

Order of Worship

10:50 a.m. – 12:10 p.m.

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

Prelude Christmas Carol Medley *Traditional*
Duquessa McGuffin & Monique McGuffin Newman
Harp Duet

Opening Hymn “Angels from the Realms of Glory” No. 119

Call to Worship Smuts van Rooyen
Hear the good news! When the time had fully come,
God sent forth his own Son, born of a virgin, born under law
to redeem those who are guilty of breaking that law.
This Son of God is Jesus Christ, who died for our sins.
He forgives us of all our sins.
We are no longer slaves of sin.
**Let us rejoice, in the name of the Father, of the Son
and of the Holy Spirit! Amen**

Gifts of the Congregation

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation Leif Lind
(please remain standing for prayer)

Prayer Response (No. 140, v. 1)
Thou didst leave Thy throne and Thy kingly crown
When Thou camest to earth for me;
But in Bethlehem's home was there found no room
For Thy holy nativity.
*O come to my heart, Lord Jesus,
There is room in my heart for thee.*

Anthem “For Unto Us a Child Is Born” *G. F. Handel*

Call to Offering Mike Quishenberry

Offertory *Interlude from “A Ceremony of Carols” Benjamin Britten*
Duquessa McGuffin, *harp solo*

Scripture **Matthew 2:1-3; 7-12, KJV** Taylor Ruhl

Anthem “Hallelujah” *G. F. Handel*
*All are invited to stand and join the Sanctuary Choir
in singing the Hallelujah Chorus*

Sermon “Where Is the King of the Jews?” Smuts van Rooyen

Closing Hymn “What Child Is This?” No. 141

Benediction Smuts van Rooyen

Worship in Music “Stille Nacht” *Traditional*
(*Silent Night*)
Duquessa McGuffin & Monique McGuffin Newman
Harp Duet

Postlude “Symphony V–Toccatà” *Charles Widor*

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	Chapel	Leif Lind
SS Quarterly	General	Sanctuary	Leif Lind

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)
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Officers

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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

“Christmas Day”



December 25, 2010

“Revealing Christ, affirming all.”

Scripture Response

Matthew 2:1-3; 7-12 (KJV)

Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judæa in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men from the east to Jerusalem, saying,

Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him.

When Herod the king had heard these things, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.

Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said,

Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also.

When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was.

When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy.

And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense and myrrh.

And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way.



Glendale City Health Education:

Keeping the Joy Present (because each day is a Gift), Part 4

Have a *Holly, Jolly Christmas! Happy Holiday!* It's *The Most Wonderful Day (Time) of the Year!* For many of us that's true. But others may be singing the blues and the *Same Old Lang Syne!* According to Dr. Russo-Appel, Chief of Behavioral Health Services at Wing Memorial Hospital, 35% of men and 45% of women feel blue – sad, empty, lonely, anxious, depressed – during the holidays and right after New Year's. Although usually a temporary and mild state, these feelings can become very intense. They may be the result of loss (relationship, job/finances, health, etc.), isolation, fatigue, and/or the weather. Thankfully, there are measures we can take to survive (and possibly thrive in) this season.

- ★ **Acknowledge and accept your feelings.** What we ignore, judge, or resist persists.
- ★ **Listen in on the conversations you have with yourself.** Are you arguing for or against joy and happiness? Either way, what we tell ourselves yields powerful results.
- ★ **Let go of the past.** Holding on to failures, disappointments, old wounds, or the “good ole’ days” weigh us down like lumps of coal in a Christmas stocking.
- ★ **Begin and end each day by adding to your gratitude list.** Each time challenge yourself to write 3 specific things you haven't said before. For example, “I'm thankful for the scent of cinnamon (*or* chestnuts roasting on an open fire).” “I'm thankful for the mailman who delivers mail, especially in the rain.”
- ★ **Walk 20-30 minutes in the sunlight.** Both walking and sunlight release endorphins, the “happy hormones.”
- ★ **Reach up to receive comfort.** God never leaves us alone.
- ★ **Reach out to give comfort.** There is a strong correlation between well-being, happiness, health, and longevity of people who are emotionally and behaviorally compassionate (as long as they are not overwhelmed by helping tasks). Helping others takes many forms: a home-cooked meal, stories read/told to sick children, sharing music, a letter, or card; delivering library books or movies.... The possibilities are limited only by one's imagination.
- ★ **Create your own traditions.** There are no rules on how to spend the holidays so create new traditions or experiences that feed your spirit.
- ★ **Obtain professional assistance if the feelings are overwhelming or interfere with activities of daily living.**

How blessed we are that Christmas falls on Sabbath this year – we are with family! *Joy to the World!* The Lord has come, the Lord is come to each of us, and the Lord will come again! *Alleluia! Alleluia!* Today is a gift. Selah.



Want to give a unique gift this Christmas? Give the gift of good health with the **seminar, “Reverse Diabetes, Obesity and Heart Disease Naturally.”** Contact 800-732-7587. The seminar will be held February 19 through February 21, 2011 in the City of Industry, California.

City Church Announcements



“All are welcome — whoever you are, whatever your journey or background. God excludes no one, and neither do we.”

DON'T FORGET! HOLIDAY NOTICES

L.A. Adventist Forum: new session will start January 2011.

Second Saturday Series:

New season starts in January with Christoph Bull, organist in residence at Royce Hall, UCLA.

Our heartfelt condolences to Pastor Cherise Gardner and family on the recent passing of her mother.

The Church wishes to extend its **warmest congratulations** to the **Simpson** and **Wu** extended families on the dedication of baby **Eryn Wu Simpson**. Welcome to all family members to our Church today!

Glendale City Church wishes to extend its **heartfelt appreciation to Brenda Mohr** for her competent leadership of the Sanctuary Choir in producing spiritually uplifting music each week. Our warmest wishes go to Brenda and Craig on this, her last Sabbath directing the Sanctuary Choir!

The search committee for the **new choir director** is working actively and has identified several well-qualified candidates. We anticipate the selection and appointment of the new director by the end of January.

You are all invited to **sing along** with the Sanctuary Choir today on the **“Hallelujah Chorus.”** Use your own musical score, borrow music from us, or sing from memory!

Pledge Cards. A huge thank you to those who turned in the October Pledge Card for Church Budget. There is still an opportunity to make a pledge. If you have a Pledge Card, you may place it in the offering or mail it to the Church Office. If you need another card, see one of the pastoral staff or contact the Church Office.

Help us reach out to members who are sick or who have stopped attending for any reason. If you have contact information for such a member, write it on a pew card and let a pastor know or call/email the church office. We cannot let members of our Church family be forgotten.

For Rent. Studio apartment in Glendale with separate entrance, floors, central a/c & heat, utilities included. Call 818-243-9266.

Save this Date: February 12, 2011! Homecoming Sabbath and 105th Anniversary Glendale City Church Celebration.

Upcoming Sermons & Events

Elder of the Day

January 1

January 8

January 15

Don Greathouse

Cherise Gardner

Smuts van Rooyen

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Sunset tonight – 4:45 p.m. Sunset next Friday – 4:48 p.m.