

## Extravagance

“Faith Moment” With Mike Tucker

A few years ago, a story hit the news in New York City. A man in the city had been abducted and was being held captive. The kidnappers called his wife and asked for a \$100,000 ransom to ensure his safe return. She talked them down to \$30,000.

The story is true, and it had a happy ending: the man returned home unharmed, the money was recovered, and the kidnappers were caught and sent to jail. But, don't you wonder what happened when the man got home and found that his wife got him back for a discount?

Calvin Trillin was the writer of this story. He imagined what the negotiations must have been like: "\$100,000 for that old guy? You have got to be crazy. Just look at him! Look at that gut! You want \$100,000 for that? You've got to be kidding. Give me a break here. \$30,000 is my top offer."

I suppose there are some who can identify with the wife in that story, struggling to negotiate an amount that she could manage to pay, but for some reason I find myself identifying with the husband. I'd like to think if I were in a similar situation, there would be people who would spare no expense to get me back. They wouldn't haggle over the price. They wouldn't say, "Well, let me think about it." I like to think that they would say, "We'll do anything to get him back."

Sometime it's okay to be extravagant. That is precisely what the cross is all about. Jesus paid the ultimate price for our redemption. He didn't haggle. His actions said, "I will do anything to get them back." He was extravagant!

Take some time today to think about the extravagant price paid for your ransom. Realize that Heaven was embarrassingly extravagant for your redemption. Remember and rejoice!

With Love,  
Mike



## Sabbath Together

March 4, 2017

### Sabbath School 9:30 AM

Classroom 1 - Traditional Quarterly  
Parlor - Prayer Study - Jan Yates  
Choir Room - Prophecy Study - David Rendon  
Youth Lounge - (10:00am) Young Adult 18-35 - Pastor Geraldo

#### Children's Classes:

Cradle Roll - Birth to 3: Classroom 3  
Kindergarten - Age 4 through 1st Grade: Classroom 4  
Primary - Grades 2-5: Classroom 7  
Juniors - Grades 5-7: Classroom 2  
Earliteen - Grades 7-9: Classroom 9

Classrooms are on the North & West Hall

### Sabbath Worship 10:50 AM

Call To Worship *We Have This Hope* Hymn 214

Pastoral Welcome Pastor Geraldo

Praise Song *Majesty* Congregation

Ministry Spotlight Elders Pastor Geraldo

Children's Story Ismael Verastegui  
*The Lamb's Offering will benefit Lubbock Junior Academy*  
**All children ages 5-14 are now invited to attend Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested.**

Praise in Giving Church Budget Pastor Geraldo  
~~~ All tithes and offerings also received at this time ~~~

Offering Response Hymn 694  
*Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Song of Prayer *I Must Tell Jesus* Hymn 485

Circle of Prayer Pastor Geraldo

Song of Response *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord* Hymn 684

Message in Song *I Just Came To Talk To You Lord* Margaret Gaines

Scripture John 9:4 Adey Alonso

Message "While The Day Dawn" Robert Plant

Closing Song *I'll Go Where You Want Me to Go* Hymn 573

Benediction Robert Plant

Postlude  
~~~ Please remain seated until your row is dismissed ~~~

**Praise Team:** Tammy Allen, Michele Crawford  
**Pianist:** Michele Crawford

**Speaker Next Week:** Pastor Geraldo  
**The Seven Churches - Pergamum**

Offering Next Week: Adventist World Radio  
Attendance Last Week: 190  
Deacon Today: Henry Loya

**Today's Greeters:** Tammy Allen & Pauline DeJohn

## Welcome

to the Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church.  
*It is good to have you with us today. We pray that our time together assists you in your growth in the grace and knowledge of our Lord Jesus Christ.*  
**If you are visiting, please speak with our Pastor, or one of our Elders or Deacons — who are also here to greet you.**  
**We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today.**

## How To Reach Us

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Texico Conference Office 1.505.244.1611  
Conference Website: <http://www.texico.org/>

## HOMEWARD BOUND

### The Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church

proudly presents:

### HOMEWARD BOUND

With  
THE GRACE NOTES FAMILY

Featuring a guest  
Solo Artist

~~~ Armand Burda ~~~

An afternoon of music for  
all yearning souls.

Sabbath afternoon,  
March 18, 2:30pm

~~~ All are Welcome to attend ~~~

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# LUBBOCK

## SEVENTH-DAY

# ADVENTIST

## CHURCH

### MISSION STATEMENT

We, as children of the Living GOD, are here to

***UPLIFT JESUS CHRIST,***

His teachings and His commandments  
with all our hearts, souls and minds.  
As redeemed servants of Christ,  
we are to serve and to prepare all for  
the Second Coming of Jesus Christ as the  
Blessed Hope and encouragement  
for all mankind.

