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Centerpoint  
February 1-3

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& Dance  
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Have you marked your calendars yet? Is the day **March 9th** circled in red? It's Centerpoint's annual Missions Fundraiser Dinner & Auction where you have the opportunity to be the "hands & feet" of Jesus and support global and local missions. Here's how you can help:

**Attend the Event!** [Ticket Prices are \\$30 through January, \\$35 through March 8, and \\$40 at the door.](#)

- Get your small group to attend! Use this as an outreach and invite your friends to attend with you!

**Donate NEW items for the auction (either individually or as a small group):**

- Small appliances (coffee pots, electric tea kettles, crock pots, microwaves, etc.)
- Themed baskets (coffee, tea, pet, car care, Italian, Mexican, fitness, golf, movie, gardening, personal care, etc.)
- **Donate your gifts & talents (CPA's & taxes, financial planning, estate planning, painting a room, limousine service, beading, babysitting, knitting lessons, guitar lessons, yard maintenance, car maintenance, computer lessons, woodworking, handyman service, etc.)**
- Have a party for a group of people who sign-up (Sock-Hop, Luau, Mystery Dinner, Homemade Pizza Party, cake decorating party, BBQ, etc.)
- Share some of your "toys" (boat rides, plane rides, timeshares, cabins, etc.)
- Gift Cards! Buy them at the Scrip counter on Sundays for a win-win!

**Bid on Auction Items!**

- Come with the mindset that this is a FUNDRAISER and give your best bid!
- Team up with others to bid on something.

**Volunteer to Help** with decorating, clean-up, balloon sales & more!

**We'd like to see the whole church involved!** There is something for everyone so please join in and make this a fun-filled evening that keeps on giving. Contact Sharon Wurst at 916-217-6273 or [sswurst@sbcglobal.net](mailto:sswurst@sbcglobal.net) for more information.

# MISSIONS



## “The Gathering Inn” Ministry Opportunities

The past few years Centerpoint has been hosting The Gathering Inn on five Sunday evenings during the year. We provide dinner and a safe place to sleep for the night for up to 65 homeless men, women and children. The Gathering Inn serves Placer County and the homeless guests go to a different church each night where they receive a short devotional, a meal and a safe haven, then depart early the next morning.

The people preparing the meals here at Centerpoint have been Mariner groups, small groups, our Revolution high school ministry, and, on one occasion, a group of friends got together to provide the meal. All you need is a team of about 8 people willing to come up with a menu,

purchase the food, and prepare and serve the meal. The cost can be a donation by your group or Centerpoint will provide up to \$250 to cover the cost. You will be given guidance and help as needed. 2018 dates available for hosting at Centerpoint on Sunday evenings are: March 4, April 29, June 3, July 29, and September 30. If you or your group are interested in this mission, please contact Charlotte Raifaisen at 916-408-1237 for more information.

## SIERRA Diaper Drive PREGNANCY + HEALTH

WHAT IS DIAPER NEED? Diaper Need is the struggle to provide babies with clean, dry, diapers. It is a growing problem. One in three moms in the U.S. reports experiencing diaper need. Disposable diapers cost \$70-\$80/month per baby and diapers cannot be obtained with food stamps. Women with diaper need also reported more difficulty with stress management,

depression and coping with trauma – which can negatively affect a child’s health and development.

There are ways *you* can help. Our Local Mission Team partners with Roseville’s Sierra Pregnancy + Health (SPH), which provides physical, emotional and spiritual health care for women and families before, during and after pregnancy with compassion. SPH is also listed as a fulfillment center on the National Diaper Bank Network.

*WE WILL BE COLLECTING DIAPERS ON THE COURTYARD DURING THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY*

There is a great need for newborn diapers, but we are grateful for all sizes. To purchase diapers online for SPH, please visit, <https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/11CQX1N1YLBSX>.

For more information please visit [sierraph.org](http://sierraph.org) and [nationaldiaperbanknetwork.org](http://nationaldiaperbanknetwork.org) or contact Tanya Flores at [tflores@centerpointroseville.org](mailto:tflores@centerpointroseville.org).



