



We are a sharing, loving fellowship of Christian believers, rooted in biblical faith, that actively seeks and celebrates God. We desire to praise, love and serve with all our hearts in our faith community and to reach out to our neighbors, continuing the work of Jesus peacefully, simply, together.

In God we find the source of all our joy. Hallelujah!

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Pomona Fellowship Church of the Brethren

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A World that's Turning to Violence

In a world that's turning to violence
And good rarely shows through
People are killing people; people are killing people
We know it's not right
We know it's going to hurt ourselves and others
But that's all we know
And that's all we have
In a world that's turning to violence

As we walk down the streets in our neighborhood
We hear people abusing people
We hear TVs going and families fighting
We scream Fight! Fight! Fight!
As the hockey game turns violent
And the WWE match gets bloody
While our children learn from TV and video games
Our teenagers turn to drugs for comfort
We scream Fight! Fight! Fight!
As the world overflows with sadness
But what can we do
And what can we say
In a world that knows how to fight

As we watch the news on our tvs
We see our planes turn and attack
As our hearts are torn apart the Towers begin to fall
We scream No! No! No!
That's my friend, that's my mother
That's my sister, that's my brother
We just saw get killed
We scream No! No! No!
That's my father, that's my daughter
That's my husband, that's my wife
We just saw get killed
We scream I love them! I love them!
But what can we do
And what can we say
In a world that knows how to hate

We know what's right from wrong
We know we should forgive
Children grow up too fast
When they grow up in a world that's full of hate
And you follow the crowd even when you disagree
When we get involved in our tv shows and who is wearing what
The children grow up and families fight
And our world grows apart
But what can we do
And what can we say
In a world that's turned to violence
In a world that loves to fight
In a world that's full of hate

Written by Laura Lovelace on 9-11-2001



those limited or confined for health reasons: **Cathy Banks, Marcheta Pletcher.**

We also uphold these members, friends and family members of our congregation

who have prayer concerns:

- Bill Lemon**
- Casey Deal**
- John Nelson**



Birthdays

Natashua Uranga on the 7th
John Stewart on the 26th

**PFCOB STEWARDSHIP INFORMATION
Through July 2023**

2023 Annual Budget	\$193,255.00
Total Budget Income thru July	\$102,816.46
Giving '23	\$57,136.00
Interest & Other Income '23	\$45,680.46
Total Budget Expense thru July	\$(83,473.25)
Budget Balance thru July	\$19,343.21
July Special Non-Budget Offerings	
Inland Valley Hope Partners Beta	\$155.00
Capital Fund	\$10.00
Women's Fellowship-pennies	\$40.00

Banner articles are due by September 26th

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Services & Activities

- Sunday Worship at St. Paul's Sunday, 10:00 a.m.
- Bible Study over Google Meet Tuesday, 7:30 p.m.
- Paul Lovelace Moderator
- Laura Lovelace Admin. Assistant

The *Banner* is published once a month. Articles and announcements to appear in the next issue of the *Banner* are due in the church office by the 20th of each month.

September Worship Schedule

- September 3**, Paul Lovelace is preaching
- September 10**, Julie Wheeler is preaching
- September 17**, Annual Conference Sermon
- September 24**, Jerry Davis is preaching

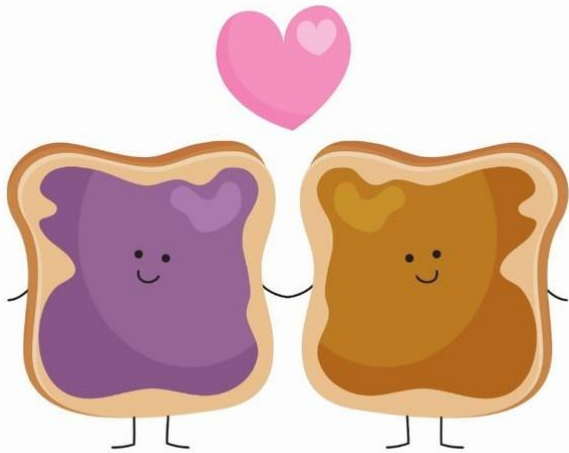
Upcoming Meetings

- Service & Outreach**, Tuesday Sept. 12 at 10:30am
- Music & Worship**, Wednesday Sept. 13 at 11:00am

