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# Malachi's Baptism





On Sabbath, March 30 Malachi Ermshar declared his faith in God by getting baptized during the worship service. Praise God for another one of our youth's getting baptized. Let's welcome him into the family of God!

# Broken Dreams

Is there a cure for our broken dreams,
Broken by death or by a divorce,
By reality not being what it seemed,
By putting the cart before the horse,
Broken by accepting the devil's schemes,
Broken by being blown off course?

Dreams broken by a friend's betrayal
Dreams broken by being laid off
Dreams broken by taking the wrong trail
Dreams broken by a show off
Dreams broken by plans that fail
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The cure for dreams that are broken,
Is to turn to the One who sacrificed all,
The One that on Calvary was broken,
The One that has issued the call,
Who's death was more than a token,
With Jesus we can dream again and stand tall.

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## Upcoming Events

May 3-5 - NCC Christian Men's Retreat at Leoni

**May 4 -** Teacher Appreciation & PHAA Mission Trip Update Sabbath

May 11 - Mothers Day Sabbath

June 8 - PHAA Baccalaureate Sabbath

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# Sermon Notes

May 4: PHAA Mission May 11: Pastor Mel

May 18: Pastor Mel

May 25: Pastor Mel



## Church Birthdays

Erik FanselauMay 01
Kendall Porco May 03
Adrianna Pooler May 05
Chelsea MensinkMay 05
Scott Wallace May 05
Isabella Ojeda May 06
Dylan Van ZantMay10
William FowlerMay 11
Benjamin Toppel May 15
Jonathan Jewkes May 15
Alanna Hollister May 17
Cheryl Wood May 17
Jesse HollisterMay 17
Jordan Toppel May 18
Pamela Mamoulelis May 19
Virgil Starr May 19
David Ferolino May 20
Lucas Bende May 20
Heidi HollisterMay 21
Susie HallMay 21
Marc Cedric Galicia May 22
Jacob JacksonMay 23
Merrick Stokes May 23
Russell King May 25
Sally ChristensenMay 25
Adam Weeks May 27
Angelina Arrostuto May 28
Roger Haddad



Try to maintain your hobbies and interests. There's comfort in routine and getting back to the activities that bring you joy and connect you closer to others can help you come to terms with your loss and aid the grieving process.



### A Note from Steve Holm

#### A Warm Hello from the Auburn Renewal Center.

We are excited to announce that we are quickly approaching the celebration of our 12<sup>th</sup> year providing free medical, dental, vision, mental health, diabetes education and women's health services here in the greater Sacramento region. We have served over 25,000 patients since we first opened the doors and have nearly doubled our physical footprint with the addition of our new mental health wing. We continue with the focus of providing health care, sourcing outside services and guiding to more permanent care for our neighbors who are un-insured, under-insured, find themselves on the edges of society or who simply find that the paycheck sometimes does not last as long as the month. Our staff is comprised 100% of volunteer professionals and kind hearted men and women from our surrounding communities.

Each year we reach out to our faithful supporters who help to keep the clinic afloat. We have enjoyed wonderful relationships with corporate and private partners via grants along with the giving of community and private donors. This year marks the first year that the ARC will be a participant in the Big Day Of Giving (BDOG) here in the greater Sacramento region. We are excited about what this might bring into the clinic. This is a 24-hour event that in years past has raised millions of dollars for community minded ministries such as the A.R.C. The next 24 hour Big Day of Giving begins at midnight on <u>Thursday, May 2</u>, <u>2024</u>. "Early giving" opened April 18th. Please be invited to read more information regarding this unique program at the BDOG website: <a href="https://www.bigdayofgiving.org/organization/A-R-C-Auburn-Renewal-Center">https://www.bigdayofgiving.org/organization/A-R-C-Auburn-Renewal-Center</a>.

Bless You, from all of us.

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May 3-5, 2024

The Christian Men's Retreat is designed to help men experience a more satisfying spiritual life.



Registration is ONLY available 24/7 on Leoni
Meadows' website at <a href="https://www.leonimeadows.org">www.leonimeadows.org</a> or
by calling 530-626-3610 during office hours
Monday-Friday 9 a.m.-5 p.m.





## A thank you from Toothless but Thankful

Submitted by Steve Holm

"I wanted to send a thank you to your church for the sponsorship of Auburn Renewal Center. I am not an un-housed person, rather, I am a person who simply does not currently have dental insurance. I have been suffering with terrible teeth for many years and recently suffered from a very terrible dental infection. I had been in pain for 12 days. I had nowhere to turn, so I did a web search for free dental care in Auburn.

Your clinic came up. I very hesitantly came on a Tuesday morning to try to be seen. I was greeted warmly and was taken to be seen within minutes and shared my story with the dentist. I knew I had terrible teeth and that many of them needed to be removed. I was quoted \$15,000 from a previous dentist and felt hopeless to have any work done due to my lack of funds. I shared with the dentist how embarrassed I was of my teeth and how I would try not to smile or talk with my mouth open because of the shame I felt. The dentist instantly treated me with kindness and compassion. He numbed the area to relieve the pain. He, and another dentist and assistants, shared that the extraction of all my teeth besides a few on the bottom would probably be the best plan. They could do a little at a time and then allow my mouth to heal and when finished try to source dentures. Yes, my mouth was that bad. Probably the worst they had seen. Not once did they make me feel ashamed or embarrassed.

They made me feel as if I was part of the decision-making process and helped me overcome my fears. I had three teeth extracted that day and was given a prescription for antibiotics to heal the infection. Since that time, I have had three additional teeth removed with plans for more care and extractions in future. The dentists and assistants took the time to share the gospel with me and told me "no need to thank us.... thank Jesus" They also prayed with me before each procedure. The experience was instantly calming and put me at peace. I was amazed at how everyone I have encountered at the clinic was such a light for the Lord.

So, I guess I just felt the need to share my experience thus far. I felt thankful that you and your church members for supporting this clinic, for helping them be the hands of Christ to a middle age Christian woman who had no dental insurance and a very bad set of teeth. If you had met me on the street, most would not think "she needs help", but I did, and you and those loving souls at your clinic met that need and I will be forever grateful. Thank you!"

Are you a writer in need of a Christian Writer's Critique Group? We meet once a month in Grass Valley. If interested contact Michael O'Haver

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