



Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church

Pastor Dan's Communiqué



January 31, 2013

Dear GGSDA Church Family--

As many of you know, Hilda and I are driving up Thursday for a family funeral on Hilda's side on Friday morning in Ripon. I do not know if it will be possible to send out any sort of newsletter from there, and some of this needs to get out right away. So here is a brief summary of the weekend plans, with a letter from our benevolent Czar of Potlucks in another email!

FRIDAY NIGHT:

No THE WAY. Instead there will be a large reunion for Bible Conference people up at La Sierra University.

DOUBT NIGHT has been transferred to Saturday night at 5:30pm, due to the Bible Conference and to our family funeral--we just could not figure out how to get back in time, by either driving or flying.

SABBATH:

I will be preaching at both worship services, the same sermon in both, on the woman caught in adultery in John 8:1-11. This story has all kinds of multiple levels of meaning, and I hope you will come to one of the services to hear it. Great music in both services, drama, and a pretty special baptism in the second service.

Potluck: See Earl's note in a separate email!

Adventurers and Pathfinders after church

Vietnamese Fellowship, 4:00pm

DOUBT NIGHT: 5:30-6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

A short praise set, and then the pastoral staff will take on any question that has bothered you, and tempted you to any level of doubt, now or in the past. This is not to stump the pastors--that you can do easily! And it is not a Bible Quiz! This is a chance for you, youth, young adults, visitors, anybody--to ask a question that has bothered you about God, the Bible, and faith.

HEALTH FAIR: 12:00-3:00pm, Sunday afternoon, Fellowship Hall

Watch for more details in a flyer we will hopefully still send out. Come and get some free information about how you're doing, invite somebody--an easy invite to get somebody to walk through our church! AND we'll get everybody home in time for the Super Bowl

CHILDREN'S FAIR: 12:00-3:00pm, Sunday afternoon, parking lot.

Lesieli Tameifuna has all kinds of cool stuff planned for kids--run, jump, games, snacks. For all our own kids, kids from the community, and kids of those coming to the Health Fair.

WIN A SOUL! We have about 400 names of those who have visited GGSDA in the past, that need somebody to take them a flyer this week. If all of you could take one and just drop it off on your way home Sabbath, it would help a lot! This will be organized efficiently in the lobby right after church--go to the sign for your town, take the next card on the stack, take a flyer, and hand it to someone, and who knows, it could make an eternal difference in somebody's life!

REMOTE: We are looking for the remote for the screen in the Fellowship Hall.

Condolences: Our deepest condolences to the family and patients of Dr. Ronald Gilbert, a urologist who was shot in Newport Beach this week, and the funeral was in Costa Mesa today. He was the partner of our own Dr. Rick and Lisa Holevas. Rick was down the hall when the patient shot the doctor, had to run down the hall, go into the examining room, face the shooter, get the gun away, take him to another room, and try to save the life of his partner for 20 years. Unfortunately the doctor did not survive. Dr. Gilbert was an orthodox Jew, I tried to slip into the funeral today to see the Holevas family, and there were thousands there, standing room only everywhere plus an overflow room. We are sick about what happened, but desperately proud of Dr. Rick for instantaneous courage.

God bless you all!

Pastor Dan