

Pastor Dan's



Communique

March 31, 2012

My friends!

Here are all the events of the weekend, all part of a Full-Service Church!

PATHFINDER CAMPOREE: A large group of our Pathfinders and staff have been camping with the Union-wide Camporee in the San Bernardino area since Wednesday night. We are heading out there in a few minutes to support and be with them for the evening. Thanks to all who helped ferry them out there, who loaned their vehicles, and to the staff who just pour out their lives for young people!

EASTER: Next Sabbath is a huge Sabbath, and we truly hope that everyone will invite everybody you know to come. Fill the Church, put chairs down the aisles!

EASTER BREAKFAST BANQUET--Served in the Fellowship Hall, 9:00 am to 10:30 am.

No Sabbath Schools next week, everybody joining for a festive Easter Banquet!

Music, decorations, and a great menu!

DIVINE WORSHIP: 10:45 am to 12:20 pm. We will have it all:

The best music we could find--Choir, guest brass, truly grand, alive Resurrection music!

Drama--several highlights of the Cross/Resurrection story will be acted out

Processional--Triumphal Entry with kids, Hosanna music, palm branches, everything!

Message: "COME TO LIFE!"

CANS: Orangewood Academy has a drive to collect cans for a mission project. If you can pack up a bag of canned goods, we would love for GGSDA to be first in line in supporting this project, planned and organized all by students themselves. The main leader, Henry Huynh, is just a terrific young man, comes to our church, and we would love to support this ministry.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE:

SABBATH SCHOOLS:

JPA Children's Choir, 9:30 am, SS at 10:00 am

Neslund, Filipino, Vietnamese, Spanish, 9:30 am

Pastor's Bible Class--Pathfinder Room, 9:30 am

Matthew 24--SIGNS OF THE TIMES!

Youth, Youth Chapel, Young Adult, Fellowship Hall, 9:50 am

DIVINE WORSHIP: This is a special day, to have our Young Adults lead the entire worship service!

Pastor Shiphrah has the message, from Revelation 7. We are blessed to have this ministry in our church and to have them be front and center tomorrow.

SABBATH AFTERNOON:

The Connecting@GGSDA will be meeting for a dinner and meeting in the Board Room.

4:00 pm--The Vietnamese Fellowship will meet, Youth Chapel.

I have the homily message--"THE DOOR TO THE PARTY!"

Gym Night, Young Adults

DURING THE WEEK:

Church Retreat Committee--5:00 pm, Sunday

Choir, 20 Quiet Moon, 7:00 pm Sunday

Worship Committee, 6:30 pm Tuesday

Building and Maintenance Committee, 7:30 pm Tuesday

Elders Meeting, Wednesday, 7:00 pm, Board Room

Choir--Thursday night, 8:15 pm, Fellowship Hall

THE WAY, Youth, Youth Chapel, Friday, 7:00 pm

PRAYER VIGIL: 24 hours, from Thursday night, April 5, 6:00 pm, until Friday night, 6:00 pm. People take one hour shifts, so that our church is covered in prayer for 24 hours. The team leaders set up these incredible sacred spaces in the Fellowship Hall, with lights, candles, Scriptures, quotes, pictures--just amazing--you can't help but pray and connect with God. Sign up for an hour, or just come. My slot is 11:00 pm Thursday night, come join me!

GOOD FRIDAY VESPERS: Friday night, April 6, 7:15 pm, Fullerton Church: Orangewood Academy will have their fourth annual candlelight presentation of "A Service of Shadows," with their JH and Academy Choirs singing, under the direction of James Woods. 2355 W. Valencia Drive, Fullerton, 92833.

CHURCH BOARD ITEMS:

1. CHURCH RETREAT: You have heard that the Board is trying to encourage everybody who wants to go to sign up at the Concierge Desk tomorrow or call the Church Office. Donate whatever you can give to the Retreat, and we will trust that it all works out at the end! The Committee is meeting Sunday night, and the plans are going to make it a terrific weekend. Don't miss it if at all possible. If you have never been there, Camp Cedar Falls is really a lovely camp, in the woods, on the side of a canyon. You will enjoy this!

2. VAN: The Board voted, pending answering all insurance and other requirements, to purchase a used van that can be used for Youth Summer Camp, Pathfinders, other ministries, and perhaps to shuttle drivers to off-site overflow parking at our sister Samoan church down the street. By splitting up the cost among many ministries, the cost was not too great on any of the them. Two of our members have committed to carrying the heavy end of the maintenance.

3. OFFICE REMODELING: The decision was made to upgrade the office complex, and make it a truly welcoming place of excellence that will draw every visitor into checking out our church! We think everybody will like the outcome when the work is finished!

MOVIE: A wonderful young woman who I have known for a few years, **Kristine Barker**, just completed her degree in Film at Southern University. For her senior project, she worked with a team to produce a very powerful, poignant movie about how a family deals with cancer--it is really terrific. Obviously she has no funds to market it, so the more people that watch it we can help a young person break into a very difficult business for people of faith to get started in. It is only 12 minutes long, and there will be somebody in your life who could use this video.

<http://vimeo.com/36116781>

God bless, have a great weekend!

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