# New Mission Partner in Nicaragua



A message from Kristin Ball, OneHope College & Young Adult Ministry Co-Director:

I'm excited to announce our partnership with El Puente Granada Christian Education Center in Nicaragua! Recently, John and Marlena Sprague, Bev Ratzlaff and I traveled to Granada in hopes of establishing a partnership with the ministry. Our contacts in Nicaragua, Ryan and Adriana Brooks and their three children, have been missionaries in Granada for the last 2½ years. They have been partnering with other missionary families to bring the gospel to Granada as well as poorer communities on the outskirts of the city. The city of Granada is filled with diversity and is a hub for Europeans and expats alike.

[El Puente \(The Bridge\)](#) is the local church with which GCEC (Granada Christian Education Center) partners. The church has been able to reach out to children, families and people affected by the influence of drug addiction and alcoholism in the community. El Puente also provides housing and home-cooked meals for missionary teams. While our team was in Nicaragua for two short days, we had the chance to interact with local people, walk around the city, and explore communities on the outskirts of the city. On Saturday morning, our small team joined Ryan and Adriana as they led Bible study, discipleship, and played baseball with children from neighborhoods on the outskirts of the city. Many of the children have grown exponentially in their walk with Christ through this seemingly simple outreach and have begun to carry the message of the gospel back home to their families.

We had the opportunity to go to church on Sunday morning and worship with the local congregation. On entering the church, friendly faces met us with smiles and greetings of "mucho gusto." Church is conducted in a traditional Nicaraguan setting — outside under a constructed wooden "steeple." Worship was led with passion and followed up by a message that gave the congregation insight into how to discern the will of God in one's life. Church ended in a beautiful and unexpected way. As we stood, and the worship band played "Happy Birthday", members from the congregation filed up one-by-one to hug each person who was celebrating December birthdays. It was truly a sweet time and demonstrated the unity of the local church in Granada.

The opportunities to serve the people of Granada with the gospel are manifold and allow teams with a variety of different skill sets to exercise their God-given gifts. GCEC has a sports ministry, an established school, the need for teams to host VBS, women's and men's conferences, opportunities for construction work alongside local workers and much, much more. If you feel the tug on your heart to partner with Ryan, Adriana and the other missionary families in Granada, this is an experience that will not disappoint.

*As future mission teams are formed, prayerfully consider how God may be leading you to step out and follow Him.*

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—Kristin Ball



Mission team member Kristin Ball (l.) pictured with John & Marlena Sprague, the Brooks family, and Bev Ratzlaff (r.)

## Centerpoint Staffers You Should Know...

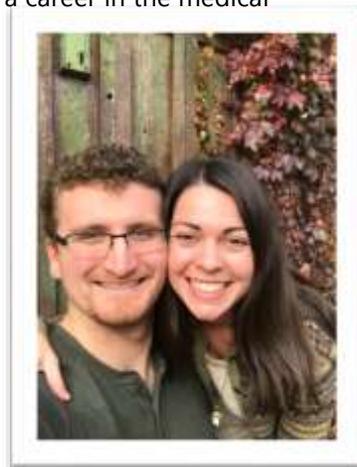


### EMILEE HAYS/Childcare Coordinator

Emilee is a familiar face at Centerpoint, having grown up here and attended her entire life. She began volunteering in the Nursery during her Junior High years and joined the staff as a childcare provider in high school. Emilee then became our Childcare Coordinator in 2017. In addition to her responsibilities here at Centerpoint, she keeps busy working in the corporate offices of Kniesel's Collision Center and is attending college in hopes of a career in the medical field.

### CODY STEFFENSON/OneHope College & Young Adult Ministry Co-Director

Cody grew up in the small town of Chowchilla and came to know God through the support of his family and community. A few years after graduating high school he became the Junior High Intern at a local reformed church and later was hired as the Junior High Director for that same church. After two years, Cody realized his need to complete his education so that he would be able to go further in ministry and moved to Sacramento to attend William Jessup University, where he is currently completing his final semester. He is attaining his degree in Christian leadership with a focus in intercultural studies. Cody is engaged to his beautiful fiancée, Ashley, and will be getting married in May. He and Ashley both have a deep passion for missions and any time they are able to travel and share the Gospel, they jump at the opportunity.



