etc., but it was cheap!

Fern Boleratz (Sakach) was working for a dentist, who through conversation one day told her about the Pine Valley Bible Conference Center located in Pine Valley, CA. and so it began!

The first Pine Valley Retreat was held in 1975. The theme was "Victorious Life" — guest speaker, Bro. Fred Gonglach. Walter Meister from El Cajon wrote the lessons annually.

The El Cajon church hosted the retreat for years, which made sense at the time, seeing that they were the closest in proximity to Pine Valley (30 miles).

The churches of El Cajon, Pico Rivera, and Phoenix were the main supporters of the new "retreat".



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EARLY YEARS 1975-1989

Founding members
Don and Evelyn Stumetz



Fern Sakich Boleratz



Stan Staich



Steve Sakich



Tony and Erica Toth

THEMES

1975 Victorious Life
1976 A Sower Went Forth
1977 Have Thine Own Way Lord
1978 What Is Man That Thou Art Mindful of Him?
1979 Christian Mathematics
1980 Both Almost and Altogether Persuaded
1981 The Whole Duty of Man
1982 Revive Us Again

GUEST SPEAKERS

Fred Gonglach
John Kovacs
Frank Sabo
Dave Brumm
George Freund
Bob Staudt
Rollen Easter
Fred Gonglach

THEMES

1983 Be Not Conformed...Be Ye Transformed
1984 Ambassadors for Christ
1985 The Truth Shall Set You Free
1986 I Pray thee Have Me Excused
1987 Walking In The Light
1988 Press Toward The Mark
1989 Who at My Door Is Standing

GUEST SPEAKERS

Bob Freund
Cal Peter
Reini Webel
Otto Popp
John Zeug
Gary Balok
Louie Green



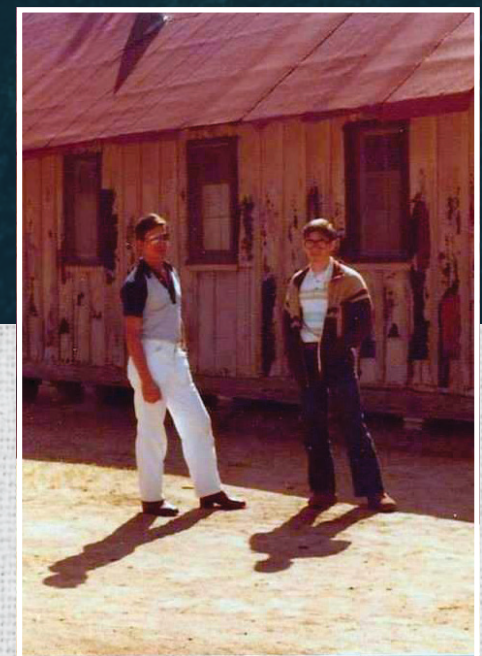
Prayer Chapel



Worthington Hall

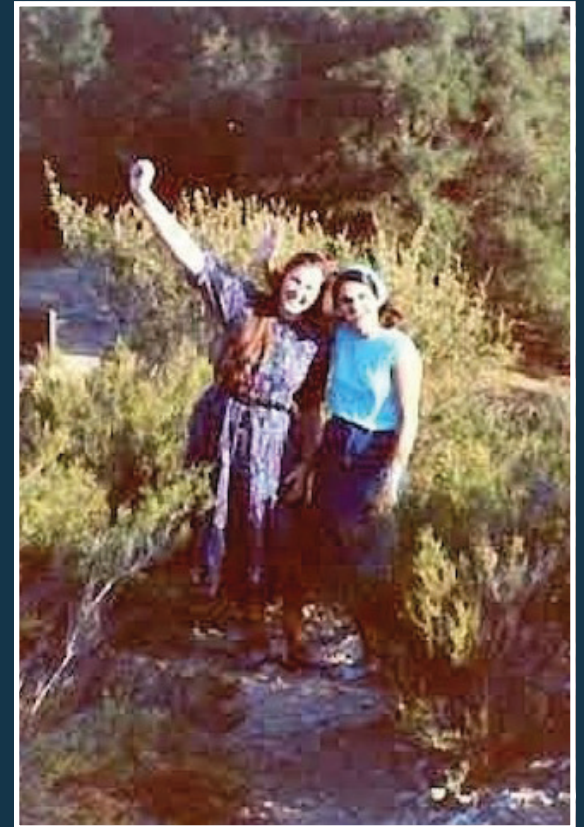
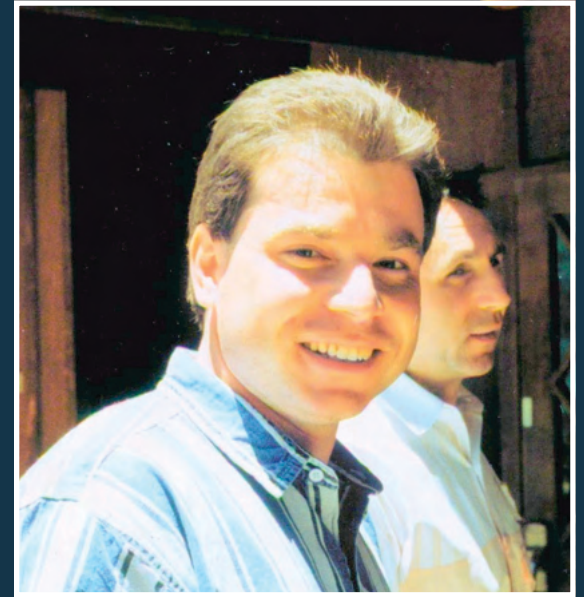
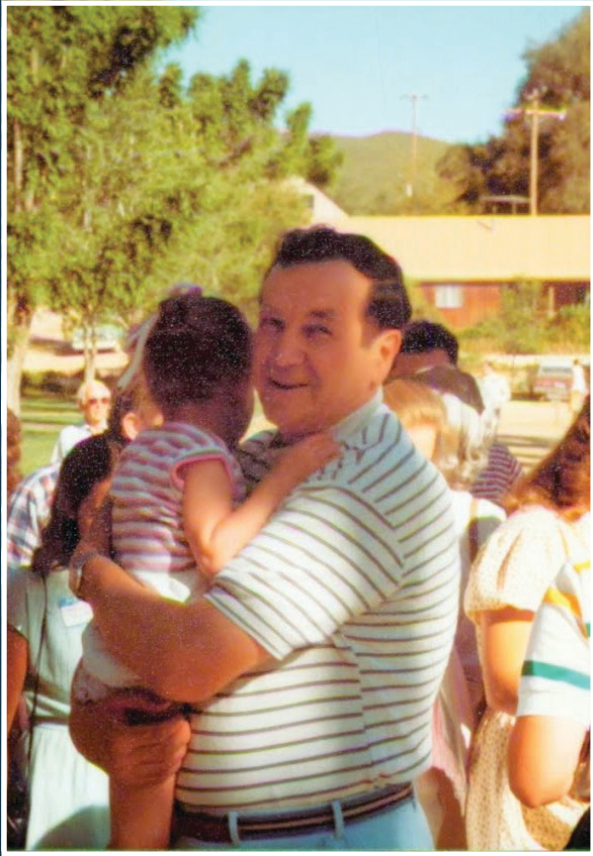


