

February is...

**Black History** Month



February 21

**SAC Lunch**  
Saturday After Church  
February 5



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## Good News... Enjoy The Challenge...

By Pastor Ken Studer

My seven year-old grandson gave Barbara some bird seed and a birdfeeder for Christmas. Barbara asked me to hang the birdfeeder outside the kitchen window. It only took me a month to accomplish the request.

The birdfeeder now hangs outside just inches from the kitchen window. The birds love the food and we love watching the birds. We also enjoy watching our cat. Our cat jumps up on the counter and watches the birds as they eat. The cat and the birds are only inches away from each other, separated only by a piece of glass.

I am amazed that the birds are so smart. They know that they are safe even though the cat is watching every move they make. Sometimes the cat paws at the window and makes a crying sound. But this doesn't deter the birds.

I am also amazed that the cat is so persistent. Hour after hour the cat will sit and watch the birds flying to and away from the feeder. Even though the cat will never catch a bird, he still enjoys the thrill of observing the birds eating their food and watching them flit around.

My cat is so interesting. He never sits around pining that he was such a failure at catching those birds. He never seems to get depressed because he was so inept at bird catching.

I don't think he engages in self talk. "If I was only smarter I'd figure out a way to catch that bird." "If I was only quicker I'd get that bird." "I'm so stupid, why can't I get that bird" "If I just pray more I'll get that bird."

My cat doesn't need therapy. He doesn't beat up on himself by thinking "I should have, could have or would have." He doesn't get ulcers by dwelling on how inept he is. He simply enjoys the challenge and when he doesn't win he has an "I'll get him next time" attitude. This year might be a good year to imitate my cat.

God loves us no matter how many times we fail. The Good News is that even though we may have already broken our New Year's resolutions, God loves us. We are not failures, just human beings who often make mistakes.

## Super Bowl Party

This year's Super Bowl party will be on Sunday, February 13 at 3 PM at the Carlson's, 10031 Deerhaven, Santa Ana.

There will be a potluck/snacks for your eating pleasure. Come join the fun and cheer on your favorite team. No sign-up is necessary



## February Birthdays

Careen Caputo	February 01	Blake Beitz	February 19
Sandy Chapman	February 01	Consuelo Marchan	February 19
Lara Tooma	February 01	Decarlo Ramos	February 19
Kayla Haigh	February 02	Joshua Ramos	February 19
Michelle Cao	February 03	Kevin Weathers	February 19
Betsy Escalante	February 03	Eunnice Olivo	February 21
Claudia Marica	February 03	Vil Porsana	February 21
Daniel N. Ramirez	February 03	Tia Templeton	February 21
Cailyn Chang	February 04	Annette Frykman	February 22
Nicole Hszieh	February 04	Michael Horne	February 22
Jan Lang	February 06	Marc Kryger	February 23
Rye Jensen	February 08	Misael Matias	February 23
Tom Tooma	February 09	Kristi Rapp	February 23
Peggy Coye	February 10	Greg Carlson	February 24
Pheaross Graham	February 10	Marilou Coloma	February 24
Monique Moore	February 10	Beverly Brauer	February 25
Marta Tooma	February 10	Kristine Barco	February 26
Aaron Camacho	February 11	Tia Duplantier	February 26
Jackie Hackler	February 14	Gage Pepper	February 27
Lisa Oh	February 14	Amy Russell	February 27
Sokhavy Baker	February 15	Devin Tooma	February 27
Raphael M. Ginat	February 15	Stephen Moore	February 28
Cathy Escalante	February 16	Zackary Nelsen	February 28
Steve Gonzalez	February 16	Clarissa Ngo	February 28
Stephany Pantigoso	February 16	J.R Reece Jr.	February 28
Patricia Kon	February 17	Jonathan Carrillo	February 29
Elvie Legoh	February 17		
Linda Wilson	February 17		
Joshua Barco	February 18		
Eva Roque	February 18		

## 1st Corinthians 13

On Valentine's Day, February 14, read about love in 1 Corinthians 13. Read the chapter in a modern version like the New Living Translation and show someone love with a loving gesture.

## February Worship Schedule

This month Pastor Ken will begin a sermon series on the book of Philippians. All are encouraged to read the book of Philippians each week prior to the sermon.

**02-05 Great Assurance**

**02-12 Great Life**

**02-19 Great Light**

**02-26 Great Endurance**