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## **WORSHIP SERVICE**

**LIVE & STREAMED**

**SABBATH SCHOOL: 9:30 am**

**WORSHIP SERVICE: 10:45 am**

**YUCAIPA SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH**

**December 23, 2023**

Pastor Elijah Grekov  
Pastor Cliff Lim

## **ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL**

**9:30am – 10:30 am**

**Opening Song**      *“Once in Royal David’s City”*      **#149**

**Adult Lesson Study**      *“Esther and Mordecai”*      **Curt Dolinsky &  
Richard Parker**

**Chorister:** Helen Siegel  
**Pianist:** Dorothy Wareham      **Organist:** Gerald Wareham

**Mission Offering and Sabbath School Expense can be  
given online or mailed or brought to church.**

**PICK UP QUARTERLY IN CHURCH FOYER,  
CHURCH OFFICE, OR CALL TO HAVE IT MAILED.**

### **Adult Sabbath School Lesson Groups**

**9:30 am**

**Sanctuary - In Person & Streaming online**  
**Board Room - Pastor’s Class**  
**Fellowship Hall - Paul Gavaza**  
**Overflow Room - Young Adults/Young Professionals**  
**Round Table Discussion Class**  
**Music Room – Joyce Hopp**

### **Children’s/Youth Divisions**

**9:30 am – 10:30 am**

**Cradle Roll: (North Patio) Ages 0 - 3**  
**Kindergarten: (North-East Patio) Ages 4 - 6**  
**Primary: (East Patio) Ages 7 - 9**  
**Juniors: (East Patio) Ages 10 - 12**  
**Earliteens: (Youth Center) Grades 7 – 8**  
**Youth: 9:45 am in the Youth Center**

# WORSHIP SERVICE

10:45 am

Music Meditation “How Great Thy Joy” arr. by Dorothy Wareham  
Welcome/Church Life Pastor Elijah Grekov  
Prelude “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel” Jim Lee & Dorothy Wareham  
Hymn of Praise “O Come, All Ye Faithful” #132  
Invocation Yvonne Wren  
Baptism Jenna & Julia Wilson  
Tithes & Offering “Local Conference Advance” Andrew Jennings  
Special Music/Offertory “Gesu Bambino” Paulette Jumalon & Dorothy Wareham  
Children’s Offering & Story David Camarena  
Welcome New Members/Preparation for Prayer Pastor Elijah  
Congregational Prayer David Marlow  
Prayer Response  
Scripture Reading “Luke 2:9-14” Jared Wareham  
“He Shall Feed His Flock” by G.F. Handel Paulette Jumalon, Jim Lee, & Dorothy Wareham  
Shepherd video  
Shepherd’s Dilemma Dave Larson  
Wiseman video  
Wiseman’s Dilemma Pastor Cliff  
Hymn of Response “We Three Kings” #137  
Benediction Pastor Cliff  
Prayer Response  
Postlude “Angels We Have Heard on High” arr. by Stephen Bulla Jair Garcia & Gerald Wareham

Chorister: Helen Siegel

Pianist: Dorothy Wareham Organist: Gerald Wareham

Elders: Dave Larson & Jeremy McLarty

TO OUR FAMILY & GUESTS, WE ARE DELIGHTED that you are worshipping with us either in person or online today. May God continue to bless each one of you.

## WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK,

Helen Siegel (chorister),  
Dorothy Wareham (piano), Gerald Wareham (organ), Jair Garcia (trumpet),  
Paulette Jumalon (soprano), Jim Lee (cello), Joshua Rotaru (violin), for ministering to us through their gift of music today.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. **STREAMING OUR CHURCH SERVICE ON YOUTUBE:** To join us, go to our website at [www: yucaipasda.org](http://www.yucaipasda.org) and click on the YouTube link or on the streaming link on our front page. If you missed a sermon or would like to see it again, go to “YouTube” and search for [yucaipasdamedia](http://yucaipasdamedia). If you are not able to get our streaming service and would like a DVD, please contact the church office, and we will make you a copy of our service.
2. **SECOND READING MEMBERSHIP:** The following membership changes have been recommended by the Church Board.

