



PASTOR'S NOTES

SERMON SERIES

This Sabbath will be the third in a seven-part sermon series on the life of Jacob. I'm going to discuss the famous incident often referred to as "Jacob's Ladder." It contains some important insights into where heaven is located and what that means for our lives here on earth.

RENOVATION UPDATE

There isn't a lot of new renovation activity to report because we are waiting for the city of Fresno to approve our building plans. Once that happens, we will proceed with construction. We're hoping to get the approval in early to mid-February. In the meantime, we are making plans to move the church office to the new grounds next month. We are looking into buying or leasing a modular unit that will serve as the church office until the permanent offices are renovated and the city gives us permission to occupy them.

ADVENTISTS IN HAITI

Two of the largest SDA churches near the presidential palace were destroyed — five congregations met in these churches. One of those churches had a school and there are serious concerns for the children who were attending school at that time. One union worker was killed when a wall fell on him. It is believed that the union president is alive, but contact has not been made. The union office is not damaged seriously. There are two SDA missionaries in Haiti and they are alright, but shaken.

PASTOR'S RETREAT

Pastor Calvin and I will be at Leoni Meadows for the Central California Conference pastor's retreat next week, Sunday through Wednesday. We will not be available by telephone, but we will have internet access and will be able to receive e-mails. While we are away, the church office will be open. If you have need of a pastor during that time, please call Bud Dickerson at 250-7569.

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

**January 23, 2010
11:00 A.M.**

“How Great Thou Art”

Welcome
Pastor Dennis Ray

“Here I Am to Worship”
“Breathe”
“This is My Desire”

Garden of Prayer
Marla Hartman

Children’s Story
Linda Barron

Heaven Came Down
Pastor Ray

“Jacob’s Ladder”
Bob Gilbert

Offering

Benediction

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

TUESDAY, JANUARY 26
Adventurer Club 6:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 27
Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletin-
staff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m.

FRIDAY, JANUARY 29
Youth Vespers at FAA

SABBATH, JANUARY 30
Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.
Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Sunset

Tonight 5:11 p.m.	Next Friday 5:20 p.m.
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PREACHING SCHEDULE

January 30 — Pastor Cal
February 6 — Pastor Ray
February 13 — Pastor Ray

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

January Approved Budget	\$21,400.00
Amount Received	6,963.77
Over (Short)	(14,436.23)
YTD Approved Budget	\$21,400.00
Amount Received	6,963.77
Over (Short)	(14,436.23)
Youth Pastor Fund	\$34,681.88
Church Building Fund	\$410,865.04
Children’s Story Offering	\$667.24

This Week’s Offering

Religious Liberty

YOUTH EVENTS

WHAT’S COMIN’ UP?

...IN JANUARY



January 29 - Vespers at FAA
January 30 - Youth Sabbath

...IN FEBRUARY



February 5 - Vespers at Pastor Cal’s
February 7 - Super Bowl Party at the Fords’
February 11-15 - Annual Ski Trip
February 20 - Youth Social
February 26 - Vespers at FAA

REGISTER NOW FOR THE SKI TRIP!



We have space for about 20 youth — so the first to register will get to go. Sunnyside youth get first priority. The cost is \$175 (plus \$25 for rentals & \$25 for lessons, if needed) Deadline to register & pay is February 6. If you’re having trouble coming up with the money for the trip — talk to Pastor Cal (367-7026).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

Second Reading: Vickie Beam from Donnelly, ID; Becky and Gabriel Wiest from Madera.

First Reading: Tim and Leesa Smith to Clovis. Laurie Anderson to Pinon Hills, NM.

SAVE THE DATE



The Social Committee is planning a church Valentine dinner social for Saturday night, **February 6 at 6:00**. The cost is \$12/adult. Childcare is available for \$5/child or \$10/family. Sign up in the church lobby, or phone Bernadette Randall at 434-2105.

FAA CONSTITUENCY MEETING

Fresno Adventist Academy Constituency Meeting that will be held on **this Sunday, at 9:00 a.m.** Doors will open and registration will begin at 8:00 a.m. Those serving as delegates should check in no later than 8:45 a.m. Thank you for your willingness to serve.

SHAVER WEEKEND

Church in Shaver will be **August 21**. The email address for those wanting to reserve a campground is camped@sce.com and the web site for Camp Edison is www.sce.com/campedison. Sign up early; spaces fill up quickly!



