

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

November 15, 2013



Dear Saints of GGSDA!

First, we'd like to thank all of you who went online to contribute to the Philippines relief effort. We have already sent over \$10,000, and thanks to the possibilities of modern communications within about 3 hours the truck began to roll from the Mission office to the coast where the devastation is. We hope to send the truck several more times this week, and so we are going to give everybody one more chance to give tomorrow.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE:

THE WAY: 7 PM Food, 8 pm Music and Message

SANCTUARY SERVICE (9:30am): Nathan Smith and the Sanctuary Praise Band right at 9:30, after you snatch some breakfast on the way in! I have the message "When You're Facing a Goliath", as part of the "Against the Grain" series.

TRADITIONAL SERVICE (11:30am): Classic hymns, powerful choir anthems, and a message from the iconic story of David vs. Goliath. And a video report on the Philippines relief project.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH (11:30am): Fellowship Hall--stories, crafts, and a short message right on their level!

YOUNG ADULT SS: "This week at the Sanctuary Study, we will discuss the dynamics between **conviction and compassion**. The Bible suggests both have their place in the Christian walk; however, **do issues facing us individually, and as a church, put these two qualities at odds with one another? If so, how do we determine which one prevails in the given situation and thus controls our action?"**

Please take a moment to complete our <u>Fall 2013 GGSDA Sanctuary Study (Young Adult Sabbath</u> <u>School) Survey (https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/JSKJQNH)</u>. We want to hear from you! One lucky winner will receive a \$20 Amazon gift certificate! The survey will be closed on 11/16.

SPANISH POTLUCK: Our Hispanic members are invited to a potluck in the Boardroom, as we pray and plan for the Spanish Fellowship for the future, how we can grow and expand into our large Hispanic community.

VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP: 4 pm, Youth Chapel.

Young Adult Leadership Team: 6:30, Boardroom

YOUNG ADULT PASTOR SEARCH: Pastor Tony Wuerfel, a youth/young adult pastor from the Washington Conference, is flying in with his family and will speak for all of our services next weekend. He has been a Bible teacher and a pastor. He has been a leader of a Christian band that toured the country. He has been part of at least two major-league startup young adult ministries. He has recently been part of a project of taping a set of great, great videos on Christ in the Seven Churches.

There will be a meal for all young adults after church in the Fellowship Hall, with a chance to hang out with Pastor Tony! And then there will be a Roundtable interview at about 2:00 for all young adults and sponsors who would like to ask Tony some questions.

The Search Committee will meet Monday night, and should lead to a prayerful decision and recommendation to the Church Board the next night and the Conference Executive Committee (Dec. 5). We would love to have a new pastor here sometime in the middle of January, God willing!

**We need two car-seats that someone is not using right now so that the family would not have to cart 2 on the plane with them! The children are 1 and 3 years old. Please call the Church Office or call me (951-236-7262).

PHILIPPINES: Here is a report on the relief efforts from *Adventist Today*. <u>http://www.atoday.org/article/2154/news/november/the-international-community-responds-to-the-humanitarian-crisis-in-the-philippines</u>

God bless! Pastor Dan

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