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Christ the King Episcopal Church

Santa Barbara, California

## RECONCILIATION AND CHURCH GROWTH

### CTK ANNUAL MEETING

**Sunday January 17  
9:15am Room 41**

- Election for Vestry, Convention Delegates and Alternates
- Rector's State of the Congregation Address
- 2015 Financial Report
- 2016 Operating Budget

### 2016 FLOWER SIGN-UP

You may still sign up to sponsor the Sunday sanctuary flowers to honor or remember a family member. There are a few Sundays remaining. The suggested donation is \$50. The sign-up sheet is in the narthex. Note: more than one family may sign up for a Sunday.

Typically in evangelical circles the growth of the Kingdom of God is associated with numerical growth of church membership either by adding converts or planting new churches. In liberal/progressive circles the growth of the Kingdom of God is associated with "doing peace and justice".

The paradigm of reconciliation as it relates to church growth presents a much broader understanding of the church's mission beyond simply adding members or engaging in political activism. Certainly one aspect of reconciliation is reconciling people with God: sharing the gospel with them leading to repentance and surrendering their lives to Jesus Christ. However, the other aspect of reconciliation involves reconciling people with each other. This has many facets to it. It means building bridges between people and communities so that we can have a truly pluralistic society. It means softening people's hearts from hostility toward "the other" that is the root of prejudice, racism, anti-Semitism and religious violence. It means empowering people and communities as peacemakers and problem solvers as a way of approaching problems, challenges and opportunities. It means advocacy for social justice that

leads to genuine systemic change, mutual respect, equity and fairness, the politics of love rather than the politics of anger and the sharing of privilege. It means promoting forgiveness between people and communities so that they can actually have a future together. It means healing the wounds of history that keeps communities trapped in unforgiveness. It means challenging the secular forces that are strong in our culture and would seek to ban faith and God from the public square.

I realize that many so called reconciliation initiatives will not contribute to numerical growth in the local church. Toward that end I would remind you that some reconciliation activities lead to numerical growth of the church. In this coming year if each CTK member would focus on bringing one person to faith and into the fold at Christ the King, we would double our membership in one year. THIS IS A RECONCILIATION ACTIVITY!! Begin praying for one person and don't give up until they come to faith and become part of our CTK family!

Your brother,  
Brian Cox

#### Bunting Home Group

Meets: 2nd and 4th Tuesdays  
7:00 pm  
Format: Prayer, discussion, sharing  
Contact: Steve or Lynn Bunting  
684-5818  
Location: Bunting home

#### Chocolate Bear Home Group

Meets: Wednesdays at 7:00 pm  
Format: Worship Songs, Study, Prayer  
Contact: Eileen Francis at 967-0948  
Location: Womble home—646 Pilgrim Terrace

### CTK HOME GROUPS

#### Lost & Found Home Group

Meets: 1st and 3rd Thursday  
7:00 pm  
Format: Worship songs, study, sharing, prayer  
Contact: Michael Wilds 452-5100 or Robin Denny 968-1537  
Location: Powers/Denny home

#### Sunday Night Home Group

Meets: 1st Sunday of the month 6:00 pm + 3rd Sunday of the month after church for lunch & fellowship  
Format: Study, Prayer & Fellowship  
Study: 1 Corinthians—13 studies for Individual and Groups  
Contact: Andrew & Jana Mullen 695-0257  
Location: Varies

# SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP SCHEDULE JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2016

## Isaiah 19 Paris Meeting

Description: A presentation on the recent Isaiah 19 meeting in Paris involving Syriac Christians, Kurds and Israelis.

Date: January 10, 2016  
9:15am)

Leader: Canon Brian Cox/John Rouse/  
Michael Powers

Venue: Room 41

## Christ the King Annual Meeting

Description: CTK's annual congregational meeting that includes elections for Vestry, The Rector's State of the Congregation Address, the 2015 financial report and presentation of the 2016 operating budget.

Date: January 17, 2016  
(9:15am)

Leader: Canon Brian Cox

Venue: Room 41

## The Art of Conversation

Description: This class will focus on developing our communication skills with each other, with God (prayer) and in sharing the faith with others (evangelism and witness).

