

Thank You For Giving

Thank you for your generosity on Giving Tuesday, November 28, 2023! The need was critical, and you made a difference! Because of your liberality on Giving Tuesday beyond your normal giving, we are that much closer to meeting our year-end goals and beginning 2024 with a greater ability to serve and address the needs of our VCC congregation as well as the community He has called us to. If you didn't have the opportunity to participate on Giving Tuesday this past month, it's not too late! We're extending the window of opportunity to participate through the month of December. You may still join the effort by utilizing one of VCC's ways to give online or by mailing in your contribution with a Giving Tuesday notation. Thank you again! May God's choice blessings be showered upon you and yours!

Pastor Swanzi

Thank You For Supporting

Thank you for supporting our Feed A Family for Thanksgiving campaign. Due to your donations we were able to partner with Pastor Henry and Alicia Pigeo with their community food drive. We gave 30 turkeys to assist them with accomplishing their goal of feeding 100 families.

We also were able to bless the Lambert family with a Thanksgiving meal and support during their time of grief. We mourn the loss of Brother Tony Lambert, we are praying for God to bring the kind of peace only He can provide. We send prayers to Angela and her family, from your VCC Family.

Heads-Up VCC!

HEADS UP VCC! We will have our 1st shoe drive fundraiser and work with a Wonderful Organization "Funds2Org". We are collecting "Gently Worn/New" shoes (ALL Shoe Types) to provide to people in need and we will raise funds for our church.

The Official Collection Dates will be February 1st - March 31st. Start holding on to those shoes now. Questions? Please see Ty Anthony or Kim Boyd, Events Co-Directors

MEDIA MINISTRY!



SHARE YOUR TALENTS OR SEE HOW YOU CAN HELP IN OUR MEDIA MINISTRY! See Steven Burton for details on how you can help!

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A New Way to Communicate With VCC / Text US!

Stay connected with us by texting VCC to 661-403-0113. It is a way that we can get you information on how to join the church, receive prayer or join a ministry. Text VCC to 661-403-0113.

VCC Website Sunday Service Live Stream

You can watch Sunday service directly from our official website. A new video feed will show up no earlier than 10 minutes before a live event.

Live Stream Link: <http://valenciachristiancenter.org/live/>

Join Us IN-Person

In-person worship services are every First Sunday and Second Sunday at **10 AM** at the Embassy Suites, 28508 Westinghouse Drive, in Valencia, conveniently located off of the I 5 Newhall exit. We also have Children's Church for every age, using our new Blessons curriculum. If you have any questions regarding the curriculum or just the overall children's ministry, contact Mother Denise Thomas at childrensministry@valenciachristiancenter.org

Connect With Us!



VCC Website

Social Media – Follow and Subscribe Instagram @wearevcc
Facebook @valenciachristiancenter Subscribe to the VCC
YouTube channel at Valencia Christian Center and re-play our many video selections.



December Bulletin

Our Mission Statement

"Providing Encouragement and Hope Through the Comfort and Love of God's Word" - Based on Romans 15:4

Pastor's Welcome!

Greetings to you and yours! Believe it or not, we've almost reached the end of 2023! What a privilege it's been to experience God's amazing blessings this year and to also have opportunities to experience growth through every challenge the year has brought. And now, we share an opportunity to focus on the miracle of Christmas! The season marks a special time for families, loved ones and friends to celebrate together as well as serve others from the heart in a spirit of love. We embrace this sacred time to reflect on God's infinite love for us (John 3:16). Indeed, Jesus Christ was the



Word who became flesh and dwelt among us, giving humanity the amazing privilege of beholding His glory, "the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth" (John 1:14). In His birth, we have the fulfillment of Isaiah 9:6: "For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. And His name will be called Wonderful, Counselor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." As this year comes to a close, let's be intentional about sharing His love with others. Let's also prepare for an amazing 2024 and move forward in faith, joy, love, and hope toward victory in every aspect of our lives. **Merry Christmas!** Continued blessings to you and yours,