Dining Hall



The Boys Barracks





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My invitation to participate in the 1989 Pine Valley Retreat was one of anticipation and responsibility. The theme "Who at my door is standing," was certainly timely among other things, as our young people were facing a lot of peer pressure in school to experiment with drugs. As parents, many of us had no experience how to deal with this issue. Br. Joe Bocka and I presented a forum on Guidelines for families with adolescents and young adults dealing with substance abuse. A booklet, "United As families We Will" supported by the ACC Foundation was made available. The original booklet was compiled by the Rochester MI. School District and modified for our church use.

One of my highlights was to see and hear Bro. Horatio Roldan of Argentina. A passionate, effective preacher. I had met him previously in Tecate for a baptismal service of eleven souls.

This was my first visit to Pine Valley Retreat, a beautiful setting, but a very cool mid 40s-degree night temps. New acquaintances, meeting some believers I had not seen for some twenty plus years. A blessing from the Lord; fondly remembered.

The Lord bless All,
Louis Green,
Guest Speaker 1989

1982 I put my trust in Christ walking up the hill heading to the girls' dorms as I gazed into the starlike skies. I was super emotional feeling the weight of my sin and knowing my destination if I didn't get right with God. Once I calmed down I sat on a big boulder with my uncle Mike and Mr. Huber and prayed together. The best day and memory of my life! God is so good!

Many wonderful memories of being registrar, leading kids' choirs, singing in the choirs, teaching Sunday school, late nights crowding in rooms to laugh and hang out together, volleyball games in front of motel rooms. My dad bringing fresh bakery goods to share with family and friends. I loved hearing the kids singing at the top of their lungs and watching them climb the boulders.

One year Bill Pamer was directing the choir and as he usually did he had challenging songs. It wasn't my style of music at the time, but I agreed to sing the solo which went along with the rest of the choir. The song was based off Psalm 103 Bless the Lord Oh my soul and forget not all his benefits. Well, it took me weeks of practicing with Lori Greeninger to get it down before camp. Once we got to camp Bill realized the song was too hard to get the choir to learn all the parts in such a short time, but he still had us sing it knowing how hard I worked on my part. Well to this day I remember Psalm 103. Thanks Bill for the challenge that has had me remember Gods Word!

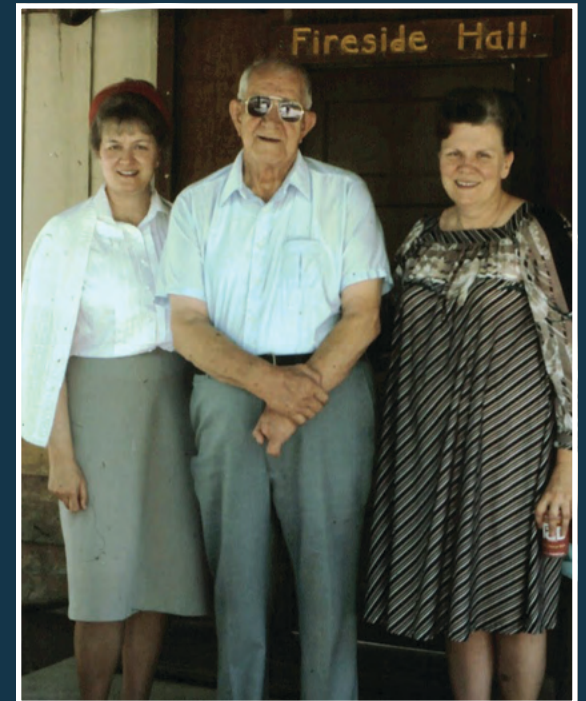
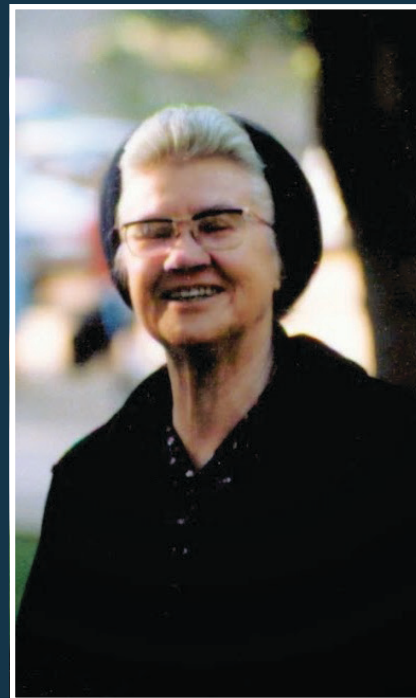
As a kid my biggest highlight every year was Pine Valley. We never asked if we were going we knew we were. I loved learning new songs every year. I remember Steve and Tim Stumetz teaching us the Wa Wa song. Each year as we drove to Pine Valley we would sing all the songs we were taught there previous years. Then when we exited the freeway we would clap and cheer.

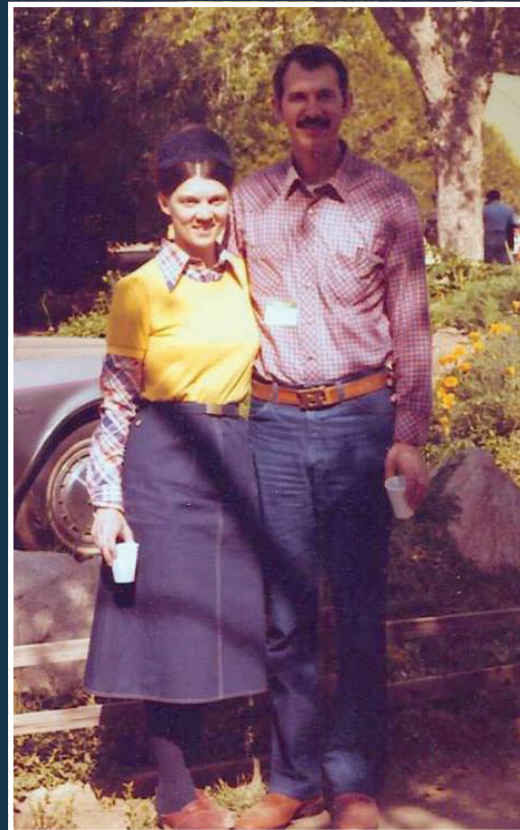
I remember one year the theme was "Our God Reigns" well that was one of the years that it was raining most the weekend. Loved the year the Norton Gospel Quartet came out. I remember Roland Schmidt going up a step as he hit a very high note. As a kid Dana Stumetz at the time being our counselor and telling us stories before bed. Basketball games married vs. singles and so much more!

