

City Church Announcements

We extend a warm welcome today to our **guest organist** Sean Coburn O'Neal. He will also be our guest performer at the **Second Saturday Series** in August.

Today's Second Saturday Series will feature harpists Duquessa McGuffin and Monique McGuffin Newman at 4 p.m. All are welcome—invite your friends. Look for flyers in the bulletin, Narthex or an **Evite*** in your email box for the next concert June 12.

The next **L.A. Adventist Forum** is **May 22 at 3 p.m.** The topic is "What on Earth (or in Heaven) Was the Writer of Genesis Talking About?" with speaker Brian Bull, M.D., Department Chair of Pathology and Human Anatomy, LLU Medical, and Fritz Guy, Ph.D., Research Professor of Philosophical Theology at La Sierra University. All are welcome.

Have you checked our **Church's website** recently (www.glendalecitysda.com)? There have been several additions, including our **Motto** and our **Mission Statement**, as well as descriptions of our **Sabbath School programs** and links to **brief biographies for each of the pastoral staff** (see "[About Us](#)", "[Sabbath School](#)"). Please give us your feedback through the website or by contacting the pastoral staff or church office.

End It Now is a global campaign to raise awareness and advocate for the **end of violence and abuse against women and girls** around the world. This campaign, which extends to over 200 countries and territories, was launched by ADRA and the GC Women's Ministries Department. The campaign is the most important stand the Adventist Church has ever taken regarding violence against women and girls, a serious issue affecting Church and non-Church members alike. Through this campaign, more than 15 million members are expected to sign a U.N. petition to take a stand against global violence to women and girls. **Please sign the form** posted in the Narthex, to show your stand against this violence, and/or sign the petition on the Church's website at <http://www.enditnow.org>.

Female church member, moving from Palm Desert, is looking for a **room to rent** for four months. For more information call Church Office.

Melanie Miller, long time employee and church member at White Memorial passed away. A memorial service will be held at the White on May 15 at 3 p.m.

Glendale City Health Education Says...More reasons to Exercise:

1. Adds sparkle and radiance to my complexion.
2. Increases the natural production of collagen.
3. Increases the number of mitochondria ("fat-burners") in muscles so I burn more fat even while sleeping.
4. Enhances my balance and coordination.
5. Reduces my risk for colon and breast cancer.
6. Lowers my resting heart rate.
7. Improves digestion.
8. Strengthens the lower back and helps prevent back problems and back pain.
9. Improves how clothes look on me.
10. Helps me get more things done each day.

Email Privacy. Glendale City Church wants you to know that we respect people's privacy concerning address, phone numbers, and email addresses. Those who have given us their email address can be assured it will be used only for church-related emails, such as Newsletters, Evites, and other related reminders.

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 | 10-12 yrs | Room 1 | Lion |
| Teen | 13-19 yrs | Room 10b | Fish |
| Armenian | General | Room 11 | |
| Romanian | General | Room 13 | |
| Pastor | General | Fellowship Hall | Leif Lind |
| SS Quarterly | General | Chapel | Richard Goulmassian |

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 | Call Ariel Quintana | Friday at 8:00 pm |
| Choir Rehearsal | Choir Room | Sabbath at 9:15 am |
| Pathfinders | GAMC Gymnasium | Tuesday at 6:45 pm |
| Children's Choir | Room 10b | Sabbath at Noon |
| Marathon Clinic | Verdugo Park | Sunday at 7:00 a.m. |

Church Directory

Pastoral Staff

Smuts van Rooyen, Senior Pastor (626-256-4240)
 Cherise Gardner, Family & Children's Ministries (909-809-7439)
 Leif Lind, Church Administrator (909-557-5230)

Hovik Sarrafian, Armenian Senior Pastor (909-796-9536)
 Vartkes Azadian, Armenian Associate Pastor (626-335-6507)
 Dorin Lataeanu, Romanian Senior Pastor (909-528-2545)