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## Prayer Requests

### ► CHURCH FINANCES

(for God's continual Leading)

◆ **Our President, Leaders of our country, Leaders of our Conference and our own Pastor Geraldo Alonso, II and his family**

### ◆ All Disaster Victims

- ◆ John Brown (healing)
- ◆ Eric Byrd's brother (health)
- ◆ Jennifer Byrd's friend "Kim"
- ◆ Majesty Caballero (healing)
- ◆ Sandra Cabellero's cousin's family (Dannette Pauda Rojas/healing)
- ◆ Donna Cartwright (health)
- ◆ Ken Cartwright (health)
- ◆ Joe Castillo (health/healing)
- ◆ Terry Duncan (Speedy recovery)
- ◆ Sammy Espinoza (remission)
- ◆ Jaydee Fremgen (health/healing)
- ◆ Vaughn James (healing)
- ◆ Cindy Johnston (healing)
- ◆ Eunice Juma (speedy recovery)
- ◆ Terri Moreno (healing)
- ◆ Keith Marpa (speedy recovery)
- ◆ Flo McIntire (healing)
- ◆ Danny Meason (speedy recovery)
- ◆ Debra Murphree's father, Elvice Duncan (health)
- ◆ Alton Muse (healing)
- ◆ Peggy Myers (health)
- ◆ Jennifer Petty (healing)
- ◆ Petty's niece, Melinda (healing)
- ◆ Kathy Phillips (health/healing)
- ◆ Rebekkah Plummer's sister (health)
- ◆ Cindy Riley's brother (healing)
- ◆ Mary Robertson (healing)
- ◆ Esther Slaughter (health)
- ◆ Jerry Walker (healing)
- ◆ Addie Wood (healing)
- ◆ Mike Yates (health)
- ◆ Duane Young Family (healing)
- ◆ Sandy Zauner (health)

◆ **Unspoken** prayer requests for healing, finances, and family.

### Intercessory Prayer

*And I sought for a man among them that should make up the hedge and stand in the gap before me for . . .*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Optional)

*Please stand in the gap for me—that God's divine will be done regarding the following . . .*

*Fill in your request, tear off, place in the Offering plate, or give directly to the Pastor or to one of the Elders.*

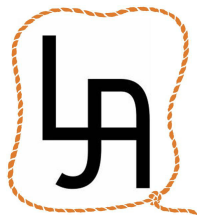
*May God Bless You!*

Prayer FAX Line 806.799.5136

Email: [lubbockadventist@sbcglobal.net](mailto:lubbockadventist@sbcglobal.net)

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## Lubbock Junior Academy . . .



Currently accepting students for 2016-2017 Second Semester Student Handbook & Applications are available in the church office.

### Lubbock Junior Academy

School Motto

**Building A Better World ~ One Child at a time**

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Please feel free to contact:

**Vivianna Nikol Facundo, Principal and Teacher**

Email: [missfacundo@gmail.com](mailto:missfacundo@gmail.com)

Phone or Text - 817.202.5217

School - 806.795.4481

Pastor Geraldo Alonso, II - 817.357.5343

Glenn Blake - School Board Chair, 806.786.1042

Robert Plant, II - LJA Treasurer - 806.441.1090

or the Church Office 806.793.8614

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### From LJA Students

Our teacher, Miss Nikki, will be going on a **Mission Trip to India over Spring Break**. Please, Help us fill the suitcase in the foyer with **"Kid Friendly"** items **by TODAY!**

You can give a school backpack with pencils, pens, crayons, paper, a toy, a pair of socks, combs, a toothbrushes and toothpaste, etc.

And you can donate to **"Cash for India"**  
~ ~ **Tammy Allen has an envelope** ~ ~

The cash will be used to buy fresh food for the needy children

### CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

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February 2017	This Year (Jan-Feb) YTD 2017	Last Year (Jan-Feb) YTD 2016
\$24,405	\$47,968	\$48,901

#### CHURCH BUDGET

January 2017	Required	Received	Need
	\$15,555	\$11,937	\$3,618

~ ~ Thank You For Remembering our Church Expenses ~ ~  
A total of \$15,555 is required monthly for every ministry to be funded.

