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Pawsitive Connections: Pet Therapy at Artesia Christian Home



About the Cover

At Artesia Christian Home, we believe in caring for the whole person: body, mind, and spirit. One of the newest additions to our community is making an incredible impact in a heartwarming way—pet therapy.

We're thrilled to welcome Healing Paws with Cassie and her dog Diesel. Diesel, a friendly and gentle goldendoodle, is already capturing hearts during his visits. Residents look forward to his calm presence, soft fur, and the loving energy he brings with every tail wag and nuzzle.

Cassie is a proud alumna of Valley Christian Schools in Cerritos. Her return to serve local seniors through Healing Paws reflects the kind of full circle care and commitment that makes our community so unique.

Pet therapy has been shown to reduce anxiety, lower blood pressure, and increase emotional well-being. But beyond the science, we see something even more powerful: smiles, laughter, and moments of connection.

We are grateful to Cassie, Diesel, and Healing Paws for choosing to share their love and time with us. Their visits are a beautiful reminder that sometimes healing comes on four legs with a wagging tail.



Meet a Few of Our Newest Residents in Independent and Assisted Living



Lois Prins: Lois grew up in the town of Paterson, New Jersey, where family and faith were always at the center of life. She met and married Harry Prins, and together they built a beautiful legacy, four children, sixteen grandchildren, and eighteen great-grandchildren who carry forward their love and laughter.

After a meaningful career as a nursing assistant, Lois now spends her days doing what she loves most: visiting with family and friends, sharing stories over cups of tea, and always with a sweet treat nearby. She delights in the simple joys, playing cards, lover of hymns, and cheering on the Dodgers.

Welcome home Lois!



Jim DeBie: Born in Grand Haven, Michigan with deep Dutch roots, Jim DeBie has lived a life full of faith, service, and family. A Calvin College graduate, he and his wife Judith raised four children at Generations Family Church and are proud grandparents to three.

Jim served in the U.S. Naval Reserve and retired after 35 years with Pacific Bank. These days, he enjoys cheering on the Dodgers and Rams, sipping coffee, snacking on Cheez-Its, listening to classical music, and watching westerns. Ask him about his favorite trip — cruising to Alaska!

We're thrilled to welcome Jim to the community!

You've Been Caught ... Going Above and Beyond and Then Some!



Sonusha Bhattarai, RA Assisted Living: On February 1, 2025, Sonusha Bhattari was recognized by a fellow team member for her exceptional performance during a recent power outage. Sonusha remained calm and focused, working intentionally to keep residents engaged and reassured during the disruption. She also assisted the Medication Assistants in communicating with both Assisted Living and Cottage residents, ensuring everyone was informed and supported. Her ability to step in during a stressful situation and take ownership of the moment truly exemplifies leadership and compassion in action. Congratulations, Sonusha, and thank you for your dedication!



Claudia Covarrubios, CNA: On May 14, 2025, Claudia Covarrubios received well-deserved recognition from multiple co-workers, including fellow CNAs and a Charge Nurse, for her consistently helpful and can-do attitude. Colleagues shared that Claudia demonstrates a strong understanding of various roles and responsibilities and is the kind of team player everyone enjoys working with. Her supportive spirit and willingness to go the extra mile contribute to making Artesia Christian Home a truly great place to work. Thank you, Claudia, for going above and beyond—and then some!

May Family Market Draws Nearly 1,000 Shoppers to Support the C.A.R.E. Fund. Sets the stage for a Festive Christmas Market

What an incredible day it was at the May Family Market! With close to 1,000 visitors and over 20 diverse vendors, the event was a vibrant celebration of community, local crafts, and delicious treats. Shoppers enjoyed everything from handmade jewelry to fresh produce, all while supporting small businesses and connecting with neighbors. The lively atmosphere was filled with laughter, friendly conversations, and the joyful spirit of coming together.

The success of the May Family Market has everyone excited for what's next. Mark your calendars for December 6, when Artesia Christian Home will host its much-anticipated Christmas Market. This festive event promises even more vendors, holiday cheer, and unique gifts perfect for the season. It's a wonderful opportunity to find thoughtful presents while enjoying the warmth of the holiday spirit in our community.

In addition to vendors, we're also looking for musicians and singers who would like to share their talents during the Christmas Market. If you or your group would like to perform festive music during the event, we'd love to hear from you!

If you're interested in being a vendor or performer at the December market, please contact us at info@achome.org. We welcome artisans, food vendors, local musicians, and anyone who wants to be part of this special celebration.

Thank you to all of our incredible sponsors and supporters who contributed to the C.A.R.E. Fund through this amazing event. Your generosity and partnership made a meaningful impact, and we are truly grateful for your commitment to ACH. We look forward to coming together again for another joyful holiday shopping experience in December, where we can continue to celebrate community, connection, and giving back.



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Partnering in Care at Artesia Christian Home - Monthly Giving

At Artesia Christian Home, it is our heartfelt privilege to walk alongside older adults and their families during some of life's most meaningful seasons. We are deeply grateful that so many have chosen us as their trusted partner in care.

Each day, our dedicated team works with compassion, excellence, and a strong sense of purpose to create a safe and nurturing environment where residents feel truly at home. From assisting with daily routines to offering comfort during times of transition or need, we remain committed to treating every resident with dignity, respect, and love.

We are continually humbled by the kind words and generous gestures we receive from families and residents alike. Whether it's a note of encouragement or a charitable contribution, these expressions of appreciation help sustain and inspire the work we do. They also directly support our mission to provide Christ-centered care that uplifts and enriches lives.

To further that mission, we are excited to announce the launch of our **Monthly Giving Option**. This new initiative offers a simple and meaningful way to support our work on an ongoing basis. Even a modest monthly gift can make a lasting impact—helping us enhance our programs, maintain a loving home-like environment, and continue serving with excellence.

As a nonprofit Continuing Care Retirement Community (CCRC), Artesia Christian Home relies on the generosity of those who share our vision. Every donation—whether one-time or recurring—plays a vital role in sustaining our legacy of care.

Thank you for your continued trust and support. It is an honor to serve, and we look forward to all that lies ahead as we grow together in faith, community, and compassion.



SERVE Comes to Visit ACH

We were so blessed to welcome the SERVE youth group to Artesia Christian Home. We're deeply grateful to Anaheim CRC for opening their hearts to these students and choosing the Home as one of their service sites.

SERVE, a ministry of ThereforeGo Ministries, is a one-week mission experience that helps middle and high school students grow in faith through hands-on service. It encourages them to embody the love of Jesus in real and practical ways.

The students began their day by leading a heartfelt, student-led devotion filled with scripture, prayer, and personal reflections—a beautiful reminder that God speaks powerfully through every generation.

After devotion, they eagerly washed and cleaned our service vehicles. What could have been a simple chore became an act of worship as they worked together with joy and purpose.

Perhaps the most touching part of the day came when the students played games with our residents. The joy and connection were undeniable, and we witnessed how God uses small moments to make a big impact.

To the SERVE students—thank you for your devotion, your service, and the joy you brought to our home. You lived out Christ's love with humility and grace. This was more than a service project—it was a glimpse of God's kingdom on earth.

