



Corona Presbyterian Church, Denver, CO

October 2009

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Happening this Month

Oct. 3rd. - Project Glean

Oct. 10th - Church Clean-Up

Oct. 17th - Women's Soiree

Oct. 31st - Men's Breakfast

Youth News

It's official! Our 2010 Summer Mission Trip is:

July 11-17, 2010 Red Mesa, AZ

Through Group Workcamps, check it out at www.groupworkcamps.com

Open to Senior High and those entering High School in the Fall of 2010.

Please submit a \$100 deposit ASAP. The rest will be fundraised!!!

See Gabriel or Kristy Jaramillo with any questions!

Look for announcements on future fundraisers!

Upcoming Events:

October 31st Fall Festival – come dressed up for fun!





November 13th Scavenger Hunt – invite your friends to a crazy search and find.

December 11th Operation Christmas Child Service





E Enjoying an evening of ice blocking!

Join us Sunday Nights at the church at 6 pm for fun with the youth group as we study what the Bible says about _____???

You fill in the blank!

From my mind's eye...

In recent weeks, Corona has been hearing words about a "guiding team" which might sound pretty mysterious and even puzzling. This team was formed out of a desire to discover just what God is up to at Corona and where He might be leading us as a church.

We have begun a new Sunday School class dedicated to helping our church understand the team's activities. Periodically you have heard announcements of a few things they are working on. For example, this past summer they interviewed church members, asking a series of questions to gain an understanding of how God has been speaking to us (within our church) and as a community. Incidentally, not everyone in our church was interviewed. The team selected a cross-section or sample of people that fit into the different age groups representing Corona. If you were not interviewed, please understand this was not a reflection on you personally. You will all have an opportunity in the near future to voice how you see our church.

Perhaps all of this sounds like the next "new thing" program: an answer to the all our problems, concerns, and worries.

Well, it is not a program, but a process. My big hope and dream, along with a number of you, is that we will all want to figure out what God is doing among us and then join Him in those things. I would think anyone (including churches) who is following Jesus would desire this. That being said, we are in a process of discernment and eventual action in which we actually start following God according to what we have discerned.



Out of this process will emerge an experimental stage when we can join with God's heart for our church, our church neighborhood, and our personal neighborhoods. As with all experiments, some might succeed and some might fail. The good news is that there is room for both. So stay tuned. Please be praying for Corona after all it is your church. Pray for this guiding team, our Elders, Deacons, Trustees and staff. We need your prayers.

One last thought: we are also beginning the process of looking for Elders, Deacons and Trustees. Ask God how he would have you serve in our church. Perhaps it might be in one of those areas. Pray the right people say yes.

In God's grip, His is the strong one...

Pastor John

Corona Corner

Please submit items to the newsletter box in the office or email to Carol. Thank You!

Corona Gleans

Gleaning is the act of collecting leftover crops from farmers' fields after they have been commercially harvested or on fields where it is not economically profitable to harvest. Some ancient cultures promoted gleaning as an early form of a welfare system. For example, ancient Jewish communities required that farmers not reap all the way to the edges of a field so as to leave some for the poor and for strangers.(Lev. 19:9–10., Lev. 23:22, Deut. 14:28-29). (From Wikipedia, "The Gleaners", public domain painting is by Millet 1857)



Meet at Corona
Saturday,
October 3rd
7 AM
All are invited

Corona is partnering with COMPA (COMPAssion in Action) Ministries to glean near Denver. COMPA develops marketable job skills among homeless and low income individuals. The acquisition, production, and distribution of healthy food to the "working poor" helps to prevent homelessness by saving them money at the grocery store which can be applied to rent, utilities and keep them on the path to self-sufficiency.







Deacon's Corner - October 2009

ARE **YOU** CALLED?



As fall begins, it is once again time to think about church officer nominations. For those who love people and want to follow in the ministry of Jesus Christ, there is no better office to assume that that of Deacon. As the PCUSA *Book of Order* puts it, "The office of deacon as set forth in Scripture is one of sympathy, witness, and service after the example of Jesus Christ. Persons of spiritual character, honest repute, of exemplary lives, brotherly and sisterly love, warm sympathies, and sound judgment should be chosen for this office" (G-6.0401). It is a ministry of caring, a ministry of love, a ministry of compassion, and a ministry of prayer (G-6.0402).

Traditionally, deacons are people persons. Their hearts go out to those in distress; to members who have suffered loss; to neighbors in the hospital; to friends who have lost their jobs; to new members who need a word of welcome; to members who are shut in and lonely and cannot

leave their homes; to those who are economically oppressed and do not have adequate places to live or enough to eat—to any people who need to experience the love of Christ in concrete ways. Clearly deacons are not the only people who provide these ministries of sympathy and caring. All Christians are charged to love their neighbors and care for one another. But the deacons provide an *organized* way of bringing the love of Jesus Christ to the church and the community.

For the past several years, the office of Deacon has been difficult to fill at Corona. Now is not the time to be discouraged or disheartened about deacon's work. People everywhere are facing one of the most difficult times in recent history. People desperately need more acts of love in the name of Jesus Christ. This difficult time comes as all of us are facing busy schedules and fewer resources. I pray that you will open your hearts and minds to respond to God's call when it comes your way, knowing that all things are possible in the grace of God and the love of Jesus. If you are interested or would like to speak to someone further about becoming a deacon, contact either Laura Anderson or Tom Boblasky. We would be glad to meet with you. May God's Spirit enable you to comprehend how much power is available to "accomplish abundantly far more than we can ask or imagine" [Eph 3:17-21] and to accept His call.

