

## Life at Valley Center

### COLLEGE/YOUNG ADULTS

**Monday Night Fellowship** - Take a break from school and work schedules for a night of family-style dinner and fellowship at Pastor Joe and Cindy Halbert's home each Monday night from 6:00-8:00 pm. Contact Cindy Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org) for more details.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRIES BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study is studying Priscilla Shirer's *The Armor of God* this fall, a study that equips women to be strong in the midst of spiritual warfare. The cost for this quarter's study is \$20. The group meets Thursdays at 7:00 pm at Ann Ketterling's home in Glendora. For more information, contact Ann at 626.335.0938. Scholarships are available.

### COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES

Prayer partners are needed on-site for Church in the Park, a ministry that serves those who are homeless in the Pasadena area. For more information please contact Pastor Joe Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2421.

### CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Parents, please plan to have your children join Children's Ministries this morning. Each Sunday's lesson includes video segments, crafts, and a creative teaching message.

September 24: Jacob  
October 1: Joseph 1

### CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Your pastoral staff wants to know when you or members of your family are in the hospital, facing surgery, or any other crisis. They want to join you in prayer and support during those difficult times. Please notify Pastor Joe Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org), or by calling him directly at 626.351.2421. Pastor Joe will alert the pastoral staff and the other prayer teams that meet throughout the week.

### Leadership Team

**Joe Halbert**, Campus Pastor  
**Hadley Halbert & Nathan Rodriguez**, Worship Leaders  
**Terry Irish**, Associate Pastor  
**Scott Farris**, Youth Ministry Director  
**Liane D'Arezzo**, Valley Center Preschool Director

## This Week at VC

### Sunday, September 24

9:45 am Simply Prayer—Sanctuary  
10:00 am Nursery Care (Birth - 3)  
10:00 am Children's Church (Age 4 - 4<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
*Children's Room*  
10:15 am Morning Worship—Sanctuary

### Monday, September 25

6:00 pm Young Adult Fellowship—Halbert Home

### Tuesday, September 26

*No activities this day*

### Wednesday, September 27

6:30 pm Find the classes that are right for you and your whole family on the PazNaz campus.

### Thursday, September 28

7:00 pm Women's Bible Study—Ann Ketterling's Home  
7:30 pm Worship Team Rehearsal—Sanctuary

### Friday, September 29

*No activities this day*

### Saturday, September 30

*No activities this day*

### VALLEY CENTER GIVING UPDATE

#### Tithes and Offerings Year to Date

Received September 17—\$2,602  
Needed per Sunday—\$1,924  
Received Year-to-Date—\$48,699  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$48,100

*The church fiscal year is from April 1, 2017 to March 31, 2018*

### Valley Center: A Campus of PazNaz

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Covina, California 91724  
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## Helpful Information

### Parking Lot Shuttle

A shuttle is available at the back ramps and on the patio for those in need of assistance. Call 626.351.9631 for service.

### Guest Registration

Complete the information requested on the Friendship Pad as it is passed during the service.

### Today's Offering

If you are a guest, please do not feel obligated to participate in the offering. This is an opportunity for regular attendees who consider PazNaz their church home to support the ministries of the church.

### Listening Assistance Devices

These devices are available at all worship services. Ask an usher for assistance.

### Welcome Center

It's the central kiosk on the patio. Guests can stop by for a friendly hello and information.

### Cry Room for Babies & Children

A special room is available just off the main lobby equipped so that you'll be able to see and hear the service while tending to the needs of your child. Nurseries are also available with nursery attendants trained and screened to provide a safe environment. Ask an usher for assistance.

### Lost and Found

Lost and Found is located at the reception desk in the church office from 8:00 am to 5:00 pm during the week.

### Sunday Morning Messages

You can watch or listen to the Sunday morning messages online. Just go to [www.paznaz.org](http://www.paznaz.org) or download the PazNaz App for iPhone or Android.

