

## message

### welcome message from pastor dan



We hope that you had an actually thankful Thanksgiving this week with your family! And we are thankful you are here with us on Thanksgiving Sabbath, especially if you are here visiting your family who are part of GGSDA! IF you live somewhere in or near Orange County, and are looking for a place to be your home church and your spiritual center,

we would be honored to have you choose us! We would do our best to live up to your dream of the kind of church you are looking for! Today will be our third of three messages on Gratitude--"DIAMONDS ARE FOREVER!" The passage is Jesus' short line about selling everything you have for the Pearl of Great Price in Matt. 13:45-46, and Jesus is still asking every one of us, 2000 years later--how much is He worth to you! God bless, and welcome to GGSDA today!

### what we believe

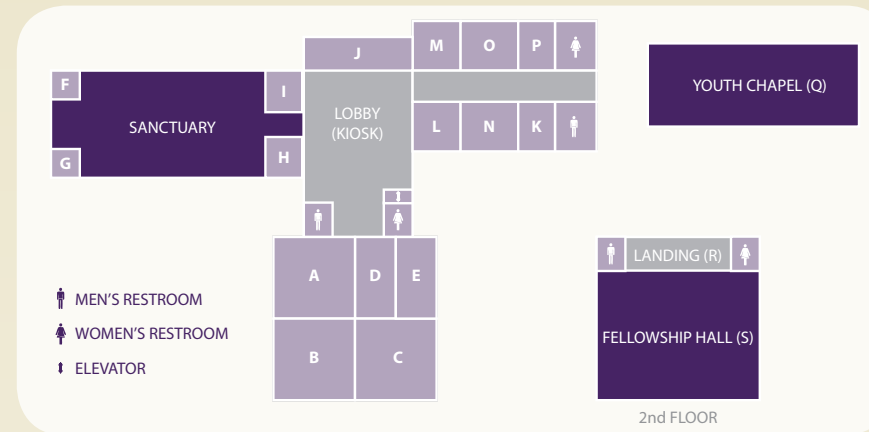
I believe that the most important of all Christian beliefs is the one that brings joy and assurance to God's friends everywhere -- the truth about our Heavenly Father that was confirmed at such cost by the life and death of His Son.

God is not the kind of person His enemies have made Him out to be -- arbitrary, unforgiving and severe. Jesus said, "If you have seen Me, you have seen the Father." God is just as loving and trustworthy as His Son, just as willing to forgive and heal. Though infinite in majesty and power, our Creator is an equally gracious Person who values nothing higher than the freedom, dignity, and individuality of His intelligent creatures -- that their love, their faith, their willingness to listen and obey may be freely given. He even prefers to regard us not as servants but as friends.

This is the truth revealed through all the books of Scripture. This is the everlasting Good News that wins the trust and admiration of God's loyal children throughout the universe.

Like Abraham and Moses -- the ones God spoke of as His trusted friends -- God's friends today want to speak well and truly of our Heavenly Father. We covet as the highest of all commendations the words of God about Job: "He has said of Me what is right." --Graham Maxwell

## general information



loc	name	sabbath school (9:30am - 10:45am)
A	Church office	-
B	Community Service room	-
C	Pathfinder room	Filipino class
D	Board room	Spanish class
E	Library	Friends in Prayer
F	Choir room	-
G	Elder's room	-
H	Mother's room	Vietnamese class
I	Deacon's room	-
J	North room	Choir
K	Storage	-
L	Cradle Roll	Cradle Roll class
M	Kindergarden	Kindergarten class
N	Primary	Primary class
O	Junior	Junior class
P	Earliteens	Earliteen class
Q	Youth Chapel	Youth
R	Landing	Contemporary Adults (future)
S	Fellowship Hall	Young Adults
	Sanctuary	Pastor Dan's Class/Tom Neslund's Class

### how to connect with GGSDA

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welcome to  
garden grove  
seventh-day adventist church

November 26, 2011



## announcements & church news

### prayer requests

Gottmer, Ken	Pernas, Mary
Cutchlow-Brooks, Pamela	Smith, Elden (Ralph Smith's Brother)
Elansari, Selena	Stewart, Todd (Nadine Accongio's Grandson)
Briceno, Melissa	Hutchings, Glen

### incoming members

### outgoing members

### upcoming events

Dates	Events
11/26/11 (sat)	Filipino Fellowship
11/26/11 (sat)	Young Adult Gym Night
11/29/11 (tue)	Church Board Meeting
12/2/11 (fri)	OA Christmas Program (Main Sanctuary)
12/3/11 (sat)	Youth Movie Night
12/10/11 (sat)	Women's Ministry Christmas Tea Party
12/16/11 (fri)	Young Adult Outreach
12/17/11 (sat)	Children's Ministry Christmas Program
12/17/11 (sat)	Youth Christmas Party
*Details on events available at kiosk & church office	

### community announcements

#### Pathfinders

Pinewood Derby Cars Construction – Sunday, November 27, 2011, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Wallace Home. Please see me for a permission slip, appointment time, and address.

