



Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church

Pastor Dan's Newsletter



May 6, 2016

Dear Friends—

So what are you going to do for your mother Sunday? You all have one, in case you have forgotten! If she's gone, light a candle or go put some flowers where she is. But if she's here—give her a call, a dinner, a visit. Honor her, put a smile on her face and in her heart! Both main worship services will honor mothers tomorrow, both sermons (I know, since I have both this week)—and flowers and pictures and hugs and special prayer. Make sure your mother is there if you can!

May the Sabbath wash over you with relief and peace! Let the week go. Some were in the mess on 91 last night. Whatever battles you had to fight, stress you had to deal with, crazy people who made life a little harder—let it all go—and wrap up the week, with the good and the bad, and put it on the shelf, it's done—and meet God halfway when He comes down in a few minutes to be with you!

PATHFINDERS—not only will we be honoring our mothers—but we will be honoring our Pathfinders and Adventurers. A parade to the iconic song, and honors quickly hung on each one. Everybody needs to be famous for something, and this is a day for these kids to be famous, so let them feel it during their few minutes on stage and outside afterwards!

FELLOWSHIP DINNER has been moved down to next Sabbath, May 14, so that the Fellowship Hall can be set up for a big wedding in our church, as our bachelor Jason Bethen marries an absolutely terrific woman, Allison, that he got back in touch with a while ago. We will also have Pastor Gerald back May 14 for Second Service, playing the piano and preaching and telling stories about their ministry to Muslim's around the world. He will then present more music and give a Seminar on "Ministry to Muslim's" upstairs after the potluck. **Why not plan to bring a dish and stay for the Seminar—it's not long, but people have very much appreciated it the last two years.**

UPDATES: The \$15,000 for the **X-ray machine** for the hospital in India and about \$9500 to upgrade the terrible **girls' dorm restrooms** went out this week, along with about \$19,000 raised from the people going to Thailand, to get all of the Bible studies and other preparations ready for the **17 Crusades** that will be held over there. People are cutting felts everywhere for the 17 sets that we are taking to give to the 17 churches.

The **Basketball Court** team met this week, and all the plan are about ready to go to the City for approval—it is going to be absolutely terrific. AND the **Kitchen remodel** Ad Hoc Committee met with a great kitchen consultant team this week. It's not going to happen right away, but the wheels are starting to turn. And the **Vietnamese Fellowship** has planned a weekend of Evangelism next weekend. They and Pastor Sara-May are planning an **after-school program** for next fall, a huge new project.

REMINDERS:

1. **Names of your graduates, for the June 4 "graduation" service.**
2. **Canned foods for our Community Service ministry that serves 500 families a month.**

God bless, everybody!
Happy Sabbath!
Pastor Dan