

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

November 22, 2013



## **Dear Saints of GGSDA!**

I am just ready to slip out the door to do a funeral in Orange County for an old family friend, and so will send out these announcements from all our ministries. I hope that everybody knows by now that we have a terrific young potential young adult pastor coming in this week, Pastor Tony Wuerfel, and his wife, Danielle, and their two young children. He has been a teacher for many years in Colorado, a touring musician, he speaks often for youth and young adult meetings and weeks of prayer, and has been producing a series of videos on the book of Revelation, especially the Seven Churches, from a Christ-centered perspective. He is speaking for all our services this weekend, with a different message each time. The Young Adults can interview him at 2 Sabbath afternoon, the staff will interview Monday at 5, the Search Committee at 7 Monday, and then pray their way to a recommendation, we hope! Then our own Church Board and the Conference Committee and we hope to have our pastoral staff complete again!

FOOD BAGS: This is the Sabbath when many of us bring bags of food to help our Community Service make Thanksgiving special for all our families that we help every week. We are pretty desperate for help. If you can bring a bag of food and bring it to the Concierge Desk before 11:30—at 11:40 our Pathfinders and Adventurers will march in with it and create a mountain of food on our platform! Please try to take time to do this. We raised \$30,000 for the Philippines, but this week we need food right here, right now! Thanks!

EVANGELISM: Next Weekend, "The Ultimate Thanksgiving," with Michael Tuazon. Friday night, both services Sabbath morning, Saturday night, all in the Fellowship Hall except for 9:30 Sabbath am. Dinner, gifts, drama, mission report from Cuba-and 4 great, biblical, new Christ-centered messages from Michael Tuazon!

THE WAY: Tonight, Friday night, 7 pm food, 8 pm music and message by Pastor Tony. Youth Chapel. We need and want all youth and sponsors here if possible!

SANCTUARY (9:30) and SECOND SERVICE (11:30).

YOUNG ADULT SS (10:30, FH): See note below.

Lunch (1) and Roundtable (2), Young Adults, Fellowship Hall.

FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP (2:30, Youth Chapel): Music, and I have the message this week.

### VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP (4:00, Youth Chapel).

SMALL GROUPS (4 pm, Library): We are asking that all current small group leaders, and anybody else interested in being a part of a small group, to join us in the Library. Arthur Tupai and I will have short teachings about small groups, and we will get organized for December! Our dream is to add 5-10 small groups in December to those already going, tied to a great new Bible series on the Gospel of Luke from Christmas to Easter. The small groups will study and discuss the same passages as the sermons, to make the passages work out on the street!

### YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT THANKSGIVING BANQUET, Saturday night, Fellowship Hall.

#### YOUNG ADULT SS: 10:30 am, Fellowship Hall, Breakfast and Lesson Discussion.

Note from Tiffany Kim: "Thank you to all who participated in the Sanctuary Study (Young Adult Sabbath School) Survey! Congratulations to ad\*\*\*\*\*\*94, who just received a \$20 Amazon gift certificate.

Based on the feedback we received from the survey, we will launch a new series beginning this coming Sabbath. We will discuss what makes Seventh-Day Adventists unique from other Christians by studying the 28 Fundamental Beliefs. During each lesson, we will provide a Biblical basis for each of these beliefs and discuss practical applications of these beliefs in our individual lives.

This Sabbath we will discuss an overview of the fundamental beliefs, and cover the first belief regarding how God reveals himself to us through Scripture. Please review the material at the following link: http://www.adventist.org/beliefs/god/holy-

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Bring a friend and meet us at 10:30am in the Fellowship Hall! Breakfast will be provided.

GRACE UNIVERSITY: We are one week away from a great weekend of evangelism. We hope you are thinking about and praying about somebody to invite to the weekend with Pastor Michael Tuazon!

For those who are already a part of the Grace University Team and others interested, here is an update from Paula Hollmon, our GU Administrator:

"Greetings from Paula's Corner's and Grace University: Thank God for all of you! God has given us opportunities based on our level of ability. God accessed our ability before He released the opportunity to contact and form relationships with everyone in our Interest List. He knew what we could handle before He gave it to us!

Tomorrow there will be a table set up in the lobby, please come by and pick up flyers to be distributed to your assigned contacts. "The Ultimate Thanksgiving" is coming soon and we want everyone there-Why? Because Jesus will be there!!! May the Holy Spirit continue to encourage you."

YOUNG ADULT OUTREACH: Orangewood Children's Home, Friday night, Dec. 6. Note from Elianna Campos: "Hello Church Family...As the holidays are approaching, I find myself reflecting on the many blessings God has poured on me especially that of my family. Each year the young adult ministry hosts an activity for the children at the Orangewood Children's Home and this year will be no different. For those of you who are new to this ministry, Orangewood Children's Home is a 24-hour emergency shelter care facility, operated and owned by the County of Orange Social Services Agency for children who have been abused, abandoned, and/or neglected. We are so blessed to spend the holidays with our loved ones but many of these kids are not as fortunate. For that reason, the young adults invite YOU to join us in bringing a bit of holiday cheer to these children. Unfortunately, per agency regulations, all participants/ volunteers must be 18 or older but you can still help by donating snacks (juice boxes, cookies, fruit snacks, Rice Krispy treats etc.) to our cause. Donations can be given to a young adult or dropped off at the church office. If you have any questions or would like to be a part of this outreach, please contact Elianna Campos at (714)797-0515. We hope you can join us! Place: Orangewood Children's Home. 401 The City Dr. S. Orange, CA 92868. Date: Friday, Dec 06, 2013. Time: 6pm-8pm (P

#### **CHILDREN MINISTRIES:**

"We are proud to announce Garden Grove's monthly Newsletter for children. You may obtain it at the church's concierge desk. We encourage all children to write a short spiritual story/testimony to be included in upcoming issues. Any ideas the children may have please forward them to childrensministry@gardengrovesda.com or atfamilylifeminister@gardengrovesda.com. Please enjoy November's Newsletter!" Pastor Michelle Kiziak

God bless you all! Pastor Dan

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