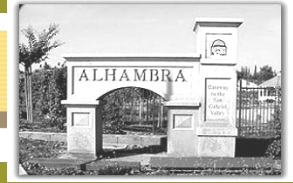


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# ALHAMBRA

### Church Pastor of the month:

This month we recognize Pastor Eric Hoey of Alhambra True Light Presbyterian Church who has served as Co-Pastor for five years. Pastor Eric has a real shepherd's heart and call. His love for people is obvious by the way he cares and prays for those in the church and in the city. This month he announced that he will be leaving ATLPC to accept the call to serve at the denominational level of the Presbyterian Church USA. Pastor Eric has been a catalyst for Kingdom Causes, in supporting and encouraging this ministry to start in Alhambra. He has invested into Alhambra and has helped to cultivate a love for the city. We will miss him but we pray for him. We're excited for this new call of God upon his life. Please remember him/his family in prayer. His last sermon: Easter Sunday 2007.



### Alhambra Fact of the Month:

February 26, 2007 was the reorganization of the Alhambra City Council, inaugurating new Vice-Mayor Luis Ayala and new Mayor Gary Yamauchi. We pray for Mayor Gary, for God's strength and encouragement and for a spirit of unity among the City Council. May God give them great strength and peace as they serve our community.

Our MISSION is to be catalysts that *inspire, connect and mobilize* people toward personal and community transformation by bringing God's hope, love and shalom to all in the city of Alhambra.

Our VISION is to see Alhambra transformed as God's people live out the Great Commission in Alhambra; to see God's Kingdom come to Alhambra as it is in Heaven.

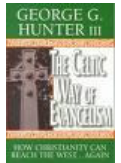
**INSPIRING** people to pray for Alhambra, to have a Kingdom paradigm and to share stories of what God is doing in Alhambra

We pray together "God's Kingdom come, God's will be done in Alhambra as it is in Heaven" Matthew 6:10.

Pray 4 Alhambra February 2007 Prayer focus: **Homes and Families.** Prayer points are distributed to every Alhambra Church monthly in English, Chinese & Spanish.

Monthly prayer points are available @ [www.kingdomcauses.org](http://www.kingdomcauses.org)

**Book corner:** This month, we are highlighting a great book: *The Celtic Way of Evangelism* by George G. Hunter III. Celtic Christianity is a form of Christian faith that flourished among the people of Ireland during the Middle Ages. They practiced an ancient form of the Christian faith. The Celtic church witnessed Ireland move from paganism to Christianity in a remarkably short period, and then proceeded to send missionaries throughout Europe. They saw the Kingdom of God come to their communities. Most importantly they witnessed people understand their value, participate in true community and experience transformation. What brought about this dramatic transformation? They embraced and lived out the essence of the message of Jesus and the early church leaders – love people and the community and God will bring transformation. They spoke hope and encouragement to their community and they loved people genuinely. They took a posture of learning and humility as they built relationships with people in their neighborhoods. They came to serve and to love. This book can offer us encouragement as we look at Alhambra. As we ask God how we are to live, we are reminded of Jesus' words in Luke 4 – love those in need, proclaim God's freedom for people; this is what it means to be a part of God's Kingdom work in the city.



St. Francis of Assisi –

**Preach the gospel at all times and when necessary use words.**

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## CONNECTING the Church and engaging the Church and City

### 2007 Alhambra Good Friday Service

The nails of Jesus' Cross set us free!

Friday, April 6, 2007 @ 7:30pm.

Location: Holy Trinity/St. Benedict's Episcopal Church

Senior Pastor: Father Rick Byrum (Priest-in-charge)

412 N. Garfield Ave, Alhambra, CA 91801, (626) 282-9118.

All are welcome! Free children's program (ages 4-11).

Sponsored by the Church of Alhambra.

### Colossians 2:13-15

(New International Version) "13...God made us alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins, 14having canceled the written code, with its regulations, that was against us and that stood opposed to us; he took it away, nailing it to the cross. 15And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross."



## Kingdom Causes Alhambra

### Prayer Requests:

Please pray for God's PEACE to reign in Alhambra.

Please pray for the Kingdom Causes Alhambra Board.



Please pray for a unified prayer ministry for Alhambra. Please pray for Seek God for the City 40 days of prayer to be a catalyst for corporate prayer in the City.

Please pray for prayer and financial partners; for an expanded ownership of God's work in Alhambra.

