

*Boise Valley*  
*Christian Communion*  
**2009 Annual Ministry Report**



**ENVISION ARTS - ART MINISTRY**  
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The arts are becoming a more visible part of the ministry at BVCC. Envision teamed up with other creative minds to form the “Creative Team” in the church to begin transforming the image of the church. We want to honor the history yet bring BVCC to a place of relevance in the current culture, as well as to express the changes that are going on within each of us, the congregation, and beyond the walls. This year we gave the church a new logo and tagline as well as transforming the website.

We put together three art shows in 2009: *Redeeming Love*, *Envision*, and *Words*. The heart behind the art shows is to give people both inside and outside our congregation a means of expressing what God is doing in their lives and a means of using the creative gifts that God has given them. I hope to release others to minister in the giftings that God has given, even if they are a little unconventional. Just as we can be ministered to through music or words, we can also be ministered to through art.

We also put together a display of *Everything Glorious* for the Christmas season aided by several volunteers, each of whom blessed us in a special way. The encouragement for the congregation as they gazed upon this work was to consider the glory in every little thing that God created and to reconsider things that are usually overlooked.

On November 21<sup>st</sup> I was able to participate in a worldwide celebration of the revival of the arts as a means of ministry called the New Renaissance Rising. I met with other artists and the Vineyard Boise Vine Arts studio where we gathered for worship, discussion, and creation. We are in a unique time where we are seeing a reemergence of the special relationship between faith and art that has existed in the past, but has been dormant for some time.

There was a change in the team in November when Amy Granger stepped down. Her experience as a professional artist brought a lot of insight that was helpful in getting this ministry off the ground.

I am looking forward to seeing what God has in store for us in 2010! My prayer is that He will be glorified and people will be encouraged and ministered to through the arts.