To Yucaipa Church

Ariel (Lynch) Stocker from Bayview SDA Church, Hong Kong  
Eric Stocker from Umatilla SDA Church, Florida

3. **CHRISTMAS OFFERING:** This year’s “special offering project” is dedicated to helping our church get the most efficient and effective solar system for our electric power needs. We are thankful for your generous giving during these last weeks of the year. Please mark your contributions, “Christmas Offering” Thank you.



4. **OFFERING TODAY** is for **Local Conference Advance**. Through the spirit of generosity we partner with God in funding the mission; God loves a cheerful giver. Returning tithe and giving offerings are part of our worship relationship, a joyful expression of our praise, love, and gratitude.

5. **NOTE FROM THE TREASURER:** Please remember all church donations must be turned in or postmarked by midnight December 31, to be counted on this year's tax receipts.

*Note!*

6. **VESPERS TONIGHT AT 4PM!** – Come and join us tonight as we continue our study in the book of Daniel. Come close the Sabbath hours with your church family.

7. **YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS** join us tonight at 5 pm in the Youth Room for our Christmas party!



## **NEXT WEEK**

8. **THE DESIRE OF AGES STUDY GROUP:** Come join us in person every **Wednesday morning from 10 to 11:15 am in the Fellowship Hall.** We are studying the book, **The Desire of Ages.** Any questions, call Betty Smith.
9. **SOWING SEEDS OF KINDNESS IS USING OVER 200 PLASTIC GROCERY BAGS A WEEK.** Please bring in your plastic grocery bags folded in half. Thank you!
10. **SOWING SEEDS OF KINDNESS is now giving food to over 90 families and WE NEED YOUR HELP.** Your financial support has kept our ministry going (and is still very much needed) we are in need of **canned fruits**. There will be a box in the foyer to place your donation in each Sabbath. Bring what you can and it will be shared. **Your donations have been greatly needed and appreciated.**
11. **SOWING SEEDS OF KINDESS WILL BE CLOSED WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27, 2023 AND WILL REOPEN THE FOLLOWING WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 3, 2024.**

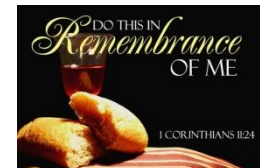


### **Your First Work**

Consecrate yourself to God in the morning; make this your very first work. Let your prayer be, "Take me, O Lord, as wholly Thine. I lay all my plans at Thy feet. Use me today in Thy service. Abide with me, and let all my work be wrought in Thee." This is a daily matter. Each morning consecrate yourself to God for that day. SC 70



12. **PRAYER MEETING:** Coleen Dolinsky will be leading out in our zoom prayer meeting each **Wednesday at 6:30 pm. Join Zoom Meeting.**  
<https://zoom.us/j/4177957065?pwd=bTBwaTIOTVoxOVJ2cEPQRWxDaGFGZz09> Meeting ID: 417 795 7065 Password: 070120
13. **AGAPE COMMUNION:** Will be on **Friday evening, December 29, starting at 5:30 pm in the Sanctuary followed by supper in the Fellowship Hall.** This is such a special time for all of us to come together and you will not want to miss it.
14. **NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING** is for **Union Designated.**



## **GENERAL**

15. **MEAL TRAIN:** There are times in our lives when friends and family ask, "What can I do to help out?" The answer is usually to help them with a meal or a restaurant gift card so they can order food and bring a meal home. When many friends give a meal, this is a Meal Train. If you would like to be a part of this ministry contact Tricia Page.



16. **SENIOR LUNCHEON COMING IN JANUARY!** Seniors, please set aside Sunday, January 7, 2024 for a luncheon at Ocean Pho in Yucaipa. For only \$12 you can pick one meal and drink. (The Senior committee will cover the rest). **The first 35 to turn in their money and sign up will have a reserved place. Mark your tithe envelope, "Senior Luncheon. Please sign up with Judy O'Connor today in the Foyer.**



17. **TUITION AID:** We have **23 students** that have applied for tuition assistance for the 2023-2024 school year in our SDA schools. Our Church Board changed to a sliding scale of tuition aid depending on grade level. Your consistent donations to this fund make it possible to help these young people attend our schools.





