



# Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church

## Pastor Dan's Communiqué



October 24, 2014

Dear Friends--

I dropped a set of lessons off late last night for some people who have just been here a few weeks from another country. Going to Orangewood, writing papers on the SDA Fundamental Beliefs when weeks ago they had no religion at all! And to hear the teenager say--"I think I am beginning to believe there is a God!" Many questions, but he's come that far! Another young man, over lunch, as he gets an answer to a question he had wrestled with all his life, said--"Pastor Dan, we have to write this down. All my friends have these same questions. We need to write a book together!" One by one--to help people turn in their old picture of God for a new one--that's why GGSDA is here, our mission--and when it happens it's better than ice cream!

And so we go into a new weekend after two fantastic weekends with the Heritage Singers and Pastor Jon Henderson--thank you to everybody who came, and you could hear the buzz everywhere--and the buzz was about God. Terrific messages.

The big event this weekend is the **INTERNATIONAL BANQUET, 6:30 pm, Saturday night. 17 countries, food, clothes, culture, music. All free this year!**

**THE WAY** tonight--7 pm food, 7:30 music and message and hanging out with Pastor Sara-May and the group!

### **SABBATH SCHEDULE:**

**FIRST SERVICE:** 9:30 contemporary service in the Sanctuary--the band and worship, and then an interview, as Pastor Tony interviews a panel of Elder Penick, Pastor Sara-May, and me, on the issue of "Equality", about each of our stories where we have been involved in the issues of women in ministry and racism, etc. Pretty hot topic right now, hope you can get there in time, love to have you as part of this conversation. Then Pastor Tony will wrap it all up with his homily on equality in the Kingdom of God.

**SECOND SERVICE:** 11:30, with our praise team, drama team, a gift for every child who is there, and the message that starts a new series on **LAST DAYS: READY TO GO!** What does it take to have a house built on the rock instead of on the sand? Is it really "just grace," or is there a final surge we all need be in in order to make the final cut?

**EVANGELISM COMMITTEE / GRACE UNIVERSITY--**Our first chance to meet with Elder Robert Edwards, coming February 21 to do meetings at GGSDA. We will meet upstairs for a light potluck, and then have a one-hour planning meeting.

**VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP: 4 pm, Youth Chapel.** Just for a quick Save the Date--April 25 will be a huge event, the 40th anniversary of the airlift out of Saigon, which a number of our members were part of. Elder Ralph Watts who was the key figure in that airlift, will be here to tell the story, and we are inviting all of those who were to come for a grand reunion--will be a great weekend.

**INTERNATIONAL BANQUET! 6:30 PM, FELLOWSHIP HALL.**

**VOICE OF PROPHECY special event, Pomona, Sabbath Afternoon.**

Check their website for location.

**MONDAY NIGHT:** Bible study/small group, 7:30 pm, Board Room, **John 4, the Woman at the Well.** Having a great time going through verse by verse, much gospel and character of God! If can't come to this one, join of Pastor Tony's groups, or start one--we are happy to get you the outlines and the questions if you need them!

God bless!  
Pastor Dan