



Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church

Pastor Dan's Communiqué



February 28, 2014

Dear Church!

I have no idea whether God sends rain when people pray--but either way, we are all thankful for the rain! I've been trying to figure out how to sneak two hours of skiing into the schedule for Sunday!

HYMNFEST: Last call for the Hymnfest at 7:00pm tonight, Orangewood Academy, choirs coming from all over. Pastor Sara-May has cancelled THE WAY for tonight, encouraging everybody to head over to OA, but they will have a special THE WAY party in one of the rooms over there after the concert!

SABBATH:

SANCTUARY (9:30am): Just to remind you all that anybody and everybody is welcome at our contemporary worship service. Everybody worships and hears God their own way, and if that is the way you hear and worship God best--then get up and get in the car and come for the first notes of the band and hear our new pastor, **Pastor Tony**, preach his heart out about the character of God in his new series for March.

DIVINE WORSHIP (11:30am): We know both services are divine worship and are searching for a new name for the second service, but it is Divine Worship for now! Everybody is back from travel and camping and choir trips and so we look forward to a grand worship service with our elite praise team back on, a baptism, and a message that takes on one of the hardest questions we get asked all the time: **WHERE HAVE ALL THE MIRACLES GONE?"** There are at least 12 healing miracles in Luke, besides all the other miracles and casting demons out. If Jesus is still running things from the heavenly Sanctuary, and the Spirit is still here--then why aren't we having all the same miracles all the time now?

SABBATH SCHOOL (10:30am): For your own sake, and for any children you have's sake--buy in to Sabbath School! Every room in the Church is filled with people and kids and young people with a Bible in their hand or on a screen, discussing and hammering out what it means to be a God-person in the real world.

The Young Adults are upstairs, trying out a bit of a different format tomorrow--come check it out! My Pastor's Bible Class is in the Pathfinder Room, Filipinos have split into 4 classes in the Community Services Center, Arthur Kiziak has a class in my office, besides Youth, Earliteen, and all the others in their various rooms.

POTLUCK (1:00pm): Potluck should be full tomorrow, a terrific time to mix with everybody, and gives all of us 9 pastors and Bible workers a great chance to hang out with all of you. We hope you'll stay!

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY (2:45pm): Because this is Religious Liberty Sabbath, we will have a panel discussion in one corner of the FH after the potluck, and discuss and gently debate some of the hottest issues in religious liberty, several which have come up this very week--the veto of the law in AZ about serving gays, do caterers have to serve a same-sex wedding reception, etc. etc.

PATHFINDERS & ADVENTURERS: Regular meetings tomorrow. The Pathfinders will be finishing their kites for Kite Day, the next day in San Diego.

FILIPINO FELLOWSHIP (3:00pm): Bible study and social night.

VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP (4:00pm): Youth Chapel.

SATURDAY NIGHT:

Movie Night, 5:30 pm, Fellowship Hall: "The Medallion"

Food will be on sale--veggie dogs, nachos, drinks, etc.

Orangewood Academy Playoff Basketball Games:

BOTH teams are in the playoff semifinals, and we are hosting both! Saturday night, Girls, 6:30; Boys, 8:30. The gym has to be cleared after the first game and you will have to pay again if you want to watch the 2nd game--CIF rules! The visiting teams will have a huge fan base show up, so it's up to us to be there to support the Spartans!

Hope we see you at the Hymnfest!

God bless--
Pastor Dan