

Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

Prelude	"Festive Flourish"	<i>Jacob</i>
Entering of the Light		
Call to Worship		Rudy Torres
	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.	
Opening Hymn	"God Himself Is with Us"	No. 3
Anthem	"O God, Our Help in Ages Past"	<i>arr. C. Schalk</i>
Worship in Giving		
Morning Offering		Vincent Haynes
Offertory	"Give Me Jesus"	<i>Traditional</i>
	Winter Watson, solo	
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!	
Anthem	"Oh Love, How Deep"	<i>arr. D. Grotenhuis</i>
Scripture	Matthew 1:18-25	Victoria Lucero
Sermon	"An Unconventional Presence"	Rudy Torres
Closing Hymn	"I Cannot Tell Why"	No. 255
Benediction		
Postlude	"Toccata in G"	<i>Dubois</i>

Sabbath School Options

<u>Class</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Symbols/Leaders</u>
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

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

Activities

<u>Event</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Sequence</u>
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
Church Board Chair	Vincent Haynes
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 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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Happy New Year!



Glendale City
Seventh-day
Adventist Church
January 5, 2008

Scripture Reading

Matthew 1:18-25

This is how the birth of Jesus Christ came about: His mother Mary was pledged to be married to Joseph, but before they came together, she was found to be with child through the Holy Spirit.

Because Joseph her husband was a righteous man and did not want to expose her to public disgrace, he had in mind to divorce her quietly.

But after he had considered this, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said, "Joseph son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary home as your wife, because what is conceived in her is from the Holy Spirit.

She will give birth to a son, and you are to give him the name Jesus, because he will save his people from their sins."

All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had said through the prophet:

"The virgin will be with child and will give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel"— which means, "God with us."

When Joseph woke up, he did what the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took Mary home as his wife.

But he had no union with her until she gave birth to a son. And he gave him the name Jesus.

Our Guest Speaker

We welcome Pastor Rudy Torres back into our pulpit today. Rudy served as pastor of the Glendale City Church from 1980-1990.

In 1981 Pastor Torres, together with the associate pastor at the time, Casey Bahr, founded the A+ Children's Center. Also under his leadership the Church's \$2 million endowment plan was approved in 1988.

Pastor Torres is currently the Senior Pastor at the Garden Grove Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Anthem

"Oh, Love, How Deep"

Oh, love, how deep, how broad, how high,
Beyond all thought and fantasy,
That God, the Son of God,
Should take our mortal form for mortal's sake!

For us he prayed; for us he taught;
For us his daily works he wrought;
By words and signs and actions thus
Still seeking not himself, but us.

For us he rose from death again,
For us he went on high to reign;
For us he sent his Spirit here to guide,
To strengthen, and to cheer.

All glory to our Lord and God
For love so deep, so high, so broad;
The Trinity whom we adore
Forever and forever more.

Pastor Mitchell Henson

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 food provided.

City Church Announcements

Bereavement Counseling: Chaplain Elias Molina, from Glendale Adventist Medical Center, is available for anyone needing bereavement counseling after Mitch Henson's passing. He may be contacted at 619-993-1746 or 818-409-8000 pager #19671

Church Board. Our next Church Board meeting will be January 15, 7:00 p.m. Please mark this on your calendar!

Ice Skating in Downtown LA! There will be a church skate at Pershing Square on Sunday, January 20th at 10 a.m. It costs \$7.50 (all ages, including rental skates and one hour on the ice). Let us get together for some winter-time fun! Contact the church office for more information.

Come and check out some of our new items in our **Multimedia Library.** We have DVDs from It Is Written and some wonderful Bible documentaries. Use of the 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.

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	Judson Ravi
January 12	David Wood
January 12, 1:30 p.m.	Memorial Service for Mitchell Henson
January 15, 7:00 p.m.	Church Board
January 19	Communion

Sunset tonight – 4:55 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 5:00 p.m.