Date: January 24 – February 7, 2016  
(9:15am)

Leader: Dr. Richard Morrow

Venue: Room 41

**Note: No School of Discipleship on January 3.**

# VESTRY REPORT

At its regular meeting on December 15 the Vestry:

- Voted to use \$25,000 of the Ostrom Estate Gift for the International & Domestic Reconciliation Fund (\$12, 500) and the operating budget (\$12,500).
- Made a Mission Share Fund Pledge to the Diocese of Los Angeles of \$16,704 (from unrestricted pledges). This represents 41% of the asking figure of 12%. The balance (\$24,038) representing 59% goes in the Restricted Mission Fund and is dedicated to CTK Outreach.
- Adopted the 2016 CTK operating budget with a projected deficit of \$29,542. Hence, it is a "faith budget".
- Accepted the October and November financial reports for audit.
- Adopted the Rector Housing Resolution for 2016 for IRS purposes
- Allocated \$3,465 for the Restricted Mission Share Fund to cover the balance of the Isaiah 19 Paris meeting expenses. \$13,560 was raised from gifts of generosity from CTK members
- Voted to reimburse Fr. Brian \$1,409 for the balance of the TJCII Mission expenses from the October mission
- Fr. Brian shared the tentative 2016 pledge report
- Fr. Brian announced that CTK had received an unrestricted gift from the estate of Elsa Carpenter for \$2,000
- Diocesan convention delegates offered reflections on convention
- Discussed the Vestry nominations process. Vestry as a whole will recruit suitable candidates to run for Vestry
- Heating system in church is due to be replaced
- Allocated an additional \$2,000 for Healing Prayer Outreach for 2015

# OUTREACH REPORT

At its regular meeting on December 12 the Outreach Committee:

- Defined goals and objectives for 2016
- Made the following allocations
  - \* Christ Church, Nazareth- \$500
  - \* St. Andrew's, Ramallah- \$500
  - \* Beit Shemesh Foundation- \$1,000
  - \* Romanian Evangelistic Medical Mission- \$500
  - \* Hollister Corridor Thanksgiving Meal- \$500
  - \* Faith-Based Reconciliation Trust of India- \$1,000

# UPPER ROOM PRAYER GROUP

The ministry of the Upper Room Prayer Group meets most Sundays after church at 12:30pm.

The purpose of the Upper Room Prayer Group is strategic prophetic intercession in three ways:

- Waiting in silence upon The Lord to speak through the Holy Spirit.
- Praying for protection from the evil one for Fr. Brian, the members, ministry and mission of Christ the King.
- Praying as intercessors for specific items given to them by Fr. Brian and the Vestry.

Contact Robyn Custer if you are interested.

