



## Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church Pastor Dan's Communiqué



October 4, 2013

My dear GGSDA Saints!

There is so much going on this weekend, all of it terrific stuff! We hope that you will find your way to some of these special programs and be part of a group, be "church" with people who believe an awful lot like you do, and be healed from all the pressure in OC that takes you away from God and spirituality and connectedness!

**THE WAY:** We have to start with THE WAY, which is tonight. Dinner at 7 pm, then worship/praise and a message.

The great news is that **Pastor Sara-May Colon**, our new youth pastor, is here! She and her mother drove across the country from Michigan to be here this week. She is basically camping in an apartment for a week waiting for her stuff to get her on the Conference van. But she's here, and will be at THE WAY tonight and SS and Church tomorrow!. Come down, bring your young people, welcome her, and get your kids connected to their new pastor!

**Youth Party:** After Divine Worship tomorrow, the Youth will have their own Welcome Party dinner outside in front of the Library.

They are putting out some great food, and this is for all the Earliteen and HS youth AND their families, because we want her to meet everybody.

**UPPER ROOM EXPERIENCE:** 7 pm tonight, Fellowship Hall. Planned by Lesieli Tameifuna and the Prayer Ministry Team, this will be beautifully decorated, and a great time to restore your soul with some of the very best people in the world who are all hungry to get closer to God. Music and prayer. It continues after church tomorrow from 1 until 4, followed by an Agape Feast!

### SABBATH:

**SANCTUARY (9:30): "Universal Majority"**--is our new sermon series, in both services. We move into a new era, a transition before our next Young Adult Pastor comes, with me, the new Youth Pastor, YA pastor candidates, and other guests filling the pulpit. The band is the same, we are going to have great worship. And this is a terrific series to invite somebody to. Here is their note:

"If you ever felt that you stand alone among when it comes to doing the right thing you need to hear a message of encouragement. God has many faithful that he has preserved. We are in the midst of a Great Controversy, and while in this world it seems that God's faithful are the minority, or that they stand alone, it is actually the opposite. We are on the majority side. The unfallen worlds, 2/3s of the angels of God and all the universe are on the side of God and his righteousness, and it is only here on earth where there is a battle raging that it seems we are on the losing side and where it seems evil is supreme, but we have to see life on the perspective of the Great Controversy to see the truth and to take heart."

Watch the YouTube Promo Link - <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=LSqLpEusUtc>

**SABBATH SCHOOL (10:30)** All Sabbath Schools will continue. But here is a special note for the SANCTUARY YOUNG ADULT SS from the new leader of the SS team, Tiffany Kim:

I'm excited to announce that this week we're refreshing the Sanctuary Study (Young Adult Sabbath School) format! We will engage in thought-provoking, faith-deepening discussions with other young adults and together search the Bible and our hearts for answers to our toughest questions. Come with an open heart and mind, be ready to hear diverse perspectives, and challenge and support each other to deepen your relationship with God.

This week, we will discuss our answers to these questions and seek some answers from the Bible: **Is Heaven real? Does it exist now? Why should the existence of Heaven matter to me?** Meet us at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall! Refreshments will be served."

**DIVINE WORSHIP (11:30):** We have a great special music guest Sabbath, Robbie Britt, who they say sings like Wintley Phipps! Our praise team has a great set planned, and we have a very special person who has held out for awhile but who announced last week that she was ready to be baptized this Sabbath! We will lead, for the last 10 minutes, into the holy moments of Communion as we receive the bread and juice and get a taste of what we will feel when we get to see the Cross ourselves in the Last Day video at the end of the Thousand Years!

**UPPER ROOM:** Fellowship Hall after Church, prayer, music, and both Pastor Michelle and I have short messages between 3:15 and 4, leading into the Agape Feast at 4.

**VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP: 4 pm, Youth Chapel.**

**VESPERS: 6:30 pm, Fellowship Hall.**

**BOWLING SUNDAY: 10 am, Concourse Bowling, 3364 E La Palma Ave Anaheim, CA 92806. (714) 666-2695. \$10 if you signed up early or got a scholarship, or \$13 if you just join at the door. Breakfast and 2 hours of bowling! Family Life Ministry!**

**YOUNG ADULTS: Trunk or Treat: Saturday October 26**

A safe alternative to Halloween. People decorate the back of their trunks and kids are going from car to car collecting candies in their costumes. Parents can keep a watchful eye on their kids while they have fun. It's an outreach geared towards the young adults who have kids as well as the rest of the children in the church and community. It'll be from 6:30pm - 8pm, it will be at the church parking lot. We will have a table out this Saturday after church so people can sign up to decorate their car for the event. We are hoping to get at least 20 cars signed up!

That's the news for GGSDA as far as I know it!

God bless you all!

Pastor Dan