Laura Anderson

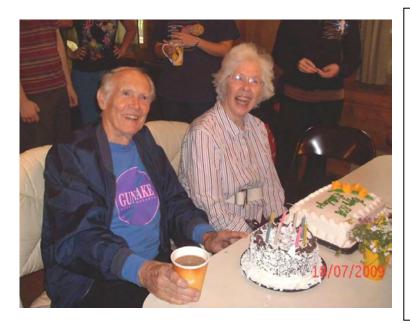
<u>Important Happenings - Mark your Calendars</u>

- Fall Church Clean-Up Saturday, October 10th, Starting at 9 AM
 A variety of indoor and outdoor tasks will be tackled. Bring your favorite tools, gloves etc. and help make our church look even more beautiful and shiny! Come hungry as Darrell will be cooking breakfast.
- Calling all Ladies Saturday, October 17th, 1 5 PM
 "In the Spirit" pre-holiday soiree at Kent Village Clubhouse (University & Hampden). Pick up an invitation in the lobby or call Jessica True 303-756-3761 for more details or to sign up.
- Men's Breakfast Saturday October 31st, 7 AM
 Another delicious breakfast delicacy will be prepared our very own Darrell Delimont! Sign up on the Credenza.



Evergreen China Medical Workers from Corona: Frank and Sally Dennis Report on Sally's recent stroke

"Sally is making progress, but it is slow and now has come down to repetition, repetition, repetition, which can get tedious, but the benefits are obvious to her so we keep plodding away at turning over dominos, putting rings over high dowels, squeezing putty, kicking and catching balls and even playing "Oh, Well". There are facial exercises (making faces at a mirror), soft palate exercises (blowing up balloons and moving cards by sucking on a straw), balance and walking, stretching and, worst of all, speech drills with questions, finish the sentence, fill in the missing word, describe things, name as many animals, tress, foods, jobs, and you-name-its as possible. These mostly seem so easy, but are really hard for her, so sticking with those is hardest of all. Please keep praying we won't either get discouraged or lax with the exercises!"



Dr. Frank Dennis took medical training in Denver and attended Corona over 50 years ago. Frank and Sally have served faithfully in medical missions and have been supported by Corona through a life time of service to our Lord. Their daughter, Sandy, is married to Finn Toriesen, executive director of Evergreen, a pioneering Christian work in China, with which they still work. Please continue to pray for them.

"Value Life Group at Corona"



Corona Gives Quilt to Alternatives Pregnancy Center for Sophia

The Corona Women's Sewing Circle created a beautiful quilt to be given to the Alternatives Pregnancy Center (APC) in honor of baby Sophia. Sophia is the name of the baby girl born to a client of APC about the time the Value Life Group at Corona (VLGC) walked for an APC fund-raiser in June of this year. VLGC sponsored Sophia at that time and we sent the quilt presented to us by the sewing circle to APC. Formerly called **Value of Life**, we have adopted the shorter name of **Value Life**. We truly value life in all phases of life, from the unborn to the elderly; all human beings with any and all health conditions. If you are interested in lifting up the work of APC and getting involved in other pro-life concerns, we would love to have you join us at 9:30 AM every second and fourth Saturday of the month in the Sanctuary Prayer Room. Please call Timothy Wilson at 303-428-1390.

PETITION FOR CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO RESTRICT ABORTIONS AVAILABLE OCTOBER 18TH

On October 18th, the Value Life Group of Corona will be presenting an opportunity to those who are interested in signing a petition supporting the proposed "Personhood" amendment to the Colorado Constitution. This amendment would define a "person' to include a child within the womb thereby giving the same legal protection to fetuses as are granted to other persons. More details on the amendment will be available to review when considering the petition.

Welcome and Assimilation Committee News: We've had 3 wonderful Corona 'Connections' dinners this year and welcomed many newcomers. Heartfelt thanks to our gracious hosts, Cal & Linda Dunlap, John & Jary Dailey, Tania Fendel, Chute & Sean Morris. We're planning one more dinner this year so if you'd like to host or participate please call Sally Johnson at 303-399-3153. Committee members include Sally, Jan Helmer, Joan Tupper and Charles Ro. To our volunteers Bob & Patty Scholtens, Bill & Marilyn Henderson, Marilyn Morehead, Linda Meyer, Irv & Pam Krause, Doug & Karen Kingman, we couldn't have done it without you!

And, a huge thanks to the Corona Bread Brigade! We have many talented bakers working behind the scenes so we can present banana, pumpkin, apple, gingerbread and all kinds of yummy sweet and yeast breads to visitors on Sunday. We appreciate you all... Dale Bowers, Darrell Delimont, Linda Dunlap, Tania Fendel, Marilyn Henderson, Julie Ho, Ellen McKenzie, Pam Marsh & Renee Walbert. May Jesus put a smile in your hearts for serving Him.

Sally Johnson

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Sunday Worship

Heritage Service	8:45	a.m.
Childcare and nursery available until	Noon	
Sunday School for all	10-10:45	a.m.
Contemporary Service	11	a.m.
Children's Church / Puppets		

Staff

Rev. John Geiter Senior Pastor C.J. Garbo Choir Director Paul ljames

Accompanist Nancy Rowley

Secretary

Jim Watson

Contemporary Worship Director

Gabriel and Kristy Jaramillo

Youth Pastors