

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

March 14, 2014



Dear Saints of Garden Grove!

The Sabbath is minutes away. By the time you get this it will have come. No alarms will go off. The lights will not blink. No referee will blow the whistle, throw the ball up, and start the game. It will just slip in. It will be all around you. God will fill the time just as much as if He was where you could see Him. But will the Sabbath enter into you?

The weekend is rich and full! Here is everything I know about:

THE WAY: 7pm tonight, Drama, Pastor Mu, theme: "Beatless March".

SANCTUARY (9:30am): Pastor Tony and the worship band will lead our worship for the first time, which sets this Sabbath off as pretty special just for that! I have the message, "I'M JUST NOT LIKE THAT!", continuing Pastor Tony's series about the Character of God, looking at the story of the young adult who was blind from birth, and everybody thought it was God's punishment for either his sin or his parents' sin. Does God ever punish? Are there two sides to God--His love on one side, and His holy righteous punishment on the other side?

DIVINE WORSHIP (11:30am): Pastor Sara-May has a terrific message ("Deviled Ham!") ready for you about the story of Jesus' sending the demons into the pigs and over the cliff. I think it's going to stretch your mind AND bless your soul! An absolutely terrific praise team was practicing last night--it's going to be a great worship service.

Children's Church: NEW TIME - 11:45am. This Sabbath, March 15 in the Fellowship Hall. Come and enjoy learning about the life of Jesus and the awesome stories of the Bible! Activities, crafts and snack time will follow. Sabbath's story entitled "MOVE YOUR BIG HEAD" will be brought to us by Pastor Mu, based on Luke 2 and 19.

MINISTRY FAIRE / HAYSTACKS LUNCH(12:45pm): Right after church many of our ministries will have tables outside with desserts AND information about their various ministries. AND at the Refreshment Stand and on tables will be all the fixings for haystacks, so stay and eat with us and hang out with the Church on the patio.

BAPTISM (3:30pm): We are thrilled to have a baptism for 3 precious people, from our Filipino ministry (Jong, Octavio, and Nicole), getting baptized at 3:30pm at Corona del Mar. Get to Pacific Coast Highway, turn right on Marguerite, right at the beach, and drive down into the parking lot or look for something up on the bluff. Facing the ocean, the cove is over a hill to the right. There's be singing, 3 very cold pastors baptizing these 3 brave people (who chose this!), and much hugging and picture-taking afterwards, and snacks by the Fellowship. A very cool way to spend Sabbath afternoon!

VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP (4pm): Youth Chapel.

YOUNG ADULTS: Hot tubbing and hanging out at the Coetzee's, 10581 Summer Grove Lane, Huntington Beach. 5pm on.

YOUTH: Roller skating with the youth from La Sierra University Church, in Riverside. 7:45 to 11 pm. RiversideCity2001. \$10, covers skating and pizza!

SUNDAY: Orangewood Academy Workbee--8-2pm: All alumni, parents of students, and people who love and believe in Christian education, are invited to come to our annual workbee to make OA as perfect as we can! Painting, spreading the dirt on the new ball field, tree trimming, something for everybody. Great breakfast and lunch included. If you are handy, can use a chainsaw, etc., we could really use you! But all of us found something important to do, and it really makes a difference and was just plain fun to be with this servant group of people.

MONDAY NIGHT: GRACE UNIVERSITY, 7:30pm, Fellowship Hall

Really looking for everybody there if at all possible.

Next Sabbath: Wedgood Trio in the morning and Vespers (6:30pm). March 29--Huge concert Saturday night Easter Weekend--Friday night, Breakfast Banquet, Easter Worship Service, Sunday beach Sonrise Service! April 18-19-20

Have a great weekend, everybody! Pastor Dan