ROOMS STILL AVAILABLE FOR CCC

WOMEN'S RETREATS: **January 29-31** at Tenaya Lodge in Yosemite and **February 5-7** at the Soquel Conference Center. Those interested in attending the retreats can call Pat Curtis, 642-2396, or email 1patcurtis@gmail.com, or download the Women's Retreat application from the conference Web site and mail in with payment to the address on the application. Checks are to be made payable to "CCC", but send to Pat Curtis. All attendees must pre-register before coming.

EASY WAYS TO RAISE FUNDS FOR OUR CHURCH RENOVATION

...with eSCRIP

Do you shop at VONS or Macys, or visit Claim Jumper Restaurant (and many other merchants)? Here is another easy way to earn money for the church renovation project at no cost to you! Sign up online with eScrip. It is quick and easy!

1. Go to www.escrip.com
2. Click on "sign-up". **Our I.D. number is 500023634**
3. Follow the instructions to register you grocery cards and your existing credit/debit cards.

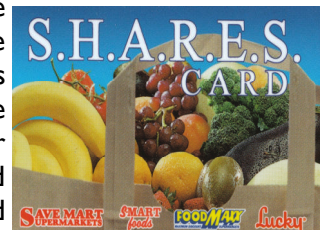
When you visit eScrip.com you can click on the "Family of Merchants" and see what merchants are partners. Look in both the Northern and Southern California sections. Questions? - contact Todd Bristol at tlbristol@hotmail.com.

...with GOODSEARCH.COM

Switch your search engine (from Google) to GoodSearch and you earn \$.01 for each item you search for at no cost to you! Yes, that's correct! All you need to do is to go to GoodSearch.com and enter Sunnyside Seventh day Adventist Church as your favorite charity and each search you do will earn a penny for our church renovation project. It is highly suggested that you download the GoodSearch toolbar as it then will not be necessary to enter our church name each time you visit GoodSearch. Also the toolbar has a direct link to our church website! Want to earn more money? If you use the other links on the toolbar to GoodShop, Amazon, and eBay a certain percentage of the sale will be contributed directly to our church. If you have any questions please contact Todd Bristol at tlbristol@hotmail.com.

...with the S.H.A.R.E.S. CARDS

We are participating in the S.H.A.R.E.S. Program through Save Mart & Food Maxx Stores. This is an easy, ongoing fund raiser. There is nothing extra to purchase or anything to sell. Just pick up a card from the Church Office or Todd Bristol. Each time you shop at either Save Mart or Food Maxx, have your card swiped. Every quarter our church will receive 3% back from all purchases. It's that simple.



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



Jessica & Alex Walker
with their children
Elias, Alex & Kaleb

Marilou & Stan
Kolstad



THE LAST WORD

...from Rabbi David Wolpe

What would be your first question of God? Of all the mysteries that the Creator of the universe could unfold, which would enable you best to live?

When God comes to Moses at the burning bush, Moses' first question of God is, "Who am I to go to Pharaoh?" Moses asks not about the secrets of the world, but the structure of the self. Who is he?

God's response is not to explain Moses' heritage or his personality. God answers, "I will be with You." This may be seen as a simple assurance - you can go to Pharaoh because you do not go alone. But there is a deeper message. Who are you? You are someone who can walk with God, who need never be alone. God's first question is to Adam: "Where are you?" Now Moses asks of God: "Who am I?"

Each of these questions is about the purpose and trajectory of life. God wishes to ensure that Moses understands the majesty of being human. To be human is to be called. The only way to be yourself is to serve something greater than yourself. Moses grew up in Pharaoh's palace. He may be forgiven some confusion about his identity. Now he asks, and understands. He is a Jew. He is a human being in God's image. He is summoned to a sacred task. The work of redemption has begun.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Janet Cotton (Rhoads) (1/23)
Brooke-Lynn Crew (1/23)
Porter Smith (1/23)
Becky Crouch (1/23)
Dustin Carrisosa (1/25)
Mark Johnson (1/25)
MaryLou Kolstad (1/25)
Vickie Beam (1/26)
Frank Carpenter (1/27)
Justin Merriam (1/27)
Lauren Ovando (1/27)
Derek Ray (1/27)
Maxine Smith (1/27)
Dan Kittle (1/28)
Sandy Shimmin (1/28)
Zadie Smith (1/28)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...