



FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

September 23, 2023

ON CAMPUS TODAY AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH, SEPTEMBER 23:

- 8:30 a.m.: **Spanish-language service** with Pastor Johnny and Clara Ramirez-Johnson speaking on our YouTube page.
- 9:00 a.m.: **Courtyard Café.** Enjoy simple breakfast foods & beverages in our courtyard.
- 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. Book study: "Do I Stay Christian? — A Guide for the Doubters, the Disappointed, and the Disillusioned" by Brian McLaren.
- 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 Dr. Greg Nelson. Also available online, <https://YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch>. **Worship next Sabbath, Sep 30:** Sanctuary Worship service with **Greg Nelson**.
- 11:00 a.m.: **City Kids Children's Praise**, Room 2. By 11:15 a.m.: • **Tiny Tots** (0-3 years old, together with a parent or 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 in the Chapel with music, story-sharing and interpersonal connections. All are welcome!

THIS WEEK AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH:

- 7:00 p.m. **Social Jesus Heartgroup** by Herb Montgomery, each Wednesday at <https://Zoom.us/j/8182447241>, discussing Jesus' call to bringing justice and equality to all. Study guide or podcast: <https://RenewedHeartMinistries.com>.

Sermon

"Standing On Our Sacred Ground"

Greg Nelson

Reflection in Song/Offertory"You Complete Me"
Greg Nelson

Keyshia Cole

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

Hymn of Response

"O God, We Sing and Celebrate!"

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette
1999; Hymn Tune: VARINA

(1) Our God, we sing and celebrate! Your grace to us is clear!
For we recall your faithful love for all your people here.
We've worked together, yet we know it's not the things we've done,
But you, who give us life and hope in sending us your Son.

(2) Lord Jesus, in this broken world, you teach us how to heal,
And in a world where pride abounds, you call your church to kneel.
Amid the hate, we're called to love; amid the fear, to pray.
You call us to live differently; transform us every day!

(3) You give us gifts to be your church; we follow as you call.
Here some are teachers, others preach, to speak your truth to all.
Some reach to help the sick and poor, while some are called to lead;
Yet by your Spirit, we are one, in word, in prayer, in deed!

(4) How easy to look back and see your graceful, constant care,
And yet we're called to look ahead, to grow, to serve, to dare!
What is your will in this new day? God, help us pray and search,
For as we seek to walk with you, we are your faithful church.

Benediction

Greg Nelson

Postlude"Toccata in G Major"
Kemp Smeal, *organ*

Théodore Dubois



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Our sincere condolences to **Ron Matusea's family** after his mother, Non Matusea, passed away last Sunday.

September 30 Fellowship potluck and Church Visioning meeting with Greg Nelson. The Church Board as well as Pastoral Search Committee members are asked to be present (preferably in-person rather than Zoom), and **all members are encouraged to attend** this important time for discussing planning ideas for our congregation.

Preaching schedule:

- **Sep. 30** Greg Nelson
- **Oct. 7** Danny Chan, Southern California Conference
- **Oct. 14** Greg Nelson
- **Oct. 21** Greg Nelson

Help Us Host "Home Again LA" as we help first-time homeless families get back on their feet! The week of **Oct. 29-Nov. 4** we will be lodging four families in our classrooms as part of HALA's temporary shelter program. We are looking for volunteers to provide a hot supper and a sack breakfast for 12 people each night; as well as seven pairs of chaperones — one male, one female — to sleep on site each night (beds will be provided). If you can help as a chef or as a chaperone one or more nights of this week, please contact our church office (818-244-7241, 610ecalifornia@gmail.com) or Beth Johnston Taylor (ejtaylor61@gmail.com).

Communication & Media Production Seminar Oct. 1, 9:30 a.m.–1 p.m., Temple City Church (9664 Broadway, Temple City, CA). Register by Sep 15, scc.adventist.org/10-1-23. Free; lunch provided.

A+ Fall Festival/Pasta Dinner with auction, Thursday, Oct 19, 3:00–8:00 p.m. (dinner at 5:45). Tickets: \$10/adult, \$5/child. A+ is taking donations of **new** items for the auctions; donations will receive a tax letter at the end of the year. Thanks for helping to support our A+ school!

GAA Student Association will host its first Thrift Store/Garage Sale event on Sunday September 24, 10 a.m.–2 p.m. (Building A, 700 Kimlin Drive). Deadline for turning in donations: Sep 22

Glendale Noon Concert, Oct. 4: Pianist Brendan White performs works by Stephen Andrew Taylor, Frederic Chopin, Chen Yi, & Franz Liszt/Paganini. All welcome! More info at <http://glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com>

Laundry Love Ministry: This service, provided by Vallejo Drive Church, assists those with financial needs by providing funds, soap, dryer sheets for up to 6 regular laundry loads per family. Available monthly, every 3rd Tuesday from 6–8 p.m. at Lauderland Laundromat, 1157 N Pacific Ave., Glendale. Contact Doug Warner, 818-935-4317 for further info or referrals. Matthew 25:40

Disaster Response Training by Charlene Sargent, Sunday, October 8, 9 a.m. at the Southern California Conference committee room. Registration at 8:30 a.m., fee of \$15. Lunch is provided. To pre-register, email: bhart@scsda.org before **October 2 deadline**. (Check to "Southern California Conference" or cash only.)

GCC JUNE 13-26, 2024: 14-DAY TOUR TO 7 CHURCHES OF REVELATION (TURKIYE & GREECE, WITH CRUISE)! \$5,850 per person (optional **5-day add on to Rome: +\$1,350**). Includes airfare, accommodation, meals, and sightseeing! For adults as well as Academy students and families. Discover the lands of **ancient treasures and Christian history!** Visit the **Seven Churches of Revelation!** See **Ephesus** (inc. resting place of John and Mary); Troas, **Isle of Patmos** (where John wrote Revelation), Crete, Santorini, and **Athens**. In **Rome**, visit the Colosseum and prison where Paul was held, visit the Holy Staircase. **Deposit of \$400 + 1st payment: \$2,500 by Nov. 5; 2nd payment: \$2,500 by Feb. 5; final payment: \$450 by Apr. 5.** More info, contact tour leader **Clara Jorge Ramirez, Ph.D.**, 909-382-1913 or drcjorgeramirez@gmail.com.