

## Order of Worship

10:50 am – 12:10 pm

(Please turn off all cell phones & pagers for the worship service)

**Prelude** "Festive Trumpet Tune" *David German*

### Entering of the Light

**Opening Hymn** "Praise to the Lord" No. 1

**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.**

**Anthem** "Saints Bound for Heaven" *arr. Parker/Shaw*

### Worship in Giving

Morning Offering

Offertory *Selected* Charles Lane

**Children's Sermon** Cherise Gardner

**Greetings and Prayers of the Congregation** Leif Lind

*(Please remain standing for prayer)*

### Prayer Response

Have mercy on us, Lord, and hear our solemn prayer,  
We come to hear your living word; it saves us from despair.  
Have mercy on us, Christ, and wash away our sin,  
Pour out your grace and make us whole that new life may begin.

**Anthem** "Open Thou Mine Eyes" *John Rutter*

**Scripture** Acts 11:1-10 Daisy Bolduc

**Sermon** "We-Speak Sabotage" Rudy Torres

**Closing Hymn** "Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service" No. 363

**Benediction** Rudy Torres

### Musical Response

**Postlude** "Grand Jeu" *Dumage*

## 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
Armenian	General	Room 11	
Romanian	General	Room 13	
Pastor	General	Fellowship Hall	Leif Lind
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/Jubilate Singers	Room 10b	Sabbath at Noon
Bible Study		Monday at 7:00 p.m.
Marathon Clinic	Verdugo Park	Sunday at 7:00 a.m.

## Church Directory

### Pastors

Rudy Torres, Interim Senior Pastor  
Cherise Gardner, Family & Children's 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

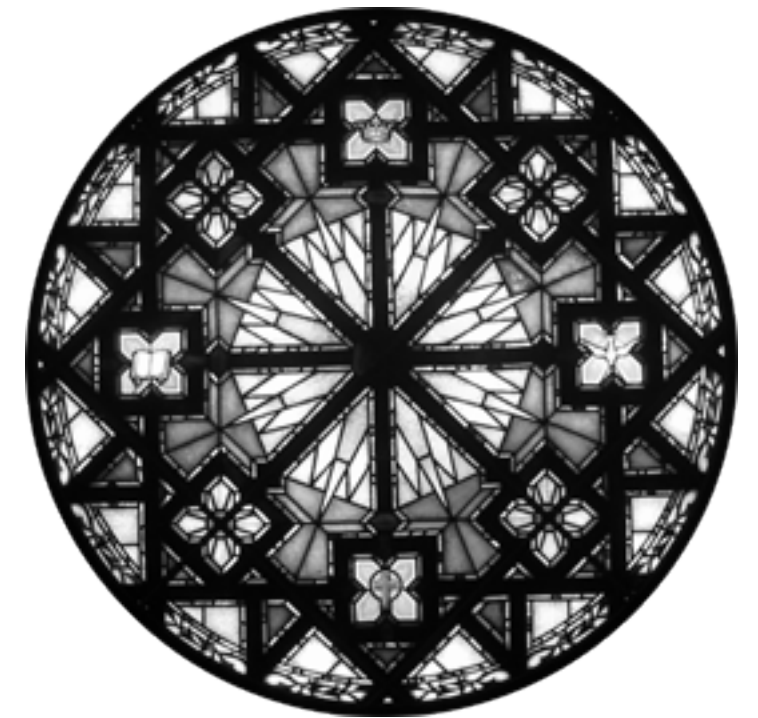
Head Elder	Don Greathouse
Head Deacon	Harold Fanselau
Head Deaconess	Eleanor Posner
Church Board Chair	Vincent Haynes
Choir Director	Brenda Mohr
Organist	Kemp Smeal
Children's Choir Director	Lissie Quishenberry
Bell Choir Director	Ariel Quintana
Secretary	Victoria Lucero
Treasurer	Dean Vendouris
Church 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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# Glendale City Seventh-day Adventist Church



July 26, 2008

## Scripture Reading

### Acts 11:1-10

The apostles and the brothers throughout Judea heard that the Gentiles also had received the word of God.

