

## Words from Our Pastor | Are You Stuck?



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## **Greetings Everyone!**

am sure many of us have experienced getting stuck at some point. We often find ourselves caught in traffic, wondering how much longer we will be moving at a crawl while falling further behind our schedule. Perhaps you have

encountered being stuck due to a car breakdown! I know I have dealt with a flat tire a couple of times.

But maybe you have been stuck differently. Your life seems not to be moving; you face troubles you cannot evade maybe debts or significant things

need to be addressed. Maybe your health is not getting better or worse; it remains in the same place.

Maybe you feel that your spiritual maturity seems stuck. You pray and

pray, desiring to experience God in ways you have never before, only to find those experiences missing.

Maybe you feel our church is stuck—not growing or changing in ways you hoped it would!

Part of feeling stuck is that we do not know how to get unstuck! If my

car broke down by the roadside, I do not have the knowledge or skills to get it back on the road. We are not medical experts able to fix our own health issues, nor are we trained psychologists who can get to the bottom of our thoughts.



Sometimes, the tools are lacking. We cannot print money to spend, create people to get the work done, invent the procedure or medication needed, or create enough time to get everything done. All this leads to

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feeling stuck where we no longer want to be.

Then there is Paul's exhortation in Philippians 4:13: "I can do all this through him who gives me strength."

God is the one who can help us get unstuck and move forward. God can create momentum, get us past obstacles, and provide a pathway where we could not see one before.

God never promises that the path forward will be the one we desire. Often, it is a path we never expected



or a tougher path than we planned. But we trust that God is leading us to a place in our lives where we are positioned better to see, know, and serve God.

When we find ourselves stuck in life, we want out. We do not consider how God can move us to a place where we can better understand him. We often desire the path of least resistance and the most comfort. But trust God; trust God will help you get unstuck and lead you on a better path in the long run.

Blessings, Pastor Brent Barclay

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# Missions Update | Chris Moyer and Family

ife remains full and meaningful for Chris Moyer as he continues to work with World Team's Global Member Care Team. Leading this team has been a rewarding challenge for Chris. Currently, he and his team are exploring new ways to proactively support missionary families in navigating transitions and challenges. One key focus area is helping our missionary fields be more intentional, supporting their young adult missionary kids as they transition to college.

In addition, Chris continues to counsel and coach individuals through a variety of life's challenges - from anxiety and grief to caring for aging parents from a distance and significant life decisions and transitions. While at the recent World Team France retreat, Chris found several opportunities to listen to and encourage teammates. In turn, others encouraged him as well. He remembered the value of connecting around a meal, hike, or cup of coffee.

Basketball is in full swing, and all three kids are loving it! The girls' team is in second place, while Seth's team remains undefeated. As the coach of both teams, Chris found a fantastic way to connect

with the local community. Parents comment on his calm and patient demeanor on the bench and the delicious cookies he bakes on game day.

All three children are doing well in school. Sophia, Chris' oldest daughter, is in ninth grade. In France, this means two important milestones:

- A weeklong internship Sophia completed this internship working with her first teacher when she came to France. This experience confirmed her desire to become a kindergarten or first grade teacher one day.
- The Diplome National du Brevet She will take this major cumulative exam at the end of the year.

## **Prayer Requests**

- Chris' wife, Laura, continues to have significant health issues. Pray for strength and healing.
- Chris' second daughter, Eliana, has had back-toback illnesses

## Thank you!

The Moyers are so thankful for Trinity Church's faithful giving. Their monthly support has been wonderfully stable for their whole time in France with World Team. However, they need additional funds to cover a few additional expenses, like a new work laptop. Contact Eydie, our financial administrator, if you want to help the Moyer family with the added costs.

### **Rebecca Piffard**

Communications Director

This article was compiled from Chris' update newsletters received in February.

# Trinity Christian School | We Continue to Learn and Grow!

s we reflect on a month overflowing with joy, learning, and a deep sense of community, we are excited to share some of the memorable highlights from February — a month dedicated to growth, connection, and celebration.

#### **Dads and Heroes**

Our Trinity Christian School (TCS) community had an unforgettable morning at our Dads and Heroes Chapel! It was a truly special time as we celebrated the incredible Dads and Heroes of our TCS students. The atmosphere was filled with excitement and love as our students sang heartwarming songs honoring these outstanding role models. Our talented music teacher, Mr. David Dailey, delivered an inspirational message that left everyone feeling encouraged and thankful for the godly influence these heroes have on their children's lives. It was a morning filled with laughter, gratitude, and much love.

## **Father/Daughter Dance**

Our annual Father/Daughter Dance was nothing short of magical! With the whimsical "Under the





Sea" theme, laughter, dancing, and heartfelt moments filled the evening, creating unforgettable memories. Fathers and daughters shared precious time, strengthening their bonds and making it an event they will cherish for years.

## Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Choir

February also brought a soul-stirring assembly in Williams Hall, where the Martin Luther King Jr. Community Choir graced us with their powerful performance. The Martin Luther King, Jr. Community Choir San Diego repertoire includes predominantly traditional and contemporary gospel music. The assembly was not just about music; it included a history lesson that educated and inspired our students and staff. The choir invited us to sing along, and the experience left us with hearts full of joy and a renewed sense of community. The choir's mission is to support aspiring college-bound students in Visual and Performing Arts, something we are proud to have witnessed and supported.



## **Valentine's Day**

Valentine's Day was another highlight of the month, offering our students a beautiful opportunity to show kindness, appreciation, and love for one another. Laughter and heartfelt exchanges of Valentine's cards, messages of friendship, and celebratory moments filled the classrooms. It was a perfect reminder of God's infinite love for us and how he calls us to spread love and kindness in the name of Jesus in our world.

Serve-a-thon

We eagerly look forward to the exciting opportunities, activities, and ways we can continue to serve and learn together. Our annual Servea-Thon will take place on March 13th. The whole

school will serve the community and it is our primary fundraiser. This year, we are raising funds to start an Engineering and Robotics program for our students.

We are deeply thankful for the unwavering support of Trinity Church, enabling TCS to thrive as a flourishing outreach ministry, impacting and blessing our greater community.

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**Above: Martin Luther King, Jr. Choir Leader** 

**Below: Valentine's Day** 













Above and left: One hundred Days of School

# **Clippers**



Ahoy mates!

With the Internet, our private information is no longer private. Do you worry about cybercrime? Do you pause before opening an email and think, "This doesn't seem right to me"? Do you hang up from a

suspicious phone call and realize you may have dodged a bullet?

If so, you are not alone. Countless people in America and worldwide have or will be, victims of this seemingly nameless, faceless entity. The game keeps changing, and protecting yourself seems a daunting task.

If you are interested in helping yourself and your loved ones from being a victim of cybercrime, be sure to attend the March 15th Clippers meeting to hear realtor Bryan Devore, Senior Division of Devore Realty Group, of Berkshire Hathaway Homeservices.

His lecture "Cyber Beware" will delve into internet crime and give us sound advice on not being a victim.

Bring your potluck item to Williams Hall on Saturday, March 15, at 12:45 p.m. and prepare for a delicious lunch and a fascinating presentation on a topic of interest to us all.

Yer trusty first mate, Melanie Plett

# Staff Update | Meet Randy Murphy

orn in Idaho on April 7, 1955, Randy moved to northern California in 1963. He grew up around the corner from his childood friend and sweetheart, Sherrie.

They married on July 5th, 1974. They parented two children, and have six grandchildren, two of whom attend Trinity Christian School (TCS).

Randy had a great career as a heavy equipment and crane operator for 37 years. After their



children were raised, Sherrie went to work with Randy for the last 18 years before they retired together.

Randy started as a volunteer Watch Dog at TCS for one year. Then the TCS principal, Jimmie Drummond, hired him two years ago to do maintenance at the school.

Trinity Church just hired Randy to replace Steven Lee as Facility Maintenance. We are happy to have Randy join with us.

# Missions Update | Russ Douglass

## North San Diego Area FCA

he Fellowship of Christian Athletes - North San Diego area (FCA) has been growing. God has been opening doors as we now have more than 50 FCA Bible studies in the area. The most recent addition is Julian High School, which started in mid-February. The FCA Sports Basketball League in Valley Center has 68 players with 14 coaches and ends March 8th. The FCA Soccer League begins April 9th. Russ is working on a Coach's Date Night for May 3rd and a summer internship program that starts in June, in addition to the regular events and camps. Pray that God continues to fund the ministry so Russ can add more staff to meet all the needs in his area. Also, pray for Russ as he tries to take a weekly Sabbath.

## **Recent Events**

Jan. 14-15 FCA Directors Training

Jan. 15 FCA Basketball League Started

Jan. 17-19 Winter Camp

Jan. 29 Guest Speaker at UYC Grossmont

Feb. 8 I was blessed to perform the

wedding for staff member Noah Bentz and his new bride Allie

Feb. 25-27 FCA Staff Training

## **Upcoming Events**

Mar. 2-5 Youth Pastor Retreat

Mar. 14 All Abilities Golf Tournament

Mar. 14 CAHS Job Fair

Mar. 14 Ramp Revival/Dodgeball

Tournament

Mar. 15-16 FCA Endurance 50 Mile Bike Ride/

Camp Out

Mar. 31-Apr. 4 FCA Directors Training





# Sock Sunday | Sunday, March 30, 2025!



Remember that the last Sunday of each month is officially Sock Sunday, but you can bring your clean, useable items and new socks each Sunday. For your convenience, the basket will be in the narthex. Suitable items for cold weather are still in order and will be much appreciated.

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