Officers

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| Head Elder | Don Greathouse (626-796-8579) |
| Head Deacon | John Nielsen (818-904-0825) |
| Head Deaconess | Eleanor Posner (818-281-5822) |
| Church Board Chair | Vincent Haynes (213-276-2131) |
| Choir Director | Brenda Mohr (brendajmohr@gmail.com) |
| Organist | Kemp Smeal (714-658-4885) |
| Children's Choir Director | Julaine Chilopoulos (818-888-8325) |
| Bell Choir Director | Ariel Quintana (818-552-2421) |
| Secretary | Victoria Lucero (818-244-7241 office) |
| Treasurer | Dean Vendouris (818-244-7241 office) |
| Church Clerk | Mindi Rüb (mindilus@mac.com) |
| A+ School Board Chair | Beverly Tarr (626-449-7319) |
| A+ School Principal | Anoosh Keshishzade (818-241-9353 school) |
| Pathfinder Director | Warren Dale (818-384-2820) |
| Facilities Administrator | Wayne Libby (818-522-4297) |

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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Upcoming Sermons & Events

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| Elder of the Day | Wanda Koffman |
| May 15 | Smuts van Rooyen |
| May 22 | Smuts van Rooyen |

Sunset tonight – 7:43 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 7:48 p.m.

"Revealing Christ, affirming all."

Glendale City Seventh-day Adventist Church



Happy Mother's Day

May 8, 2010

Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

Prelude “Adagio in E Major” *Frank Bridge*

Opening Hymn “Now Thank We All Our God” No. 559

Call to Worship Cherise Gardner

The spirit of God calls us from many places;
some of us come from busy homes
with many people, some of us live alone.

We are a part of the family.

This week has been different for each of us;
some of us have had happy news we want to celebrate,
some of us have faced grief and need to cry.

We are members of God’s family.

Yet we all come to this same place,
all of us seeking God’s presence in our lives,
all of us seeking God’s presence with each other.

Together we become God’s family.

Opening Prayer Kristoffer Wahagheghe

Anthem “Then Shall They Know” from *Samson* *G. F. Handel*

A Children’s Prayer for Mother’s Day

Hannah Barnes, Shelby Mumford, Ryan Rabello

Lord of love, we give you thanks and praise this morning for the mothers
who have unselfishly nurtured us through the years.
We thank you for the mothers who kissed our hurts and dried our tears.
We thank you for the mothers who rejoiced in our victories and shared the
sorrow of our defeats.
We thank you for the mothers who spent sleepless nights tending to our
coughs and fevers.
We thank you for the mothers whose special touch created a safe,
comfortable sanctuary we call home.
We thank you for the mothers who held our hands through the transitions
of life.
We thank you for the mothers who loved us even when we were bad, and
so showed us the meaning of faithfulness.
We thank you for the mothers who drew from an endless supply of
optimism as they encouraged us to discover our strengths and test
our wings.
We thank you for the mothers who, in the evening, knelt by our beds and
respect of you.
Today we honor those mothers, whose unconditional love has made us
strong, and we honor those mothers whose commitment to their
children is unwavering, and we honor those mothers who raise
their children in fear and respect of you.
Help all the mothers present today to be bearers of your redeeming love to
their families.
Help us as parents and as a church to raise the little girls among us into
strong women of God that in them the world may see the tender
and compassionate love with which you have loved us from the
beginning of time. We pray this prayer in the name of Christ.

Amen.

Morning Offering Rosalyn Wortham

Offertory “Thanks Be to Thee” *G.F. Handel*
Holly Shaw Price, *solo*

Mother’s Day Liturgy Alexis Mendizabal

Lord, on this day set aside to honor and remember mothers, we give you
thanks for our mothers.

We pray for older moms whose children are grown.

Grant them joy and satisfaction for a job well done.

We pray for new moms experiencing changes they could not predict.

