

Pastor Mitchell Henson

We remember with sadness and respect today the passing of our beloved senior Pastor Mitch Henson, on Thursday afternoon, December 27. Our service this morning is a reflection on the promises of God's word for all who place their trust in Him. Our prayers and concerns continue to be with Sue and the family. There will be a **Memorial Service on January 12** for Mitchell Henson at the Church at 1:30 p.m. A gathering will take place in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the morning service with nourishment provided.

City Church Announcements

Pathfinder Rose Parade: This is the last opportunity to sign up for this annual event. Please see Preston Carman for details, 818-334-4360.

Full-color **Church Membership Directories** are now available! Please take only one copy per household.

Come and check out some of our new items in our Multimedia Library. We have DVD's from It Is Written and some wonderful Bible documentaries. Library is free!

Workbee. Let us continue the tradition of our semi-annual times to bring the church back to peak condition! There will be a Workbee on February 4th from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Deacons, Deaconesses, Greeters and Church Board members will help to lead this, and all members are welcome and encouraged to help and lend a hand.

The City Church **FRIENDS OF MUSIC** sponsor many special touches in our music program. Brass for the Christmas Concert, Dr. Melvin West's "Hymn Festival" and other guest musicians are possible because of the Friends' special support. Please consider being a part of the Friends of Music with a specially marked gift this Christmas season.

NEW ENGLAND YOUTH ENSEMBLE, internationally acclaimed orchestra from Columbia Union College will present a concert featuring hymns, spirituals, and sacred classical music January 5. Call Vallejo Drive Church for more information 818-246-2476.

Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the Day Don Greathouse
January 5 Rudy Torres
January 12 David Wood

Sunset tonight - 4:47 p.m. Sunset next Friday - 4:55 p.m.

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
Prassô	General	Youth Center	
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Chapel	Hugh Gardner

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/Jubilate Singers	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Bible Study	Council Room	Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

Church Directory

Pastors

Mitchell Henson, Senior Pastor
Cherise Gardner, Family & Children Ministries
Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor
Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor
Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor
Leif Lind, Church Administrator
Marcos Apolonio, Media Ministries

Officers

Head Elder	Don Greathouse
Head Deacon	Harold Fanselau
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
Acting Church Board Chair	Vincent Haynes
Guest Choir Director	John St. Marie
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 Board Chair	Andrew Cervik
A+ School Principal	Jeanie Drake
Pathfinder Director	Preston Carman

Church Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.; Friday 9:00 a.m.-2:00 p.m.
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Service of Comfort & Reflection



Glendale City Seventh-day Adventist Church December 29, 2007

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

Prelude Canonic Variations on “Infant Holy, Infant Lowly” *Haan*

Entering of the Light

Call to Worship Leif Lind

Almighty and ever living God,
ruler of all things in heaven and earth,
hear our prayers for this church family.
Holy God, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ
be present among us today as we seek you.

Gathering Hymn “O God, Our Help in Ages Past” No. 103

Worship in Giving

Morning Offering

Offertory “Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring” *J. S. Bach*

Children's Sermon Cherise Gardner

Greetings and Prayers of the Congregation Leif Lind

Prayer Response

Great is Thy faithfulness! Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning new mercies I see;
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided,
Great is Thy faithfulness! Lord unto me!

Meditation “Gesù Bambino” *Pietro A. Yon*
Grace Oh, *violin*

SERVICE OF COMFORT AND REFLECTION

Responsive Reading

Mike Quishenberry

I am Resurrection and I am Life, says the Lord.
Whoever has faith in me shall have life,
even though he die.
And everyone who has life,
and has committed himself to me in faith,
shall not die for ever.

**As for me, I know that my Redeemer lives
and that at the last he will stand upon the earth.
After my awaking, he will raise me up;
and in my body I shall see God.
I myself shall see, and my eyes behold him
who is my friend and not a stranger.**

For none of us has life in himself,
and none becomes his own master when he dies.
For if we have life, we are alive in the Lord,
and if we die, we die in the Lord.
So, then, whether we live or die,
we are in the Lord's possession.

A Reading from Isaiah 61:1-3

Cherise Gardner

*The Spirit of the Sovereign LORD is on me, because the Lord has
anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind
up the brokenhearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and
release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the
LORD's favor and the day of vengeance of our God, to comfort all
who mourn, and provide for those who grieve in Zion—to bestow on
them a crown of beauty instead of ashes, the oil of gladness instead
of mourning, and a garment of praise instead of a spirit of despair.
They will be called oaks of righteousness, a planting of the Lord for
the display of his splendor.*

Violin Solo Sonata No. 3: Allegro assai *J. S. Bach*

A Reading from Revelation 21:2-7

Leif Lind

*I saw the Holy City, the new Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven
from God, prepared as a bride beautifully dressed for her husband. And
I heard a loud voice from the throne saying, “Now the dwelling of God
is with men, and he will live with them. They will be his people, and
God himself will be with them and be their God. He will wipe every tear
from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or
pain, for the old order of things has passed away.” He who was seated on
the throne said, “I am making everything new!” Then he said, “Write
this down, for these words are trustworthy and true.”*

*He said to me: “It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning
and the End. To him who is thirsty I will give to drink without cost from
the spring of the water of life. He who overcomes will inherit all this, and
I will be his God and he will be my son.”*

Congregation, in Unison:

Psalm 23

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.
He makes me to lie down in green pastures;
He leads me beside the still waters. He restores my soul;
He leads me in the paths of righteousness
For His name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death,
I will fear no evil; for You are with me;
Your rod and Your staff, they comfort me.

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies;
You anoint my head with oil; My cup runs over.
Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life;
And I will dwell in the house of the LORD
Forever.

Reflection

Vincent Haynes

A Reading from John 14:1-6

Mike Quishenberry

*“Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me.
In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have
told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. And if I go and
prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with
me that you also may be where I am. You know the way to the place
where I am going.” Thomas said to him, “Lord, we don't know where
you are going, so how can we know the way?” Jesus answered, “I am
the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except
through me.”*

Reflection

Don Greathouse

Meditation Hymn “Be Still, My Soul” No. 461

Reflection Doug Schultz

Sending Hymn “We Have This Hope” No. 214

Benediction

Postlude “It Is Well with My Soul” *arr. K. Smeal*