



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

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

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## PASTOR'S NOTES

### THE SANCTUARY ISN'T FINISHED

"It's too bright, too white, and too tight." Perhaps you are one of the many who feels that statement applies to our new sanctuary. A number of people in our congregation, myself included, feel like the lights are too bright, the walls are too stark white, and it feels tight in the sanctuary.

From the start, our plan was to begin with a very basic sanctuary. Then, once we moved in and got settled, we would customize it to best suit our needs. This plan is partly driven by need -- we needed to get out of Hope Lutheran and into our new church ASAP. The plan is partly driven by finances -- we don't have enough money to immediately implement everything we have planned. And, it is driven by experience -- experience has shown that it is hard to know what you really want your new home to look and feel like until you live in it for a while.

The Renovation and Design Committee, chaired by Garry Clark, has a plan for making our sanctuary feel warmer, bigger, and more inviting. In the coming weeks and months, you will see changes in the sanctuary as their plan is implemented. I'm confident, and so is the committee, that our sanctuary will look and feel significantly different six months from now. In the meantime, thank you for patience as we go about the business of making our sanctuary feel like home.

### 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF "SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST"

Tomorrow, October 1, marks the 150th anniversary of the name "Seventh-day Adventist." I learned this week that "Seventh-day Adventist" was not the first choice of the several of our founders. "When possible names were finally discussed, "Church of God" was favored by many, including initially even James White." To read more, please go to <http://www.150sda.org/>.

### AWAY NEXT WEEK

I will be out of the office next week. If you have need of a pastor, please contact Pastor Calvin Redman at 559-367-7026.

### PASSING OF ANGIE BULLINGTON

Evangeline Lombardi Bullington died at home on Tuesday evening. She was 99-years- old. She is survived by Paul, her husband of 58 years, her son Ken, daughter-in-law Deanna and grandson Kyle. She is preceded in death by her daughter Becky. Ken is an associate superintendent for education for the Central California Conference, Deanna teaches at Fresno Adventist Academy. The funeral will be Tuesday, October 5 at 10:00 am at the Fresno Central Adventist Church, 2980 E Yale Ave. Internment follows at the Chapel of Light, 1620 West Belmont. Afterward, all are invited to a reception at the Fresno Central Church.

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## WORSHIP CELEBRATION

**October 2, 2010  
11:00 A.M.**

**“Crown Him with Many  
Crowns”  
“We Have Come into  
this House”**

**Welcome**  
Pastor Dennis Ray

**Children’s Story**  
Bob Gilbert

**““Lord, I Lift Your Name  
on High”  
“Take My Life  
and Let It Be”**

**Prayer**  
Patricia Ford

**Fruit of the Spirit:  
Self Control**  
Pastor Ray

**“Word of God Speak”**  
Yvette Kerbs

**Offering**

**Benediction**

### THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 6**  
Finance Committee Meeting 12:00 p.m.  
Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletin-  
staff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m.  
Women’s Bible Study 6:30 p.m.

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

#### Sunset

*This Friday*                      *Next Friday*  
6:42.m.                              6:33p.m.

### PREACHING SCHEDULE

**October 9** — Jere Webb  
**October 16** — Pastor Ray  
**October 23** — Pastor Ray

### MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

<b>September</b> Approved Budget	\$28,000.00
Amount Received	14,478.40
Over (Short)	(13,521.60)
<b>YTD</b> Approved Budget	199,200.00
Amount Received	137,519.63
Over (Short)	(61,680.37)
Youth Pastor Fund	\$16,964.59
Building Fund Balance	\$7,100.68
Children’s Story Offering	\$6,405.13

This Week’s Offering  
**Local Church Budget**

## YOUTH EVENTS

### COMIN’ UP...

JAM SESSION - OCTOBER 15  
FRIDAY VESPERS - OCTOBER 22  
CANNED FOOD DRIVE & MINIATURE GOLF TOURNAMENT - OCTOBER 23



Go to the youth website at <http://sunnysideyouth.com>  
and take a look at other things that the youth are up to...

## HEALTHY BYTES

### BLUEBERRY CRISP

5 ¼ cups fresh or frozen blueberries	1 teaspoon ground coriander
1 can (6 oz.) frozen apple juice con- centrate, thawed	1 teaspoon vanilla extract
½ cup pitted dates	¼ teaspoon sea salt
2 tablespoons arrowroot	1 to 2 cups Sunrise Crunchy Granola or other granola, preferably fruit-sweetened

Preheat oven to 350°F. Wash blueberries and place in large bowl. Place ¼ cup of the blueberries in blender with apple juice concentrate, dates, arrowroot, coriander, vanilla, and salt; blend until smooth. Pour this syrup over blueberries in bowl and gently stir. Put in 8-in square baking dish and bake for 25 minutes.

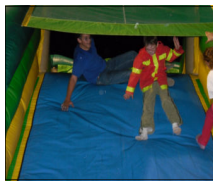
Remove from oven and cover with granola. Return to oven and bake until bubbly, about 12 minutes more. (Watch carefully to make sure granola topping does not burn.)  
Makes 10 servings.

For more info on healthy solutions and recipes, contact  
Gale Bolinger at 974-2459 or email at [gale4health@comcast.net](mailto:gale4health@comcast.net)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### SAVE THE DATE: OCTOBER 30

...is our annual Harvest Carnival at the Esteps' home. You won't want to miss this popular, fun-filled family event! Stay tuned for more information in the coming weeks.



### LNO Fund Raiser Dinner

It's Ladies Night Out Annual Mission Fund Raiser Dinner: "An evening in Little Venice!" Join us for a little Venetian atmosphere. There will be a gondola and a gondolier to take you on an "excursion" you can capture in a photo to take home. The evening's entertainment will feature Rick Del Carlo who has played an accordion all his life – his specialty is the music of Italy. Bring a friend – and your checkbook or donation for upcoming mission projects – to this delightful social evening. **This Monday, October 4**; dinner will be served promptly at 6:00 p.m. Clovis SDA Church Event Hall, 2370 Helm Ave.

