

# Foster-Tukwila Focus

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Transitions are good times for creative dreaming. At Foster we're blessed with a great Mission Study Team to help guide us through the process of sifting through our perceptions and dreams for the future as we envision the next chapter at FTFC and prepare to seek our next pastor.

Creative dreaming is good. Occasionally, however, a dream can become a nightmare, and those we want to avoid. Some dreams simply shouldn't be fulfilled, which reminds me again of the sad odyssey of a Californian named Larry Walters who learned that lesson thirty-five years ago.

Walters, a 33 year old truck driver, had dreamed of flying for years. So to fulfill his dream, he and his girlfriend obtained 45 weather balloons. He inflated them with helium and tied them to a lawn chair tethered to the ground outside his girlfriend's home in San Pedro, California. Equipped with little more than a parachute and a pellet gun, he took off. (Why his girlfriend let him pursue this dream remains a mystery.)

Unfortunately, Larry and his chair rose a whole lot faster and higher than he had expected. When he finally leveled off at 16,000 feet, he found himself drifting over Long Beach, California, where two commercial pilots reported the apparently unauthorized and occupied lawn chair uncomfortably close to the Long Beach airport.

Larry's landing wasn't much more successful than his take-off. After shooting out a few of the balloons in an attempt to descend, he lost the pellet gun overboard and drifted down, the ropes eventually becoming entangled in power lines where his 45 minute flight ended. Larry wasn't hurt, but the FAA was not amused and threatened fines, as soon as they could figure out what laws he had broken. Nor were some Long Beach residents amused when their lights went out when Larry hit those power lines.

Our dreams for the future, ones that are God-given and Spirit-guided in this transition, have more promise than Larry's, and we're looking to fulfill them more successfully than he did. The Mission Study Team (Jon Fertakis, Donna Andrews, Katrina Eaton, Todd Hutchinson, and Aaron McGruder) has come up with a tool to help make that happen. They have distributed questionnaires, a single green sheet of paper, seeking your input on a number of topics to help you share both your perceptions of what we are and your dreams of what we will be. If you've returned it, thank you. If you haven't, please complete as much of it as is helpful to you and return it to the church or a member of the Mission Study Team as soon as you can. And if you haven't seen it yet, please ask.

I'm convinced Foster has a future more exciting and much more fulfilling than Larry's lawn chair flight, a future worth dreaming about and a future worth living. Let's enjoy the journey as together we follow the Lord into that future.

*Pastor Malcolm Brewer*



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***"Let us fear the LORD our God,  
who gives the rain in its season,  
the autumn rain and the spring rain,  
and keeps for us the weeks  
appointed for the harvest."***

Jeremiah 5:24

## Income

For July 2017

\$16,507.55

Through July 2017

\$104,884.65

## Expenses

For July 2017

\$10,431.97

Through July 2017

\$112,930.85

## FTPC Missions: Missions Fest Seattle - October 13-14

This year's conference, "From Nations to Neighbors" will be held **October 13-14 at Westminster Chapel**, 13646 NE 24th St, Bellevue, WA 98005.

### SPEAKERS:



**Taysir Abu Saada**  
**Hope for Ishmael Founder**

Taysir (Tass) Abu Saada was born in the Gaza Strip in 1951, but immigrated to Saudi Arabia with his family. After the Israeli victory over the Arabs in the 1967 war, Tass traveled to Syria and joined Arafat's PLO Fatah Forces where he was trained as a sniper and assassin to kill Jews. In 1974, Tass came to the United States. Through a supernatural encounter with the Lord Jesus Christ, he became a "born again" believer. Ever since, he's been taking the message of Jesus back to the people he once hated and persecuted, the Jews and the Arab Christians, and to his former brethren, the Muslims.

**Farah Saada Marvil, Hope for Ishmael CEO**

Farah served for over seven years with Heartland Ministries as an administrator and counselor. In 2011 she began work full time with Hope for Ishmael as CFO/Director of Operations. In 2016, she succeeded her father, Tass Saada, as the CEO of Hope for Ishmael.