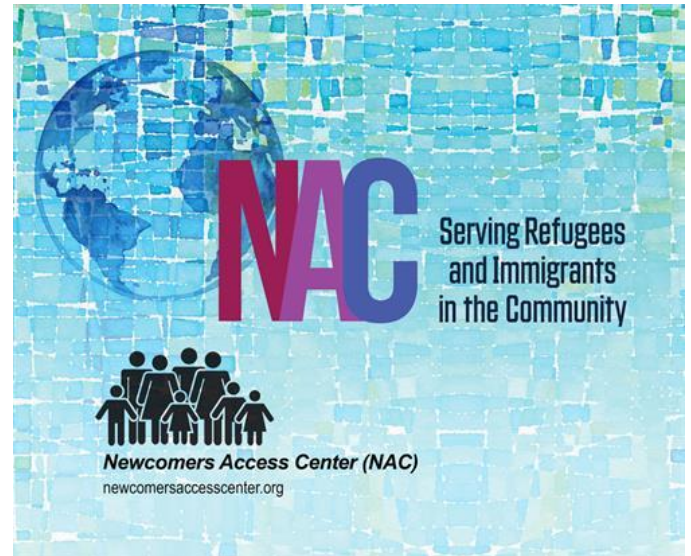
Every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m., **Bible Study** over Google Meet. Contact Sander Eller for details.

*FROM SERVICE AND
OUTREACH*

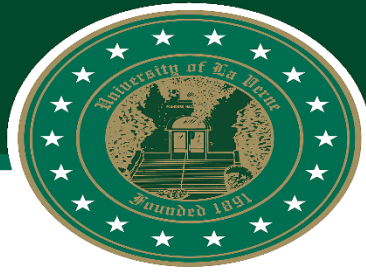
Thank you for your continued response in our effort to support the local food bank. Our food emphases for **September are Peanut Butter, Jelly and Crackers.** For all canned food please provide Pop-Top cans. As always, staple items are always needed and welcome.



Our giving emphasis for **September is the Newcomer's Access Center.**



Our extra giving emphasis for September is the rental assistance provided by Newcomers Access Center for refugee families. Quoting from an email the church received from NAC, they said that housing is perhaps the biggest challenge faced by immigrant and refugee families, who give up everything to leave dangerous, war-ravaged countries and start a new life from scratch. Newcomers Access Center has an urgent request for help in providing rental support to help keep Newcomer families in their homes. We in Pomona Fellowship can help by including a check for this purpose in our offering. Mark that the check is for NAC rent. Or we can mail a check directly to Newcomers Access Center at 233 W. Harrison Ave., Suite B5, Claremont, CA 91711, indicating that it is for their rental assistance program. This is a good opportunity for us to help these new immigrants.



Save the Date
October 13, 2023
Inauguration for
University of La Verne's
19th President
Dr. Pardis Mahdavi

FORMAL INVITATION TO FOLLOW

*Please join us in celebrating
and welcoming our new president.*

13th

*Friday, October
twenty twenty-three*

4:00

*In the
afternoon*

*Reception
immediately
following*

Event location

SPORTS SCIENCE & ATHLETICS PAVILION

For more information and to register please visit <https://univ.lv/inauguration>

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SEPTEMBER

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
					1	2
3 Paul Lovelace Preaching	4 Labor Day	5	6	7	8	9
10 Julie Wheeler Preaching	11	12 Service & Outreach; 10:30am	13 Music & Worship; 11:00am	14 Holy Cross Day (Christian)	15 Rosh HaShana Starts (Jewish)	16
17 Annual Conference Sermon Rosh HaShana Ends (Jewish)	18 Fast of Gedaliah (Jewish)	19	20	21	22	23
24 Jerry Davis Preaching	25 Yom Kippur (Jewish)	26	27	28	29 Micheal & All Angels (Christian) Sukkot Starts (Jewish)	30