

Pastor Dan's



Communique

August 11, 2012

Dear Saints!

It will be a very special blessing to be back with the GGSDA congregation tomorrow! We have seen some of you at committees and at Vacation Bible School, but it will be a rich treat to greet all of you again tomorrow about traveling and speaking recently. The Praise Team is ready, the graphics will be ready, the refreshment stand will be ready--and Church will happen!

**POTLUCK:** You have already seen the announcement yesterday that this Sabbath is Potluck Sabbath. The schedule was juggled a bit to allow me and the other pastors to all be here, because we just hate to miss. Bring something, but if you can't, still come. We just want to table-hop and reconnect with you all!

**CHURCH PICNIC:** Our Annual Church Picnic will be this **Sunday, 11-4 pm**. Huntington Central Park. Take 22W, Exit Goldenwest, turn LEFT off the ramp, which puts you on Garden Grove, then LEFT on Edwards, go 4.7 miles, park will be on the Left. At Edwards & Inlet. Potluck lunch: Please help out and bring your favor picnic dish. There will be a Dessert Contest, and a Watermelon eating contest! Games: Water balloon Relay, Wiffle Baseball, Volleyball. This was a huge success last year, people lined up to play, hope you can come!

#### **SABBATH SERVICES:**

**Sabbath School**--All Sabbath Schools at the usual times and places!

**Pastor's Bible Class**--Pathfinder Room, 9:30 am, the Conclusion of Matthew 25 and the Final Judgment!

#### **Divine Worship Service--11:00 am**

We have a great Praise Team leading tomorrow. Children's Story.

And a moment of silence to remember Pastor Ted Sneed.

The Message is: "**Southern California Adventists!**" You've heard about them. Are they talking about us?!

#### **Potluck, 12:30 pm, Fellowship Hall**

**Social Committee**--Immediately after the Potluck

**Vietnamese Fellowship**--4 pm, Youth Chapel--I will have a report on the Philippine Mission Trip

And a summary of what we have learned new from the trip on how to keep the new members in the Faith.

#### **Sunday:**

**Church Picnic, 11 am, Huntington Central Park**

**Financial Peace University, 4 pm, Fellowship Hall**

#### **Tuesday:**

**Worship Committee, 6:30 pm**

**Church Board (special session), 8:00 pm**

#### **Thursday--Sports Night, FH**

#### **Coming Up: Launch of Contemporary Worship Service, Sept. 8**

We are moving across a broad front to be ready for the new service, hosted and planned by (the) Sanctuary, our Young Adult Ministry and Pastor Shiphrah. The Lead Team is meeting, the Band is warming up, the word is spreading through Facebook, Twitter, and every other way anybody can think of. The final details will be decided at the Board, Tuesday night, but the date is set, there will be a new service Sept. 8! Anybody and everybody will be welcome at either of our two worship services, but there will be some differences that we believe will bless each person who chooses to go one of the two. Both will be excellent, both will be exciting, both will be Christian and Adventist and life-giving--but different!

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN:** We have come a long ways in just over a month. We have raised \$60,000 of the \$75,000 we needed to finish the whole \$257,000 for everything. We are within a few days of having the Sound System and Lighting packages ready to go once the Campaign is complete. The sound is going to be so, so much better in the Sanctuary. You won't believe what we saw this week in what the lighting will be able to do for our Sanctuary. It is going to not only bless everyone who worships with us, but will revolutionize our video and audio messages over the Internet, and hopefully someday cable TV. We have 2 weeks / 3 Sabbaths to complete the last \$15,000 in cash and pledges, and the orders can go out and we can have the sound and lights installed and running by early October. Please stretch, do a little more, trusting God to cover the gaps and to make it up to you!

Here are the Youth and Young Adult Newsletters from our two pastors:

**Pastor Garrett:** After a great 2 weeks of summer camp, our Youth Leadership team met last night and planned a whole year full of events and service opportunities! What an incredible meeting! We set goals for our ministry and have some of the best themes I've ever heard coming this next year for The Way! I'm especially excited about our service opportunities. GGSDA has been a HUGE mission church and we're proud of that, but we're also excited to get involved in a missional in our own local community - serving at soup kitchens, spending time with the elderly, feeding the homeless, and so much more! It's going to be the best year yet in Youth Ministry!

