

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



June 13, 2014

Dear Saints of GGSDA!

We will slip down to the La Sierra University Church in a few minutes, to watch our son, and many other friends' sons and daughters, walk down the aisle to be Consecrated to God as part of their Graduation. We started with a little Home School 17-18 years ago, and now here we are. We were thrilled to "graduate" 50 of our own GGSDA young people last Sabbath. We cannot get to every graduation everywhere, but please know that we are immensely proud of all of them. We're thinking of Collin Monty, graduating from PUC this weekend, Andy Arteaga graduating this weekend here also, all the others marching at HS football stadiums and gyms all over Orange County. We pray a special blessing on all of them. These rituals or rites of passage are holy and sacred and give us a sense of movement and direction and accomplishment, and we hope that each one who graduates feels the deep approval and pleasure of God.

FILIPINIANA: Saturday Night, 7 pm, Fellowship Hall. This is going to be a great night, with music, cultural dancing, a great choir singing folk songs straight from the Philippines. Dinner at 7, Program at 8:10 right after sundown. \$20 a person, some tickets left. All of the money goes to rebuild the school we are helping rebuild in Palawan that was flattened by the typhoon. We have already done two classrooms, this will finish the other two.

A quick review of the weekend

THE WAY is back in full force, 7:30 pm for pizza, 8 pm for Worship, praise with Nathan and band, and a message by Mu Filemu.

SANCTUARY / FIRST SERVICE: 9:30 am with worship, and I have the message, from Galatians 3:15-25, "What Good Is the Law?" If you have struggled with the questions about how to balance law and grace, get there by 9:30, stand and worship God, and then engage with one of the classic grace passages in the Bible! We have to leave after SS to go to our son's graduation, so would love to see you if you can get up in time for this service!

DIVINE WORSHIP / SECOND SERVICE: 11:30 am, our last time to have our choir lead worship under the leadership of Nancy and David. They have been with us for three years, and have given us many powerful, moving moments of worship. We give God thanks for the gift of giving them to us for this season, and pray for a blessing on them as they go to whatever is next.

Because we will leave after teaching my Pastor's Class to get to our son's graduation at 12, Pastor Michelle is preaching, with a super intriguing title, "A SMOKING WEEK!" I'm pretty sure it's not what you might think, but she's got you thinking, doesn't she?!

Children's Ministry Announcements:

10 Commandment Reminder!!! For the those who attended the Sabbath School Promotion Program last Sabbath remember we have a special moment and token for all the children who have worked hard this week in memorizing the 10 Commandments as found in Exodus 20. You still have time do work on this.

* Children's Church on JUNE 21 at 11:40 am

We are having a special Children's Church program that will include a Communion and Footwashing Service. Snack Time, Craft Time, and Kids Bible Study group will follow. Invite your friends and family!

* IT'S COMING SOON...Vacation Bible School this July! We enjoyed a tremendous 2013 Vacation Bible School! This year will be another awesome year. Start inviting family and friends. Please stay tuned for all the details! If you would like to volunteer or have inquiries please feel free to email them to childrensministry@gardengrovesda.com

We've got to go! God bless you all, and we hope we see you in the morning! Pastor Dan

Attachments

- Kids Church Announcement.JPG
- VBS 2014 Poster (1).pdf