THE GRACE COMMISSION OCT 2024





A HALLELUJAH NIGHT TO REMEMBER

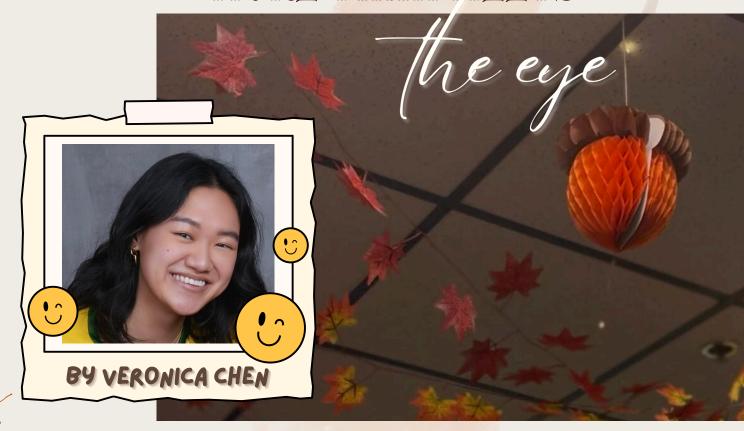


In fall festival fashion, we hosted our second-ever Hallelujah Night on October 31st! Kids and adults alike had loads of fun in an evening of games, prizes, and handmade boba. A special thank you to Veronica Chen for organizing the event!

Keep scrolling to see some photo highlights and read Veronica's testimony!



MORE THAN MEETS





remember asking my brother if they were hosting Hallelujah Night this year and him responding that if we were to have one, I would have to plan it. After two weeks of tailoring my Pinterest feed to show me costume ideas and "harvest festival décor", another month filled with Michael's runs and Amazon orders, and give or take 20 hours of painting, I can gratefully report that Hallelujah Night was a success.









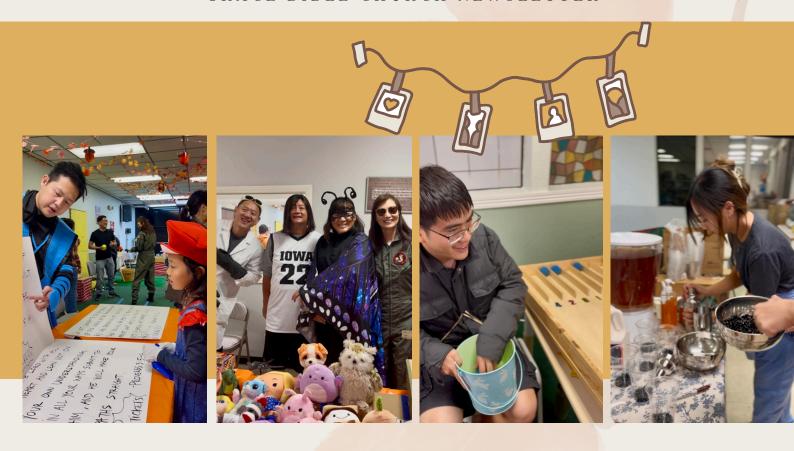
"this was a reflection of the LARGER CHURCH FAMILY we have."

I think it was important to be able to provide a safe and positive alternative to what can otherwise be a dark holiday. On the outside, Hallelujah Night may appeared to be a fun Halloween event, but beneath the surface I found that it was a celebration of community, faith, and the abundant blessings we have to share at GBC.









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Behind the glittering prize table were gracious members who wanted to share what they had so the kids could get excited when they laid their eyes on that table. (In fact, it may have made some of the adults more excited than the kids.) Behind every booth was a cheerful volunteer donating their precious time after school or work to make sure their respective activities were a success. From setting up the night before to having the church cleaned up within 40 minutes, I felt that I barely had to do anything because of how helpful everyone involved was.



By God's grace I am reminded that this was a reflection of the generous and collective spirit of not only our congregation, but the larger church family we have. A heartfelt thank you to those from ISBC and EFCOC whose help with the event was indispensable.

I'm constantly seeking opportunities for growth and improvement. And hopefully, that means that in the following years there is room to reach a bigger community and host an even better event overall. God-willing this is only the beginning.























OKTOBERFESTS at GBC











we had another incredible worship night, led by ISBCA at First Southern Baptist Church. God really moved the hearts of all who attended, especially the youth!

BEACH DAY This month we also enjoyed a relaxing day at the beach! After service on October 19th, we headed to Corona Del Mar where we had lunch and fun in the sand. A big thank you to the Fong's for organizing the event!





LOOKING AHEAD

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Nov 9th Sat

12:15pm After church lunch

THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Nov 30th Sat

Join us for our Thanksgiving lunch after service!
Please let Winnie know if you are bringing guests



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Dec 21st Sat

Christmas Service Yorba Regional Park



