

# YMCA Prayer Breakfast Keeps Hope Alive

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YMCA of the Foothills held its 34th annual Community Prayer Breakfast on Oct. 18. YMCA of the Foothills has worked hard to keep the “C” for Christian in YMCA by having these annual prayer breakfasts and supporting an active chaplain ministry. Greg Cook, event chair talked about this year’s theme “Hope,” specifically for the families who lost their homes in the January wildfire. The YMCA launched its Foothills Strong initiative in January as an emergency response program providing basic needs and financial support to fire victims.

YMCA chaplain Jonathan Martinez gave the opening prayer. Rev. Harlan Redmond Pastor of Interwoven Presbyterian Church in Eagle Rock performed the role of master of ceremonies. Music was provided by the Media City Church Band and the CVHS Charismatics. There were prayers for the youth and schools, city and leaders, faith organizations, neighbors and community. Pastor Chuck Osburn gave the keynote address. He gave an inspiring heartfelt message that concluded with him talking about the gift that lies within prayer.

Pastor Dave Roberts, lead pastor of Montrose Church gave the closing prayer. The Prayer Breakfast was helpful in raising funds for the chaplain ministry that the YMCA provides to the community.



YMCA Director of Advancement Joanne Pingry, Prayer Breakfast chair Greg Cook, keynote speaker Rev. Chuck Osburn, emcee Rev. Harlan Redmond and YMCA CEO Vince Iuculano



Pastor Paul Song, Matt Allen and Tom Slaughter



Catherine and Matt Rayer



Colin and Danny Ryan, Barbara Osburn, Kendra Ryan and Chuck Osburn



Raafat and Amal Aboelfarag and Sarina Mahdesian



Steve and Helen Kerstein with Kathy and Tom Starbird



Mikael Joergensen, Rosanne Malogolowkin, Debbie Kyhn and Debbie Pile



George and Scotty Platisa with Rich Myers



Charles Terhune, Rev. Chuck Osburn, Nancy and Mike Leininger, Mary Gant and Alice Perez



Megan and Josh Bucz, Anne Averill and Monica Skeehan



Heather Henry (front, from left), Marian Lamb, Diane Popp and Pastor Ross Purdy. Back: Pastor Paul Song with Tim and Carrie Grochow.



Kelly and Vince Iuculano, LCUSD Superintendent Wendy Sinnette, Nancy and Mike Leininger, and LCUSD Assistant Superintendent Jim Carnal



Vince Iuculano with Councilmember Jeanne Hobson



Pastor Dave Roberts, Beth and Judi Shupper, Pastor Bobby Harrison and Amy Harrison



Karen and Bee Ellis



Katherine, Phil and Philip Markgraf with Chamber of Commerce CEO/President Pat Anderson



Kristie Baker and Mindy Beches