### BEV RATZLAFF/MOPPETS (Children of MOPS' moms) Coordinator

In Bev's own words: "I have been working with MOPPETS for about 2 years now, having started as a volunteer. I love keeping these kids happy and safe while their mom enjoys some much needed time out. I am a member of Centerpoint and have enjoyed volunteering at many events, as well as going on several mission trips. In 2017, I had the opportunity to travel to Uganda, Mexico (2 times) and Nicaragua. 2018 started with a trip to Haiti in January with Mexico scheduled in May. I find these are great opportunities to share the Word of God with people around the world. I have 2 children and 1 granddaughter. My son, Dustin, lives with his family in Newcastle and my daughter Emilee is in the USAF, currently stationed in Montana. As well as Centerpoint, I volunteer at the Sacramento Airport as an Ambassador and I am a docent at the California State Railroad Museum. I recently completed several nights volunteering on 'The Polar Express' train ride during the Christmas season. All young mothers are welcome to come to MOPS and have time with other moms, while we lovingly care for your children!"



### MARLA WATKINS/Women's Ministry Program Assistant

Marla says: "I've lived in the Citrus Heights area since sixth grade. I grew up attending church; my youth pastor was pivotal in showing me how to grow my faith and understand what it meant to 'live it out.' My husband Joe and I have two daughters, Adela (9) and Alina (5), and I currently work at a small tax prep office. Since taking my first spiritual gifts assessment in high school, I've known my gifts are administration and hospitality. Organizing and finding the right place for information, details, things, etc. somehow energizes me. I love to review a spreadsheet! We came to Centerpoint about four years ago after I began attending MOPS. We came from a church that I had attended forever, and found a caring, connected, teachers-learned-their-names-the-first-day children's program here that our girls immediately loved. Lucky for us, there are great adult ministries too! I've always felt welcomed in the women's ministry studies and events and, as a result, felt the tug to be more involved."



Do you have a car, boat or RV you want to donate? Running or not, you can receive a tax deduction by donating it to Partners In Outreach Foundation, Inc. Contact Lew Dickey at 916-390-8714 or [lewandsandy@comcast.net](mailto:lewandsandy@comcast.net). Lew will handle the DMV paperwork and take it away for free. Proceeds support missions at Centerpoint.

## MEN'S and WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

### Presbyterian Women - Wednesday, February 7

at 10:30am in the Family Life Center Dining Room  
Dottie Poore will continue the monthly Bible Study, "In God's Garden." Please bring a Bible. Light refreshments will be served. Contact Mary Beth Watson at 916-624-3089 for information.

### Presbyterian Men - Wednesday, February 7

at 6:00pm in the Family Life Center Dining Room  
All men of the church are invited for dinner and a program (Billy Graham DVD). For a dinner reservation, contact Dick Law at [doutlaws@surewest.net](mailto:doutlaws@surewest.net) or call him at 916-791-3346 no later than Tuesday, February 6.



#### Men's Retreat

April 13-15, Zephyr Cove, Lake Tahoe

*Learn From Me* – Living Daily as a Disciple of Jesus

Mark your calendars for Centerpoint's 2018 Men's Retreat at Zephyr Point Presbyterian Conference Center, Lake Tahoe. Our speaker this year is Matthew Hooper, Associate Pastor at Grace Fellowship of Amador County and Adjunct Professor at William Jessup University.

**Our theme for this year's retreat is "Learn From Me – Living Daily as a Disciple of Jesus,"** and our theme verse is: "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls." Matthew 11:29

Come join us for a weekend of learning, praying, enjoying God's creation at Lake Tahoe and growing in the Lord with other men. The cost for the weekend is \$169 for a shared room or \$269 for a private room. [REGISTER ONLINE](#) on the Men's Ministry webpage, in the church office, or on the courtyard starting February 4.

