FRESNO SUNNYSIDE SDA CHURCH

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



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

NOVEMBER 18, 2010

PASTOR'S NOTES

NO NAME CHANGE

In case you missed the announcement in church last Sabbath, Sunnyside will remain Sunnyside. The church board decided to discontinue the committee which had been commissioned to study whether to consider changing Sunnyside's name. Due to lack of interest in a name change, we are permanently the Sunnyside Seventh-day Adventist Church.

WORSHIP SURVEY

This is the last week to fill out a worship survey. If you haven't filled one out, please go to <u>http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/7FD3ZB7</u>. Your participation will assist the Worship Committee in determining the need/interest for a second worship service.

ISABELLA DREAM SOTO



Congratulations to Joe and Christina Soto on the birth of their baby girl, Isabella Dream Soto. She was born on Wednesday, November 3, weighs 8 lbs. 7 oz., and is 21 inches long.

DAVID DAGGS

David has been in the ICU at Madera Hospital since Sunday following what appeared to be a stroke. Doctors are no longer calling it a stroke and don't know what to call it. David is also dealing with bladder cancer and heart problems.

ADVENTIST EDUCATION

"Amid all the buzz on education reform, the Seventh Day Adventist school system might seem an unexpected place to look for models in improving student achievement. But by educating mind, body, and spirit, Adventist schools outperform the national average across all demographics."

Thus begins a piece titled, "For Real Education Reform, Take A Cue From the Adventists," which was published this week in the <u>Christian Science Monitor</u>. You can read it at <u>http://www.csmonitor.com/Commentary/Opinion/2010/1115/For-real-education-reform-take-a-cue-from-the-Adventists</u>

MEETING TO DECIDE NEW CCC PRESIDENT

This coming Sunday, November 21, the Conference Executive Committee members will meet to select a new president for Central California Conference. Please pray for wisdom, unity and for God's will to be accomplished.

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	THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE	PREACHING SCHEDULE	
	SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 21 Christmas in November – Saenz home	November 27 — Pastor Ray December 4 — Gerhard van Wyk	
WORSHIP	Noon	December II — Pastor Ray	
CELEBRATION	Wednesday, November 24	MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY	
November 20, 2010 11:00 A.M.	Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletin- staff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study 6:30 p.m.	November Church Needs\$28,000.00Donations Received17,581.17Over (Short)(10,418.83)	
"We Gather Together" "Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart"	SABBATH, NOVEMBER 27 Sabbath School 9:30 a.m. Worship Service 11:00 a.m. Sunnyside Grace Concert 5:00 p.m.	Year to Date 255,200.00 Amount Received 202,366.20 Over (Short) (52,833.80)	
Welcome		Youth Pastor Fund \$15,813.97	
Pastor Dennis Ray	Sunset This Friday Next Friday 4:47.m. 4:44p.m.	This Week's Offering Local Church Budget	
Children's Story Todd Cornwell	YOUTH EVENTS		
Vocal Solo Jim Robison	COMIN' UP November 20: Youth Cook-off December 17: Vespers December 19: Ice Skating and Christmas Party February 17-21: Annual Ski Trip - <i>start saving your money now!!</i>		
Responsive Reading Mike & Patricia Ford			
Offering	Check out more youth stuff at www.sunnysideyouth.com		
Prayer Patricia Ford	HEALTHY BYTES		
Musical Selection Pete Jones	FRUITS AND VEGETABLES are a great source of antioxidants, fiber and vitamins. For these reasons, they are highly beneficial when incorporated into your diet on a daily basis; plus, they are low in caloric density so they fill you up on few calories. Brightly colored vegetables contain antioxidant vitamins that help us stay healthy. For example, dark green and deep orange-yellow fruits and vegetables are better choices than pale-colored produce. Fruits high in calories and sugar like melons and grapes should be eaten in smaller portions.		
"Count Your Blessings" Pastor Ray Benediction			
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For more info on healthy solutions and recipes, contact Gale Bolinger at 974-2459 or email at <u>gale4health@comcast.net</u>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUNNYSIDE GRACE IN CONCERT

Saturday, November 27 at 5:00 p.m. at Sunnyside church. Refreshments will follow.

CHRISTMAS - IN NOVEMBER?

this Sunday, November 21 – noon to 3:00pm Yes, Ladies, it's that time of year again. Join us for brunch at the home of Gwen Saenz (323-8372) for a fun afternoon of fellowship and reflection on the blessings that God has shared with us.



Consider bringing a cash donation for Hope Lutheran's Food Pantry. Every \$I donated can purchase \$8 in food from the community food bank, or bring some canned or dry food that we will donate to the pantry.

We'll have a \$150 gift card wreath to raffle that's filled with gift cards that can be given as Christmas gifts and we'll have some fun door prizes.