<b>COMBINED BUDGET:</b> monthly	<b>\$19,400</b>
Combined Budget: received in <b>December</b>	\$13,424
<b>TUITION AID:</b> needed monthly	<b>\$3,140</b>
Tuition Aid: received in <b>December</b>	\$3,300
<b>SOLAR PANELS PROJECT COST</b>	<b>\$158,000</b>
CHRISTMAS OFFERING – Solar	\$9,863

18. **ANY UNDESIGNATED MONEY** in a tithe envelope will go toward the offering appeal of the day. All loose offerings go to church budget. Your contribution, whether small or large is of great help to your church. Any special offering needs to be placed in a tithe envelope and MARKED for that offering.

19. **INTERNET PRAYER TEAM:** Our church Internet prayer team is offering to pray for both short and long term requests. Should you have a request or praise, e-mail it to Loretta Moog at [lmoog2@juno.com](mailto:lmoog2@juno.com) or call the church office. Please keep Loretta updated on any progress, changes, and answers to prayer.

20. **CHURCH FAMILY:** If you are in need of a ride to church, to the doctor, or need help with shopping, or perhaps a visit or prayer. Please contact **the church office, the pastors or Dave Larson.** *“Carry one another’s burdens; in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.” Galatians 6:2*



## **Activities From Outside Of Yucaipa Church**

21. **LABELS FOR MGA:** If you've been saving Loma Linda/Worthington meat substitute label, this would be a good time to turn them in. **We need only the complete barcode, but the whole label is accepted as well.** Look for the container for the labels in the church lobby or bring them to the MGA Office. We receive 25 cents for each complete bar code. Last year MGA received nearly \$700 from this simple program. If you have not been saving labels, START NOW! Every little bit turned in does add up!



# **Calendar at a Glance**

**IN PERSON WEDNESDAY MORNING STUDY GROUP**  
10 am in the Fellowship Hall

**SOWING SEEDS OF KINDNESS – 12 to 2 pm**

**ZOOM WEDNESDAY PRAYER MEETING – 6:30 pm**

**VESPERS SABBATH EVENING – 4 pm in the Sanctuary**

## **DECEMBER**

- 23 **Part 2 Christmas Program & Baptism**
- 23 **Youth & Young Adults Christmas Party – 5 pm**
- 27 **Sowing Seeds of Kindness is “Closed”**
- 29 **Agape Communion – 5:30 pm**

## **JANUARY**

- 2 **Pathfinder Meeting**
- 3 **Sowing Seeds of Kindness will “Open”-12 to 2 pm**
- 6 **Friendship Sabbath**
- 6 **Family Ministry Kid’s Church – 10:50 am**
- 6 **Church Fellowship Potluck**
- 6 **Adventurers Meeting – 1:30 pm**
- 6 **Pathfinder Meeting /Staff Meeting**
- 7 **Senior Ministry Outing**
- 7 **Pathfinder Meeting**
- 13 **Religious Liberty & Sabbath Accommodation**
- 16 **Pathfinder**
- 20 **MGA Choir**
- 21 **Adventurers Bike-A-Thon**



*The joy & blessings of this Sabbath conclude at 4:43 pm & begin again next Friday, December 29, at 4:47 pm.*

# December Celebrations



- 23 Alan & Jody Kinard
- 24 Robert & Jewel Cash
- 26 Nelson & Namona Musonda



- 17 Romy Hasel 
- 23 Samantha Jaffery
- 23 Amparo Lugo
- 24 Linda Burton
- 24 Jackie Day
- 25 Dennis Richards
- 25 Michael Unruh
- 26 Theresa Brown
- 26 Giacomo Digeso
- 26 Bella Foster
- 26 Sarah Velazquez
- 26 Linda Villarreal
- 27 Premmy Bonilla
- 27 Karen Staff
- 28 Daniel Burke
- 28 Kuda Gavaza
- 28 Stephanie Griffin
- 28 Jason Marshak
- 28 Justin Mracek
- 28 Bradley Sakul
- 28 Joanne Turner
- 29 Ruth Harbeson
- 29 Shane Wellborn

## DIRECTORY

Please call us when you or a loved one must go to the hospital or needs crisis counseling. We are here to help you!

