

From: Paul Fletcher
Re: July Report

Grace, mercy and peace in Jesus,

July was a busy but very good month here in San Francisco. Dory and the children are doing well. She continues to home school our children throughout the summer. Caleb will be ready to begin the third grade in September and we made the decision a while back to have Shiloh repeat kindergarten. We are so blessed with such a great family that truly enjoys being together and loves one another deeply. It's God's way and His love working in us that makes it all possible.

We have great news regarding the new Christians here! We are so thankful we all continue to spend quality time and grow closer in our relationships with one another. These wonderful people have truly become a part of the family here at Lake Merced. Please continue to pray for Joe, Derek and Camesia, Amanda and her children and Benito for their growth in Christ and that they can remain an integral part of this local body of believers.

We had a great time at Fisherman's Warf on the 4th and we had a great turnout for a special bowling night this month! Here are some pictures of those two events:



We began a study in Mark last Saturday night at the home Bible study. We always try and have a great small group with food, fellowship, singing, prayer and discussion regarding how God's word applies to our lives!

We continue to enjoy and grow in our relationships with so many of the Lake Merced Christians. We always look forward to the weekly Tuesday morning breakfast at Denney's! It's such a great time of fellowship and food! Food sure has come up several times in this report☺

We are half way through studying John in Sunday morning Bible class, almost at the end of 1 Corinthians on Sunday nights and just began Romans on Wednesday nights. We are having good turnouts and the studies and fellowship seem to be very beneficial to all. That is definitely one thing helping us and making a difference as Christ's church here at Lake Merced, we are constantly praying and digging in the word of God, striving to apply it to our personal lives and to the church as a whole. It truly appears that God is growing us in a good and right way that is equipping us to be ready for greater growth to come, both spiritually and numerically! God is continuing to put new people in our paths that we are meeting, getting to know and hoping to study with.

It won't be long until the carpet, chairs and paint are here to get started on the renovation of the fellowship hall. It won't be long, God willing, till we're holding Sunday morning assemblies in there. Don't get me wrong, we've been having some great assemblies at Lake Merced, but we're looking forward to meeting together in a place where we can have closer community. And for that reason, we trust it's going to be an even warmer, friendlier, spirit-filled experience. No one here has ever advocated that this one change or that where you meet is the answer to growth in and of itself, but nevertheless, the church here has come to believe that it is one important step, using the resources God has blessed us with, to help provide a better opportunity for people to experience the love and presence of God in a richer way.

God bless you all and thank you so much for your support of our families and the work here.

In Jesus,

Paul Fletcher