

PASTOR'S NOTES

HOW GOD GUIDES US

This Sabbath I will wrap up the 3-part sermon series on how God guides our lives. I will talk about some of the "myths" that keep us from experiencing God's guidance.

DUCKS ON THE POND

In baseball, "ducks on the pond" means you have runners on base. At Sunnyside, it is literally true of our parking lot. A male and female mallard have made the flooded portion of our parking lot their home. If it keeps raining we may have our own ducklings.

JUNIOR BAPTISMAL CLASS

I will teach a 4-part baptismal class for young people ages 9-13 in May. It will meet each Tuesday night, from 6:30 – 7:30, at the church. It will run May 10-31. If you would like for your child to attend, please contact me at dennis@sunnysidesda.org.

VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT

Anybody interested in forming a Sunnyside volleyball team? The Fresno Sequoia SDA Church is hosting a volleyball tournament on Sunday, April 10. They are inviting the SDA churches in our area to form teams to compete against each other. Please let me know if a) you are interested in coordinating a team, and/or b) if you are interested in playing on the team.

FAA CONSTITUENCY MEETING

We need delegates to represent Sunnyside at the FAA Constituency Meeting on Sunday, May 1. Please contact Bud Dickerson (250-7569) if you are interested.

ADVENTISTS' BACK-TO-BASICS FAITH IS FASTEST GROWING U.S. CHURCH

That is the title of a recent article in USA Today. To read it, go to http://www.usatoday.com/news/religion/2011-03-18-Adventists_17_ST_N.htm.

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WORSHIP CELEBRATION

**March 26, 2011
11:00 A.M.**

**“Soon and Very Soon”
“You Are Worthy
of My Praise”**

Welcome
Pastor Dennis Ray

Children’s Story
Todd Cornwell

Offering

**“I Worship You”
“We Have Come Into
This Place”**

Prayer
Jim Robison

Musical Solo
John Relph

Scripture
I Samuel 3:1-10
John Banks

**“How Does God
Guide Us?” Part 3**
Pastor Ray

Benediction
Jim Robison

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

MONDAY, MARCH 28

The GROUP Leaders Meeting 7:30 p.m.

TUESDAY, MARCH 29

Facilities Committee Meeting – Youth Room
6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 30

Youth Hang Out – Youth Room 4:00 p.m.

Deadline for Bulletin info: bulletin-

staff@sunnysidesda.org 6:00 p.m.

Women’s Bible Study – Marsh home 6:30 p.m.

THURSDAY, MARCH 31

“A Woman After God’s Heart” Bible Study –
Junior Room 6:30 p.m.

SABBATH, APRIL 2

Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.

Worship Service 11:00 a.m.

Potluck – following worship service

Sunset

This Friday
7:15 p.m.

Next Friday
7:19 p.m.

PREACHING SCHEDULE

April 2 — Pastor Cal

April 9 — Pastor Ray

April 16 — Pastor Ray

MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION SUMMARY

March Church Needs	\$28,000.00
Donations Received	12,398.11
Over (Short)	(15,601.89)
Year to Date	\$84,000.00
Donations Received	71,164.92
Over (Short)	(12,835.08)
Youth Pastor Fund	\$16,475.75

This Week’s Offering
Conference Faith Advance

YOUTH EVENTS

**Paintball has been postponed —
stay tuned for an update on rescheduling.**



March 25

Jam Session - sanctuary

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

HEALTHY BYTES



Rosemary

The carnosic acid found in this spice has been shown to reduce stroke risk in mice by 40 percent, according to a study published in the *Journal of Neurochemistry*. Carnosic acid appears to set off a process that shields brain cells from free-radical damage, which can worsen the effects of a stroke. It can also protect against degenerative diseases like Alzheimer’s and the general effects of aging.

