



**March 2007**

*...for my soul trusts in You; and in the shadow of Your wings I will make my refuge...  
Psalm 57:1*

Wow, so much to say! God so wonderfully blesses Harbor and meets every need. He has answered our prayers that we have prayed for 5 years and sent us Alex Guerrero as our Worship Leader. We are thrilled to have Alex on board and he is already doing a tremendous job. His anointing and musical skills are leading Harbor to the "place of refuge worship" God has promised us. Lives are clearly being touched by God's presence.

Financially God continues to speak to people's hearts and send the funds needed to keep everything paid and reaching out to our community.

We hand out free bags of groceries every Sunday after service to those who need them- it's all about feeding the hungry! Justin and the youth group will be doing an outreach once a month, and inviting others to their services. Pray for God's favor, protection and fruitful harvest for them during this time. They handed out candy and Valentines on Valentine's Day at Pacific Garden Mall, they were able to speak to many people and share God's love. The people were so appreciative; show some of God's love to others today.

We were able to spend a week in San Francisco at the CEA Pastor's Retreat. We had a refreshing time reconnecting with other pastors and being filled up with God's goodness. So many challenging words went forth as God confirms Harbor's purpose for Santa Cruz. We were pleased to bring along our youth group, as they are the true planters for Harbor. God blessed them in return by supplying free Battle Cry tickets for them to attend the event. God is a rewarder of those who do His work!

We were blessed to have CEA Missionary, Dave Robbins from Japan attend our Tuesday night prayer. He educated us as to spiritually what is happening or rather not happening in Japan. The actual number of Christians has dropped below 1% over the 20 years Dave and his family has been serving there. But, God is always right in the middle of it. Dave shared that he sees a shift in the culture and younger generation of Japan, which he believes to be the start of the open door for Christianity. So let's continue to keep that country in prayer. Right now write the word "Japan" on a piece of paper and put it somewhere you see everyday. Let's see a Buddhist country turn towards Jesus!!

We continue to pray for LABORERS, the harvest is ripe and ready here in Santa Cruz, we need help gathering up the harvest and bringing it into the storehouse! Please come gather with us at one of our outreaches or on a Sunday.

### **Next Step**

Summer is almost upon us and we have plans for more ice cream outreaches, beach services and feeding the homeless.

### **Services**

- Tuesdays- Prayer at 7:00 pm, in our home, address below.
- Sunday- Services at Bay View School, 1231 Bay Street, Santa Cruz, 9:30 am Prayer and 10:00 am Service.
- First Sunday of every month is BBQ Sunday.
- Third Sunday of every month we serve at Elm Street Mission.

### **Thank You**

Thank you to Vineyard Church in Scotts Valley and Pastor Bob for supplying the groceries every month for us to give out on the West Side, you guys ROCK!

### **Note from Ron**

Mark 4:29, "but when the grain ripens, immediately he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come." I recently heard a message at our CEA's Pastor's retreat by Steve Riggle, President of the CEA. He spoke in part about the harvest and knowing the day. A couple of days later I heard the music group, Casting Crowns, at Battlecry in San Francisco playing the song, "Does Anybody Hear Her?" It is a song about a young lady that has been through a rough life and had done things many of us will never be able to relate to. This young girl came into their youth group and they didn't know what to do. They didn't know how to relate to her or even how to talk to her. Both were great reminders to me of the course that God has put us on. Part of Steve Riggle's message was that the harvest that is ready for the sickle, is not always what we want to think it is. It is not a pleasant field of grain blowing in the wind. The harvest that we are to be harvesting is a smelly and dirty harvest of hurting and lonely people. It is a harvest that requires us as Christians to get a little dirty and do a little work. It is time for us as the church to get out of our buildings and get out onto the streets and be where the hurting people are. My encouragement to you is to not get comfortable in your pew but to put on your work clothes and put the sickle in because the harvest has come.

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