**So when Peter went up to Jerusalem, the circumcised believers criticized him and said, "You went into the house of uncircumcised men and ate with them."**

Peter began and explained everything to them precisely as it had happened:

"I was in the city of Joppa praying, and in a trance I saw a vision. I saw something like a large sheet being let down from heaven by its four corners, and it came down to where I was. I looked into it and saw four-footed animals of the earth, wild beasts, reptiles, and birds of the air.

**Then I heard a voice telling me,  
'Get up, Peter. Kill and eat.'**

"I replied, 'Surely not, Lord! Nothing impure or unclean has ever entered my mouth.'

**"The voice spoke from heaven a second time, 'Do not call anything impure that God has made clean.'**

This happened three times, and then it was all pulled up to heaven again.

## Sermon Resources

### "Learning to We-Speak"

Rudy Torres continues his sermon series of learning to "We-Speak." This theme is not about inclusiveness—we are already an inclusive congregation. It is about effectively communicating with our community in a language that it speaks and understands. Often we Christians speak to ourselves. "We-Speak" will look at some ways in which the New Testament Church moved from *I-Speak* to *We-Speak*. It will suggest lessons that the first-century Church learned to reach the diverse peoples of the Roman Empire with the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

### "We-Speak Sabotage"

Crossing cultural borders always threatens the old guard and it responds by attacking. Using criticism, the only tool of the do-nothing powerful elite, they find fault. All of this is motivated by fear: fear that our church will change; fear that we're letting down the standards; fear that people whom they don't understand or people they hate will come into the church and change it theologically, culturally and socially. So the old guard goes on the attack mode. The question is, Is the church commissioned to cross cultural lines, or is it commissioned to create a homogeneous culture? Justification or condemnation of crossing cultural borders hinges on the answer to this question and this question only!

## Anthem Text

### "Open Thou Mine Eyes"

Open thou mine eyes and I shall see:  
Incline my heart and I shall desire:  
Order my steps and I shall walk  
In the ways of thy commandments.

O Lord God, be thou to me a God  
And beside thee let there be none else,  
No other, nought else with thee.

Vouchsafe to me to worship thee and serve thee  
According to thy commandments,  
In truth of spirit,  
In reverence of body,  
In blessing of lips,  
In private and in public.

## City Church Announcements

**Pathfinders are hosting a rummage sale in August.** When cleaning out cupboards, garages, and storage spaces donate these unwanted items at the Pathfinder building on the next three Sundays, July 20–August 3, 10 a.m. to 12 noon. The Pathfinder building is located in the gym directly across the street from the Vallejo Drive Church, next to the hospital's rehab entrance. For more information, please contact Preston Carman at 818/334-4360.

**Pathfinder Club.** We are looking for volunteers to start an Adventurer Club. If you are interested, please contact Preston Carman (818) 334-4360. Experience is not necessary, just a love for God and children.

**"Soup & Salvation."** Bible worker training is open to all on Thursday nights, 7–9 p.m. at the City Church Youth Center, until August 28.

**University Church** in Los Angeles is celebrating its **100th Anniversary** July 18–August 9 with four weeks of powerful preaching and messages by former pastors and singing group reunions. For more information call 323/766-9889 or see <http://university22.adventistchurchconnect.org>

The Church Social Committee is organizing a group trip to the Laguna Beach annual **Sawdust Art Festival Sunday, August 24** ([www.sawdustartfestival.org](http://www.sawdustartfestival.org)). Group admission fee is \$5; bus transportation will be provided. If interested please contact Sascha Allen or the church office.

**Volunteers needed** for Hospice agency, flexible hours. Duties may include clerical work and/or visiting patients. Lunch provided. Please contact Linda or Yolanda if interested, 818/502-2121.

Tickets for the world-famous **Oberammergau Passion Play (May-October 2010)** in the Bavarian Alps of Germany are on sale, but seats are filling fast. This once-a-decade drama is a 5-hour enactment of the Easter story, performed by a 2,000-member cast. If interested, please contact Ellenis Tohdjojo 213/595-5527 or Lily Ho at Exquisite Tours 562/699-0073.

## Upcoming Sermons & Events

<b>Elder of the Day</b>	Anoosh Keshishzade
<b>August 2</b>	"Lost in the Multitude" Joe Cirigliano, <i>It Is Written</i>
<b>August 9</b>	Family Sabbath Cherise Gardner
<b>August 16</b>	"A Church without Walls" Rudy Torres

**Sunset tonight – 8:00 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:54p.m.**