## PazNaz Pastoral Team

**Tara Beth Leach**, Senior Pastor

**Mano Agulian**, Armenian Ministries

**Marcos Canales**, La Fuente Ministries

**Sam Chung**, Cantonese Ministries

**Ali Deckard**, Creative Worship

**Alan De Vries**, Instrumental & Choral Music

**Joe Halbert**, Service & Outreach

**Heather Handley**, Youth Pastor

**Julie Keith**, Special Needs / *In His Image*

**Timothy Lee**, Korean Ministries

**Darwin Ng**, Congregational Care / Senior Adults

**Ali Ravasdy**, Early Childhood Ministries

**Doug Ravasdy**, Elementary Ministries

**Faith Romasco**, Formation

**Janine Sagherian**, Sunrise Preschool Director

**Mackenzie Smith**, Youth Pastor

**Brad Strawn**, Teaching Pastor

**Min Xiao**, Mandarin Ministries



## This Week at PazNaz

### Sunday, September 24

7:40 am Simply Prayer—Bride's Room, Lee Chapel  
8:00 am Morning Worship—Lee Chapel  
8:00 am Early Birds Childcare—228, Arms Hall  
8:30 am Church in the Park—Central Park  
9:15 am Early Childhood Classes—Arms Hall  
9:15 am Special Needs Children's Class—123, Arms Hall  
9:15 am La Fuente Ministries, Estudio Biblico—146, Reed Hall  
9:15 am 华语主日学 Mandarin Sunday School—149B, Reed Hall  
9:15 am Sunday School for children of all ages  
9:15 am Adult Sunday School Classes—various locations  
9:30 am Cantonese Sunday School—245, Lee Chapel  
10:15 am Simply Prayer—Sanctuary  
10:30 am Morning Worship—Sanctuary  
10:30 am Early Childhood Classes—Arms Hall  
10:30 am Children's Church—102, Lower Sanctuary  
10:30 am Special Needs Children—122 & 123, Arms Hall  
10:30 am Special Needs Youth Moderate to Severe — 115, Lower Sanctuary  
10:30 am Cantonese Service—Lee Chapel  
10:30 am La Fuente Ministries—Meguiar Youth Center  
10:45 am Korean Service—249, Reed Hall  
11:00 am 华语崇拜 Mandarin Service—248, Reed Hall  
12:30 pm 华语午餐会 Mandarin Lunch —148, Reed Hall  
1:00 pm 华语体育活动 Mandarin Sports Fellowship—Gym  
6:00 pm Armenian Christian Outreach—Lee Chapel

### Monday, September 25

6:30 pm Men's ACOP Basketball—Gym

### Tuesday, September 26

9:30 am Women in the Word—Gilmore Hall  
4:00 pm Men's Basketball—Gym, Open to everyone  
7:00 pm ACOP Men's Soccer—Gym  
7:00 pm ACOP Women's Fitness & Bible Study—132, Meguiar Youth Center

### Wednesday, September 27

12:30 pm Centurion Class Prayer—246, Reed Hall  
2:00 pm Helping Hands—Lower Sanctuary, West Area  
6:30 pm Girlfriend to Girlfriend—Gilmore Hall  
6:30 pm Men's Ministries: *Goliath*—246, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm God's Healing for Life's Losses—247, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm Thriving: Restarting—248, Reed Hall  
6:30 pm The Gathering—Lee Chapel  
6:30 pm Nursery, Birth to 2—228, Arms Hall  
6:30 pm Early Childhood, Age 3-K—227, Arms Hall  
6:30 pm PazNaz Kids, grades 1-5—102, Lower Sanctuary  
6:30 pm Special Needs Adults—115, Lower Sanctuary  
6:30 pm Middle & High School—Meguiar Youth Center  
6:30 pm Armenian Christian Outreach Prayer Meeting—148, Reed Hall  
6:45 pm Celebration Choir—101, Lower Sanctuary  
7:00 pm Mandarin Bible Study—149A, Reed Hall  
7:30 pm Armenian Christian Outreach Bible Study—146, Reed Hall

