



FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

July 20, 2024

ON CAMPUS TODAY AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH, JULY 20:

- 9:00 a.m.: **Courtyard Café.** Enjoy simple breakfast foods & beverages in our Fellowship Hall lobby.
- 9:30 a.m.: **Grace Sabbath School class** with Pastor Leif, both live in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom, meeting ID 818-244-7241. Join in our lively, two-book study: "Your God Is Too Small" (J. B. Phillips) and *Adventist Today's* book "Dear Aunt Sevy"
- 9:30 a.m.: **The Living Project Support Group** meets weekly in the Council Room. "Telling my story. Listening to your story. Living our story."
- 11:00 a.m.: **Sanctuary worship service** with Pastor Jesus Vera, a chaplain working with Adventist Health. Also available online, <https://YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch>. **Next Sabbath, July 27:** Worship service with Pastor Greg Nelson. ***This will be his last Sabbath with us.*** Church potluck to follow the service.
- 11:00 a.m.: **City Kids Children's Praise with Music**, Room 2.
- 11:15 a.m.: **Tiny Tots** (0-3 years old, together with a guardian) go to Classroom 2; **Godly Play** (4-12 years) go to Classroom 1. Noon pickup.

OPEN TABLE WORSHIP:

- 12:15 p.m.: Informal worship gathering downstairs in the multipurpose room. All are welcome as we share with music, story-telling, and interpersonal connections!

Sermon

"Unbinding Hope"

Jesus Vera

Offertory"Be Thou My Vision"
Becca Bishop, *mezzo-soprano**arr. Richard Walters*

*(*Deacons will collect the offering as we meditate on the message in music. Please give as you're able — unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense.)*

Closing Hymn"When We Face an Unknown Future" *Carolyn Winfrey Gillette,*
2020; Tune: NETTLETON

(1) When we face an unknown future that we can't imagine yet,
When the closeness we have treasured turns from blessing into threat —
When we miss our friends and loved ones, when we crave community,
May we look, God, in this season, for a whole new way to be.

(2) Jesus faced the lonely desert as a time to look within.
There he met such trial and conflict; there he knew you were with him.
In our times of tribulation when we miss the life we've known,
May we hear your voice proclaiming: "I am here! You're not alone."

(3) May we cherish those around us as we never have before.
May we think much less of profit; may we learn what matters more.
May we hear our neighbors' suffering; may we see our neighbors' pain.
May we learn new ways of offering life and health and hope again.

(4) God, when illness comes to threaten, and when so much here goes wrong,
May we know this thing for certain — that your love is sure and strong.
You're beside us in our suffering — and when all seems hid from view,
We may face an unknown future, but it's hope-filled, Lord, with you.

Benediction

Jesus Vera

Postlude"Toccata in G"
Kemp Smeal, *organ**Théodore Dubois*

Please come forward to tie a knot in the prayer quilt for Pamela Kermgard, after her husband John's death



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Preaching schedule and announcements:

- **July 20** Pastor Jesus Vera, chaplain, Adventist Health
- **July 27** Pastor Greg Nelson's last Sabbath here. Church potluck
- **Aug 3** Pastor Loren Seibold, executive editor of *Adventist Today*
- **Aug 10** Welcoming our new senior pastor, Uriel Herinirina! Church potluck

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donations go towards property taxes, phone, copier lease, office supplies, gardener, and internet.

Our deepest condolences to **Pamela Kermgard**, after her **husband John** passed away this week on July 14.

A warm welcome to our **guest speaker** today! Pastor **Jesus Vera** has been serving at Adventist Health for three years now as a Mission Resident, and his current role is Hospital Chaplaincy. He is also on his last year of the Master of Divinity Program at Fuller Theological Seminary. When Pastor Jesus isn't at the hospital or at church, he's at public schools speaking to students. As an emotional development and inspirational speaker, his goal is to help students see past their current struggles and circumstances.

This Saturday is the last Open Table that **Melissa and Ian** will be attending as they are moving to New Jersey. We hope other church members will come to give them well wishes for their send-off. There will be food, fellowship and fun! Meet at 12:15 in the multipurpose room.

Please help keep us up and running by taking on a monthly payment for the church. It is expensive to maintain a beautiful church of this size. Choose a need and send a monthly check marked for the level of your choice or go to adventistgiving.org/donate/ANPPGL and select level then "Set Up Recurring Donation" Thank you!

Noon Concert Aug 7, featuring violinist Jacqueline Suzuki and pianist Brendan White performing works by Mozart, Gianopoulos, Massenet, and Rachmaninoff-Kreisler. Further information at <http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>.