Invite a friend or family member to join us. If you have questions or for more information, contact John Sprague at 916-402-9825 or [jsprague@centerpointroseville.org](mailto:jsprague@centerpointroseville.org).



#### Centerpoint Marriage Conference

#### **"Marriage Tune-Up: Looking Under the Hood"**

Friday, February 23

6:00-9:00pm

Family Life Center

\$25 per couple (scholarships available)

Catered dinner from House of Chicken and Ribs

Free childcare by reservation

Join us for this one-night event designed to make your marriage stronger. Our speakers are Allen and Terri Haley. Allen is an ordained minister and Terri is a marriage and family therapist. [REGISTER ONLINE.](#)



Contact Karen Fales at [kfales@centerpointroseville.org](mailto:kfales@centerpointroseville.org) or 916-782-3186 x26 for more information.



Two new Sermon Series Small Groups are starting in February:

West Roseville group: 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00pm, starting February 13, in a Sun City Roseville home. Contact Sandy & Les Howell at 916-206-9995 or [slochhow2@yahoo.com](mailto:slochhow2@yahoo.com).

Centerpoint Campus Group: Mondays, 7:00-8:30pm, starting February 12 in Room 203. For more information, contact Linda or Dave Buettner at 530-906-1996 or [lbuettnet@comcast.net](mailto:lbuettnet@comcast.net).

## SENIOR ADULT MINISTRY LUNCH

Thursday, February 8, 11:45am in the Dining Room Our program will be presented by the "Extension Chords," a group from the Sacramento Valley Chorus of the Sweet Adelines, an organization of women which celebrates the art form known as *barbershop singing*. The larger chorus performs locally and nationally, and recently placed 14th among world competitors at the Sweet Adelines Competition in Las Vegas.

The cost of the lunch is \$8.00 per person, payable at the door. The menu includes beef stroganoff with mashed potatoes, salad and chocolate raspberry cake for dessert. The lunch is open to all, so invite a friend. Reservations for lunch must be made with Bob or Diane McCarthy at 916-783-9295 by 5:00pm on Tuesday, February 6.



*MIKAYLA HANKINS is our Kids' Choir and Drama Director as of January 2018. A graduate of William Jessup University with a degree in Music and Theatre, she brings a wealth of experience and skill in the areas of choir and musical drama. Mikayla is a familiar face at Centerpoint, having directed the choir last summer, sung in our worship services and serves as our Worship Administrative Assistant.*

### Kids' Choir for Grades 1-8

February 4, 11, 18 and 25  
11:00-11:45am in the Chapel

We will rehearse for three Sundays and then sing in the worship services on February 25.

[REGISTER ONLINE.](#) Contact Mikayla at [mhankins@centerpointroseville.org](mailto:mhankins@centerpointroseville.org).

"I'm very excited to be working with the Kids' Choir and drama productions here at Centerpoint! I can't wait to have the kids sing on February 25 and to get started on our exciting Spring Musical, written by our own Thomas Larson!"

—Mikayla Hankins



Auditions for our 2018 Spring Musical, *The Lone Stranger*, will be held February 4 from 12:00-2:00pm in the Chapel. Auditions are open to everyone age 7 through adult with speaking/singing roles available for children and adults. Or, just come out and be in the ensemble or chorus! Cost is \$20/participant or \$40/family. The date of the performance is April 22 at 6:30pm.

[REGISTER ONLINE.](#) Contact Mikayla at [mhankins@centerpointroseville.org](mailto:mhankins@centerpointroseville.org).



### CENTERPOINT CHRISTIAN PRESCHOOL

Enrollment is now open for the 2018-2019 Preschool year! Register early and receive \$25.00 off the registration fee. Our preschool is for ages 2 – 5 years old and potty-training is not required. Our classes run 9:00am-12:00pm on Monday/Wednesday/Friday or Tuesday/Thursday. [Please see our website](#) for more details. For further information or to take a tour, please contact the Preschool office at 916-782-9443.