### Thursday, September 28

10:00 am Simply Prayer—Lee Chapel  
7:00 pm Cantonese Word of Life Study—Gilmore Hall

### Friday, September 29

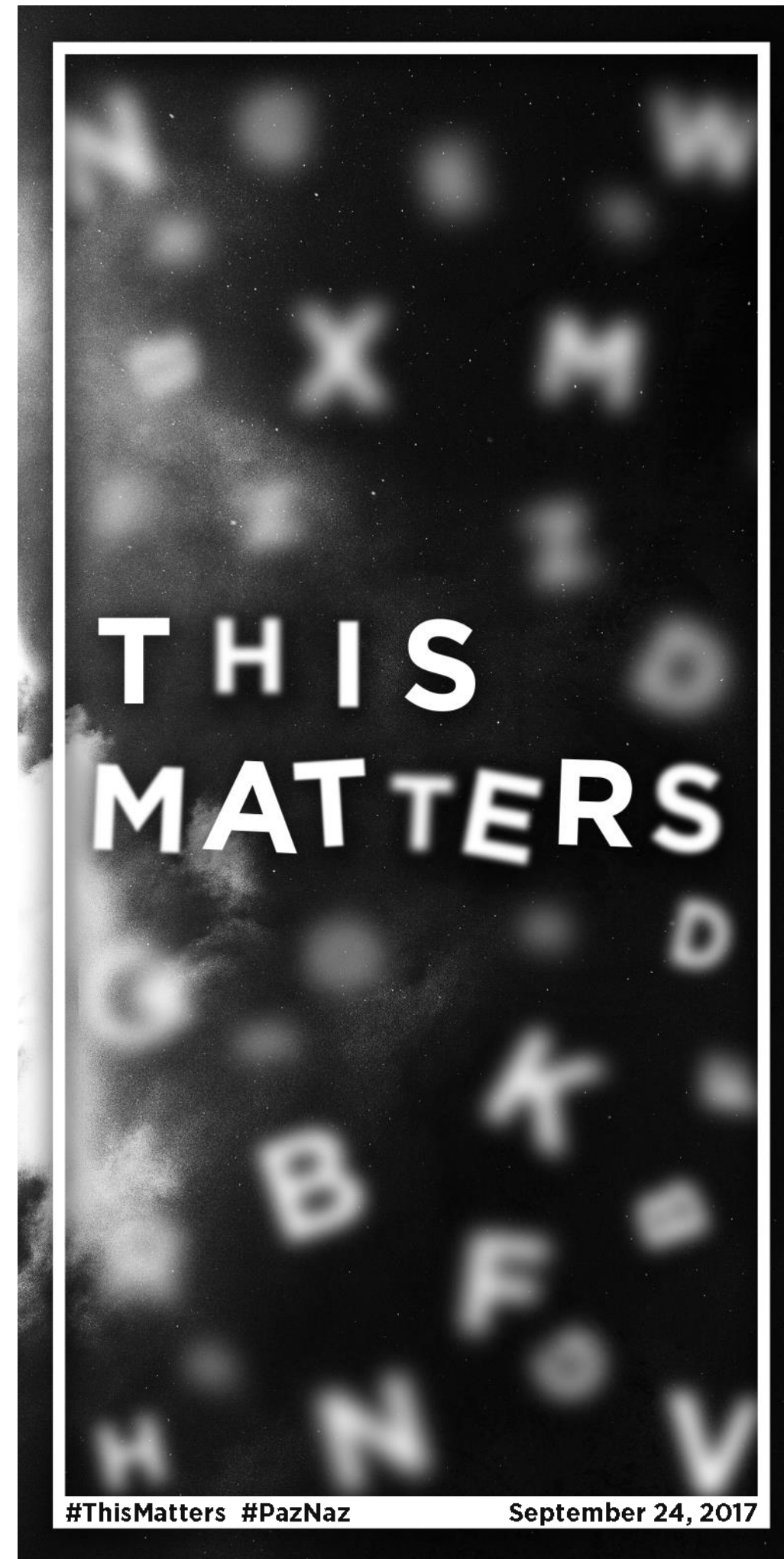
6:00 am Korean Ministries' Prayer Meeting—249, Reed Hall  
6:00 am Early Christians—247, Reed Hall