Sandy Yovichin

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And above all these things put on love, which is
the bond of perfectness

Colossians 3:14



PINE VALLEY YEARS 1990-1999



THEMES

1990 Our God Reigns
1991 With All Your Heart
1992 God's Exceeding Grace
1993 Behold Your God
1994 Our God Is A Consuming Fire

GUEST SPEAKERS

Bryan Freund
John Schlaefli, Jr.
Doug Savin
Sam Bodjanac
Gary Balok

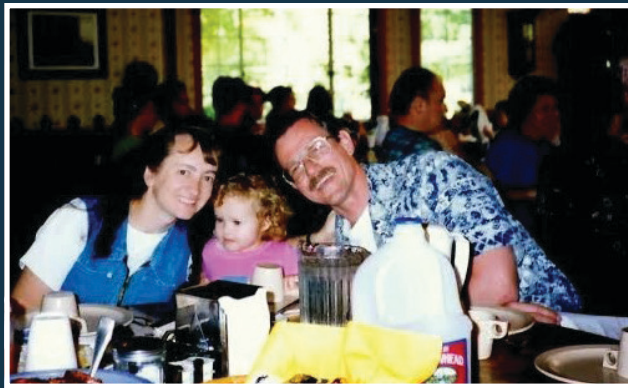
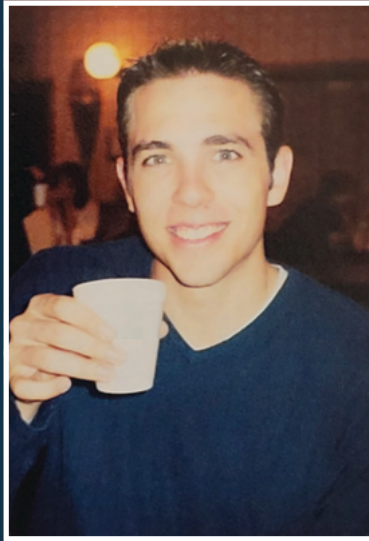
THEMES

1995 The Armor of Light
1996 Consider Your Ways
1997 It is Time For Thee, Lord, To Work
1998 But The Hour Cometh, And Now Is
1999 Iron Sharpeneth Iron

GUEST SPEAKERS

Scott Freund
Werner Weinhardt
Scott Kittelberger
Gary Webel
Mark Keiper







Strengthening Friendships

As the Father hath loved me, so have I loved you: continue ye in my love.

John 15:9



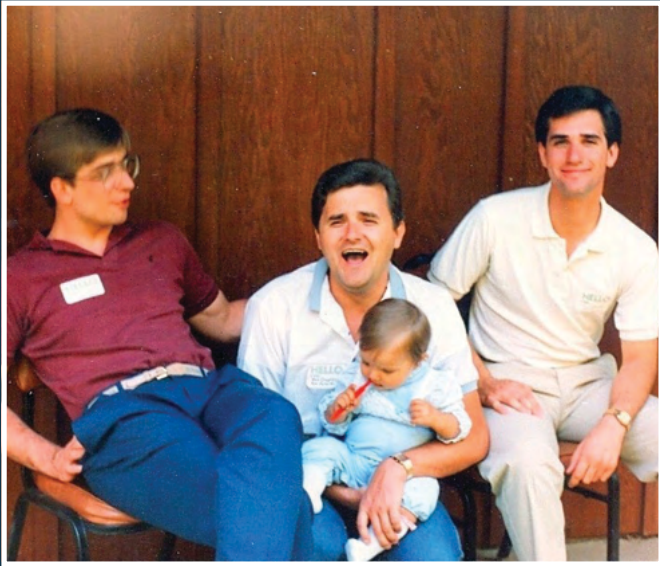
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1990 Theme: Our God Reigns

To reign means to exercise supreme power and authority. We all agree God reigns. We examined the following: Have we submitted ourselves to His reign in making of us a new person thru the work of Jesus sacrifice and the Holy Spirits new birth in us? Have we submitted ourselves to His reign within our families? Have we as churches submitted ourselves to the Holy Spirit's reign in our Fellowship both personally, and corporately?

The Lord bless All,
Bro. Bryan Freund
Guest Speaker 1990



Behold how good and pleasant.
Psalm 133:1

For Vesna and Gary Jerep, the Pine Valley, CA area will always hold a special place in their hearts. It's the place where the Apostolic Christian Church (Nazarean) have held their annual Memorial Day weekend retreat for many years. And it's the place where God started working in their hearts toward each other.

Gary had just moved back to California from Indiana in late 1990, and having found peace with God in May of the following year, he decided to attend his first Pine Valley retreat as a part-timer on Sunday. Gary had attended a few ACCN Midwest Camps in the past, including a few years at the old Western Camp venue in Yucaipa, CA when he was just a young boy. One would hardly call him an avid, enthusiastic camp-goer at the time.

But Pine Valley Retreat 1992 would change everything. Registered as a full-time camper, Gary arrived at the Registration hall only to learn that he had been signed up without any notice to do the Sunday Night Inspiration Hour, his first-ever camp assignment. As tense apprehension prompted much prayer, Gary fought the temptation to ask the Committee to get someone else to do it. But God prevailed and provided.

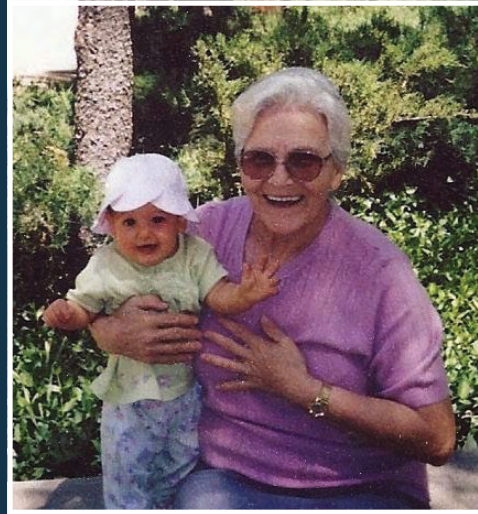
After the Inspiration Hour and not wanting the evening to end, Gary headed over to the Loft where Pine Valley tradition finds many a willing heart to sing praises in worship. The singing was uplifting, but as the evening hour grew late, singers dispersed little by little, including the piano players. A last call was made to see if there were any who could continue to play. That's when Vesna Nedeljkovic sat down at the piano for the remaining minutes. Vesna's willingness to step in to play made a big impact on Gary's heart.

