

message

welcome message from pastor dan



Welcome to Christmas at Garden Grove SDA! Not just 12 Days of Christmas—but more like 25. Just about every day has something special and spectacular to choose from, for every age and group. Pick and choose, and may this month be a blessing to you, and may you be a blessing to some people yourself this month.

A best-selling book, *The Five Languages of Love*, by Gary Chapman, lists 5 different ways people hear love best, and give love best. He now is saying that each of us hears love best from God through a certain language, different for all of us. Today we start the Advent series with, “How Do You Feel Love From a God”.

what we believe

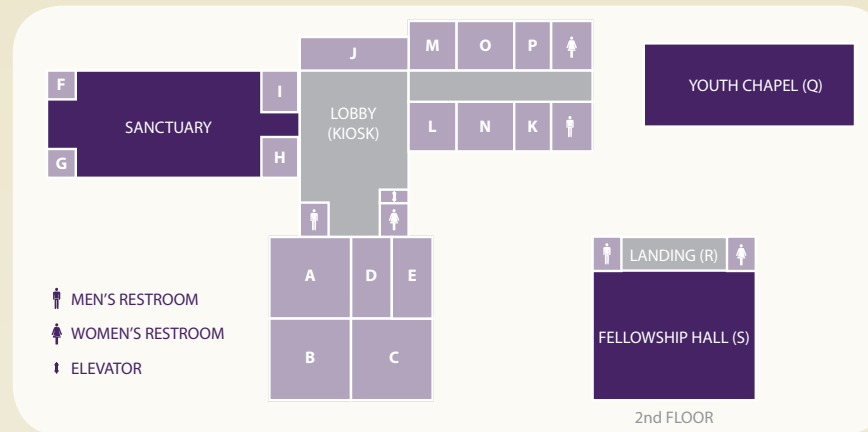
I believe that the most important of all Christian beliefs is the one that brings joy and assurance to God’s friends everywhere -- the truth about our Heavenly Father that was confirmed at such cost by the life and death of His Son.

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	Filipino class
C	Pathfinder room	Pastor Dan's 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	Kindergarten	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	-

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welcome to
garden grove
seventh-day adventist church

December 3, 2011



announcements & church news

prayer requests

incoming members

David Reyes	Arlington
Dina Reyes	Arlington
Nicholas Reyes	Arlington
David Rodrigues	Panorama Spanish
Yennie Rodrigues	Panorama Spanish
JoAnne Wall	Sunnyside Church

outgoing members

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upcoming events

Dates	Events
12/4/11 (sun)	Adventurers Nursing Home Visit 10am
12/5/11 (mon)	Family Life Fundraiser @ El Torito at the Block
12/7/11 (wed)	Eat, Pray, Go! 6:30pm
12/10/11 (sat)	Women's Ministry Christmas Tea Party 5:30pm
12/11/11 (sun)	Adventurer/Pathfinder Christmas Party 4pm
12/16/11 (fri)	Young Adult Outreach 5:30pm
12/17/11 (sat)	Children's Ministry Christmas Program 4:30pm
12/17/11 (sat)	Youth Christmas Party 7pm
12/18/11 (sat)	Young Adult Christmas Party
12/21/11 (wed)	Goldenaires Lunch 1pm
12/24/11 (sat)	Christmas Candlelight Vespers 5pm
12/25/11 (sun)	Christmas Day
12/30/11 (fri)	Friday Night Live 7:30pm

*Details on events available at concierge & church office

Today's Worship Planner: Lisa Bethen

This Morning's Deacons: Lance Cantos (Lead), Ricky Ambray, Haraldo Arano, Kevin Arlic, Robin Arlic, Frank Bethen, Frank Camera

Offering: Local Church Budget

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!

worship 10:50am – 12:15pm

PRELUDE Angel's We Have Heard On High

WELCOME Dan Smith

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE Tameifuna Family

CHORAL PRAYER Covenant Singers

Love Came Down at Christmas

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP Lisa Bethen

How It All Began

CALL TO WORSHIP Dan Smith

Responsive Reading

A CAROL Hymn 119 (1, 2, 4)

Angels From the Realms of Glory

CHILDREN'S MOMENT Julie-Anne Bethen Thomas

CALL FOR OFFERING John Koch

OFFERTORY Covenant Singers

Gesu Bambino

CHRISTMAS MEDITATION Lisa Bethen

The Sentinel - Simeon

SCRIPTURE Dina Reyes

1 John 4:9-12

ANTHEM Covenant Singers

God So Loved The World

PRAISE & WORSHIP GGSDA Praise Team

INVOCATION John Krell

Hear Our Prayer O Lord, Congregational Resopons

MESSAGE Pastor Dan Smith

How to Feel Love From a God

SONG OF RESPONSE Hymn 132 (1, 2, 3)

O Come All Ye Faithful

BENEDICTION Dan Smith

POSTLUDE Carol Meckstroth

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community announcements

Pathfinders/Adventurers

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

Christmas Caroling – Date and time to be determined.

Sabbath December 3rd

- Adventurer Club Meeting from 1.30pm to 3.30pm, Special Christmas Holiday Crafts

*Adventurer Family Network, Special Parent Group discussion. All the Adventurers Parents are invited to participate.

Sunday December 4th

- Adventurers Nursing Home visit from 10.30 to 11.30am, We will meet directly at the Pacific Haven Health Care Center Nursing Home at 12072 Trask Avenue, Garden Grove, CA 92843. Please wear you filed Uniform (Light blue T-shirt). Each adventurer will get an award if they participate at this event. We ask all the Parents to be with their adventurer child during the visit. We will not take responsibility of your child without a family supervision.

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.

It's Holiday Tea Time

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.

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