I will be in Redding this weekend speaking for a Youth emphasis weekend at my Dad's church in Palo Cedro! Keep me in your prayers! Excited to be there with my dad doing ministry together!

#### **What's Happening THIS Weekend in Youth!**

**Youth Sabbath School** - You will meet as always in the Youth Chapel! Come and enjoy some great food and praise and discussion! Hope you'll join us.

**1Life at Camp Cedar Falls** - Leaving August 17, we'll be taking a group of 17 youth up to The 1Life conference at Camp Cedar Falls! Last year we were the smallest group and this year we're by far the biggest, how cool is that!?! What a blessing! Excited to be a part of this team and get our youth centered on Christ before we begin this next year in ministry!

#### **Pastor Shiphrah:**

**(the) Sanctuary Launch is only a month away!**

<http://www.facebook.com/events/211525195640811/>

Our new contemporary worship service by (the)Sanctuary, which is the young adult ministry of the Garden Grove SDA Church, launches on **September 8, 2012** from **9:30-10:30am**. You're invited! It's a simple format of mostly music and the morning message. We hope to worship with you and your friends/family of any age or background. You can find us... in the sanctuary. As Young Adult Pastor, I can't begin to fully express how amazing and supportive our pastors, staff, elders, and board have been to launch our young adult ministry as (the) Sanctuary in a way that will truly fill the gaps between generations and our faith community in Christ. We've been approved for lights and the benefit of the upcoming sound system - plus the support of a morning time slot in the gorgeous venue of our sanctuary at GGSDA - THANK YOU.

Here are some of the details:

So far, here are the young adults involved in the lead team:

Senior Pastor - *Pastor Dan (most honorary young adult we have)*

Young Adult Pastor - *Pastor Shiphrah*

Executive Producer - *Greg Batla*

Producer - *Hazel Alvarenga*

Production Director - *Michael Smith*

Hospitality Director - *Yennie Rodriguez*

Lead Grip - *David Rodriguez*

Creative & Music Director - *Greg Batla*

There has been a great initial response from several that have stepped up to being a part of the production, hospitality, grip, creative, or music team - THANK YOU! If you would like to get involved in the worship service or another aspect of our ministry, here's what we're looking for:

## **(the) Sanctuary Worship Service**

Grips--*pick up offering, stage hands*

Production Team

Sound Engineers - *run, set up sound system*

Lighting Engineers - *run, design lighting*

Computer Operators - *run lyrics*

Hospitality Team

Head Greeters - *organize week's team of greeters*

Greeters - *greet members and guests*

Hosts - *help organize, prepare food, welcome guests in designated room after worship service*

Chaplains - *help organize, welcome, pray, and mentor guests in prayer room after worship service*

Creative Team

Print Graphic Designers - *prepare sermon series print graphics, posters, media promotions*

Motion Graphic Designers - *prepare sermon intro videos, commercials, video elements for service*

Music Team

vocalists, guitarists, keyboardists, bassists, drummers

## **Friday Night Live (FNL Vespers) by (the) Sanctuary**

Co-Director or Assistant Director: *work with current Director*

Stage Manger: *stage props, run sheet transitions*

Artists: *poets, designers for print and motion graphics*

Musicians: *vocalists, guitarists, pianists, bassists, drummers*

Hospitality: *Greeters, Refreshments, Offering*

Tech: *Sound, Lights, Pro Presenter*

## **Sabbath School by (the) Sanctuary**

Hospitality: *Greeting, Breakfast, Set Up/Tear Down*

Tech: *Sound, Lights, Set Up/Tear Down*

## **Small Groups**

Leaders for:

Collegiate Girls

Young Dads

Young Professional Men

## **(the) Sanctuary Drama**

## **(the) Sanctuary Choir**

Pray for this huge new venture!

God bless you all!

Pastor Dan

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