



**Richard Lee Fisher**

**Rich was born August 12, 1953 and went home to be with the Lord May 3, 2010. He was a Godly influence on countless people. Starting his ministry in 1976 with Campus Life and then volunteer staff with Grace Church San Luis Obispo. He became the youth pastor at Lake Almanor Community Church in 1984 and served there through 1987 when he returned to San Luis Obispo to work as a full time staff member with Campus Life. He was called to Atascadero Bible Church in 1990 and built the youth ministry from less than a dozen to over 300 youth. He mentored his replacement who took over the reigns of the youth ministry in 2003. Rich then became the adult ministries director where he served faithfully until his passing. Because of Rich's ministry, Atascadero Bible Church sends over 300 campers to Hume Lake Christian Camp each year, and there are multiple young adults who serve on staff at the camp.**

**Rich loved people, hunting, his family, and the church. He was the official church barbecue pit master cooking for the entire church body (over 1,000) every June at the Atascadero Lake Park. Rich also loved livestock and volunteered countless hours at the school farm for local FFA. He also volunteered with the Atascadero High School basketball team for over 20 years coming along side the coach.**

**Rich's love for the Lord was infectious, impacting people who now serve God globally. There are multiple pastors, youth pastors and missionaries that are fulfilling the great commission because of Rich's discipleship. Locally he challenged youth and men to seek God's will through his folksy and practical wisdom. For many of us, just a look from Rich was convicting. He was the spiritual father and**

**big brother for a multitude of people. His impact was far beyond the church and he was known and loved by all.**

**Rich is survived by his wife of 33 years Lynette, his three sons Corey, Carson and Trevor, his daughter in laws Kristen and Melissa, his grandchildren Mattie and Cade, and his parents Ed and Louise Fisher of Turlock, California. His two brothers Ron and Bob and numerous nephews and nieces and extended family also survive him.**

**The memorial service will be Saturday, May 8, 2010 at 2:00 pm at Atascadero Bible Church. In lieu of flowers donations may be sent to Atascadero Bible Church and specified for Hume Lake campers.**