

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



March 4, 2016

Dear Garden Grove / OC GRACE People—

What a week! Crazy politics everywhere on the news. An Adventist doctor drops out from running for President. A former Conference president in our sister Conference, Elder Larry Caviness, passed away, just months after retiring. Steph Curry made an unbelievable shot to win a game in the last second. The Clippers came back from 22 down to win. The Ducks have been the best team in hockey since Christmas. In India all the doors are up on the restrooms at our school, the fans are up, 90 kids are sleeping on mattresses for the first time.

Pray for me as I drive down to San Marcos SDA Church near Escondido to preach for these three nights for their evangelistic series. Michael Tuazon started it off, but I have the last weekend—Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights—may the Gospel be clear and the picture of God glorify Him!

SPECIAL CHOIR: We are thrilled to have a special gospel choir for Second Service tomorrow. This is the special request and gift from our own Peter Jarrett, and is just going to be fantastic. Don't miss!

And I hope that you will come for the sermon. I am going to take on the great challenge of trying to figure out, What verses and commands in the Bible are for everybody, everywhere, forever and ever—and which were just for a temporary time and place and culture, and we can look for the principle behind it and keep that, but the specific command is not in force in the same way today? The Chapter 9 in Steps to Christ, "A Knowledge of God".

FELLOWSHIP DINNER: Is tomorrow right after church. The Pathfinders and Adventurers will be joining us again, with special tables designated just for them, and a guaranteed place first in line, right at 1 pm. We hope you will choose to stay with us, bring a dish if you can, and help us be "the Church" as we hang out there together.

YOUTH: There is no THE WAY tonight, but will be next Friday night March 18.

MEXICO MISSION TRIP: Final invitation to sign up if anybody else wants to go—March 20-23, near Tecate. About 13 going as of now.

NOTE FROM OUR NEWLY ORDAINED ELDER SARA-MAY: "THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU!!! For the amazing love and support from everyone for my ordination. You showed my friends and family love as well as blew my mind with your support for me! I am honoured to be able to share space with you all! Hugs!"

DAVID PARKS MEMORIAL SERVICE: The service for Elder David Parks (father of our own Tim & Kimber Parks and Heidi & John Edberg, grandfather to Paige and Jake) is tomorrow, Sabbath afternoon, at 4 pm at the Azure Hills SDA Church, 22633 Barton Road, Grand Terrace. Take 22 to 55 to 91 almost to Loma Linda. Go off on Barton Road, to the right, and it goes right to the church on the right.

COMING UP:

EASTER REVIVAL: We think we have something special planned for that Resurrection Weekend, and something to invite somebody to.

Friday Night—7:30 pm—Passover Seder Service, with a group that does Jewish traditional religious dance as part of the Seder Service. In a beautiful atmosphere with candles and soups and fruit, we will experience a typical Passover Service, interpreted through Christ as the Lamb who takes away the sins of the world!

Sabbath Morning: Easter Breakfast Banquet 8:30-10:45, Fellowship Hall

Easter Worship Service—11:00, a Sermon in Song, mixing preaching and music highlights.

Resurrection Hallelujah 6 pm. A Sunday morning Resurrection service, moved to Saturday, with the most upbeat, alive Gospel music and preaching we can find!

God bless you all!

Pastor Dan