For more info on healthy solutions and recipes, contact
Gale Bolinger at 974-2459 or email at gale4health@comcast.net

ANNOUNCEMENTS



APRIL POTLUCK

Come, join your church family for lunch on **April 2** and spend some time making new friends and catching up with the old ones.

**A-L, bring salad & dessert ;
M-Z, bring crockpots filled
with casseroles.**



VRROOM!!

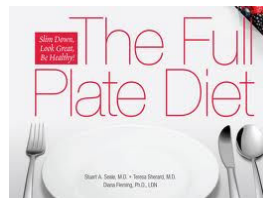


If you have a Corvette and would like to join a small group, we're starting a Corvette Club. Give Marty McCann a call at 250-4219 for more info.



GAME NIGHT!

If you like to play games, join us **this Saturday night** in the Maroa Room at 7:30 p.m. Bring your favorite table games and a snack to share. Call **Deb Tetz (478-5600)** for more info.



ARE YOU EATING TO LOSE WEIGHT?

Are you eating enough to lose weight? Strange as it sounds, most of us aren't. If you've been thinking about losing weight, plan to join a few of us who will be experiencing a new weight loss program created by the doctors who wrote *The Full Plate Diet*. In this eight-session program (each class lasts about one hour) intended for small groups, not only will we see how to enjoy a full plate and still lose weight, but we'll also learn the ten weight loss tools successful "losers" use unconsciously. Our first session will meet on **Monday, April 4 at 6:30 p.m.** in the fellowship hall. Contact Gale Bolinger at 974-2459 or gale4health@comcast.net for more details or to register. A fee of \$50 will cover class time and your participant kit. (Five \$25 scholarships are available). Space is limited to 25 people. This class is sponsored through Sunnyside Women's Ministry.

If you're not familiar with The Full Plate Diet and would like to know more before you make a decision, log onto www.FullPlateDiet.org.

ATTENTION PRIMARY CLASS FAMILIES

Primary class is in charge of providing snacks for the refreshment table this Sabbath. Families whose last name begins with the letter **A-M, please bring a box of COOKIES**. Families whose last name begins with the letter **N-Z, please bring assorted CHEESE slices and CRACKERS**. Teacher Leslie will provide lemon-aid and grapes. Teacher Julie will provide appetizer sandwiches. If you have any questions, please call Leslie at 286-6573 or Julie at 840-5661.

FUA/FAA ALUMNI REUNION

Fresno Union Academy/Fresno Adventist Academy Homecoming **begins Friday, April 22** with the annual Alumni Golf Tournament. Sabbath Reunion registration starts at 10:00 a.m. on April 23 & Worship Service will begin at 10:45, followed by a potluck dinner in the Alumni Room.



SPRING YOUNG ADULT RETREAT 2011

"Knowing Jesus is Practical"