**Dr. André Sims, Pastor**



**Christ the King Bible Fellowship**

Dr. André Sims was born in Detroit, MI and reared in Chicago, IL. He received a football scholarship to attend the University of Northern Iowa. In 1986, he transferred to Liberty University in Lynchburg, VA, to play ball his senior year. It was there he met Katherine, his wife of 28 years. He turned down two professional football offers to pursue his passion for ministry. Pastor Sims has a B.S. in Psychology, M.A.R. in Christian Education, and D. Min. in Christian Education from Dallas Theological Semi-

nary. In August 2000, he and his family moved to Federal Way, WA, where André is currently serving as the Senior Pastor of Christ the King Bible Fellowship. His wife, was raised in Miami, FL, and finished Liberty with a Human Ecology Degree in Retail. They have two adult children: Josiah and Janaé.



**Dr. Ivan Veldhuizen, Executive Director**  
**International Ministries**

Ivan has served as the Executive Director of International Ministries since January of 2012. With missionaries and ministry partnerships all around the world, Ivan's goal is create culture of global-mindedness within Converge's 1300+ churches. He is working towards mobilizing churches to see least- and un-reached people groups around the world come to Christ so generations alive today will see the fulfillment of the Great Commission. Ivan is married to Susan and has three grown children and two granddaughters. They live in Orlando, Florida.



**Chris Gough**  
**UGM Director of Church Engagement**

Chris has been building and networking through the Mission for more than 24 years. With ten years in pastoral work, Chris brings an ability to understand the purpose and needs of the Church while also seeing the needs of the city. In 2013, Chris helped launch the LUTC network with a key group of leaders from around the region. His role is primarily networking and vision casting. He hopes to see local networks flourish with a thriving group in each city in the greater Seattle area and help the Church discover a unified, compassionate Body of Christ leading the way in serving and loving their cities. Chris and his wife Rebekah have been married for 13 years and have four rambunctious kids: Simon, Levi, Josie and Zeb.

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# September 2017 - Foster Tukwila Presbyterian

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 No Generations 9:30 am: Worship 3:30 pm: **MACC	4 7:00 pm: AA 206-419-4822 LABOR DAY	5 THE LORD'S WATCH <i>First Day of School</i>	6 12:00 pm: PrayTukwila @ Friendz Café 7 pm Impact Teams	7 10:00 am: Prayer 6:30 pm: Grief Group	8 4:00 pm: *BNCCC Women's Prayer 5:00 pm: *BNCCC Youth	9 10:00 am: *BNCCC Worship
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# SEE YOU AT THE POLE™

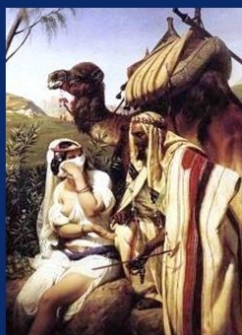
# FIX OUR EYES

HEBREWS 12:2

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2017



## Women in Jesus' Genealogy



Tamar



Ruth



Rahab



Bathsheba

Women's Bible Study  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays  
7:00 pm

Beginning September 14, 2017

## Women's Bible Study

Tuesdays  
1:00-3:00 pm

Beginning Tuesday,  
September 12, 2017

Thursdays at 10:00 am  
Beginning September 7, 2017

# prayer

# MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

8:00 am Saturday  
Sept 16 & Oct 21



## RETIRES LUNCHEON

Noon, Fridays  
Sept. 22 & Oct. 27, 2017

Sept: Your favorite program  
on the radio in your youth

Oct: As a young person where  
did your clothes come from?

# PRAY TUKWILA

The 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday  
of the Month  
12:00 pm @ Friendz Cafe



Potlucks immediately following worship  
September 17 & October 15, 2017





# Foster-Tukwila Focus

## Tukwila Weekend SnackPack Volunteer Information & Training

6:00 pm, Thurs, September 21, 2017  
 Southcenter Community Baptist  
 Activity Center



Find out how you can help to feed homeless children who attend school in Tukwila.