### Saturday, September 30

*No activities this day*

### First Church of the Nazarene of Pasadena

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Pasadena, California 91107  
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#ThisMatters #PazNaz

September 24, 2017



**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7**  
**10:00 AM, LOWER PARKING LOT**

This event creates community and helps raise funds for the Special Needs/*In His Image* Ministries of PazNaz. Special Needs families, individuals, and community partners who wish to be involved can pre-register to walk or roll.

Online registration is now open at: [link.paznaz.org/LoveWalk2017](http://link.paznaz.org/LoveWalk2017)  
Contact Pastor Julie Keith at [jkeith@paznaz.org](mailto:jkeith@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2485.





with Dr. Brad Strawn—Justice Matters

**Sermon Text:**

*Luke 18:1-8 MSG*

Jesus told them a story showing that it was necessary for them to pray consistently and never quit. He said, "There was once a judge in some city who never gave God a thought and cared nothing for people. A widow in that city kept after him: 'My rights are being violated. Protect me!'"

"He never gave her the time of day. But after this went on and on he said to himself, 'I care nothing what God thinks, even less what people think. But because this widow won't quit badgering me, I'd better do something and see that she gets justice—otherwise I'm going to end up beaten black-and-blue by her pounding.'"

Then the Master said, "Do you hear what that judge, corrupt as he is, is saying? So what makes you think God won't step in and work justice for his chosen people, who continue to cry out for help? Won't he stick up for them? I assure you, he will. He will not drag his feet. But how much of that kind of persistent faith will the Son of Man find on the earth when he returns?"

**ORDER OF WORSHIP**

**Pasadena Campus**  
8:00 am Worship  
Lee Chapel

**Songs of Worship**

- Rising
- All Creatures / Holy Holy
- My Jesus I Love Thee

**Offertory**  
*I'd Rather Have Jesus*

**Today's Message**  
*Dr. Brad Strawn*

**Valley Center Campus**  
9:00 am Worship  
Valley Center Sanctuary

**Songs of Worship**

- Happy Day
- Our God
- Indescribable
- Come to the Altar
- Nothing But the Blood

**Today's Message**  
*Pastor Joe Halbert*

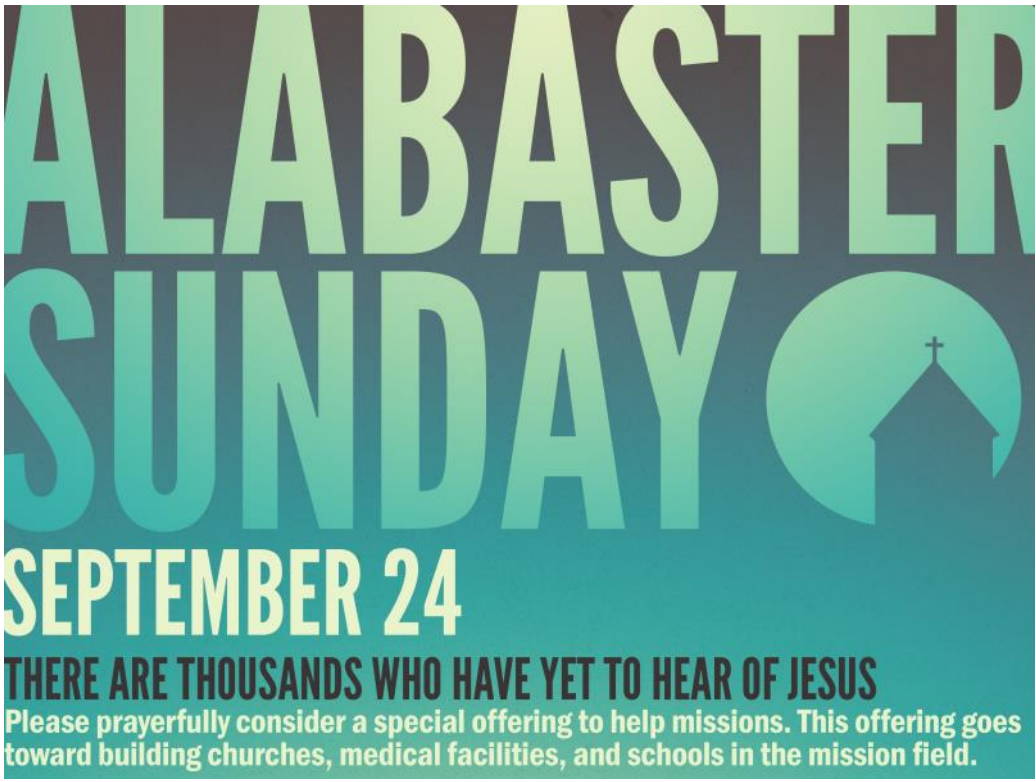
**Pasadena Campus**  
10:30 am Worship  
PazNaz Sanctuary

