



Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church

Pastor Dan's Newsletter



April 3, 2015

Happy Easter to each one of you!

We have already sent out an email with the weekend schedule, but a quick review and a few other notes:

TONIGHT: GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE, 7:30 pm, Fellowship Hall

MOVIE: 'THE PASSION OF JESUS CHRIST'

Edited to fit the time and to reduce much of the violence in the movie

And we will pause several times to discuss different scenes, and to answer questions

The Youth and others are all joining us, bring your family, we have tried to make it suitable

Light supper from 7:00 to 7:30 pm

SABBATH SERVICES:

9:30 am--FIRST SERVICE--OC GRACE FIRST: Here to the One!

Pastor Tony has been studying the Cross for some time, to have a clear understanding of what is happening.

How can we lift up the Cross, without saying something terrible about an angry God demanding blood?

Does somebody really have to be tortured in order for God to forgive?

It will all come out in this potentially truly memorable message! I can hardly wait to hear it myself!

No Sabbath Schools tomorrow

11:00 am--SECOND SERVICE: DIVINE WORSHIP

Triumphal Entry Processional, Original Drama, highlight reel choir with orchestra

Message: "SRO!". Then the Resurrection and the Hallelujah Chorus!

12:45 pm: EASTER BANQUET, Fellowship Hall, terrific menu

(And it's not too late to contribute a dessert--pick up some ice cream, anything!)

4:00 pm, VIETNAMESE FELLOWSHIP, I have the Easter Message

Ms. Bernita Waller Memorial Service: We are sad to have to announce that Bernita Waller passed away about 2 weeks ago. We didn't know where any family was, and weren't sure of our role in announcing it. We have finally located her family, and they turned out to be long-time friends of mine from high school in Singapore.

The Graveside Memorial Service will be in Loma Linda at the Montecito Funeral Home and Mortuary on Washington/Barton Road at 3 pm next Thursday, April 9.

McCoubrey Note: As you all know, Earl and Julie were married in a lovely wedding and reception last Saturday night. They are still floating through the week, though they have been busy merging households, and were at our small group Wednesday night and will help us with the meal tonight. They were blown away by the attendance, love, and support from their church family, and they have written a collective thank-you note below, besides whatever they write to specific individuals who helped them.

"Dear Church Family,

If we were busy busy before our wedding, we are certainly no less so now, after our wedding. We are busy moving Julie into her new (new to her) home, busy integrating our lives, and busy opening and enjoying the many gifts that people have chosen and prepared for us. It's a pleasure writing a personal note to each person who gave us a gift and/or played a role in producing our wedding; that's a lot of writing, every bit of it a joy as we get to concentrate our thoughts on each person for those several minutes. Of course, we paused to view the many photos of our wedding and our friends and family members that Maggie took for us.

We want to take a moment to express our thanks and appreciation to all of our friends who made our wedding and reception happen. How glorious it is to have our heads and hearts full of these precious memories of the evening of March 28, 2015. Becoming married was certainly a joy, but doing so with the help and participation of all our friends here at church made for super-joy. Without all the help we received, our wedding would never have been like this; absolutely beautiful and profound.

Again, from the both of us (now one), and with love to you all, Thank You!

Earl and Julie McCoubrey"