### Upcoming Events and Opportunities to Serve:

- The Power of Forgiveness documentary from the filmmaker of BON-HOEFFER; March 10<sup>th</sup> 7pm at Pasadena Presbyterian Church, 585 E. Colorado Blvd. Pasadena 626/793-2191. This is a new and powerful documentary offering stories and features on the Amish, Ground Zero, Beirut, Belfast and others. The screening will be followed by a discussion moderated by filmmaker Martin Doblmeier.
- Save the date: Pray for Alhambra 2007 Prayer Walk Palm Sunday, April 1, 2007 from 1:30-3:00pm. We will meet in front of Alhambra True Light Presbyterian Church. Come with comfortable shoes and a heart and mind of prayer. We will prayer walk the downtown center of Alhambra. Prayer walking is praying on-site with insight. It is the process of taking our prayers and the love of Jesus outside the walls of our churches and into the neighborhoods of our community of Alhambra.
- Please contact us if you are interested in being a part of any of our task forces listed below.

**Partnership Info:** For information on how to partner in prayer and/or financially, or to volunteer/partner with task forces, etc. please email us at [pray4alhambra@juno.com](mailto:pray4alhambra@juno.com) or call Catalyst Mary at 626/825-6432.

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### Ministry Advancement Funds

God is bringing together people of good faith and people of good will to bring about His Kingdom purposes in Alhambra. We are excited to serve that cause. Kingdom Causes Alhambra is responsible for raising ministry advancement funds for the work here including staff salaries and local program funds. The monthly budget is \$5,651. With individuals, local churches (ATLPC, Emmaus Lutheran Church and 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church), and businesses we have on the team already, we are at \$2,236/month. Would you please prayerfully consider joining the monthly partner/support team? **Thank you!**

## MOBILIZING people around key Kingdom issues

**Emergency Preparedness:** Pastor Phil Hilliard (Bethany Church) and Mary Glenn currently represent the faith community on the Alhambra Emergency Preparedness City Team. In response, they have formed a task force for the faith community that meets monthly. The purpose of the task force is:

- to establish partnership/communication among Alhambra Churches,
  - to provide training for Churches in the area of Emergency Preparedness and
  - to assess, share and provide resources for Churches and the City.
- January 7<sup>th</sup> mtg. attended by: ATLPC, All Souls Catholic Church & Bethany Church.

The last meeting was Feb. 25<sup>th</sup> from 3-4:30 pm at Bethany Church. Lt. Kase from the Alhambra PD and Captain Kuehnle from the Alhambra FD gave presentations to the group re: what to be prepared for and how we might prepare. We had a rep from Methodist Hospital Health Ministries Program share resources with the group. There were 8 churches (ATLPC, All Souls Catholic Church, Bethany Church, Chinese Bible Missions Church, EFC Alhambra, Emmaus Lutheran Church, Holy Trinity/St. Benedict's and Sage Granada Park United Methodist Church) and 4 organizations represented at this meeting. The next meeting is March 25<sup>th</sup>, same time, same place. All churches are invited!

### Mental Health:

Dr. Christine Wong (Psychologist) chairs this task force (meeting monthly) and the task force consists of local Mental Health professionals representing a variety of expertise: Marriage Family Therapists, Pregnancy Crisis Counselors, Social Workers, Grief Counselors, etc. Their vision is to empower people to be proactive in their mental health care. The task force exists to collaborate with the Church and City for the purpose of extending God's hope and peace in the area of mental health for all in Alhambra by supporting Church pastors and leadership,

connecting the Church and City and identifying needs and available resources and disseminating those resources.

### Youth:

This task force (BELIEVE) started early 2006 and began to collectively address some of the needs of Alhambra youth. We are forming partnerships with local Alhambra churches, the PD and School Library to collaborate on developing mentoring and after school programs to empower and impact Alhambra youth. The mentoring/coaching program will begin by May 1<sup>st</sup> in partnership with the Police Department working with at-risk students. On 2/22, we had approx. 20 potential mentors learn about this program and how they might be involved. John Lewis (UYWI) and Mary Glenn direct this task force.

**Living incarnationally** (Sojourners): "Eddie Gibbs (Emerging Churches) provides the insight that the 'emerging church' seeks to end the dualism between sacred and secular so that all of life becomes sacred.... Everywhere we go, we are His church, His Body, His life with skin on. We are on holy ground everywhere that we are because He is with us, in us, and working through us. In this way, there is no sacred versus secular because our whole lives, even as we are out in the cultures we live within, are organically connected to His kingdom life. Therefore my focus is on how to bring the reality of the sacred into my everyday life and culture and world...."