Next meeting will be on December 3, 2011, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Pathfinder room. Lunch will be served in the Pathfinder room immediately following the church service. There will also be a meeting on December 17, 2011, from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Fundraiser on December 3, 2011, at the youth movie night at 7 p.m. Parents, please sign up to help us with this event.

Christmas Party on Sunday, December 11, 2011, at 4 p.m.

Christmas Caroling – Date and time to be determined.

## worship 10:50am – 12:15pm

SONG OF GATHERING..... Garden Grove SDA Praise Team

WELCOME ..... Dan Smith

MORNING HYMN ..... Hymn 565

*For the Beauty of the Earth*

CHILDREN’S MOMENT..... Kimber Parks

CALL FOR OFFERING..... Dan Smith

OFFERTORY ..... Covenant Singers

*Gaudeamus Hodie*

DRAMA ..... GGSDA Drama Team

PRAISE & WORSHIP ..... GGSDA Praise Team

MESSAGE ..... Pastor Dan Smith

*Diamonds are Forever!*

SONG OF RESPONSE ..... Hymn 560

*Let All Things Now Living*

BENEDICTION..... Dan Smith

POSTLUDE ..... Carol Meckstroth

Today’s Worship Planner: Kimber Parks

This Morning’s Deacons: David Rodriguez (Lead), Armando Miranda, Chito Montessa, Glen Monty, Tuan Nguyen, Mitchell Phillips, Wesley Ramkissoon,

Offering: Conference-Wide Church/School Building Fund

Church Budget for October: \$15,000, currently \$12,233.01

Sabbath Rest Ends: 4:45pm Tonight • Sabbath Welcome Starts: 4:52pm Friday

Please remember to put your phones and pagers on silent. Thank you!

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#### Women’s Ministry

Doesn't a lovely evening menu of tea, sandwiches, soup and scones shared alongside warm friendship sound like the perfect things you need during the stressful holiday rush? Join us for this year's Women's Ministries Holiday Tea taking place on Sabbath, December 10, 2011 starting at 5:30 PM in the Church Fellowship Hall. A \$15 per person donation is requested in advance of the Tea and must be received by Women's Ministries by Sabbath, December 3, 2011. Entrance is \$20 per person on the night of the event.

Reservation forms will be available in the bulletin and in the foyer. Checks may be made payable to "GGSDA Church" and placed in the offering plate. In the memo line, please write "Annual Holiday Tea". Deadline to RSVP is Sabbath, December 3, 2011. For information, please talk with the Women's Ministries Holiday Tea organizing committee. Ladies, we hope to see you there!

If you would like to help host and / or decorate a table, your talents are invited and most welcome. Please contact the chair of the GGSDA Women's Ministries, Marilyn Krell, at mjkrell@aol.com

#### Lay Ministries Training Conference

Sunday, 12/11/11, 9-2 Dr. Emil Peeler: 10 Dynamic Keys for Healthy Church Growth, Karen Martell: Growing Your Church Through Prevailing Prayer, Pastor Michael Kelly, Sr. Pastor, Mt. Rubidoux: Creative Preaching for Explosive Church Growth, Elder Rudy Bermudez: Workshop, "Making Your Sabbath School a Tool For Growth, Full Circle Team Workshop: "Creating a Growing Church Culture". Lunch will be provided.

#### Save The Date

You are cordially invited to see the new Christian musical stageplay, "JC's Beauty Shop" on Sunday, December 4, 2011 at 4:00 p.m. Location: Darby Park, 3400 West Arbor Vitae St., Inglewood, CA 90305. This special presentation is sponsored by the Maranatha SDA Women's Ministries as a fundraiser to benefit local needy families and will be immediately followed by an Afternoon Tea Party. Adults \$15.00 per person; children 13 and under: \$13.00 per person. For more information, please contact Desiree Webb at (562) 318-4482.

#### The Joyous Sounds of Christmas

The Joyous Sounds of Christmas, an evening vespers of carols, anthems, and scripture, featuring the combined choirs of Orangewood Academy, the Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church, the Handbells of Orangewood, and Orangewood Elementary's "Fearless, Fabulous, Few," will be presented at the Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church, 12702 Ninth Street, at 7:00 p.m. on Friday, December 2, 2011. **Church**

#### Retreat Fundraiser at El Torito @ The Block of Orange

Every Thursday from 12 noon to 8pm, when you eat at El Torito @ The Block our church will receive 25% of the diner bill. In order to participate, you must show the flyer that has been especially made for this fundraiser. To have a flyer emailed to you please request one from Rose Briceno at family-life@gardengrovesda.com or you can request one from her in person at the kiosk directly following this morning's service.

El Torito @ The Block of Orange  
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