Grant them rest and peace as they trust you for the future.

We pray for pregnant women who will soon be moms.

Grant them patience and good counsel in the coming months.

We pray for moms who face the demands of single parenthood.

Grant them strength and wisdom.

We pray for moms who are separated from their children.

Grant them faith and hope.

We pray for moms in marriages that are in crisis.

Grant them support and insight.

We pray for moms who have lost children.

Grant them comfort in the resurrection of Jesus Christ.

We pray for women who desperately want, or wanted, to be moms.

Grant them grace to accept your timing and will.

We pray for all women who have assumed the mother’s role in a child’s life.

Grant them joy and the appreciation of others.

We pray for those people present who are grieving the loss of their mother in
the past year.

Grant them comfort and hope in Christ’s resurrection.

Lord, we thank you for the gift of motherhood. We thank you for the many
examples of faithful women we have here at Glendale City Church.
Bless them on this special day and every day. Amen.

Children’s Sermon: Puppet Play Allisyn Arm, Jason Schlatter

Honoring Women of Faith Hugh Gardner

Anthem “The Name of Jesus” *Craig Courtney*

Women of God

Geri Sophias, Christel McRae

Readers: I am married, and single, and in a covenant relationship.
We are the women of God.

I was married, and in a holy union, and never married,
and married twice, and widowed.

We are the women of God, together we are family.

I am older, and younger, and in-between,
facing my first serious relationship, knowing the joy of love,
enduring betrayal, tasting the grief of a dying partner.
We are the women of God.

I am an only child, and have ten siblings,
and have raised two children, and no children.
We are the women of God, together we are family.

Congregation: I am part of a family, the human family, the family of faith,
and my family of origin, the family of my choosing.
We are the people of God. Together we are family.

Reader: Let us worship God together.

Scripture Reading Mark 10:29-30; John 14:18-20; Jesse Martin
Romans 8:38-39

Jesus said, “Mark my words, no one who sacrifices house, brothers, sisters,
mother, father, children, land—whatever—because of me and the Message
will lose out. They’ll get it all back, but multiplied many times in homes,
brothers, sisters, mothers, children, and land—but also in troubles.
And then the bonus of eternal life!

**“I will not leave you orphaned. I’m coming back. In just a little while
the world will no longer see me, but you’re going to see me because I
am alive and you’re about to come alive. At that moment you will know
absolutely that I’m in my Father, and you’re in me, and I’m in you.”**

Do you think anyone is going to be able to drive a wedge
between us and Christ’s love for us?

**There is no way! Not trouble, not hard times, not hatred, not hunger,
not homelessness, not bullying threats, not backstabbing,
not even the worst sins listed in Scripture.**

I’m absolutely convinced that nothing—nothing living or dead, angelic or
demonic, today or tomorrow, high or low, thinkable or unthinkable—
absolutely nothing can get between us and God’s love
because of the way that Jesus our Master has embraced us.

Homily “Imperfect Parenthood” Cherise Gardner

Closing Hymn “Faith of Our Mothers” *Patten/Hemi*
TUNE: ST. CATHERINE

Faith of our mothers, living still
In cradle song and bedtime prayer;
In nursery lore and fireside love,
Thy presence still pervades the air:
Faith of our mothers, living faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our mothers, loving faith,
Fount of our childhood’s trust and grace,
Oh, may thy consecration prove
Source of a finer, nobler race:
Faith of our mothers, living faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our mothers, guiding faith,
For youthful longing, youthful doubt,
How blurred our vision, blind our way,
Thy providential care without:
Faith of our mothers, guiding faith,
We will be true to thee till death.

Faith of our mothers, Christian faith,
Is truth beyond our stumbling creeds,
Still serve the home and save the Church,
And breathe thy spirit through our deeds:
Faith of our mothers, Christian faith!
We will be true to thee till death.

Benediction Ellee Posner

Postlude “Postlude in D” *Healey Willan*