FRESNO SUNNYSIDE SDA CHURCH



Sunnyside News is a weekly publication designed to inform members and subscribers of our current news and events

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

OCTOBER 8, 2009

PASTOR'S NOTES



YOUTH PASTOR WILL SPEAK SABBATH

Calvin Redman, our new youth pastor, will preach this Sabbath. We are happy to welcome him and his wife Jessica into the Sunnyside family.

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

October 10, 2009 11:00 A.M.

"Jesus Saves"

Welcome Ron Fitzgerald

"Forever"
"Above All"
"As The Deer"

Garden of Prayer

Marla Hartman

Children's Story

Connie Carpenter

Is Anyone Else Up There?

Calvin Redman

"If You Want Me To"

Alexa Burkhart

Offering

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13

Adventurer Club – Church 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14

Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletinstaff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m.

SABBATH, OCTOBER 17

Meditative Service 8:30 a.m. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Adventurer Family Campfire Social

PREACHING SCHEDULE

October 17 — Pastor Dennis Ray
October 24 — TBA
October 31 — TBA

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

October Approved Budget	\$18,300.00
Amount Received	1,603.10
Over (Short)	(16,696.90)
YTD Approved Budget	\$183,000.00
Amount Received	153,828.55
Over (Short)	(29,171.45)

Youth Pastor Fund \$40,893.73 Church Building Fund \$494,994.66

This Week's Offering:

Voice of Prophecy

HEALTHY BYTES

October Cooking Class

DESSERTS

Monday, October 12 @ 6:30 pm 1638 N. Brawley Ave. Fresno, CA \$10 - kids free

Cooking healthier for those you love.

Learn to make desserts healthier and faster and still DELICIOUS! (yes, it is possible!) Featuring Gale Bolinger, Educator and local "Mom on a Mission" for family health and wellness. Join us for a healthy eating workshop and learn to add the missing ingredient of "HEALTH" to many of your family favorites!

Desserts will be prepared and eaten. (These recipes are Rusty tested and approved!) If you have certain food issues, let me know and I will adjust the recipes to your needs. (Most of these recipes will be Gluten Free)

For more information and registration call: Gale @974-2459 or email gale4health@comcast.net

Cooking classes held the 2nd Monday of each month. Mark your calendar!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

First Reading: Skye Burger from Oakhurst.

THANK YOU...

Bob and Nancy Isaacs so appreciate all the prayers, cards, beautiful plant, and words of encouragement from our friends and church family. Bob is taking it easy and recuperating from his triple bypass. God bless you all.

The Fresno Pregnancy Care Center's "WALK FOR LIFE" is on Saturday, October 17th at CSUF. You can make a difference! Sign up as a walker OR sponsor a walker. Pick up a pledge brochure today! With your help PCC can celebrate another year of life and ministry to women in unplanned pregnancies. ALL are welcome! PCC's church liaison is Desrie van Putten. Contact her at 298-8041 or look for her after church.

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SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 24

...is our Annual Harvest Festival at the Estep's home. Stay tuned for more information coming soon!









REFRESHMENT HOSTS NEEDED

The opportunity is still open to host the refreshment table. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Judi Krogstad at drjudi@sbcglobal.net or 225-3650.

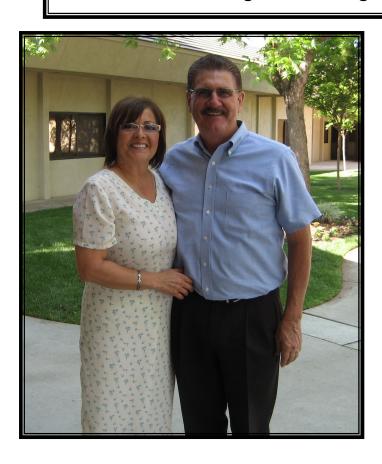
ATTENTION LADIES The Department of Planned Giving & Property Management is hosting a Women & Finance Seminar on **this Sunday** in the Fellowship Room of Central California Conference in Clovis. Our presenter is Martin McCann, Certified Financial Planner in the Central Valley. To make reservations for seminar & brunch call (800) 424-5777. 10:00 a.m.—3:00 p.m.; \$25 per person includes meal & materials.

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

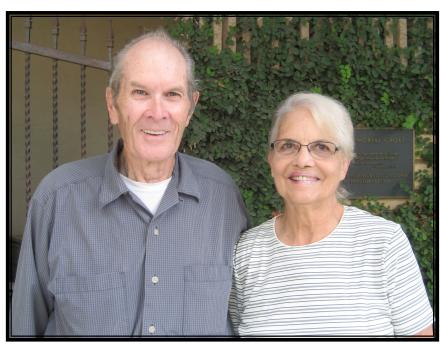
There will be a Campus Ministries Retreat **October 16–18** geared towards Adventist students who attend non-SDA colleges. It will be held at the Headlands Institute Conference Center in Sausalito, CA. The theme is "Forget Not" which focuses on the sacred trust God has given us and how to carry that on in the midst of pluralism and relativism in university campuses. For registration please visit www.BayAreaCampus.wordpress.com or contact Lisseth Pasillas at 347-3176.

