



# PALM VILLAGER

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## 2008 - A Blessed Year; 2009 - A New Challenge!

**W**e at Palm Village thank the approximately 470 persons who gave over 1,100 gifts in 2008. In one of the most uncertain periods of economic history that any of us remember, our donors managed to stay committed to the health and vitality of Palm Village Retirement Community.

In the midst of these economic uncertainties, Palm Village was blessed to receive unrestricted contributions of **\$482,000!** This represents the largest total amount of unrestricted donations ever received by Palm Village in a particular year! Thanks to all of our donors!

Two estate gifts totaling **\$178,000** helped make this year's goals to build our Living Legacy fund a success. It is significant to note that the Charitable IRA Rollover Act is a piece of legislation that encourages such estate gifts to charities. The Act is scheduled to disappear at the end of 2009. We encourage those who wish to take advantage of this tax provision to please contact Palm Village early in 2009. The tax incentives of these contributions are attractive to anyone who has spent a lifetime working and saving and still has a desire to make a charitable difference.

The \$482,000 that was given to Palm Village is used to help our residents who, with good health and high quality care, manage to outlive their resources. They, and we are grateful!

And now we need to continue to seek donations so we have a reserve fund. In the coming year the challenge for Palm Village financially is very much tied to the State of California. We have already been warned that Medi-Cal payments may well be withheld for parts of 2009. The legislature continues to debate how to create a budget out of tax revenues that do not match planned expenditures. As a responsible agency, we are attempting to build approximately six months of cash reserves to help manage these challenges. Thanks to all of you, we will continue to work towards this facet of financial stability in unstable times.

**Thanks again to all of our donors!**

**Charles Buller**

*Palm Village VP of Advancement*



## Wednesday Night Chapel Services — All Are Welcome!



Chaplain Bob Kroeker

Palm Village's weekly chapel services are a time for warm fellowship, music, choral singing and interesting speaking presentations.

Be sure to mark your 2009 calendar so you can attend and hear these speakers at our weekly service each Wednesday, 6:30 PM:

- January 7th.....Pastor Mark Isaac, MBBS Seminary
- January 14th .....Pastor Ray O'Neil, RMBC
- January 21st .....Don Knaak, Immanuel teacher
- January 28th.....Pastor Joe Agee, Retired MB Pastor
- February 4th.....Pastor Grayson Piepgrass, Assoc. Visalia MB
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