



The 7 Churches - Philadelphia

"The moment someone chooses to trust in Jesus Christ, his/her sins are wiped away, and he/she is adopted into God's family. That individual is set apart as a child of God, with a sacred purpose." -Charles Stanley

When we discover our purpose in life we can do so much more. Purpose gives us direction and the necessary energy to overcome every hurdle we face. This purpose helps us decide which road to take when faced with many options. Purpose is what helps us complete our goals.

The city of Philadelphia **"was founded with the deliberate intention that it might be a means of spreading Greek culture and language to Lydia and Phrygia; and so well did it do its work that by AD 19 the Lydians had forgotten their own language and were all but Greeks"** (William Barclay. *The Revelation of John*, Vol. 1). Due to this purpose Philadelphia became successful in bringing people into a Greek consciousness and culture at the cost of their original identity. "That is what the risen Christ means when he speaks of the open door that is set before Philadelphia" in Revelation 3:7 (*ibid*).

What is your purpose? Does your purpose drive you to success in business, academics, sports, the arts, family, etc.? Does your purpose have enough room for Jesus? As Charles Stanley suggests, we as Christians are set apart for a sacred purpose. Our sacred purpose is to share the love of Jesus with the world.

Notice what Dr. Ranko Stefanovic mentions about the purpose of the church in Philadelphia:

The situation of the church in Philadelphia coincided with the situation in Christianity during the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries. This period was characterized by a great revival of Protestantism. Various movements revitalized genuine faith in the saving grace of Christ, and that resulted in a restoration of the spirit of Christian fellowship and self-sacrifice. The church during this period was driven by a genuine desire to carry the gospel to the whole world. As a result, there was a great propagation of the gospel that had never before been experienced" (Plain Revelation, p. 51).

May we follow the example of Philadelphia. May we become so in love with Christ that we decide to follow Him where He leads. May we become so devoted that we take up our sacred purpose in order to share Jesus with the world!