MEN'S RETREAT Central California Conference presents "Choose This Day," October 23–25, at the Soquel Conference Center, 1931 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA 95073. This will be a "don't miss retreat," designed especially for men to: • Gain spiritual growth and a deeper walk with Jesus • Receive help in improving personal relationships • Enjoy multi-cultural worship and fellowship• Hear powerful Spirit-filled preaching Send registration fee of \$75 to: CCC Men's Ministry, PO Box 770, Clovis, CA 93613 or call 347-3176.

GETTING TO KNOW OUR FRIENDS & FAMILY Building Lives Through Relationships...



Tim & Irma McGuinn



Bob & LaRae Kellos

THE LAST WORD

MOTHER'S CANDLE STICKS by Liesel Shineberg

My mother saw the candlesticks displayed on a shelf in the rear of a secondhand store in the tenement district of New York City. They were approximately ten inches tall and heavily tarnished, but a surreptitious rub revealed their possibility, and a glance at the base showed the magic word "sterling." How did they get there? What poor soul had hocked them to survive? Mother ached to buy them, but we had come to exchange the shoes I was wearing for another pair to fit my growing feet. First things came first.

New York, where we settled upon entering the United States, and the area where we lived bore little resemblance to the Goldene Medina, the golden land that many immigrants had envisioned in their dreams. However, it was a land of opportunities, where all might achieve their aspirations if they worked hard toward their goals. "We can swim, or we can sink," declared Mutti, as I called my mother, "and I have always been a strong swimmer."

And swim we did! Dad peddled caramelized almonds, which we made each evening and packed into

cellophane bags, up and down Broadway. Mother went to school in the morning to learn to be a masseuse and did housework for various families several afternoons a week. I attended school at PS-51. My sister, Lotte, went to the Institute for the Deaf in St. Louis, where she worked in an exchange program to learn English. Nights, Dad worked as a night watchman, Mother sewed leather gloves for a manufacturing firm, and I strung beaded necklaces for the Woolworth store for one cent apiece.

The fifth-floor walk-up apartment we shared on 150th and Riverside Drive was hardly what my parents had been used to in their native country, Germany. It really wasn't a walk-up - - it had an elevator - - but the man who ran it held out his hand for tips each time anyone wanted a ride. Who could afford donations? We walked upstairs.

The place consisted of a kitchen, bathroom, living room and one bedroom. My sister and I shared the double bed in the living room, until she went off to school. When we first viewed the apartment, my mom blanched at the filth of the place. But with determination and elbow grease we made it habitable. During one of our nightly chats while working together, Mutti told me about the candlesticks. "Let's see if we can manage to buy them. I think they could look good once we clean and polish them." Together we schemed how to save enough money to purchase them for Daddy's birthday.

Thinking back, it was not the gift my father would have chosen to receive. He was more interested in the war, what of his property he could salvage, and how we would eat and pay the rent. But Mom was desperate to have something of beauty in our dingy flat. The candlesticks cost three dollars. We conceived our plan in March and discussed money-saving strategies. "I'll see if I can talk our three elderly neighbors into letting me carry their trash down to the basement," I offered. "Plus, I could make money stringing necklaces." "I'll buy large eggs for Daddy, and we'll eat the smaller and cheaper ones," said Mom. In addition, she purchased three-day-old bread, instead of day-old, saving seven cents a loaf. A friend told her that wrapping a damp cloth around the bread and heating it in the oven would make it taste fresh again. It worked!

We turned saving pennies into a game. At the end of April, we made a fifty-cent down payment on our treasure. By September 23, 1940, we proudly "paid them off," and the proprietor even threw in some used candles.

We rubbed and polished the silver. Mother cut the used candles and scraped the outside until they looked almost like new ones. I will never forget the first Sabbath Eve when we lit the tapers. Tears ran down my mother's face as she recited the blessings. Despite the hardships, we were grateful to be together and, most of all, to be safe and sound.

When I married and moved to Wyoming, my mother gave me the candlesticks as a wedding gift, so that I might always share in their beauty. "You helped to buy them. You know how much they mean to me. I want you to have them and to someday pass them on to your daughter," she said.

The candlesticks now stand on top of the piano in my living room. We have used them at every memorable occasion of our family's life, both happy and sad. One day, I will pass them on to my daughter, as they were passed along to me. The Sabbath candlesticks are, and always will be, much more than candlesticks. They are symbols of faith, courage and love.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Whitney Kittle (10/10)
Aleya Barron (10/12)
Ileana Espinosa (10/12)
Amy Daniels (10/13)
Nikilas Cornwell (10/15)
Cherokee Espinoza (10/15)
Lauren McEowan (10/15)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Gary & Linda Barron (10/10)
Dustin & Leslie Batty (10/14))