That late night moment at Pine Valley on Sunday May 24, 1992, sparked a nearly year-long prayer journey where the two would seek God's will concerning each other. Gary asked for Vesna's hand in marriage through the ministering brothers of North County and South Bay. After more prayerful consideration, Vesna gave Gary her answer shortly after Pine Valley 1993, later marrying in September of that same year.



Since that time, Vesna and Gary have supported Pine Valley nearly every year by attending and volunteering where needed. The account of Vesna and Gary is only one of many evidence of God's Spirit stirring people's hearts as they attend camps and retreats like Pine Valley. Other couples have found each other at Pine Valley. Souls have been convicted at Pine Valley. Many have been uplifted and strengthened in their walk with God at Pine Valley. It is one of those special places where we can assemble ourselves and encourage one another to love and good works (Heb 10:24-25). It is a place of refuge where we can surround ourselves with so great a cloud of witnesses (past and present) to lay aside every weight and the sin which so easily encumbers us, and allow God's Spirit to inspire each other to run with persistence the race that is set before us, always looking unto the Author and Finisher of our Faith (Heb 12:1-2). May God continue to bless our Pine Valley retreat!

Gary & Vesna Jerep



PINE VALLEY YEARS 2000-2010



THEMES

- 2000 For Such A Time As This
- 2001 The Sword Of The Spirit
- 2002 Take No Thought for Your Life
- 2003 What is Your Purpose?
- 2004 What Does The Lord Require?
- 2005 Looking Unto Jesus

GUEST SPEAKERS

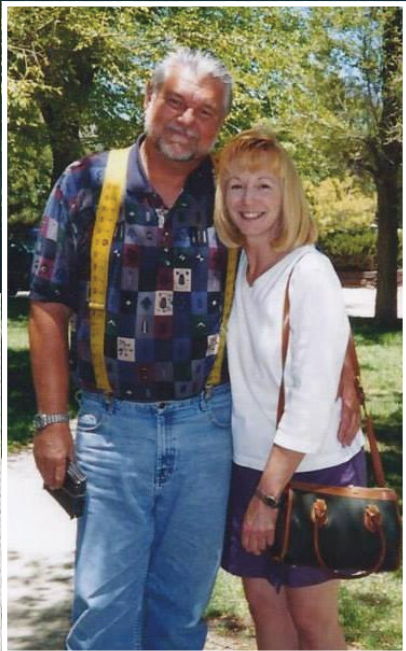
- Tom Hertig
- Mark Gruich
- Bob Varga
- John Schlaefli III
- Jon Leman
- Erwin Webel

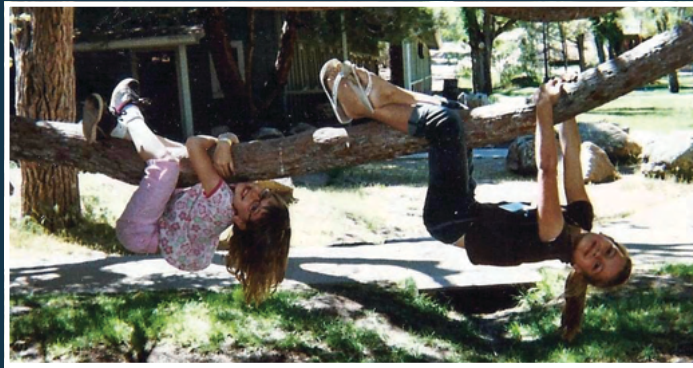
THEMES

- 2006 Living Free Through Forgiveness
- 2007 Your True Identity
- 2008 Commitment: Devoted by Choice
- 2009 Prepare to Meet Thy God
- 2010 In the World Not of the World

GUEST SPEAKERS

- Mark Miester
- Boris Vujicic
- Chris Spillman
- Tom Hertig
- Eric Weingartner







Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith.

Hebrews 12:2



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2000 Theme: For Such A Time As This

I had never been to Pine Valley before, so it was a new experience for Aimee and me. I thought the setting of this camp was amazing - and the peacefulness of the location was perfect for a spiritual event. I think I had two of the sermons with Bro. Mike Folia having one as well. I felt very comfortable with the schedule and appreciated the afternoon free time for fun and fellowship. The theme "For Such a Time as This" is always a powerful reminder of the urgency we need to have in our lives regarding pursuing and performing God's work while we're here on earth.

2009 Theme: Prepare to Meet Thy God

The theme "Prepare to Meet Thy God" was on some level intimidating to me and challenging as well. I told the story of a traveler who met with some serious and challenging obstacles - but all along the way God was on his side. There are a lot of fond memories of Pine Valley for me and my family both from a spiritual aspect as well as a fellowship one. It's surely a special place for many of us and my prayer is that it continues to be for many years to come.

Bro. Tom Hertig
Guest Speaker 2000 & 2009

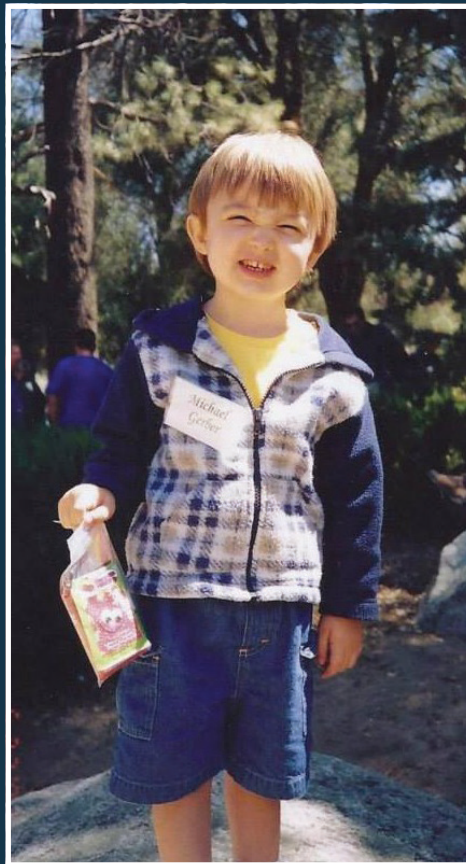
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2006 Theme: Living Free Through Forgiveness



