

Pastor's Newsletter - October 26, 2009

My friends--I think most of you heard Sabbath, either at church or at Orangewood Alumni, that Pastor Keith Knoche passed away Friday night. He was on his way home from his work as a hospice chaplain in the Palm Springs area, back to Escondido. He stopped for gas, somebody saw his car rolling, and he was slumped over the steering wheel. He was 61. He was the pastor at Garden Grove, though I am not sure of the exact dates--late '80's and early '90's, I believe.

The family (primarily his father Elder Phil Knoche and his sister, Kit??) have decided that they would like to have the Memorial Service at our church, Garden Grove, as that was the last church he pastored fulltime before going into evangelism.

The service will be:
5 pm, Sabbath evening, November 7, 2009

As he is being buried this week, I believe in the Monterey area, this will be a Memorial Service only. There will be performances of music he wrote and performed, video clips, and a brief open mic time for anyone to share a short personal memory of Keith.

It would be a high honor to the family to have as many of you as possible attend and support the family. He was one of the most talented and gifted pastors I have ever met. He was married to my cousin Lenette for a number of years, and so has been part of our family.

REMINDERS:

1. Friday Night Live (FNL), 7:30 pm Friday night, in our Youth Chapel--I'm looking forward to this, make sure all of your young people know about this!
2. Relaunching of Youth and Young Adults SS--9:45 am, Sabbath morning, Oct. 31--terrific food, praise music, and high-energy Bible study discussion groups, one for Young Adults in the Youth Chapel, and one for high school Youth in the Library.

God bless you all!

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