**Songs of Worship**

- Open Up the Heavens
- Be Thou My Vision
- Have Thine Own Way
- In Us

**Offertory**  
*Lift Your Voice*

**Today's Message**  
*Dr. Brad Strawn*



**Life at PazNaz**

**ALABASTER OFFERING**

Please consider a special offering to help missions today, September 24. This offering helps to provide land for Work & Witness projects, and the construction of churches, schools, medical facilities, and homes for missionaries and national workers. Adopted in 1949 the Alabaster Fund is still strong, having provided more than 8,800 projects since its beginning. Faithful Nazarenes around the world have given nearly \$100 million dollars for this much-needed ministry.

**LOVE WALK AND ROLL 2017**

This event creates community and helps raise funds for the Special Needs/In His Image Ministries of PazNaz. Special Needs families, individuals, and community partners can walk or roll on Saturday, October 7, at 10:00 am in the lower parking lot. Sign up to participate and volunteer online at: [link.paznaz.org/LoveWalk2017](http://link.paznaz.org/LoveWalk2017). Contact Pastor Julie Keith with questions at [jkeith@paznaz.org](mailto:jkeith@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2485.

**COFFEE TALK WITH A PASTOR**

Are you new to PazNaz and want to find out more about this church community? Are you looking to connect and become involved in the life at PazNaz? You are invited to meet with one of the pastoral staff on the second Sunday of the month and have your questions answered in a small intimate setting. The next meeting is today, Sunday, October 8, at 9:30 am in Pastor Tara Beth Leach's Office. For more information, contact Pastor Julie Keith at [jkeith@paznaz.org](mailto:jkeith@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2485.

**LEGACY SUNDAY BREAKFAST**

PazNaz has a rich heritage of ministry and faithfulness. Join us on Sunday, October 22, as we celebrate that legacy and dream for the future. Following a 9:00 am breakfast in Gilmore Hall, Rev. Jon Twitchell from the Nazarene Foundation will share important information about legacy preparation. The breakfast costs \$5. Please RSVP by Friday, October 13, through your Sunday School class, the church office, or the Welcome Center on Sundays.

**FALL FESTIVAL 2017**

PazNaz's annual Fall Festival is back again on Tuesday, October 31, from 6:00-8:30 pm in the lower parking lot of the PazNaz campus. This family-friendly event will feature games, trunk-or-treat, food, a cake walk, free popcorn, and a petting zoo. If you would like more information, contact Pastor Julie Keith at [jkeith@paznaz.org](mailto:jkeith@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2485. Sign up to volunteer at: [link.paznaz.org/FallFest](http://link.paznaz.org/FallFest).