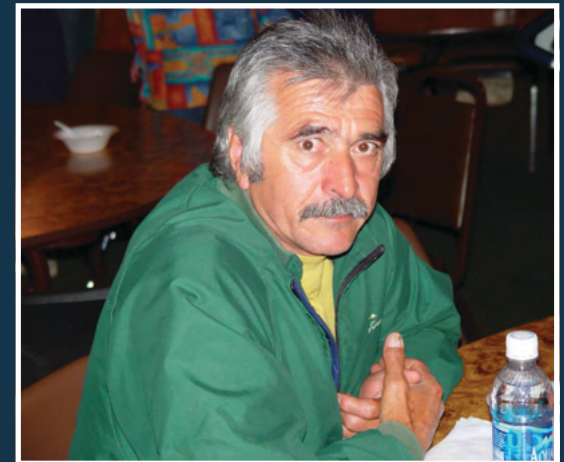
The Lord blessed me richly as the Pine Valley 2006 speaker on the topic of "Living Free Through Forgiveness." What a precious opportunity for beautiful fellowship, heart-felt singing, lively Bible study and teachings on such a vital topic to our daily walk with the Lord and our fellow believers! As we reflected upon the topic of forgiveness, we established that we, as Christians, are forgiven people and, therefore must be forgiving people. We defined the act of forgiving as giving up a claim of resentment or requital for a wrong committed against us. But what is this claim we are called to relinquish, but a "rusty anchor that drags us down, getting caught on the debris of resentment?" We recognized that this topic touches each person, as we all either need to forgive or be forgiven. And we all struggle with forgiveness, as, but its very nature, causes pain. But, when practiced according to scripture, forgiveness is founded on God's love, is at the heart of the Gospel, brings the joy and peace of reconciliation. Praise God!

Guest Speaker: Bro. Mark Meister



He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good;
and what doth the LORD require of thee, but
to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk
humbly with thy God?

Micah 6:8

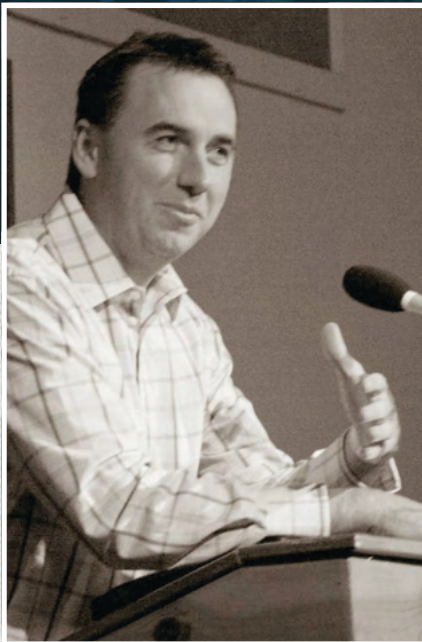


Therefore if any man be in Christ, he is a newcreature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.

2 Corinthians 5:17



PINE VALLEY YEARS 2011-2020



THEMES

2011 Out of the Darkness Shines the Light
2012 Be Ye Holy for I am Holy
2013 Worthy the Lamb
2014 Everlasting to Everlasting Thou Art God
2015 For What Shall It Profit

GUEST SPEAKERS

Gib Leadbetter
Gary Tomic
Dennis Delic
Bryan Freund
Alan Strajnic

THEMES

2016 Do You Have Peace?
2017 With All Your Heart
2018 Our God Is Able
2019 So Let Us Run
2020 N/A (Camp was closed)

GUEST SPEAKERS

Edmund Reinhardt
Glenn Palanacki
Thomas Nitz
Roy Kittelberger
N/A



I first attended the Pine Valley (PV) Retreat in 1978. Less than a year earlier, I had immigrated from Yugoslavia, what is now known as Serbia, and began attending the Pico Rivera church. It was already a well-established practice that all able-bodied members of our local church would attend PV, so I joined as well.

I remember that the accommodation was very simple. Our Inspiration Hour was held outdoors around a fire. If you weren't lucky enough to secure a seat close to the front, you needed to dress warmly and wrap in a blanket to endure the entire hour.

Two years later, in 1980, Mary - my wife of 45 years, attended PV for the first time. It was at that time and in that place that I felt the conviction from the Lord that she would one day be my wife. By God's grace, later that year, on October 11, 1980, we were married in Kitchener, Ontario.

Since that time, we have missed only one PV Retreat, due to a friend's wedding on the same weekend. Like many other children, our two girls felt that PV was a special place and many tears were shed every year when the retreat weekend was over. They always looked forward to returning year after year, seeing old friends and making new ones. A special blessing and great joy for me is that now I can see our grandchildren attend the retreat and experience the same blessings that their mother once did as a child.

Over the years, we have watched the campgrounds change and evolve into what they are today - a beautiful place amid God's creation. It is a place where we can get away from the hustle and bustle of everyday



life, experience a deeper closeness with God. To learn more from His Word, and share quality time with family, friends, and extended church family, strengthening the bonds that unite us in Christ.

Currently, I serve as the overseeing elder for this retreat, and my wife Mary is the registrar. Together, we are deeply grateful to God for leading the very first member, Fern Boleratz (née Sakach) to this campground back in 1975. We are thankful to God for preserving this place for over 50 years and for allowing us to continue gathering here each year over Memorial Day Weekend. Our sincere thanks go to all who have supported - and continue to support this retreat, where the Word of God is proclaimed in its truth and simplicity. May many others come to Christ through the ministry of this retreat.

Bro. Dushko Dragojlovic





let us run with
patience...



the race that is
set before us
Hebrews 12:1





From everlasting to everlasting, thou art God.
Psalm 90:2

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2014 Theme: Everlasting to Everlasting,
Thou Art God

Relevant: appropriate to the current time. Given the times in which we live are we relevant to God's plan and purposes? While he is from everlasting to everlasting, are we as individuals, churches, and as a denomination relevant to fulfilling his work in this present time. Our denomination and churches have seen tremendous losses over the past 50 years. Why has this happened, and how do we positively make changes that increase our relevance to God's great commission? Answering these questions will be critical to our relevance and very survival.

The Lord bless All,
Bro. Bryan Freund
Guest Speaker 2014

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2016 Theme: Do You Have Peace?

Thank you for this worthwhile endeavor.
Inspirational memories are so precious.

I remember that I was particularly convicted to speak on peace in the midst of the storm and this is what the Spirit laid on so many others hearts.

I was approached by those who have gone through storms of various kinds. From Louie Green and his near death on the river to others that had gone through cancer, each had the Lord's faithful "Peace be Still" spoken into their lives.

I remember that we had a bittersweet farewell to Mirko and Mary Gavrilovic, complete with lots of Eastern European sausage to crown the occasion. In general, it was so special to have that mountain top experience with sweet fellowship.

Your brother,

Edmund
Guest Speaker 2014





Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

Romans 5:1



They are not of the world,
even as I am not of the
world.

John 17:15-16



I pray not that thou
shouldest take them out
of the world, but that
thou shouldest keep
them from the evil...