Sabbath Together

April 22, 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 11:00 AM

Call To Worship	<i>We Have This Hope</i>	Hymn 214
Pastoral Welcome		Pastor Geraldo
Praise Song	<i>The Lord In Zion Reigneth</i>	Hymn 7
Ministry Spotlight	Safety	David Jeter
Children's Story		Archel Burda
	<i>The Lamb's Offering will benefit Children's Ministry</i>	
	All children ages 5-14 are now invited to attend Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested	
Praise in Giving	Texico Ministries	Ismael Verastegui
	~~~ All tithes and offerings also received at this time ~~~	
Offering Response		Hymn 694
	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	
Song of Prayer	<i>I Must Tell Jesus</i>	Hymn 485
Circle of Prayer		Pastor Geraldo
Song of Response	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	Hymn 684
Message in Song		Candy Juma
Message	<b>The 7 Churches "Philadelphia"</b>	Pastor Geraldo
Closing Song	<i>Cover With His Life</i>	Hymn 412
Benediction		Pastor Geraldo

Postlude

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

Praise Leader: Melwin Paez
Pianist: Joy Ramos

Speaker Next Week: Dr. Steve Case
How Do I Love You? Let Me Count The Ways!

Offering Next Week: NAD Evangelism

Attendance Last Week: 190

Deacon Today: Gary Sitton

Today's Greeters: Kandi Melton & Lydia Gellido

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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| Adventist Book Center - Texas | 1.800.333.1844 |
| Texico Conference Office | 1.505.244.1611 |
| Conference Website: | http://www.texico.org/ |



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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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

COMING IN JUNE

Mark Your Calendar
Tuesday - Sabbath
June 6-10, 2017

Prayer Requests

► CHURCH FINANCES

(for God's continual Leading)

◆ **Our President, Leaders of our country, Leaders of our Conference and our Pastor and his family**

◆ All Disaster Victims

- ◆ John Brown (healing)
- ◆ Irma Brown's daughter Rachel (healing)
- ◆ Eric Byrd's brother (health)
- ◆ Jennifer Byrd's friend "Kim"
- ◆ Sandra Cabellero's cousin's family (Dannette Pauda Rojas/healing)
- ◆ Frank Calkins (healing)
- ◆ Donna Cartwright (health)
- ◆ Ken Cartwright (health)
- ◆ Joe Castillo (health/healing)
- ◆ Karen Contreras (health)
- ◆ Sammy Espinoza (remission)
- ◆ Walter Foust (health/healing)
- ◆ Jaydee Fremgen (health/healing)
- ◆ Vaughn James (healing)
- ◆ Cindy Johnston (healing)
- ◆ Eunice Juma (speedy recovery)
- ◆ Keith Marpa (rapid recovery)

- ◆ Flo McIntire (healing)
- ◆ Danny Meason (speedy recovery)
- ◆ Debra Murphree's father, Elvice Duncan; cousin's husband, Randy; Aunt's sister, Iona Temple; and Aunt's granddaughter, Lexie (all with serious health problems)
- ◆ Alton Muse (healing)
- ◆ Peggy Myers (health)
- ◆ Jennifer Petty (healing)
- ◆ Petty's niece, Melinda (healing)
- ◆ Kathy Phillips (health/healing)
- ◆ Rebekkah Plummer's sister (health)
- ◆ Betty Jean Reno (Comfort)
- ◆ Cindy Riley's brother (healing)
- ◆ David Riley (healing)
- ◆ Mary Robertson (healing)
- ◆ Esther Slaughter (health)
- ◆ MaryAnn Ulery's nephew (Jeremiah Jacob Schaffer - thrive)
- ◆ 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)

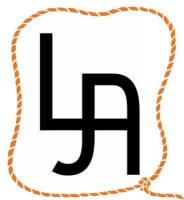
Please stand in the gap for me—that God's divine will be done regarding the following . . .

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

4/22/17

Lubbock Junior Academy . . .



Currently accepting students for 2017-2018 School year

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

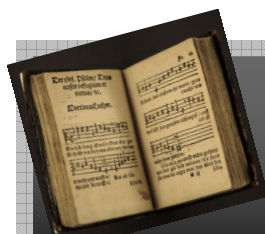
Phone or Text - 817.202.5217 School - 806.795.4481

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



Hymnals

We have ordered new Church Hymnals!

We hope to finally have enough for everyone that wants one!

Each hymnal will be gifted by our congregation. 200 are on order at a sale price of \$16.00/each

feel free to sponsor one, five, ten or more,

Sponsor now before they are all gone!

Just mark your offering envelope

Hymnals

180 yet to be sponsored !

CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

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| March 2017 | This Year (Jan-March) YTD 2017 | Last Year (Jan-March) YTD 2016 |
|------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| \$28,285 | \$76,253 | \$82,586 |

CHURCH BUDGET

| April 2017 | Required | Received | Need |
|------------|----------|----------|---------|
| | \$14,825 | \$8,755 | \$6,070 |

~ ~ Thank You For Remembering our Church Expenses ~ ~
A total of \$14,825 is required monthly for every ministry to be funded.

RESEAL & RE-STRIPE PARKING LOT

| April 2017 | Required | Received | Need |
|------------|----------|----------|----------|
| | \$14,200 | \$1,300 | \$12,900 |

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

All the ministry efforts of the

Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church

have been made possible by your generous contributions and faithful stewardship. You are deeply appreciated and your financial support is making a significant difference.

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

Upcoming Events

ALL-CHURCH Leadership Training Weekend - April 28 & 29, with Dr. Steve Case, Everyone is invited and promised to learn new skills — Please plan to attend. Refer to the insert for the times and topics. Wear comfortable walking shoes!

Fellowship Lunch - Sabbath, April 29. Following the Worship Service in the Fellowship Hall.

Church Board - Saturday Night, April 29, following the last Leadership Training session, in Classroom I.

Healthy Cooking Class Support Group - Tuesday, May 2, 6:30-7:30pm in the Conference Center.

Children's Church - Sabbath, May 6, following the Children's Story. Children ages 5-14 are invited to attend Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested

Called To Lead - Part I; Sabbath, May 6, 2pm, 3pm, 4pm & 5pm. Plan to attend all four Sessions - you will see our Youth in what they are "Called To Lead"!

"Lubbock Adventist Youth" Vespers - Sabbath, May 6, at 7:00pm in the Youth Lounge. This Youth & Young Professionals, 18-35 age-group, meets bi-weekly.

Men's Breakfast - Sunday, May 7, 9:00am. All men are invited to meet at the Golden Corral for breakfast and fellowship.

Deaconesses Meeting - Sunday, May 7, 1:00pm in the Board Room.

Finance Committee - Monday, May 8, 6:00pm
Church Board - Monday, May 8, 7:00pm, Classroom I

Home & School - Thursday, May 9, 6:30pm

School Board - Thursday, May 9, 7:00pm, Classroom I

Natural Blood Pressure Control - Thursdays, May 11, 18 & 25, 7:00-8:00pm - in the Conference Center.

INTERNATIONAL POTLUCK LUNCH Sabbath, May, 13



We will be celebrating Mother's Day this year with a special International Potluck Lunch.

Please let us know what you will be bringing. There are food sign up sheets on the Church Bulletin Board.

Today's Events

24-HOUR PRAYER VIGIL continues through Noon.

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

9:30am - Sabbath School Classes

11:00am - Divine Worship Service - Worship Center

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

4:00pm - Prayer Warriors - Prayer Room

5:00pm - The Great Controversy - Historical Review - Classroom I

6:00pm - Sundown Vespers. Classroom I

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

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath

Concludes today at 8:23pm

Begins next Friday at 8:28pm

Events This Week

Sunday - April 23

8:30am - Homeless support group

Meet at the home of Beatriz Brunken to prepare breakfast and deliver to the "Homeless"

9:00am - Women's Prayer Breakfast - at the home of Anita McChesney

12:30-4:00pm - LJA School day, Meet in the classroom for a required day of (school) gardening.

2:00pm - Church-Garden Meeting - in Classroom I. Need all the members of the "Garden Group" to attend as we will be planning the Garden layout and companion planting.

2:00-5:00pm - Health Ministry will team up with Restoring Hope's, "Divine Mercy Sunday" 3rd Annual Event for the Homeless, at Mackenzie Park. (east Broadway entrance). To volunteer, talk with Tammy Allen or Beatriz Brunken.

Tuesday - April 25 & 27

7:00pm - Reversing Diabetes - Tuesdays & Thursdays, through May 2, 7:00-8:00pm in the Conference Center. Invite your friends.

7:30pm - Healthy Cooking Class Support Group - in the Conference Center.

Wednesday - April 26

7:00pm - Prophecy Study - Choir Room

Friday - April 28

LEADERSHIP TRAINING WEEKEND

7:00pm - The Purpose Of This Church

Dr. Steve Case

8:28pm - The Joy & Blessing of the Sabbath Begins