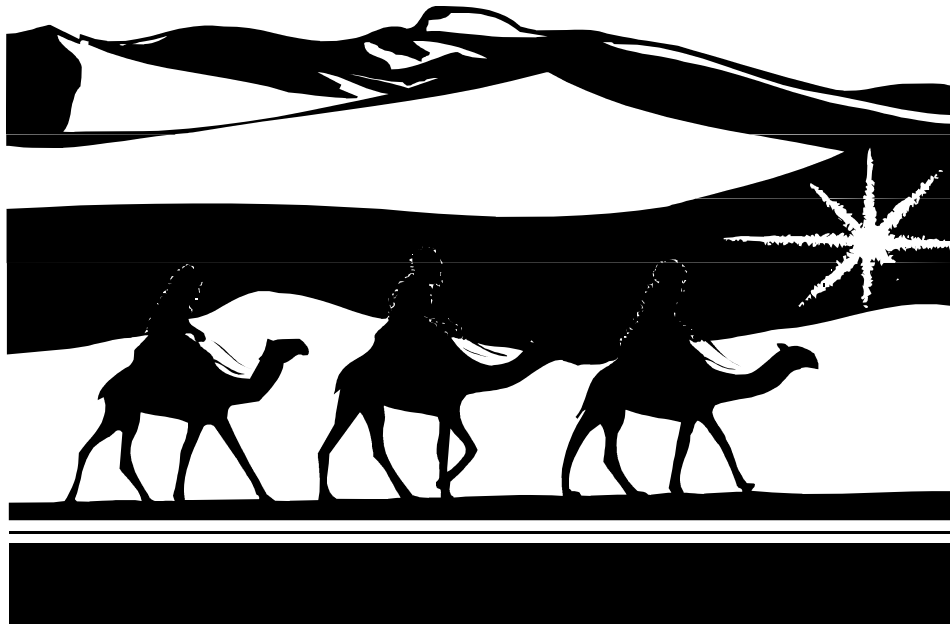
# **EPIPHANY CELEBRATION**

**Wednesday January 6**

**7:00am Festival Holy Eucharist**

**8:00am Breakfast at Cody's**

**Come and celebrate the final day  
of the Christmas season!**



# CHRIST THE KING OUTREACH

## Partner Congregations

Adonai Roi Messianic Jewish Congregation—Tel Aviv  
St. Andrew's Episcopal Church—Ramallah  
Friendship Missionary Baptist Church—Santa Barbara  
Holy Family Episcopal Church, Raineh  
Vineyard Christian Fellowship—Goleta  
Christ Episcopal Church—Nazareth

## CTK Missionaries

Chander & Kanta Khanna and  
Iftikhar Bazmi— Kashmir  
Bassam Ishak—Syria

## CTK Indigenous Ministries

Bookmark Project  
Healing Prayer Outreach Ministry/  
Inasmuch Ministry  
Y/Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program

## CTK Partner Agencies

Network Medical  
Toward Jerusalem Council II  
Romanian Evangelistic Medical Mission  
Hope Counseling Center

## CTK Projects

Healing Prayer Hotline/Healing Prayer Booth  
South Asia Faith-Based Reconciliation Project  
Racial Reconciliation Core Group  
Israel/Palestine Core Group  
Hollister Corridor Project



Do you know someone who thinks she might be pregnant: Ask her to call Life Network for a free pregnancy test and information on her options. All services are free and confidential. For one-on-one help, Network Medical can be reached at 967-9096.

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### PRAYER REQUESTS for Reconciliation January 2016

People § Organizations § Issues

### OUR NATION

For a spirit of civility to be restored to our nation in public discourse

For a tangible acknowledgement of God's sovereignty over our nation with a leadership guided by spiritual and moral values

For our President, Barack Obama, and the members of Congress, that they will develop a reconciling spirit in Washington DC to enable our leadership to engage in constructive problem solving

For God's wisdom for our leaders as they plan and pursue actions concerning both domestic and foreign policy

For domestic policies based on compassion, prudent stewardship and a rebuilding of trust in our leaders and our government

For a foreign policy based on a cornerstone of reconciliation and respect for other nations

For walls of hostility between the United States and the Arab/Muslim world to be demolished and for an end to terrorism

### CHRIST THE KING Episcopal Church

*A community of people who glorify and serve Jesus Christ through the ministry of reconciliation"*

### RECONCILIATION PRAYER PROJECT

During the next month, we are praying that God will grow a vision of civic reconciliation throughout the United States. In praying for specific needs, and concerns, we believe God can build bridges and break down walls of hostility that exist in and between people groups. Through this outpouring of prayer and the Holy Spirit, it is our hope that God will be honored and will reveal to people of faith how they might serve as instruments of reconciliation in our nation.

For the month of **January**, we are praying specifically for **Our Nation**.

Your comments, questions and suggestions are appreciated.



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The Rev. Canon Brian Cox, Rector

*Now all these things are from God, who reconciled us to Himself through Christ, and gave us the ministry of reconciliation." 2 Corinthians 5:18*