PINE VALLEY YEARS 2020-2025



THEMES

- 2021 Open My Eyes Lord
- 2022 Whom Shall I Fear
- 2023 Striving Together
- 2024 Rooted In Him
- 2025 Unchanging God

GUEST SPEAKERS

- Mickey Kuzmanovic
- Eric Weingartner
- Timothy Munther
- Michael Freund
- Doug Savin





Stand fast in one spirit, with one mind striving together for the faith of the gospel

Philippians 1:27





2021 Theme: Open My Eyes Lord

For the past 50 years, God has been opening eyes at Pine Valley. I know because I experienced it. It was at Pine Valley that the Lord opened my eyes to what the Church could and should be: a group of Brothers and Sisters in Christ sharing in love and fellowship, united by the fundamental principles of the gospel in spite of their differences.

It was there that God opened my eyes to the importance of seeking understanding rather than judgment, true fellowship rather than the comfort of cliques, and God-honoring deference rather than self-aggrandizement. It is my sincere hope that for the next 50 years, and then 50 more, God would continue to honor the heartfelt desire of Pine Valley campers who cry, "Open my eyes, Lord!"

Guest Speaker: Bro. Mickey Kuzmanovic

2023 Theme: Striving Together

"Pine Valley is a retreat of rest and reflection spent with those who love our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ. In 2023, I had the privilege of being the guest speaker on the theme "Striving Together" taken from Philippians 1:27. This theme continues to challenge me regarding the unity of the one body of Christ as well as the clarion call to humbly strive as one body in love for the gospel. We truly need each other in this great commission, and Pine Valley provides a special time to refocus together to that end."

Grace and peace,

Guest Speaker: Bro. Tim Munther



Pine Valley 1992

I recall Pine Valley 1992, being only 5 years in the ministry. While I knew many of the campers, there were many that I did not know, but I felt at home with fellow believers and friends. The retreat was small enough to not be overwhelmed, and big enough to have most of the activities we had at Eastern Camp. The theme itself was so uplifting reminding us that even though we humans are great sinners, God is an even greater Saviour. Not only did we experience His grace through salvation, but in every aspect of our lives. One experience in particular moved not only me, but all campers. It was the outpouring of prayers and encouragement for Bro. Steve Haering, who was suffering from aggressive leukemia. I remember the prayers and songs throughout the weekend which were offered to encourage him and his dear wife Sis. Carol. I remember when so many came to their cabin to have a special prayer meeting. The campers were spilling out of the doorway as prayers and thoughts were being offered. The couple became a part of my evening message. A quartet sang a moving song "Wedding Day." From this we understood that God's amazing grace not only saves us from our sins but is sufficient for us during days of extreme hardship and will lead us to a glorious end. To God be the glory.

Pine Valley 2025

Thirty three years after my first Pine Valley experience, I was invited as guest speaker for its 50th anniversary. Having to preach three consecutive sermons on the theme "Unchanging God" at first seemed an overwhelming task. However, there was never a lack of things to preach on given the immensity of God's character and His multitudinous attributes. Not even a thousand consecutive

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sermons from human lips could adequately do justice to describe our awesome God. I was thankful for the forums and the outdoor Bible classes with the enthusiastic participation of all. Pine Valley retreat was only a seed in the hearts of few believers over 50 years ago and has endured for the future generations. Today it is a wonderful family retreat where God brings so many together from across North America to hear His precious Word and experience His great love through His people. What a faithful God we serve!

Bro. Doug Savin
Guest Speaker 1992 & 2025



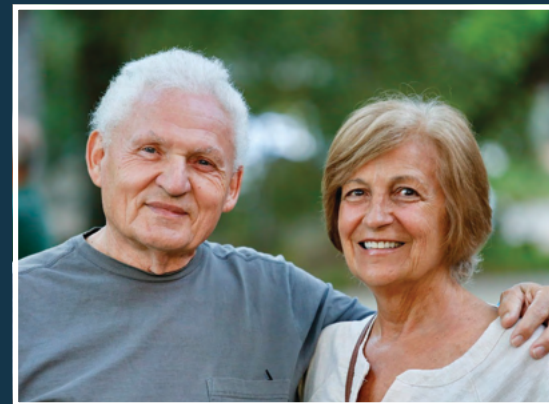
The LORD is my light and my salvation; whom shall I fear?

Psalm 27:1



As ye have therefore received Christ Jesus the Lord, so walk ye in him: Rooted and built up in him, and stablished in the faith, as ye have been taught, abounding therein with thanksgiving.

Colossians 2:6-7



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It was special to have two of our children be announced as youngest campers for a couple of years -Belle at 6 weeks in 2016, and Judah at 5 months in 2018.

Another very special memory was when Norbi was going through cancer he was able to sing "Bigger Than Any Mountain" with the children and "Uncle Bob" for inspiration hour in 2024.

So thankful for these and many more beautiful memories with our Brothers and Sisters that God has gifted to us throughout the years at Pine Valley!

Arielle Namenyi

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Pine Valley will always hold a very special place in my family's heart. It was our very first church camp, as I was new to the ACC, and we really didn't know what to expect. But our first time there was a weekend of love, laughter, and fellowship that will truly live on in our hearts forever. Our second Pine Valley will always be the most memorable to me by far, because it was the first time my son looked up, saw everyone holding a book during singing, and without any instruction picked up a songbook and sat in a chair and begin bellowing out long notes with laughter. He wanted to join in on the fun, but I like to think that God was gently nudging him in the direction of how to be part of a church family. Joe Greeninger also got our first color coordinated family picture together, and this is one of my favorite pictures of all time

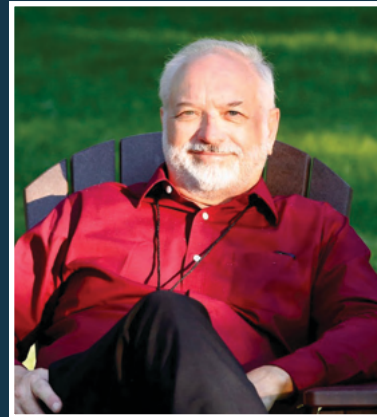
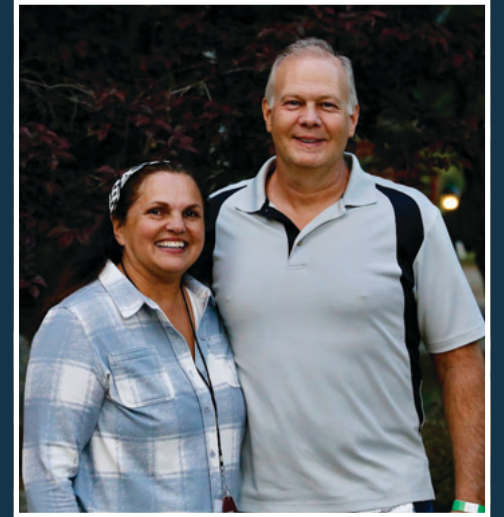
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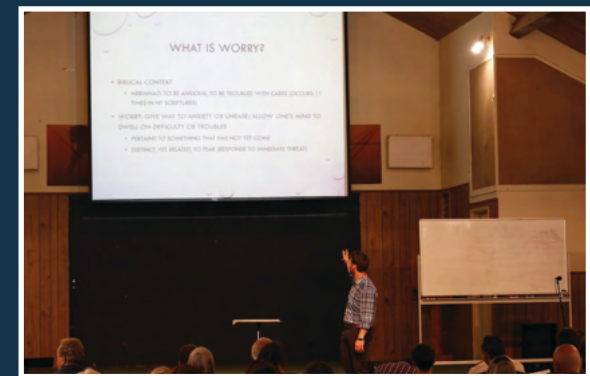