#### RESEAL & RE-STRIPE PARKING LOT

January 2017	Required	Received	Need
	\$14,200	\$1,200	\$13,000

Please place your contribution in an offering envelope and designate the ministry to which your offering is to be allocated.

For your convenience, there's also a link for online giving, <http://www.lubbockadventist.org>

## Upcoming Events

**Pathfinder Campout** - March 10-12. Lake Lugert - Altus, OK

**"Lubbock Adventist Youth" Vespers** - Sabbath, March 11, at 7:00pm in the Youth Lounge. This Youth & Young Professionals, 18-35 age-group, meets bi-weekly.

**Ronald McDonald House** - Saturday, March 11, 5:30pm  
The evening meal will be provided for the residents of the Ronald McDonald House. Contact David Riley at 806.577.2990 to volunteer food.

**Daylight Savings Time:** Sunday, March 12, 2:00am. Spring Forward one-hour.

**All Church Work Day** - Sunday, March 12, 1:00pm  
Outside Spring Clean-up.

**LJA Spring Break** - March 13-17. Keep Miss Nikki in prayer for safety as she travels to India on a Mission Trip.

**ABC D2U Deadline** - Thursday, March 17, will be the last day to place orders for Adventist Book Center (D2U) March 22 delivery. To see the ABC food list and monthly sales go to: [www.abckeene.com](http://www.abckeene.com) REMEMBER: You must order to have a package on this truck.

**Guest Speaker** - Sabbath, March 18, SWAU President, Dr. Ken Shaw.

**Fellowship Lunch** - Sabbath, March 18, Everyone is invited to stay for lunch in the Fellowship Hall, following the Worship Service.

**Homeward Bound** - Sabbath afternoon, March 18, 2:30pm in the Worship Center. **An afternoon of music for all our yearning souls.** Featuring the "Grace Notes" family Ministry with their guest Solo Artist, Armand Burda.

**Adventurer/Pathfinder Club Meeting** - Sunday, March 19, 12:30 to 4:30pm. **Adventurer Club** in Classroom 7, **Pathfinders** in the Conference Center.

**Adventist Book Center - D2U** - Wednesday, March 22, 3:15-3:45pm in our church parking lot. **March 17 is the deadline** to place orders for this March 22 delivery.

**SW Union Conference Children's Leadership Retreat** - March 24-25 at Camp Hoblitzelle in Midlothian, TX

**Corporate Sabbath School** - Sabbath, March 25, 9:00am, in the Sanctuary.

**Communion Sabbath** - March 25

## Today's Events

**8:30-9:30am - Church Library Hour** - Classroom I

**9:00am - Spanish Divine Worship Service** - Worship Center

**9:30am - Sabbath School Classes**

**11:00am - Divine Worship Service** - Worship Center

**12:30pm - Fellowship Lunch** - Fellowship Hall. Every one is invited, and encouraged, to stay for lunch, following the Worship Service today

### FINANCING IN FAITH

**2:00PM - TODAY, MARCH 4 - CLASSROOM 1**

**PRESENTED BY ROBERT PLANT, II**

**2:30-5:00pm - "Carry With Respect" Suitcase Drive** in our South Foyer, or by appointment. Call Johnson Fung at 806.283.6715.

**4:00pm - The Great Controversy** - Historical Review Classroom I

**5:00pm - Sundown Vespers.** Classroom I

**7:00-8:00pm - Sewing Knitting Class** - in the Community Service Room. Text or call Candice Rendon at 806.392.5461 for information.

### The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath

*Concludes today at 6:46pm*

*Begins next Friday at 6:51pm*

## Events This Week

**Sunday - March 5**

**9:00am - Men's Breakfast.** All men are invited to meet at the Golden Corral for breakfast and fellowship.

### "Eating You Alive"

**One bite at a time**

**Sunday, March 5, 3:00pm in the Fellowship Hall**

Featuring leading medical experts and researchers.

This feature length documentary takes a scientific look at the reasons we are so sick, who's responsible for feeding us the wrong information and how we can use whole-food, plant-based nutrition to take control of our health.

**Wednesday - March 8**

**7:00pm - Prophecy Study** - Choir Room

**Friday - March 10**

**6:51pm - The Joy & Blessing of the Sabbath Begins**