### ONEHOPE Worship Night

Sunday, February 25, 7:00-8:30pm in the Family Life Center

**Everyone is invited** to join our OneHope College & Young Adult Ministry at our second Worship Night. The Fall 2017 Worship Night was an incredible blessing and we look forward to another opportunity for the whole church family to come together to sing, read scripture and meditate on the word of God together. Join us for an evening of worship and praise as we unite as the whole body to turn our hearts to the Lord. It will be a night to cherish!



Centerpoint member Tammy Verduzco recently underwent a serious surgery and challenging recovery. As happens here at Centerpoint, she was given a prayer shawl made by our [Prayer Shawl Ministry](#). Her brother, Steve, was struggling with liver cancer at the same time and she asked if she could get a shawl to send to Steve in Arkansas. She received it and sent it on to him, whom Tammy describes as a "tough motorcycle guy." He loved the shawl and when he went into the hospital for what would be his last hospital stay, he took the shawl with him. Steve passed away on December 1 and the prayer shawl has passed to his daughter.

Tammy shared that she appreciates every stitch in her prayer shawl and knows that someone made it so that she would feel better. **"I feel the love and the power from it; I can tell that it was prayed over,"** Tammy shared in a recent conversation.

Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets five times a year for knitting, crocheting, fellowship, as well as a time of praying for the shawls and their recipients. This amazing group has given out over 1,000 shawls to those struggling with illness, or loss of a loved one. If you would like more information about this ministry, contact Gail Rothwell at [grothwell64@yahoo.com](mailto:grothwell64@yahoo.com). Their next meeting is Friday, March 9.

## INTEREST GROUPS

**MEN'S BOOK FELLOWSHIP** Tuesday, February 6, 10:30am-12:00pm in the Library, to discuss books we have been reading. Contact Dave Shumway at [dave@dkshumway.com](mailto:dave@dkshumway.com).

**HANDS OF THE LORD QUILTERS** Monday, February 12, 1:00-3:30pm in the Annex. We are making quilts for various community organizations. Contact Sandy Nelson at 916-591-9036 or [sandynelson@gmail.com](mailto:sandynelson@gmail.com).

**CRAFTERS** Wednesdays, February 14, 21 & 28, 9:30am in the Annex. We make items to give to various organizations and are looking for new members to help with knitting, crocheting, sewing or cutting fabric. Contact Arlene Krynski at [atsparkles@yahoo.com](mailto:atsparkles@yahoo.com) or 916-709-2172.

**HOLY RIDERS (MOTORCYCLES)** Saturday, February 17 to Napa for lunch. Contact Doug Jacobs at [djacobs@surewest.net](mailto:djacobs@surewest.net) or 916-541-8729 to join the group.

**TRAP SHOOTING** Saturday, February 24, 10:00am-1:00pm. Meet at Coon Creek Trap & Skeet Club. Contact Lance Mayhofer at [mayhofer@yahoo.com](mailto:mayhofer@yahoo.com).

## PRAYER AND SUPPORT

### BABY PRAYER CHAIN

If you or someone you love would like prayer for pregnancy, infertility, adoption, or newborns, or with information about newborns, contact Connie Baker at 916-624-2907.

**SUNDAY SERVICE PRAYER TEAM** meets each Sunday in Room 119 in the Family Life Center a half-hour before each service (8:00am, 9:15am & 10:40am) for a brief time of prayer for our church and Sunday morning services. Contact Lynn at 916-791-7447 or [djorgenson@jps.net](mailto:djorgenson@jps.net).

**COMMUNITY PRAYER FOR THE NATION** Saturday, February 3  
7:00am at Bridgeway Church, 8150 Industrial Avenue, Bldg. A, Roseville. Contact Lynn Jorgenson at 916-791-7447 or [djorgenson@jps.net](mailto:djorgenson@jps.net).

**MILITARY PRAYER** Sunday, February 11, 9:00am in the Chapel. Join the team that prays for those in our church family connected with the military. Contact Pam Misco at 916-782-3560 or [pkmisco@gmail.com](mailto:pkmisco@gmail.com) with prayer requests.