The grass withereth, the flower
fadeth: but the word of our God
shall stand forever

Isaiah 40:8







Growing in God's Word

Prayer Meetings, Early Morning Devotions, Classes, Sermons, Study Time, Forums, Inspiration Hours





Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

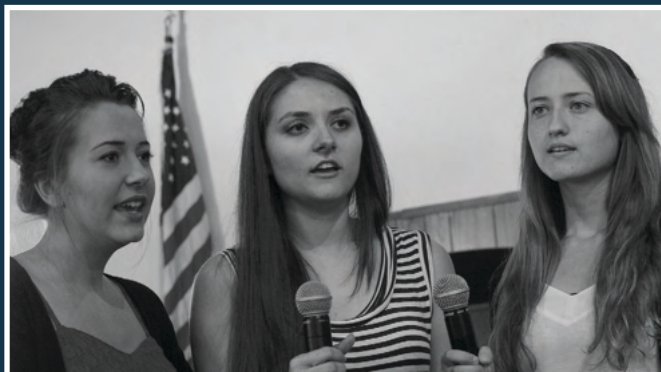
Colossians 3:14





"Singing is a legacy... keep on singing!! Praise and Worship songs have beautiful words, but don't give up on the hymns with four-part harmony."

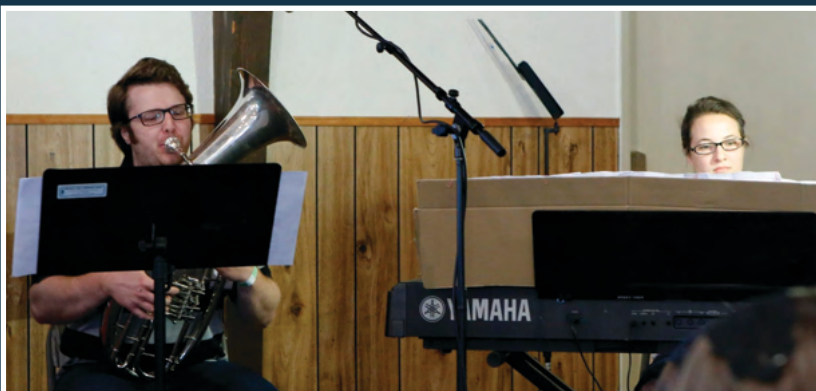
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Let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually

Hebrews 13:15





From Days Gone By:
Waldo, Lori's Tiny Tot
Choir Director Helper -





O come, let us sing unto the LORD

PSALM 95:1



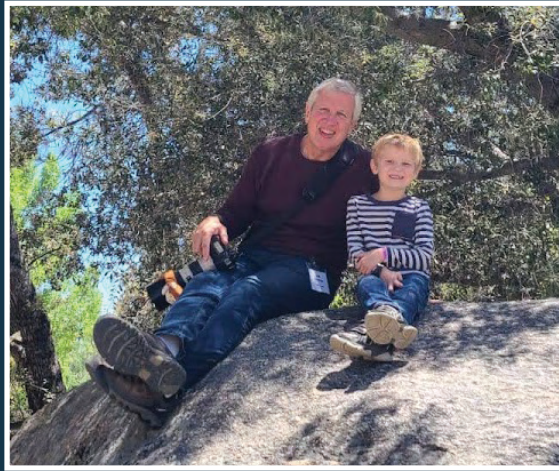


Free Time/Meal Time/Ice Cream Socials, Strengthening Bonds of Fellowship

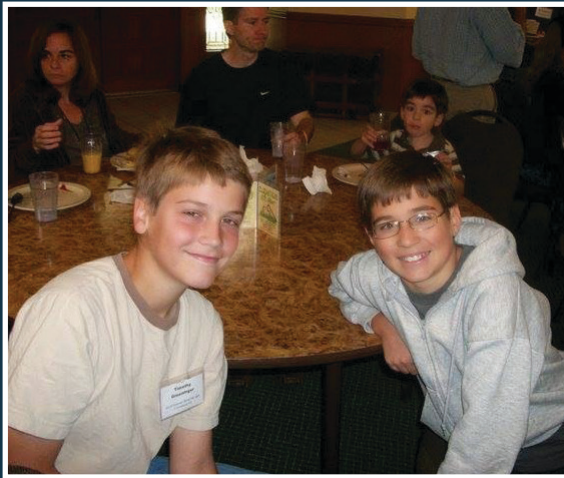














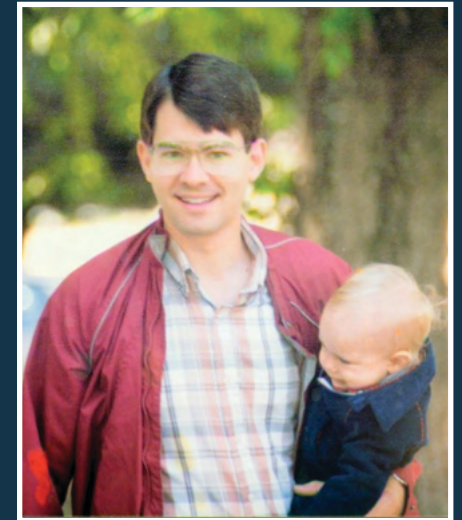
O taste and see that
the LORD is good
Psalm 34:8





Choir Directors

Beginning with Bro. Don Stumetz, we've been blessed with many choir directors over the years. Here are some of the Brothers that willingly gave of their time and talent in service to the Lord.





