



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



March 6, 2015

Dear all you saints of GGSDA / OC Grace!

In the next 2 hours, people will make a decision about driving down to the meeting tonight--and an hour later some will make a decision that could affect their spiritual future and every other kind of future, forever! As pastors and evangelists we call it the Valley of Decision--when people can feel the tug of the Holy Spirit, and know they should take their stand for God--but other voices are pulling them away. Pray for them, love them--or maybe you yourself are part of the group mulling over what you should do!

Anyway, there will be more great food, the praise team has been terrific, and then the preacher will put the text on the screen and begin to preach. We claim every night for God to fulfill His promise in Jeremiah 1--"I will put My Word in your mouth!" **Dinner at 6:45, Meeting right at 7:30 pm.**

If you or someone in your family is in that Valley--just know that we have filled the baptismal tank, and we will keep it filled all through March. We are ready tomorrow, and will be ready for every Sabbath. Several have already put their name down for a Sabbath later this month, and no doubt others will decide tonight or tomorrow night.

We will also be having smaller but similar follow-up meetings for the next 3 weeks:

Wednesday nights, 7-8 pm

Friday nights, 7:30-8:30 pm

Sabbath mornings in my class, 10:40-11:25

These meetings will be shorter, and not have a full meal or Children's programming, drama, etc.

BUT there will be a great message with the slides and texts, but with more opportunity to ask questions and have some dialogue with the speaker. These meetings are for everyone--our guests and visitors who have been coming, those planning on baptism, those who have been bringing visitors--and whoever else who just leaves to hear the message. Shorter, perhaps smaller--but still powerful messages from the Bible!

THIS WEEKEND:

SEARCH FOR TRUTH--7:30 pm tonight

No THE WAY this weekend, but back in full swing next week.

OC GRACE FIRST: 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall

SABBATH SCHOOL: 10:30-11:20 am, everywhere

DIVINE WORSHIP: 11:30-12:45, Sanctuary

Pastor Edwards / Drama / Prayer for Basketball teams / Quintet

FELLOWSHIP DINNER--1:00 pm, Fellowship Hall

VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP, 4 pm, Youth Chapel

SEARCH FOR TRUTH--7:30pm Saturday night, Fellowship Hall

Last Official Night

THE HAZEL PROJECT:

Many of us are banding together to send over some support to Hazel Alvarenga, one of our terrific young adults, helped so much getting the First Service started--who is teaching first grade as a student missionary on the island of Yap until the end of May. Over the next week we hope to raise some money to pay for one month's tuition for all 11 of her students. We also want to send over school supplies, toys, library books, whatever else we can do that would be a blessing to her and those kids. We will show a video in both services tomorrow.

The goal is \$671 for the 11 students' tuition, or \$61 per student if you want to scholarship one child. Mark the envelope: **"THE HAZEL PROJECT"** and give it by March 14

Here is a list of what else they could use. Either give money for it or bring it to the Concierge Desk by Sabbath, March 14:

1. BOOKS--beginning level reading books (new, used, anything)--buy at consignment stores
2. SCHOOL SUPPLIES--wide-ruled notebooks, wide-ruled filler paper, pencils, big pink erasers, folders, color pencils, crayons, markers, index cards, pencil pouches, watercolor paint, watercolor pencils, modeling clay, construction paper
3. BIBLE-RELATED ITEMS: Children's Bibles, card games, Bible stories, puzzles, coloring books
4. PRIZES: Small candy (Jolly Ranchers and lollipops), small toys, puzzles, card games, coloring books, bubble bottles, action figures, puppets, toy cars, planes, beach balls, water balloons, prizes from kids' meals.

Let's blow them away with love from Hazel's home church!

God bless you all!

Pastor Dan