Don't forget to bring one wrapped ornament to exchange with someone else. We'll look for you there!! sponsored by Women's Ministries

THE CHURCH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED NOVEMBER 25 & 26 FOR THANKSGIVING

CROCK POTS & SANDWICHES POTLUCK — DECEMBER 4



We want to kick off our first potluck in our new home with warm soups, stews or chili and sandwiches. Members whose last n a m e s b e g i n w i t h

A – M: bring crock pots; N–Z: bring sandwiches and dessert. The potluck committee will provide bread and crackers.

SCRAPBOOKING — THIS SATURDAY EVENING

Ladies, please join the Sunnyside Women's Ministry group for an evening of scrapbooking, socializing, fun and food, Saturday evening from 6:00–11:00. Even if you don't scrapbook but do another craft, we would love have you join us. A light supper is provided. We meet at the home of Karen Eckhart. Call if you have questions or need directions, 977-6940.

ANGEL TREE

We have the pleasure and opportunity to give a little joy to some of the children here in the central valley through Angel Tree. This program works in connection with Prison Fellowship and churches to give Christmas gifts to local children of prisoners. For the next few Sabbaths we will have a Christmas tree in the foyer filled with paper angels. Each angel has the name of a child and the gift requested for that child. Please take an angel or two and

return the gifts wrapped and with the angel attached by December 11. Gifts should not exceed \$25. Thank you for your continued support of this ministry.



FLOWERS FOR THE **S**ANCTUARY

If you'd like to sponsor the floral arrangement for worship service, a sign-up sheet is available in the church foyer. Your donation of \$60 will cover the cost of the floral arrangement that is purchased each week. Please put your check in the offering plate & write "flowers" in the memo.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST: This Sunday

the Conference Executive Committee members with the 16 delegates chosen at the town hall meetings will meet to select a new president for Central California Conference. Please pray for wisdom, unity, and for God's will to be accomplished.

FAA Annual Holiday Gala

You are invited to Fresno Adventist Academy's 11th Annual Holiday Gala for the Student Sponsorship Program Sunday, December 5 at 5:00 p.m. Please contact Richelle Rickard (273 - 4976)rrickard@faa.org) for ticket prices or inquiries on becoming a table sponsor and the fun perks that go along with that! Enjoy Delectable Hors d'oeuvres • Elegant Catered Dinner • The Giving Tree • Live Entertainment • and lots more!

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

Ron & Donna Fitzgerald





Debbie Neal

THE LAST WORD

A man came home from work late again, tired and irritated, to find his 5-year-old son waiting for him at the door. "Daddy, may I ask you a question?"

"Yeah, sure, what is it?" replied the man.

"Daddy, how much money do you make an hour?

"That's none of your business! What makes you ask such a thing?" the man said angrily.

"I just want to know. Please tell me, how much do you make an hour?" pleaded the little boy.

"If you must know, I make \$20.00 an hour."

"Oh," the little boy replied, head bowed. Looking up, he said, "Daddy, may I borrow \$10.00 please?"

The father was furious. "If the only reason you wanted to know how much money I make is just so you can borrow some to buy a silly toy or some other nonsense, then you march yourself straight to your room and go to bed. Think about why you're being so selfish. I work long, hard hours everyday and don't have time for such childish games."

The little boy quietly went to his room and shut the door. The man sat down and started to get even madder about the little boy's questioning. How dare him ask such questions only to get some money.

After an hour or so, the man had calmed down, and started to think he may have been a little hard on his son. Maybe there was something he really needed to buy with that \$10.00, and he really didn't ask for money very often. The man went to the door of the little boy's room and opened the door. "Are you asleep son?" he asked.

"No daddy, I'm awake," replied the boy.

"I've been thinking, maybe I was too hard on you earlier," said the man. "It's been a long day and I took my aggravation out on you. Here's that \$10.00 you asked for."

The little boy sat straight up, beaming. "Oh, thank you daddy!" he yelled. Then, reaching under his pillow, he pulled out some more crumpled up bills. The man, seeing that the boy already had money, started to get angry again. The little boy slowly counted out his money, then looked up at the man.

"Why did you want more money if you already had some?" the father grumbled.

"Because I didn't have enough, but now I do," the little boy replied.

"Daddy, I have \$20.00 now. Can I buy an hour of your time?"

Just a short reminder to all of us working so hard for a living. Let's not let time slip through our fingers without having spent some quality time with those who really matter to us. Your presence is important to those in need of physical, spiritual and emotional healing. Be fully present to our loved ones, to those whom we care for, and to our fellow workers.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

Joe Montgomery (11/20) Esther Marie Shumate (11/20) Cristine Barreto (11/22) David Jeffries (11/22) Bob Anderson (11/23) Vern Biloff (11/25) Timothy Jr. Hawkins (11/25) Owen McCann (11/25) Susan Bobbitt-Voth (11/25) Ken Charron (11/26) Stan Kolstad (11/26)

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO...

Bud & Dianne Dickerson (11/24) Joe & Donna Montgomery (11/25)