

## message

### welcome message from pastor dan



WELCOME AND MERRY CHRISTMAS on this Christmas Sabbath! I hope as you read this you are already sitting in our beautiful Fellowship Hall, decorated to the hilt, and dining at our Christmas Breakfast Banquet. Enjoy the program, our children, youth, drama, carolers . . . all of it. If, like me, you have not had much time yet this month to get into the spirit of Christmas, we hope that

this quickly makes up for it!

**ORNAMENTS:** You should have been given an ornament, with a space to write your family's name, and a piece of paper to write prayer requests, praise reports, or special thoughts. We hope that you will take time to write something down that is very important to you and your family. When you come into *Divine Worship*, there will be specific times given to your ornament to the nearest attendant so that it can be hung in the sanctuary . . . then, like the incense in the original sanctuary, these Christmas thoughts will rise to the heart of God all day every day for the next two weeks. These are the real Christmas presents for which you all are hungry. We pray that God will grant you every request.

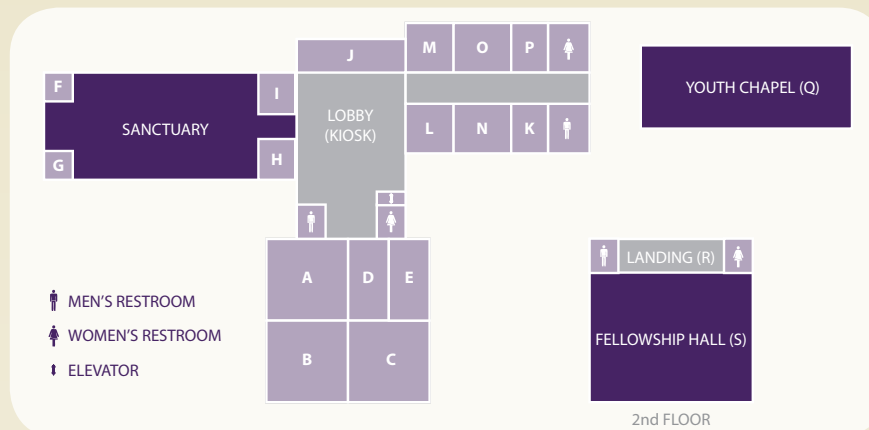
**DIVINE WORSHIP:** The biggest service of the year, one joint worship service again for this week, the whole church together—children, youth, young adults, Filipinos, Vietnamese, Spanish, members, guests, seekers, everyone—and God Himself! We hope you will be greatly blessed as we bring a highlight reel of our best, as our gift to you and to God. The message looks at another secular Christmas carol: *Santa Claus Is Coming to Town!* Which would you really rather have . . . God or Santa Claus? Do not answer too quickly, and be honest!

**CHRISTMAS EVE:** We hope most of you will return for Christmas Eve. We will start the program at 5:30pm, so you can still get home and have a wonderful Christmas Eve with your family. Why not start the "holy day" celebrating Jesus Himself, before you start with the food, presents, and football games! And bring something chocolate for the Chocolate Party on the way out, and see if you can resist the temptation to walk out with four or five desserts!

God bless you all . . . and have a fantastic Christmas!

Pastor Dan

## general information



loc	name	sabbath school (10:30am - 11:25am)
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 (Adult Class)
F	Choir Room	-
G	Elder's Room	-
H	Mother's Room	Vietnamese Class
I	Deacon's Room	-
J	North Room	Tom Neslund's Adult Class
K	Storage Room	-
L	Cradle Roll Room	Cradle Roll Class
M	Kindergarten Room	Kindergarten Class
N	Primary Room	Primary Class
O	Junior Room	Junior Class
P	Earliteens Room	Earliteen Class
Q	Youth Chapel	Youth Class
R	Fellowship Hall Landing	Contemporary Adults (future)
S	Fellowship Hall	<i>the Sanctuary Study</i> (Young Adults Class)

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# welcome to garden grove seventh-day adventist church

December 22, 2012  
Christmas Service



grace | everyone | everywhere | every time

## announcements & church news

### prayer requests

Alonso, Noemi	Jolly, Linda
Cutchlow-Brooks, Pam	Sneed, Helen
Harman, Judy	Stevenson, Donald

### upcoming events

Dates	Events
Today	Christmas Breakfast Banquet @ 8:30am in the Fellowship Hall
	<i>Santa Claus is Coming to Town!</i> - Dan Smith @ 11am in the Sanctuary
12/24 mon	Christmas Eve Candlelight Service @ 5:30pm in the Sanctuary
12/25 tue	Merry Christmas!
12/28 fri	<i>The Way</i> @ 7pm in the Youth Chapel
	Sabbath Welcome Service @ 6pm in the Fellowship Hall
12/30 sun	Pathfinder Snow Day! (see Sandra Caldwell for details)
1/1 tue	Happy New Year!
1/4 fri	<i>The Way</i> @ 7pm in the Youth chapel
2/8-23	Full Circle Evangelism

\*Details on events are available at the Concierge Desk and Church Office.