**HEALING ROOMS**

The Healing Rooms will next meet on Saturday, October 7, from 10:30 am-12:30 pm. Teams of 2 or 3 volunteers will pray with people for healing or any other personal needs. The Healing Rooms will be located in Room 112, Lower Sanctuary and will be available every first Saturday of the month. For more information, please contact Glendae Hauser at 626.388.0376 or Melody Bundy at [mbundy@paznaz.org](mailto:mbundy@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2425.

**COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES**

Prayer partners are needed on-site for Church in the Park, a ministry that serves those who are homeless in the Pasadena area. For more information please contact Pastor Joe Halbert at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2421.

**PAZNAZ'S AMAZON SMILE**

Did you know that you can support PazNaz just by shopping on Amazon? You pay the same price, but Amazon will donate a portion of their profits to PazNaz. Just go to [link.paznaz.org/amazonsmile](http://link.paznaz.org/amazonsmile) and then make sure to always shop at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com). It's that easy!

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**NAZARENE DISASTER RESPONSE**

Over the last few weeks, hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria, and the Mexico earthquake have left many people in desperate need. Please pray for all those affected by these natural disasters. You can also provide a financial gift through Nazarene Compassionate Ministries at: [www.ncm.org](http://www.ncm.org)

**SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHER LUNCH**

The Sunday School Discipleship Ministries International (SDMI) Board invites all Sunday School teachers to a lunch on Sunday, October 8, at 12:00 noon in Gilmore Hall, South. The board would like to say thank you for your service and spend some time getting to know you. Pastor Tara Beth Leach and Pastor Faith Romasco will also speak and you will get to meet the Sunday School Superintendent, Nora Doctorian. Please RSVP to Melody Bundy by Sunday, October 1, at [mbundy@paznaz.org](mailto:mbundy@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2425.

**MEN'S MINISTRIES**

**Goliath Must Fall** - This study will offer a fresh reminder that God has a plan for your life; that he will see you through the challenges of pain, disappointment, grief, and past mistakes. God wants your giants to fall. Join this group of men on Wednesdays at 6:30 pm in Room 246, Reed Hall as they go through this study by Louie Giglio. Contact Pastor Joe Halbert for more information at [jhalbert@paznaz.org](mailto:jhalbert@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2421.

**WOMEN'S MINISTRIES**

**Women in the Word** - On Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am in Gilmore Hall, *Women in the Word* is a group of over 100 ladies who study the Bible together working through different themes. This fall the group will be studying *Armor of God* from Priscilla Shirer. There is a \$20 fee for materials and full scholarships are available. For more information, contact Bonnie Jakeway at [bonniejakeway6@gmail.com](mailto:bonniejakeway6@gmail.com) or 626.963.3107.

**MISSIONARY BOOKS & CDS AVAILABLE**

New missionary books and CDs for 2017-2018 are now available for you to borrow. You can find more information about each of the books or check one out at the Missionary Kiosk in the foyer, the Disciples Sunday School class, the Centurion Sunday School class, or the Prescott/Ragains Missionary Chapter.

**SEEKING NEW USHERS**

Are you good at making people feel welcome? PazNaz's usher team has a place for you. For more information, contact Al Rivera at [arriera\\_inc@yahoo.com](mailto:arriera_inc@yahoo.com) or 626.234.1023.

**CARING QUARTERS & SOAP**

Women's Ministries needs your donations of laundry detergent and quarters to help single mothers with their laundry. Drop off your donations at the Women's Ministries' cart or in the church office. For more information, contact Pat Todd at [ptodd@paznaz.org](mailto:ptodd@paznaz.org) or 626.351.2416.

**PAZNAZ GIVING UPDATE**

**Tithes and Offerings Year to Date**

Received September 17—\$31,515  
Needed per Sunday—\$40,939  
Received Year-to-Date—\$989,897  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$1,130,310

**Faith Promise/World Evangelism—Missions**

Received September 17—\$580  
Needed per Sunday—\$3,318  
Received Year-to-Date—\$59,406  
Budget Year-to-Date—\$82,950

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