Pastor Swanzi

Upcoming Events

December 3rd - In-Person Worship at Embassy Suites (10 AM) / Communion / Children's Sunday School / Birthday Recognition

December 3rd - December 24th - Celebrate Advent with VCC

December 7th - Women's Connect 7 PM, Text "Connect" to 661-403-0113 for more Information

December 9th - Leadership Meeting - 10 AM - 12 Noon

December 10th - In-Person Worship at Embassy Suites (10 AM) / Children's Sunday School

December 17th - VCC Annual Christmas Concert at Embassy Suites (10 AM)

December 17th - End of the Get Moving Eat Right Challenge

December 24th - Christmas Eve

December 31st - Live Stream / Facebook Live / Valencianchristiancenter.org / Geraldine Sheriff Fast Week

Season of Sharing Toy Drive



We have started our Season of Sharing Toy Drive, which will end on December 10th. We will be working with our local CHP and Woodward as we did last year to support the 300 children at Inner Circle and to give toys to children in our local community. If there are any children that are in need of toys who are affiliated with VCC in any way, please let me know as soon as possible. We still need monetary donations to help to support the older children who are looking for gifts. We anticipate our delivery date to be December 18th, your assistance is needed to accomplish this, because the gifts from the CHP will need to be wrapped. We are planning a wrapping party on December 16th. If you can help, please let Min. Sheila know as soon as possible at : minsheila@valencianchristiancenter.org

Save the Date
DECEMBER 17, 2023, 10AM
VCC's Annual Christmas Concert
 Come and celebrate the Christmas Season with your VCC Family at our Annual Christmas Concert In-Person at the Embassy Suites. The theme is Celebrating the Birth of Christ, "All Glory to the Newborn King". The music Ministry will retell the miraculous nativity story through music and spoken words, like you've never heard before. You don't want to miss this! We look forward to seeing you in your dressy holiday attire on Sunday, **December 17th, 10AM, in-person at Embassy Suites.**



Monthly Women's Connect

Monthly VCC Women's Connect, every first Thursday of the month at 7pm. Come out and join your VCC Sisters to Relax, Rejuvenate and Unwind. Together as Sisters, we will Provide Encouragement and Hope Through the Comfort and Love of God's Word! We will come together to listen to one another, share our testimonies and to support one another. For details on the location and to tell us that you will attend. Text Connect at 661-403- 0113. Refreshments will be provided. See you there! Thursday, December 7, 2023, 7 PM.

Celebrate Advent with your VCC Family!

Advent is December 3rd - December 24th. It marks the period of preparation for the celebration of the birth of Jesus Christ at Christmas and also of preparation for the Second Coming of Christ. We celebrate the birth of Jesus on Christmas and have planned a special service on Christmas Eve. Plan to join the celebration in-person December 3rd, December 10th and December 17th at Embassy Suites 10am and then plan to celebrate with us online December 24th at valencianchristiancenter.org and on Facebook Live.

Get Moving Eat Right Challenge! November 27th - December 17th

The Health & Wellness ministry would like for you to complete the following survey regarding your fitness needs and limitations. Let's be our best in 2024! https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfe0fx-oeWuft_NvTEaDFZ6fpeY E7HxDtFy2-drHfEzcx3Glg/viewform?usp=sf_link

Monday Night Prayer Join us Facebook Live @ 7:00 PM



Teaching Pastor,
Elder Jay Stepter

Wednesday Night Bible Study

November Bible Study Topics
Facebook Live @ 7pm

Dec 6th The Eleventh Commandment

Dec 13th Going in the Right Direction

Dec 20th The Promise of the Holy Spirit

Dec 27th Becoming a Christian

In Need Of Prayer? Email: jstepter@valencianchristiancenter.org



Children's Ministry

Blessons for Living: Planting Seeds of Greatness SUNDAY SCHOOL First & Second Sunday's In-Person (10AM) - at the Embassy Suites. Additional Sundays 9AM-10AM Via Zoom. For the Zoom link please contact **Mother Denise Thomas at: childrensministry@valencianchristiancenter.org**

