

*Scripture Reading*

**1 Chronicles 21:1-8**

Satan rose up against Israel and incited David to take a census of Israel.

**So David said to Joab and the commanders of the troops,**

**"Go and count the Israelites from Beersheba to Dan. Then report back to me so that I may know how many there are."**

But Joab replied,

"May the LORD multiply his troops a hundred times over. My lord the king, are they not all my lord's subjects? Why does my lord want to do this? Why should he bring guilt on Israel?"

The king's word, however, overruled Joab; so Joab left and went throughout Israel and then came back to Jerusalem.

Joab reported the number of the fighting men to David: In all Israel there were one million one hundred thousand men who could handle a sword, including four hundred and seventy thousand in Judah. But Joab did not include Levi and Benjamin in the numbering, because the king's command was repulsive to him. This command was also evil in the sight of God; so he punished Israel.

**Then David said to God,  
"I have sinned greatly by doing this. Now, I beg you, take away the guilt of your servant. I have done a very foolish thing."**

*Sermon Resources*

Some years ago, I was asked to consult on a special project for a national church. The members of the group I met with had been working on the project and asked me to evaluate their work so far. When I reviewed the design of the project, I was quite startled. Not only did it *not* do what was asked, I felt that its recommendations could possibly be physically and psychologically dangerous in the hands of untrained leaders. In my usual fashion, I asked those who had contracted with me if they really wanted my input. They assured me that they did, so I gave it to them, and I later learned that many committee members agreed with my evaluation completely and, in fact, had never been happy with the project.

Despite my evaluation, however, the group decided to go ahead with the project against my and their better judgments, knowing that it could be dangerous. The reason: because of the time and money spent so far, the group didn't want to abandon the project and lose credibility. This is dishonesty at the institutional level.

You might want to give some thought to the following kinds of dishonesty we find in the institutional church. What about an international church that is opposed to birth control and holds stock in companies that manufacture birth control pills? What about churches that actively recruit all races, sexes, and kinds of people into the fold and then bar them from positions of power and decision-making? This, I believe, is institutional dishonesty, and the church is deeply involved in it.

When our major formative institutions train us in dishonesty and participate in it, it is not surprising that so many people are confused about what personal honesty is. Dishonesty, one of the major character defects of co-dependents, is obviously not something they invent on their own.

*-Co-Dependence: Misunderstood—Mistreated, by Anne Wilson Schaefer*

*Anthem*

*Just As I Am, Lord*

Through all the trials which life sends my way,  
through all the troubles I face each day;  
Shadows and clouds may bring doubt and fear,  
but Lord, I know You are near.  
Sometimes the darkness seems empty and cold,  
sometimes I search for a hand to hold.  
Lost and uncertain of what to do, I find my courage in You.  
Just as I am, without one plea, for You, O Lord, will comfort me.  
Your love alone will set me free!  
O Lamb of God, I come, I come.  
I am not worthy but still You forgive,  
teaching me patiently how to live.  
Humble and thankful, I come to You  
with love so faithful and true.  
Just as I am, without one plea, for You,  
O Lord, will comfort me.

*City Church Announcements*

**August Theme.** The theme for this month is "God the Judge," 1970-1980. Our banner in the Narthex is a reminder to all of us of the great privilege we have of worshipping together.

**Old-Fashioned Picnic in the Park!** Let us fellowship and enjoy God's great out-of-doors at Scholl Canyon Park, lower picnic grounds. This is not a potluck; this is sponsored by your Centennial Committee and Dr. Harold Fanselau. To RSVP, please contact one of the following: Dr. H. Fanselau @ 818-242-7772; D. Greathouse @ 626-796-8579; V. Lucero @ 818-244-7241.

**Display Case.** Have you signed up yet? We urgently need names of more individuals willing to lend us mementos from their lives with photos, diplomas, and other personal memorabilia, to be displayed for a 2-week period. Everyone's story is valued! Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or contact the Church office.

**Camp Cedar Falls.** Come for a weekend away with your church family in the woods. Friday night through Sunday, October 20 - 22, 2006. Please pick up a registration form in the Narthex or download the form from our website <http://www.glendalecitysda.com> under "Latest News."

**Summer Office Hours.** Church will be open from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**Family Reunion Music.** Family Reunion Music is going to be doing a concert at the Loma Linda University Seventh-day Adventist Church on Saturday night, September 2, 5:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. The tickets can be purchased by calling 1-877-HOSANNA (1-877-467-2662). Artist include Christian Edition, Faith First, Del Delker, Carole Derry-Bretsch, Jesse Martin, The Three Musketeers and many more. You won't want to miss this special event. For more information go to <http://www.familyreunionmusic.com>

**Nominating Committee.** Is there a position in the church that you would like to fill? If so, please fill out a pew card, contact the church office or speak with one of the pastoral staff. We want to give everyone the opportunity to serve their church family.

\* All bulletin submissions must be in by Wednesday noon to be included in the upcoming bulletin. Submission after this deadline will be included in the following week's bulletin.\*

*Churches Without Walls*

Congratulations to our first CERT graduates! Due to the overwhelming success of the first training, we are now reserving spots for our next class in September. If interested, please be open to taking the class on a week-night or Sunday for four consecutive weeks. Contact Marcel Schwantes to RSVP, [schwanma@ah.org](mailto:schwanma@ah.org) or 818.409.8209.