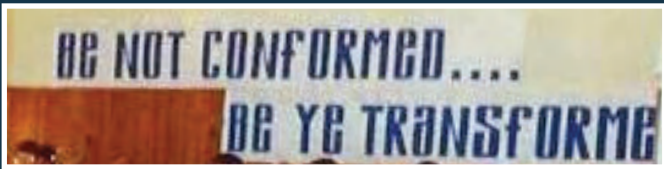
And whatsoever ye do, do it heartily, as to the Lord, and not unto men.

Colossians 3:23

The "All California Choir," which we still enjoy today, grew out of this retreat gathering



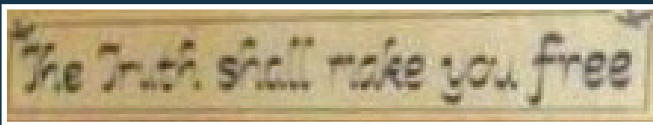
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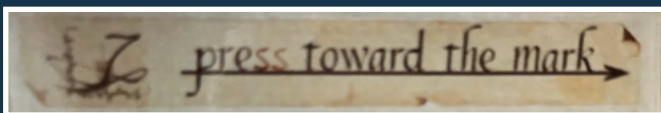
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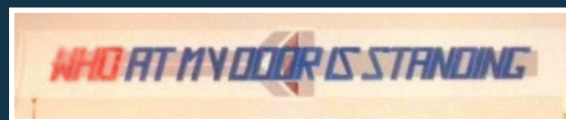


Over the years the Pine Valley Banners have been created and designed by individuals within the church.

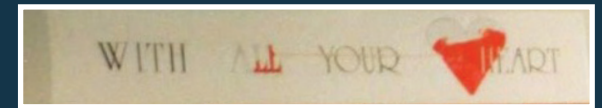
The early banners were created by the El Cajon CFG, followed by Bro. Steve Igic and then Sis. Arielle Namenyi who took on the responsibility in 2013.

Designed by inspiration of the Holy Spirit here are some of the wonderful banners that helped to emphasize the themes of our retreats.

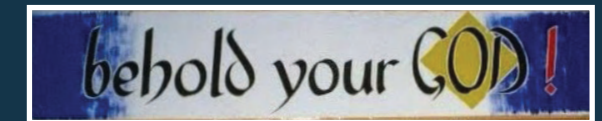
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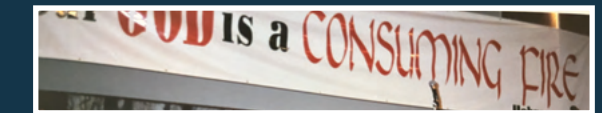
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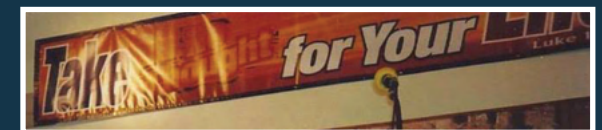
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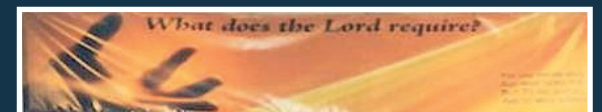
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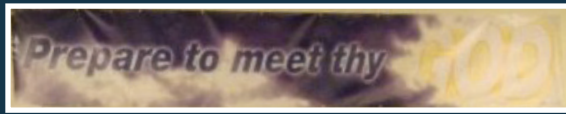
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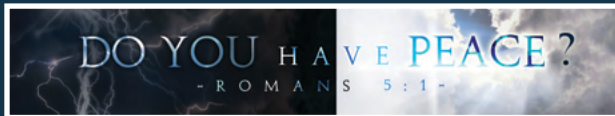
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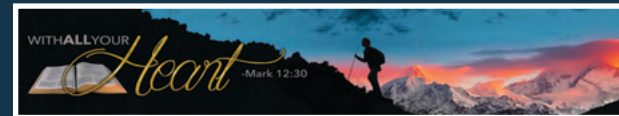
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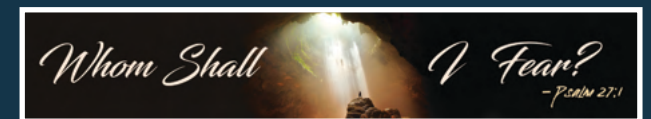
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Craft Time



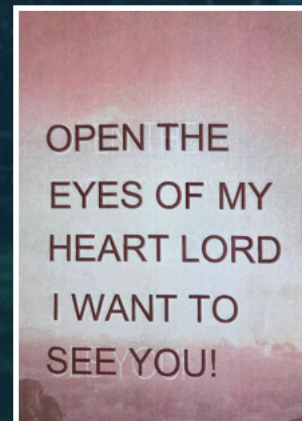


Craft Volunteers are always needed and much appreciated!



I volunteered to be the Craft Coordinator for 10 years. There were many challenges but many blessings as well. Inspiration for craft ideas came from God and He also gave me the zeal to do it. I'm so grateful for having the chance to help and serve in a way that honored the Lord and gave the children something to remember their time at Pine Valley.

Sloba Cikos

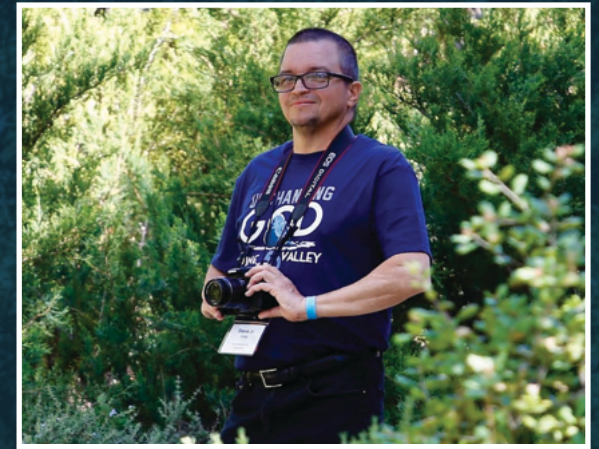




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It is with grateful hearts that we offer our thanks to the Lord and to every person who helped bring this 50th Anniversary book to life. It is the result of many willing hands and generous hearts. Some contributed photographs, shared stories, and carefully preserved memories, capturing the wonderful history of our Pine Valley Retreat. Others gave of their time and creativity, helping to shape these pages into a meaningful tribute with the support of those that provided guidance and encouragement throughout the process. This book could not have been created without their contributions and efforts. We are also thankful for camper, young and old, who has been part of our retreat over the past fifty years. Your experiences are the living testimony of our retreats.

May this be a lasting reminder of what has been built through faith, fellowship, service, and love. Finally, and above all, we give thanks to our God for His provision and for blessing us with the privilege and ability to commemorate this milestone.

All praise, glory and honor belong to Him.

The 50th Anniversary Book Team

"God is Good!"

~ Bro. Zarko Cikos