### refreshments@elevenses

Following *Divine Worship*, you are invited to enjoy Elevenses' hot and cold drinks and very special Christmas refreshments at the refreshment island outside the Back Parking lobby entrance.

## worship 11:00am

# divine worship

11:00am

SONGS OF GATHERING . . . . . GGSDA Praise Team

SPECIAL MUSIC . . . . . Sharon Verde  
*Who Would Imagine a King?*

WELCOME . . . . . GGSDA Pastoral Staff  
Dan Smith ~ Garrett Speyer ~ Shiphrah Fepulea'i

OPENING HYMN . . . . . Christmas Medley

INVOCATION . . . . . Shiphrah Fepulea'i

ADVENT READING. . . . . Melissa Sajid-Briceño  
*Peace*

SPECIAL MUSIC . . . . . The Conenant Singers  
*The Little Drummer Boy*

DRAMA VIDEO . . . . . Sanctuary Drama Team

SPECIAL MUSIC . . . . . Sharon Verde  
*Love Has Come For Me*

OFFERING CALL . . . . . Garrett Speyer

OFFERTORY . . . . . Junior Performing Arts

PRAISE AND WORSHIP . . . . . GGSDA Praise Team

MESSAGE. . . . . Dan Smith  
*Santa Claus Is Coming To Town*

RESPONSE . . . . . The Covenant Singers  
*What Kind of King?*

BENEDICTION. . . . . GGSDA Pastoral Staff  
Dan Smith ~ Garrett Speyer ~ Shiphrah Fepulea'i

POSTLUDE . . . . . Carol Meckstroth

Worship Planner: Melissa Sajid-Briceño

Offering: All 2012 contributions must be dated December 31, 2012 and turned into the church office by 11:59pm.

Sabbath Rest Ends: 4:48pm Tonight

Sabbath Welcome Starts: 4:56pm Friday

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

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### community announcements

#### Order Adventurer Club 2013 Calendars for Christmas Gifts Today at the Concierge Desk!

Place your order for Adventurer Club 2013 Calendars today at the Concierge Desk to make sure you get one for yourself or for Christmas presents, because there are only 50 calendars available this year! They are customized with pictures of our Adventurer children involved in club activities and the price is \$12.00 each. The Adventurers appreciate your generous support.

#### WOMEN OF FAITH Will Be September 14-15, 2013

Enjoy worshipping with thousands of women at Women of Faith in the Honda Center in Anaheim on September 14 and 15, 2013! Come and listen to wonderful music and life-changing stories. Tickets make wonderful birthday, shower, and Christmas gifts! Tickets sell quickly so sign up today. Payment plans are available. Contact Melissa Briceno at 714 814 0484 or jasmine8097@yahoo.com for detailed event and pricing information.

#### Pathfinders Will Serve a Pancake Breakfast Sunday, January 13, 2013 in the Fellowship Hall.

The Pathfinders are camping in the Fellowship Hall Sabbath, January 12 beginning at 6:30 p.m. so they can be prepared to serve their annual Pancake Breakfast Sunday morning at 9 a.m. The cost of breakfast is \$5 per person. Proceeds will go towards registration fees for the 2014 International Camporee in Oshkosh, Wisconsin.

#### SECC Junior High Bible Camp will be February 1-3, 2013 at Pine Springs Ranch

The main speakers for the SECC Junior High Bible Camp February 1 to 3, 2013 are Pastors Dante and Patty Marruffo, Associate Pastors at Azure Hills and Loma Linda University Churches. The theme this year is Identity. The program is designed to help our teens discover who they are and what God has in store for their lives in a time of decision and uncertainty. For more information please visit [www.seccyouth.com](http://www.seccyouth.com) or contact Liz Adams by phone at 951-509-2260 or by email at [liz.adams@seccsda.org](mailto:liz.adams@seccsda.org).