

# ***THE GRACE COMMISSION*** AUG 2024



*Under the Sea  
at VBS*

The summer heat has been intense, but we've found ways to cool off here at GBC! This August, the youth had a blast at our Scuba-themed VBS, an incredible underwater experience where they learned about God's ever-flowing love.

Keep reading to hear some amazing testimonies of how God is moving in our church!



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THIS summer, my kids had a wonderful time learning about Jesus through the gospel of John during Vacation Bible School. I was very blessed by many volunteers who invested much time and effort to make this special time happen for the children.

As soon as we came into the church, the kids were awed by all the decorations. They saw a colorfully decorated coral reef on the stage and jellyfish and other sea creatures that they love. Noah especially enjoyed the underwater theme and he looked forward to seeing different sea animals sharing the message each day.

After the exciting praise and worship time, which Sofia enjoyed the most, the kids got to learn in depth Jesus



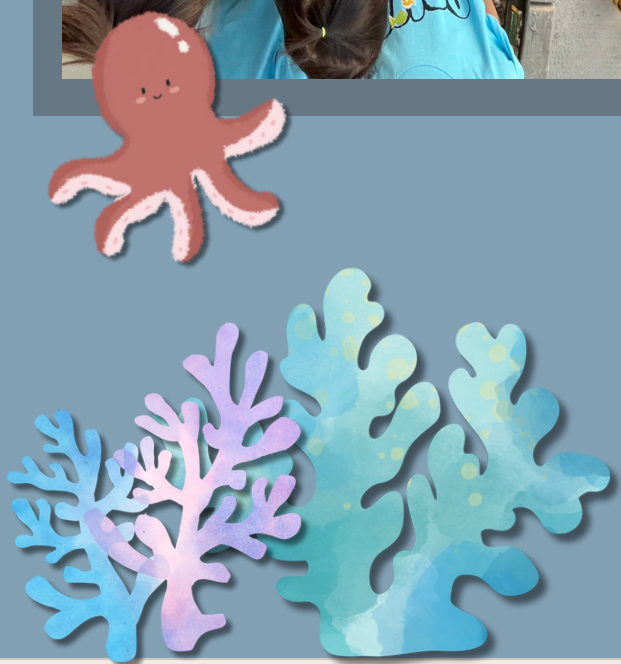
## VBS Reflections by Jeanne Lee

from the book of John through Bible Adventure station, fun games, crafts, and hands-on experiments. Isabella told me that she enjoyed the games, especially one that she played with pool noodles, in which they needed to help each other to catch another person's pool noodle before it falls. Through this exercise, she learned that Jesus is a friend whom we can always trust.





The highlight of the VBS was definitely the water play on Saturday. Isabella and Noah splashed and laughed as they slid through the water slide and Sofia enjoyed playing in the kiddie pool and didn't want to come out! After they played, they ate their favorite pepperoni pizza and drank mango boba to top the day off. Through this fun, exciting day, the kids got to experience God's goodness and joy along with the fellow friends in Christ.





This year's VBS was especially special since all the children from ISBC, GBC and also Rainbow Ministry participated together. All my kids greatly enjoyed the time learning and experiencing Jesus' love, and how they have the incredible privilege of being called as His friends.

I am very grateful for Pastor Jean, Pastor Prashant, Matthew and all the volunteers and teachers, especially the wonderful youth group for planning and organizing the event. Thank you so much for sharing Jesus' love to the children by giving your precious time and love!"





In classic SoCal fashion, we also had an evening of volleyball and hot dogs at the OC Great Park with our neighbor church ISBC this month!



The kids loved building sand castles, and the youth and adults enjoyed a friendly volleyball tournament on the courts. Thank you to everyone who helped out with the food and setup!



# LOOKING AHEAD

## BIBLE IN 1 YEAR

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### *Sept 2 Start*

The Bible Recap  
Tara-Leigh Cobble  
YouVersion (mobile & desktop)

## CHURCH CLASSES

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### *Sept 7 Sat*

3 months  
Saturdays at 12:15pm  
The Basics of Christian Life  
Ted Ferguson



*“May this truth - knowing where you are headed - change us, move us, give us the comfort and hope that we need in this life, and help us live as overcomers in this world.”*

*Pastor David Lee*

