

# NOVEMBER UPDATE

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## Nearing the End of the Year

As we get closer to the end of the year, so the busy season comes in and we need to be intentional and careful with all of the activities we have going on. For the kids as well, we need to focus on the celebrations in the time of this year with Thanksgiving and Christmas as times to rejoice and be thankful!

### Potluck

Thank you for all of your participation in the potluck and for bringing a dish to share! The kids were able to have a good time of food and fun as we shared a meal together.

### Baptism

We want to continue celebrating the goodness of God in baptism as a new sister, Kristen Tang was baptized earlier this month! It is an important step in our journey of faith to profess our commitment to Christ and share that with our communities.

*"If you want to go fast, go alone; but if you want to go far, go together."*

*An encouragement that I see through the youth is that we can continue to walk together in life and be part of a family.*



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## Thanksgiving

Our church has been able to celebrate 30 years of faithfulness this year as we continue to serve and grow as a community here at FECC. Thank you for all of those who were able to come out and participate and be part of our 30 years!

*“When we look at many of the major characters of the Bible, their ministries were only beginning at the age of 30.”*

*-Dr. Barry Corey  
President of Biola University*

## Winter Retreat

We are having our annual youth Winter Retreat December 27-30th over the Christmas break and we would love for all of the kids to be able to come and join us for a time to learn and grow together over our theme Step-by-Step. We are hoping to better equip the kids to know how to walk with Jesus every day, how that will impact their homes, schools, and personal decisions that they make. Our early bird registration ends on Dec. 7th, and the cost will go up before our final deadline Dec. 21st. Please let us know if you have any questions!



## Prayer List

-As we continue to move into Christmas time, be prayerful that the kids can be able to focus on the meaning of Christmas, and the message of Christ as the Messiah.

-I've also been praying against any feelings that kids have been feeling forced to be at church, I would hope that they would want to make friends and feel welcome here and not pressured to follow a certain mold, but let them come freely to Jesus in this community.

-Please continue to be praying for the kids and also teachers that Sunday school can be fruitful, and maybe discuss some of these topics we have been going over:

-Jesus' humanity and why it is important, His baptism, teaching on new birth, why a personal relationship with Him is necessary

### Calendar Schedule

#### December

- 7 Gingerbread house
- 14 Worship Night
- 21 Christmas Advent
- 27-30 Winter Retreat