**Church Office: 909- 797-1375**  
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**Yucaipa, CA 92399-1099**

**Homepage: [yucaipaca.adventistchurch.org](http://yucaipaca.adventistchurch.org)**

**Regular office hours are from 10 am until 4 pm, Tuesday through Thursday. Pastoral appointments are available as needed.**

**Senior Pastor**  
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**Gina Gomez; Email: [yucaipasecretary@gmail.com](mailto:yucaipasecretary@gmail.com)**

**Treasurer**  
**Linda Hill; Email: [yucaipatreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:yucaipatreasurer@gmail.com)**

**Facility Manager –**  
**Head Elder – Dave Larson & Richard Parker**  
**Head Deacon – Dave Rodman**  
**Head Deaconess – Gloria Pohren**

**Library Hours: Sabbath from 9-9:30 & 10:25 – 10:45 – Ruth Moses**

**Personal Ministries Desk 10:25 to 10:45am and 15 minutes after church**

**Prayer Chain – Loretta Moog – [lmoog2@juno.com](mailto:lmoog2@juno.com)**

**Sowing Seeds of Kindness/Community Service – Sandy Bradford**  
**Wednesdays from noon to 2 pm or by appointment**



# AGAPE COMMUNION

*Friday, Dec 29 @ 5:30 pm  
Yucaipa SDA Church*







YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS  
JOIN US FOR A

# Christmas PARTY

December 23 at 5p  
Youth Room @ Church

- Food Provided
  - Most Festive costume contest
  - White Elephant gift exchange
- \$20



**The Wise Men brought gifts  
for Baby Jesus.** Matthew 2:11.

Hidden in this picture are 3 gifts, brought by the Wise Men.  
Also find the best gift you can give to Jesus. (Your heart.)

YUCAIPA SDA CHURCH HOSTS



## UNTANGLING OUR RELATIONSHIPS

*Finding Healing with Abraham's Family*

WITH DR. BRYAN CAFFERKY

**Friday Night (~2 hours) / Feb 9 @ 6:30pm**

### *Abraham's Family Trouble*

Learn to "read" a family genogram to track various behaviors across four generations in Abraham's family.

**Saturday Morning Sermon / Feb 10 @ 11:00am**

### *Rail Meat*

Exploration of Galatians 5:22-23 focusing on the last fruit of the spirit (self-control) as it relates to changing family dynamics.

**Saturday Afternoon #1(~90min)/ Feb 10 @ 1:15pm**

### *Trapping Ourselves in Troublesome Triangles*

Learn the roles we play in relational triangles—  
Is there a better way?

**Saturday Afternoon #2(~90 min)/ Feb 10 @ 3:00pm**

### *Stable/Unstable Triangles and Where to Find Them*

Understand how triangles keep anxiety stuck in the family. Is it "me" or is it the triangle?

### NOTES OF INTEREST

**Want to prepare  
yourself?**

- Get reacquainted with Abraham's family in Genesis 11-50.
- Lunch is provided on Feb 10

**Come ready to learn new  
ways to untangle your  
tricky relationships!**

**Feb 9 & 10, 2024**

Yucaipa SDA Church  
535225 Avenue E,  
Yucaipa, CA 92399

In this seminar, we examine repeated behaviors in Abraham's family (spoiler alert: apples don't fall far from the tree!)—while linking their 4,000-year-old patterns to our present-day family predicaments. You'll walk away with new paradigm to explain why families act the way they do and practical tools to untangle those tricky relationships.



**DR. BRYAN CAFFERKY, Speaker**

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## The Christmas Dilemma



Join us for our  
Special Christmas program series called

## "The Christmas Dilemma" Today

Each week will feature two characters from the  
Advent Story of Christ.

Dramatic presentations and wonderful music  
will lift your heart heavenward and show how  
the birth of Jesus impacted each person's life.

Plan to attend and bring a friend.  
Presented during the Church Service  
with different characters each week!