**SINGLE PARENTS' SUPPORT GROUP** Sunday, February 11, 9:45-10:45am in Room 213. This monthly group supports one another through the task of raising children on your own. Contact Lisa Shearon at 916-780-7620 or [lshearon@surewest.net](mailto:lshearon@surewest.net).

### WOMEN'S CANCER SUPPORT GROUP Tuesdays, February 13 & 27

11:30am-12:30pm in the Centerpoint Library. This group meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month. Join us if you have cancer or are a cancer survivor. Come when you can. Contact Lisa Butler at 916-365-3093 or [pinkpeachescat@aol.com](mailto:pinkpeachescat@aol.com).

### GRIEF SUPPORT GROUPS

Evening group/Tuesdays, 6:30-8:00pm in the Library  
Daytime group/3rd Sunday (February 18), 2:00-3:30pm in the Library  
Contact Larry Curtis at 916-960-3193 or [lc Curtis1310@yahoo.com](mailto:lc Curtis1310@yahoo.com).

## HEALTH MINISTRIES

**FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CLINIC** Saturday, February 24, 8:30-10:00am in Room 118B/C.

**DURABLE MEDICAL EQUIPMENT LOANS**, including wheelchairs and walkers, are available by calling Celia at the church office at 916-782-3186 x38.

**JOIN OUR TEAM!** If you want to help with any area of Health Ministry, come to our next meeting on Saturday, February 24 from 10:00-11:00am.



**DIVORCE CARE** Mondays, 6:30-8:15pm in Room 200. This program uses a DVD and discussion format, led by compassionate facilitators who have personally experienced divorce. [Divorce Care for Kids \(DC4K\)](#) is for kids K-6th grade. Childcare is available for younger children. For more information, contact Alan Gartner at [gartnerar@gmail.com](mailto:gartnerar@gmail.com) or 408-209-3574.



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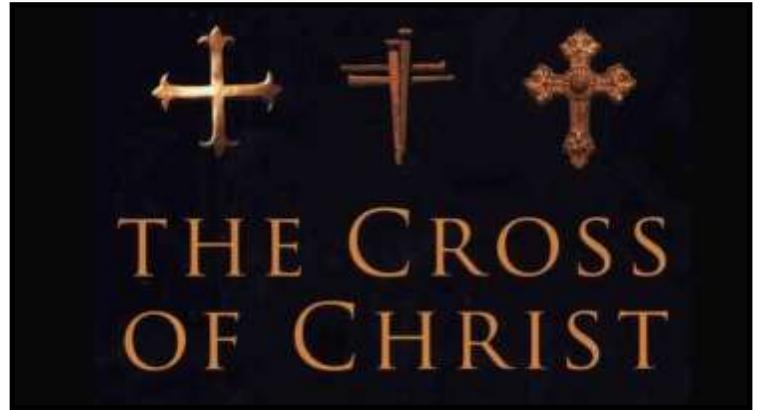
## ADULT EDUCATION CLASSES



### **CENTERPOINT 101: NEW MEMBERS' CLASS**

Saturdays, February 10 & 17  
9:00am-12:00pm in the Annex

If you are ready to explore what it means to make a commitment to the life, people and purpose of Centerpoint, this class is for you. Meet the pastors and learn about our purpose, beliefs and core values. Whether you have been attending for just a few weeks or for years, you will find this class helpful. The class ends with the opportunity to join the church if you so choose. [REGISTER ONLINE](#) or contact Karen Fales at [kfales@centerpointroseville.org](mailto:kfales@centerpointroseville.org) or 916-782-3186 x26.



### **"THE CROSS OF CHRIST" led by David Tyra**

Sundays, March 4 through April 15  
11:00am-12:00pm in the Annex

What did Jesus' death on the cross accomplish? Was it victory over Satan and death? Was it the propitiation of God's wrath toward our sin? Was it to serve as the ultimate example of sacrificial love? Or was it all of the above? In this class we will explore the important Christian doctrine of the Atonement and its place in our faith and lives. [REGISTER ONLINE](#) or contact Karen Fales at [kfales@centerpointroseville.org](mailto:kfales@centerpointroseville.org) or 916-782-3186 x26.