

Ukraine Benefit Concert
April 30, 2:30 PM
OCC Sanctuary



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Orange Coast Church Office
41 Post Irvine, CA 92618

SAC Lunch
Saturday After Church
April 2



Quail Hill Food Court
Shopping Center
I-405 & Sand Canyon



Good News...
Easter Is real...

By Pastor Ken Studer

This month we will celebrate Easter. For millions of kids it is not so much about Jesus but rather it is about the Easter Bunny, Cadbury eggs, Easter baskets and Easter egg hunts.

As a child I never believed in a real literal Easter Bunny. I remember waking up on Easter morning and going downstairs to find an Easter basket full of fake grass and goodies. I had chocolate bunnies, butter crème eggs, dyed hard-boiled eggs and candy bars. It was almost like Halloween! I remember I enjoyed biting off the heads of my chocolate bunnies.

My parents were honest with me and I knew the Easter Bunny wasn't real. Some of my friends, however, believed the Easter Bunny was very real. So were Santa Claus, the tooth fairy and leprechauns.

The question—Is the Easter Bunny real? isn't really so important. A far more profound question is—Is the Easter story real? How you answer that question makes all the difference in the world.

About 1 out of every three people in the world

believe in some brand of Christianity. Of course, numbers don't prove it is right.

No one can prove that Jesus was resurrected. It is a matter of faith. Those of us who have known Jesus in good times and bad for years can attest to the fact that Jesus is alive. He has answered our prayers and comforted us in our hours of need. Indeed the Easter story is true.

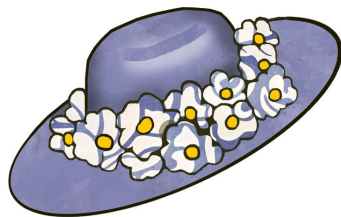
The issue really comes down to Scripture. The Bible is very clear. The Easter story really did happen. Do you believe the Bible or not? Eternal destinies hang in the balance.

When I was a high school student in boarding school the men's dean was a WWII veteran. He was a tough guy—a former sergeant. He said something 60 years ago that has stuck with me. He said, "There are no atheists in a fox hole."

The Good News is that Jesus is real. The Easter story is not a myth. The Easter Bunny is fictional.

Easter Celebration

Easter Bonnet Sabbath—On Sabbath, April 16, all OCC ladies are encouraged to wear an Easter bonnet to church. A photograph will be taken.



THE LORD'S SUPPER



OCC's Easter celebration this year on April 16 will include the Lord's Supper and a foot washing service.

The sanctuary will be reconfigured to be filled with tables and chairs. This will be a unique service and you won't want to miss it.

Pastor Ken will have a special Easter message.

April Worship Schedule

This month we will have a special Easter service and at the end of the month we will begin a new sermon series on the Book of Ephesians.

04-02 Your Future Self

04-09 Guest Speaker: Jeff Horne

04-16 Special Easter Program—Communion

04-23 Guest Speaker: Tony Moore

04-30 Ephesians: Part 1—Predestined

April Birthdays

Helen Moore	April 01	Huan Nguyen	April 19
Michael Hiersche	April 02	Alan Riffel	April 19
Jay Shank	April 03	Madaleine Bumbesti	April 21
Rob Freytag	April 04	Quentin Koromete	April 21
Paul Dompas	April 05	Rachel Breuklander	April 22
Karen Jo Custodio	April 06	Laura Castillo	April 22
Keenan Park	April 06	James Page	April 22
Mia Pai	April 07	Desiree Blanco	April 23
Rosa Pantigoso	April 07	Don Komorous	April 23
Brett Roberts	April 08	Tenealle Porsana	April 23
Susan Cornforth	April 09	Juan Pantigoso	April 24
Eugene Mensah	April 09	Karla Wheeler	April 24
Amber Richardson	April 09	Nori Borges	April 25
Brendan Hong	April 11	Cristina Chin	April 25
Madison Ruth Page	April 11	Kai Espiritu	April 25
Dian Thunig	April 11	Leah Smith	April 25
Becky Buhrke	April 12	Jiewen Zhu	April 25
Abel Marica	April 12	DeAnna Cordis	April 26
John Chrispens	April 14	Adrianna Holness	April 26
Isabel Withmory	April 14	Fernando Giles	April 27
Rachael Conrad	April 15	Skyler Smith	April 27
Karla Rivas	April 15	Terry Weathers	April 28
Bitu Borrowdale	April 16	Jane Hutapea	April 29
Seth Carlson	April 16	Tjeb Jabonillo	April 29
Lucy Lee	April 16	Maria Lima	April 29
Amber Respo	April 17	Michael Tamura	April 29
Tina Costello	April 18	Tyler Collins	April 30
Curtis Ghelfi	April 18	Lahoma Schulze	April 30
Mirtha Jones	April 18		