# January 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Rite I/IIA 12:30 Upper Room Prayer Meeting Fourth Sunday after Epiphany					<b>1</b> <b>New Years Day</b> <b>Holy Name</b>	<b>2</b> 8:30 Joyful Noise Rehearsal 10:00 Choir Rehearsal 10:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program
Rite I/IIA 12:30 Upper Room Prayer Meeting 6:00 Sunday Night Home Group Second Sunday after Christmas	<b>4</b> 5:45 Celtic Contemplative Prayer 7:00 Lost & Found Home Group	<b>5</b> 4:00 Racial Reconciliation Core Group	<b>6</b> 7:00 Holy Eucharist in the Chapel 8:00 Breakfast at Cody's Epiphany of Our Lord 4:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> 8:00 Outreach Committee Meeting 8:30 Joyful Noise Rehearsal 10:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program 10:00 Israel/Palestine Core Group
Rite IIB 12:30 Upper Room Prayer Meeting Baptism of Our Lord	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 4:00 Racial Reconciliation Core Group 7:00 Bunting Home Group	<b>13</b> 4:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program 7:00 Chocolate Bear Home Group	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 8:30 Joyful Noise Rehearsal 10:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program
Rite IIA Healing Prayer Ministry <b>Annual Meeting</b> 9:15 Business Meeting 12:30 Upper Room Prayer Meeting 12:30 Sunday Night Home Group Second Sunday after Epiphany	<b>18</b> Martin Luther King Jr. Day <b>Office Closed</b> 5:45 Celtic Contemplative Prayer	<b>19</b> 4:00 Racial Reconciliation Core Group 7:00 Vestry Meeting	<b>20</b> 4:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program 7:00 Chocolate Bear Home Group	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> 8:30 Joyful Noise Rehearsal 10:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program
Rite IIB 12:30 Upper Room Prayer Meeting Third Sunday after Epiphany	<b>25</b> <b>Mannafold Deadline</b>	<b>26</b> 4:00 Racial Reconciliation Core Group 7:00 Bunting Home Group	<b>27</b> 4:00 Y-Strive/Oxford Tutoring Program 7:00 Chocolate Bear Home Group	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

Christ the King is a community of people who glorify and serve Jesus Christ through the ministry of reconciliation

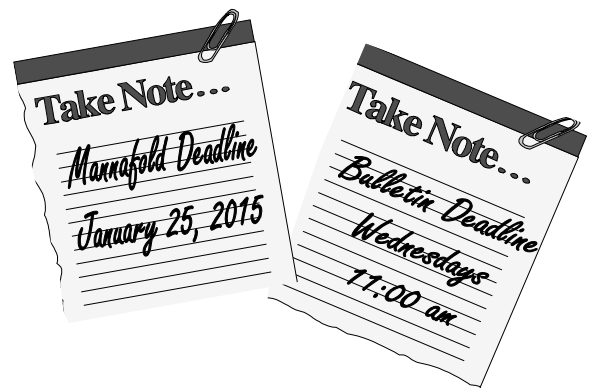
**See CTK on the Web <http://ctksb.org> or Email: [ctk8@verizon.net](mailto:ctk8@verizon.net)**


## From the Grapevine...

- Many thanks to Karen Rowland and for Jane Galbraith for organizing the Advent Brunch which celebrated Fr. Brian's 40 years as a priest.
- Many thanks to Mike Fay for organizing the Ecumenical Christmas Caroling event in Old Town Goleta. The new pastor of Goleta Vineyard and his family participated in singing carols.
- Thank you to our Altar and Flower Guilds for preparing our worship space for the Christmas Eve/Day services.
- Please keep former CTK member Judy Wareham in your prayers. Deane died on Christmas Day from cancer.
- Ellie Rouse will be doing her spring Westmont semester in Istanbul.
- Michael Fay will perform a piece as part of the American Guild of Organists Members' Recital, Sunday January 17th at 3:30 PM, at First United Methodist Church, which is at the corner of Garden and E. Anapamu.
- Please keep Ernie Smith in your prayers as he recovers from a stroke.
- Eileen Francis will be having knee surgery on January 11.
- Please keep in your prayers: Lois Allison, Kathi Burrelsman, John Dawson, Robin Denny, Eileen Francis, Leilee Han, Douglas House, John Hunting, Leona Mayfield, Barbara Myall, Bob Porter, Gail Porter, Karen Rowland, Elizabeth Wagner, Donna Wallenthin, and Michael Wilds.

### Reconciliation Collect for January

Almighty God, you desire the reconciliation and unity of all peoples of the earth with you and with one another as a sign of the presence of your Kingdom. Impart to the nations your moral vision of reconciliation; transform the hearts of people and fill them with your compassion; raise up leaders who are healers, unifiers, and reconcilers; and give to your church a heart for the gospel of reconciliation; through Jesus Christ our Lord, the basis of all unity, now and forever. *Amen.*





**Christ the King Episcopal Church**  
Sick? In Pain? Troubled?  
Let us pray for you  
Healing prayer Hotline:  
805-284-4042  
Toll Free 855-964-9111