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Please pray for:

*Our brother Abif, that he would be successful in obtaining a visa to come be with us in America,

*Lyndsie's Health, and Maddy's continued recovery

*Our ministry to brothers and sisters in Myanmar

*Our ministry to our local neighborhood, including our bible studies

You can give:

Your tax-deductible donation goes a long way; \$3000 builds a house for a family in Tijuana, which we have done twice in this last year. \$1500 purchased a generator for our friends in Myanmar who are meeting to study the Gospel. We donate monthly to international efforts in Burma, Liberia, and Ghana. Additionally, we meet the specific pressing needs of local brothers and sisters as they came up. Your money moves the Kingdom!

Greetings from Sunny California!

If you're getting this newsletter, chances are you've gotten an encouragement letter or card from Church of the Servant King sometime over the years. If not, welcome! (Don't worry, we still send those too). We realized this year that often, folks we connect with that way would like to hear more of the goings-on, ways they can pray for us, ministries they can give to, and the stories of what we're celebrating during a season, and a card is a great personal touch but not enough space to get into what life at Church of the Servant King is like. Welcome to the seasonal update newsletter!

We are a small house church living and serving in the same neighborhood for about 40 years. Our strong emphasis is on living out the "one-to-another" scriptures through commitment and accountability. One of our ambitions is to see the Church beyond the boundaries of our local congregation.

We've all been figuring out how to survive through the pandemic over the last couple of years, and everyone has handled it differently, but all have been affected. We decided it was crucial to protect vulnerable folks that we loved in the best way we knew how, taking precautions for people inside and outside the congregation. Just as importantly, we believe that the Kingdom of God does not stop moving for the factors of the world. We established a Zoom bible study, sent sheafs of drawings and notes from our kids to a local nursing home, did our annual Christmas carolling adventure, and did as much meeting outside as we possibly could to keep the element of face-to-face relationships. Thank God for balmy California weather! One of the most rewarding changes from pandemic life was our outdoor Sunday morning gathering. We set up some patio furniture under a cover in our front yard, brewed some coffee and put out some donuts, and committed to be visible and present in our neighborhood for a few hours every Sunday morning. The canopy, friendly faces and comfortable space drew in a Peruvian family who still connect with us across the miles, a new babysitter, and a few folks we've lived around the corner from for a decade but never met. We're thankful for the friendships that have blossomed from that endeavour and the life it's brought to our area and ourselves. Please pray that these new relationships turn into opportunities for discipleship.

Hello & welcome from Ariella Moldekin

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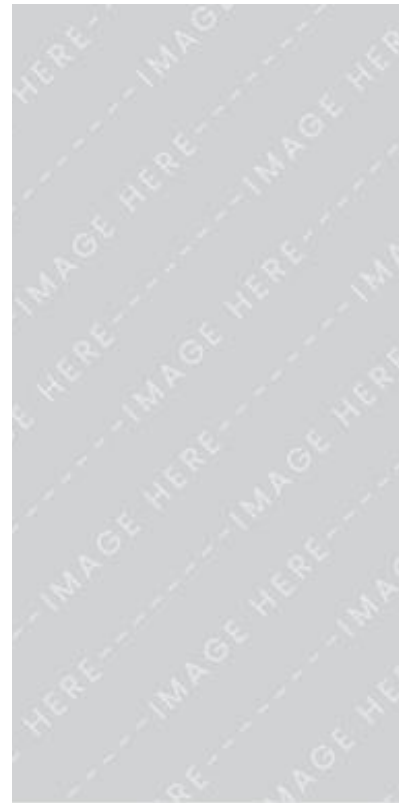
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Summer Fun!



Celebration of the Children is one of our most cherished times of year. Kids from 2-12 can fully participate in all the events planned specifically with them in mind, and even our cohort of toddlers joined in with most of our daily activities! We went to the Santa Ana zoo, the Science Museum, Mother's Beach in Long Beach, and got to go swimming at a local pool in the neighborhood. Our theme was Storybook Land, and all 7 kids chased the Pancake Man from one of our stories through "books" featuring Winnie the Pooh, Spiderman, Little House on the Prairie, Paw Patrol, dinosaurs, horses, sharks, and ended up snagging a snack in a library managed by Olaf from Frozen. There were movie nights, game nights, and dinners out with friends wherever our little munchkins chose. A grand time was had by all!

Fall brought an opportunity to study with a few others outside our congregation about the Nature and Purpose of the Church at a Weekend conference we dubbed "Wineskins Lite." Keep an eye out for a full Wineskins weekend next year.

We had many guests for our Thanksgiving celebration at El Segundo Church and our annual Dance of the Leftovers had everyone jumping and jiving!

We finally got to honor our pastor and brother, Rich Read with a memorial here in California, as well as one up north in Portland. It was a beautiful chance to celebrate Rich's life and legacy.

The most notable event of this year was a sudden diagnosis of brain tumor for one of our very small children, Madeleine. Jack and Sarah struggled through one of the scariest things that can happen to a parent, but the Lord has given Maddy back to them as a precious gift, and she is making a full recovery! Her Check out her story here: <https://www.caringbridge.org/visit/maddyread>

From Jack: "Maddy's long 3-hour MRI (full spine and head) is over. Results were perfect, no new growth or negative signs- whew—amazing! Maddy's Neurologist explained that Maddy's risk of tumor, stroke, head injury etc. is the same as anybody else, and she can resume regular activities without the stinky helmet. Now its our job as parents not to be afraid every moment because she is quite unsteady and falls often. However, we are grateful the scans are clear. She will always have a void in her head where the tumor was, just fluid there now. They will continue to do 'regular surveillance' on her noggin yearly just to be sure, but it appears she is free and clear."

They have honored the Lord greatly through this trial by living by the song: "It Is Well With My Soul."



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Please consider giving a one-time or recurring gift to Church of the Servant King. (See the front page for what we've accomplished this year with your help)! Upcoming needs include another property for our growing families, a TJ house build and continuing support for the children's homes there, bringing our friend Garu from Myanmar to study how to teach the Word with Scott, and the monthly support we offer international and local partners to advance the Kingdom.

If you would like to join us for a service trip or donate to make this work happen, please call or email for more information.