### CCC YOUTH CONVENTION

Join us today at Fresno Adventist Academy for "The Miracle of a Changed Life," featuring Ricky Schwarz, Collin Ross, and Revelation of Hope Singers. The program (starting at 10:00 a.m.) runs until 10:00 p.m. and includes youth worship, YM workshops, free lunch, food booths, football tournaments, basketball, volleyball, and ping pong. Food will also be available for purchase after 6:30 p.m.

### NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

We have started a bible study in the book of Acts and we will learn how the Church of the Way became one of the largest religious movements of the world. We will see how God's Spirit moved and led and continues to lead today.

We meet Wednesday nights at 6:30 pm, and a light supper is served every week. Join us in this study and bring a friend. If you have questions about the study, call Sherry at 224-9005.

### MEN — Pregnancy Care Center of Fresno needs your help!

Do you have experience driving a large truck, semi or RV? Our mobile ultrasound clinic is in need of volunteer drivers on a regular basis to drive our mobile clinic to service locations around Fresno. To learn more about our mobile clinic ministry, visit our website: [www.care4pcc.com/work/hopeinaction.html](http://www.care4pcc.com/work/hopeinaction.html)

If you are interested, please contact Sheyenne at 559-237-0789 or email [sheyenew@hotmail.com](mailto:sheyenew@hotmail.com).

### FINANCIAL FREEDOM SEMINAR

Dr. Gordon Botting, Director of Stewardship for Pacific Union Conference, will be the speaker at the 7 Steps to Financial Freedom Seminar at Milpitas Adventist Center, 1991 Landess Ave. in Milpitas. Join us **October 16, 9:30–4:00**; lunch will be provided.

### WHAT'S NEW WITH YOU?

If you have recently moved, changed your phone number or email address, gotten married, etc., please notify Donna Fitzgerald, the Sunnyside Church Clerk at 292-6727 or [donna559@sbcglobal.net](mailto:donna559@sbcglobal.net).

### BRING YOUR BANK TO CHURCH

Please continue to turn in your church bank on the last Sabbath of each month. To receive a donation receipt, make sure that your name is taped to the bottom of the bank.

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

**Carolyn Page**



**Del,  
Georgiella, &  
June  
Swederofsky**



## THE LAST WORD

### THROW AWAY THE KEY

*Locks keep out only the honest. ~ Jewish Proverb*  
(from Chicken Soup for the Soul Online at [www.beliefnet.com](http://www.beliefnet.com))

My godparents Bel and Max met in England during World War II. They became mess hall friends for nutrition's sake: Max liked only meat and Bel liked only vegetables. They began their relationship by swapping foods from their mess trays. Soon they were sharing other parts of their lives.

When they moved into a rickety old house in Berkeley, California, Max carried Bel across the threshold. Then he said, "Hand me your house key." She did, and he took both their keys and threw them out into the yard. "I want to live in a home that's open to whoever needs it," he declared. And so they did.

Their home was never locked. Friends wandered in and out, stopping for dinner, taking a cold chicken leg from the refrigerator or curling up in an easy chair for a quiet read. Supper time was always a mish mash of opinions and people: the Kurdish student and the Israeli dissident, the Dallas lawyer and the manufacturer's rep from Denver, the rabbi without a congregation from Brooklyn and the priest with the small church in Santa Fe.

Still, Bel had grown up in Chicago and knew well the value of locked doors. The unlocked house both exhilarated and terrified her. Sometimes she would lie awake in bed, expecting what her mother would have called "the worst." Robbery, rape and death raced through her mind. And all because her meshuggeneh husband refused to lock the doors.

One Friday night, well past midnight, Bel heard a door open. She heard footsteps and then stumbling. Her hands turned icy and she clutched the covers. She wanted to scream, but her voice dried up in her throat. Then she wanted to be quiet, so the robber would take what he wanted and leave. Downstairs, the furniture scraped and a drawer opened. She nudged Max, but he didn't wake up. She pushed the covers into her mouth so she wouldn't cry out. Then she heard the squeak of the screen door and the closing of the outer door. She shook Max's shoulder. "Max, someone was just downstairs. I think we've been robbed." "Are we all right?" Max asked sleepily. "Yes," Bel said. "Then let's go back to sleep. We'll assess the damage in the morning."

The next morning, Bel could hardly bear to go downstairs. She took one cautious glance at the living room and saw only its familiar rumpled sofas and stack of papers beside the easy chair. The kitchen drawers were all intact; the refrigerator still stocked with leftovers. The Friday night candlesticks were still on the dining room table, her grandmother's sterling was still in the sideboard. Only one thing was out of place: a fresh loaf of challah bread rested on a doily in the center of the dining room table. "Max, did you buy that challah?" Max shook his head.

As they settled at the table and drank their morning coffee, Bel said, "Max, we have to lock the house. Something bad could happen to us." "Or, something good," Max said, as he bit into a piece of fresh buttered bread.

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#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Bronti Turley (10/2)  
Michael Wong (10/2)  
Michael Czajkowski  
(10/3)  
Erlinda Lagunas (10/4)  
Eddie Cole (10/5)  
Cheryl Crouch (10/5)  
Noah Macias (10/5)  
Leslie Batty (10/7)  
Jayson Cornwell (10/7)  
Alyssa Daggs (10/7)  
Elias Walker (10/8)

#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Dennis & Diane Ray (10/4)  
Ronnie & Julie Goodwin  
(10/5)  
Russell & Jill Fulkes (10/7)