Register by contacting Jenny at the church,

**206-243-4455**

Or email her at

[tuksnackpack@gmail.com](mailto:tuksnackpack@gmail.com)



## From Nations to Neighbors Loving my community — Transforming our world

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### CONFERENCE SCHEDULE:

#### Friday, October 13

- 9:00 am - 3:00 pm: Pastors & Mission Leaders Workshop\*
- 10:00 am - 2:00 pm: Students Grades 4-12 Field Trip\*
- 2:15 - 3:34 pm: Film Festival: **The Insanity of God**
- 4:00 - 7:00 pm: Prayer Room Open
- 4:00 - 8:00 pm: On-site Food Available
- 4:00 - 9:00 pm: 80 Mission-Related Exhibitors
- 5:30 - 6:30 pm: 16 Seminar Options
- 6:45 - 8:45 pm: Children's Program pre-K-6th Grade
- 7:00 - 8:30 pm: General Session: **Taysir Abu Saada, Farah Saada Marvil, Imani Milele Children's Choir**
- 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm: Student Mission Rally Grades 6-12
- 9:00 pm: Exhibits Close

#### Saturday, October 14

- 8:00 am - 7:00 pm: Prayer Room Open
- 9:00 am - 7:00 pm: Exhibits Open
- 9:15 am - 11:00 am: Children's Program
- 9:30 am - 10:40 am: General Session, **Dr. André Sims, Imani Milele Children's Choir**

- 10:40 am - 7:00 pm: On-site Food Available
- 11:00 am - 12:00 pm: Film Festival: **Persecution and the Gospel**
- 11:00 am - 12:00 pm: 16 Seminar Options
- 12:30 - 1:30 pm: 15 Seminar Options
- 1:45 - 5:15 pm: Children's Program
- 2:00 - 3:30 pm: General Session Panel: **Chris Gough**
- 4:00 - 5:00 pm: Film Festival: **Persecution and the Gospel**
- 4:00 - 5:00 pm: 16 Seminar Options
- 5:30 - 6:30 pm: 12 Seminar Options
- 6:45 - 8:45 pm: Children's Program
- 7:00 pm: Exhibits Close
- 7:00 - 8:45 pm: General Session: **Ivan Veldhuizen, Combined Choirs from UPC, ECC, Mt. Zion**
- 9:00 pm: Missions Fest Seattle 2017 Closes

Join other members of FTPC and attend this life changing conference. **Look for more info about ridesharing in the bulletin in the coming weeks.**

\*Advance Registration required at [info@missionsfestseattle.org](mailto:info@missionsfestseattle.org).

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## September Missions: Greater Highline/Tukwila YoungLife

Dear FTFC Family!

Thank you for your prayers and provision!

We are home from camp! All middle school kids, high school kids, teen moms, babies and nannies have arrived safely!

The highlights are endless but here are a few favorites.....

A middle school leader laid awake waiting to interrupt two boys late night chatter when he hears "Can I pray for you?" The unbelieving kid says "Sure." The leader rolls over with a smile and falls fast asleep in his bunk.



A teen mom from our area gets baptized as her mentors cheer her on.

Colby, a high school leader, stands with tears in his eyes and says "I can't believe God would use my life for this." After leading a WHOLE cabin to Jesus at camp.

We are grateful and overwhelmed by your support, encouragement and finances.

THANK YOU! The Kingdom is better because of your church!

*Mariah McCleary, Thai Rogers and Alexis Jones*

GHT Staff



### Welcome Tukwila Students Back to School!

Tuesday, September 5 is the first day of school for the students in Tukwila. Join staff, administration, and Tukwila community members to cheer our kids on as they embark upon a new academic year.

Gather at your school of choice 30 minutes before the beginning of classes. Bring signs, noise makers, balloons, anything you can think of to celebrate the start of a new year. Meet at:

Foster & Showalter - 7:30 am

Tukwila, Thorndyke, and Cascade View - 8:30 am

**S · E · S · S · I · O · N**  
Wednesday, September 13 & October 11  
6:30 pm in the parlor



1st, 3rd and 5th Thursdays  
6:30 pm

*Grief Support*

FTPC basement lounge

**IMPACT TEAMS!**



7:00 pm, Wednesday  
September 6, 2017  
October 4, 2017

*Find your niche at FTFC!*





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October 2017**

**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

# Trunk *or* Treat



**Tuesday, October 31, 2016**  
**6:00 pm - 8:00 pm - FTPC Parking Lot**