*Upcoming Sermons*

August 12	Family Sabbath: "Baptism"	Denise Kasischke
August 19	Power Sabbath	Mitchell Tyner
August 26	"The Case for Missions"	Mitchell Henson

**Sunset tonight - 7:51 p.m. Sunset next Friday - 7:44 p.m.**

## Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

<b>Prelude</b>	"Air in G"	Howells
<b>Morning Hymn</b>	"We Gather Together"	No. 8
<b>Entering of the Light</b>	Arie Quintanilla & Anna Ingold	
<b>Call to Worship</b>	Mitchell Henson	
	We have gathered to worship to listen to covenant to praise your name to remember our heritage to celebrate our destiny. <b>Oh God, we joyfully receive your grace.</b>	
<b>Gifts of the Congregation</b>	Michael Quishenberry	
<b>Anthem</b>	"Let All the World in Every Corner Sing"	G. Young
<b>Worship in Giving</b>		
Morning Offering	Sandy Schultz	
Offertory	Susan Mills, solo	
<b>Children's Sermon</b>	Denise Kasischke	
<b>Greeting &amp; Prayers of the Congregation</b>	Mitchell Henson	
<b>Prayer Response</b>		
	<i>Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, oh hear us when we pray, Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, Hear, oh hear us when we pray.</i>	
<b>Scripture</b>	<b>1 Chronicles 21:1-8</b>	Niki Quintanilla
<b>Anthem</b>	"Just As I Am, Lord"	D. Besig
<b>Sermon</b>	"Lying to Ourselves"	Mitchell Henson
<b>Blessing &amp; Sending</b>		
	The Lord bless you and keep you; The Lord make His face shine upon you, And be gracious to you; The Lord lift up His countenance upon you, And give you peace.	
<b>Postlude</b>	"Toccata, Opus 59"	Reger

## Sabbath School Options

Class	Age	Location	Symbols/Leaders
Beginners	0-3 yrs	Room 3	Elephant
Kindergarten	3-5 yrs	Room 4	Giraffe
Primary	6-9	Room 2	Eagle
Junior	10-13 yrs	Room 1	Lion
Teen	14-18 yrs	Room 10b	Fish
Open Door	19-99 yrs	Youth Center	
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Mitchell Henson
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	

## Worship Options

Option	Location	Sequence
Sanctuary Service	Main Sanctuary	Every Sabbath
Romanian Service	Chapel	1st and 3rd Sabbaths
Armenian Service	Chapel	2nd and 4th Sabbaths

## Activities

Event	Location	Sequence
Bell Choir	Youth Center	Friday at 8:00 pm
Choir Rehearsal	Choir Room	Sabbath at 9:15 am
Pathfinders	GAMC Gymnasium	Tuesday at 6:45 pm
Sunshine Singers	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Bible Study	Council Room	Monday at 7:00 p.m.

## Church Directory

### Pastors

Mitchell Henson, Senior Pastor  
Denise Kasischke, Family & Children Ministries  
Michael Quishenberry, Pastor of the Parish  
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor  
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor  
Constantin Balan, Romanian Senior Pastor

### Officers

Head Elder	Douglas Schultz
Head Deacon	Skip Foster
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
Church Board Chair	Robert Marsh
Sanctuary Choir Director	Brenda Mohr
Organist	Kemp Smeal
Children's Choir Director	Lissie Quishenberry
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana
Secretary	Victoria Lucero
Treasurer	Dean Vendouris
Church Clerk	Mindi Rüb
A+ School Principal	Anoosh Keshishzade
Pathfinder Leader	Warren Dale

### Church Office Hours

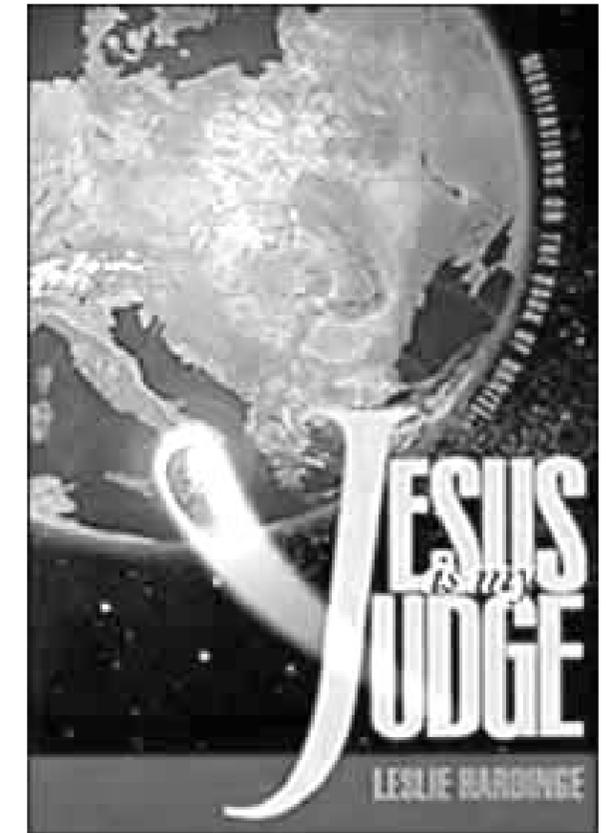
Monday-Thursday 8:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.; Friday 8:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

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## One Hundred Years of Grace

### "God the Judge"

1970 – 1980



*We have chosen "God the Judge" as the title for this decade. Dr. Leslie Hardinge (1973–1976) had a great interest in subjects relating to the Sanctuary, the Judgment, and last day events, as indicated by the title of the book above.*

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