Camp Wawona — **April 1-3**

Registration Deadline: *March 28, 2011*

Speakers: Dr. Collin Ross and Steve Horton

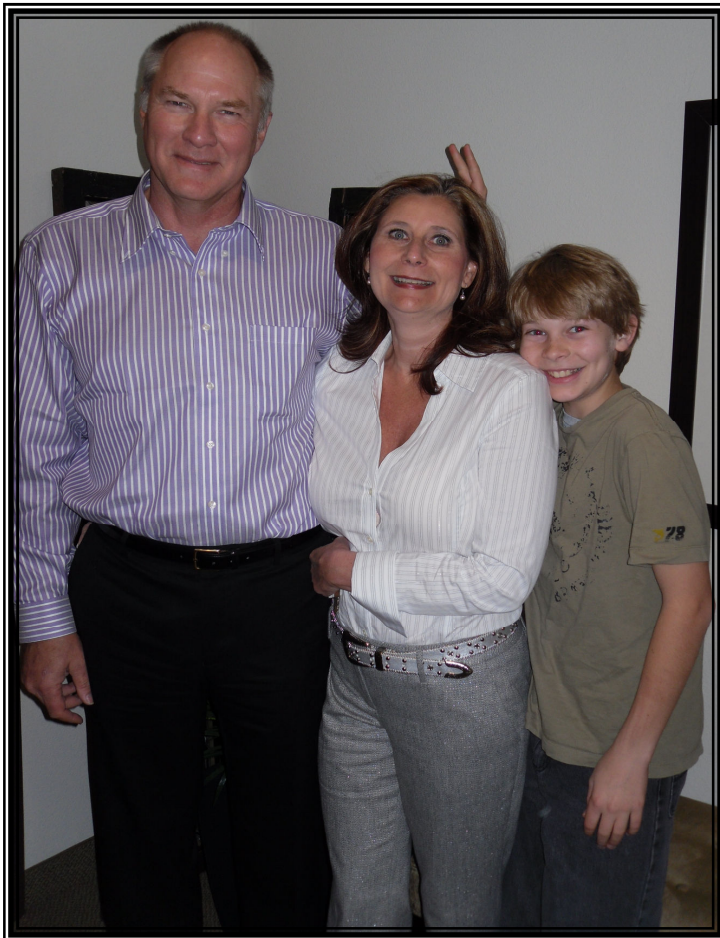
HOST FAMILIES NEEDED

Have you ever hosted an exchange student? Have some questions? Curious? Fresno Adventist Academy is partnering with International Students Academic Program (ISAP) and is looking for host families for Chinese high school students beginning August 2011. Come to the informational meeting on Tuesday, March 29 at 7:00 p.m. in the Alumni Room. To reserve your seat, call Susan Grubbs 930-7472 or Dan Kittle 301-7578.

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



Kurt Logan



**Ron, Loanne & Alex
Soloniuk**



THE LAST WORD

Burned Biscuits (submitted by Carlyn Murdock)



When I was a kid, my Mom liked to make breakfast food for dinner every now and then. And I remember one night in particular when she had made breakfast after a long, hard day at work. On that evening so long ago, my Mom placed a plate of eggs, sausage and extremely burned biscuits in front of my dad. I remember waiting to see if anyone noticed!

Yet all my dad did was reach for his biscuit, smile at my Mom and ask me how my day was at school. I don't remember what I told him that night, but I do remember watching him smear butter and jelly on that ugly burned biscuit. He ate every bite of that thing... never made a face nor uttered a word about it!

When I got up from the table that evening, I remember hearing my Mom apologize to my dad for burning the biscuits. And I'll never forget what he said: "Honey, I love burned biscuits every now and then."

Later that night, I went to kiss Daddy good night and I asked him if he really liked his biscuits burned. He wrapped me in his arms and said, "Your Momma put in a hard day at work today and she's real tired. And besides - a little burned biscuit never hurt anyone!"

As I've grown older, I've thought about that many times. Life is full of imperfect things and imperfect people. I'm not the best at hardly anything, and I forget birthdays and anniversaries just like everyone else. But what I've learned over the years is that learning to accept each other's faults - and choosing to celebrate each others differences - is one of the most important keys to creating a healthy, growing, and lasting relationship.

And that's my prayer for you today... that you will learn to take the good, the bad, and the ugly parts of your life and lay them at the feet of God. Because in the end, He's the only One who will be able to give you a relationship where a burnt biscuit isn't a deal-breaker!

We could extend this to any relationship. In fact, understanding is the base of any relationship, be it a husband-wife or parent-child or friendship!

"Don't put the key to your happiness in someone else's pocket - keep it in your own."

So, please pass me a biscuit, and yes, the burned one will do just fine.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY
TO...**

Bill Brown III (3/26)
Isela Reza-Rogers (3/27)
Cory Colombini (3/29)
Donna Larsen (3/30)
Sandra Barrón (3/31)
Nathaneal Rogers (3/31)
Matthew vanPutten (3/31)
Sherry Marsh (4/1)

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY
TO...**