

## Colossians - The Exalted Messiah

Pastor Geraldo Alonso, II

What is the point of studying the Bible? Can it add value to our lives? Are the texts of any portion of this canon able to impact our choices today? Can we learn anything new from such an ancient collection of writings?

This week we start a new sermon study on the Book of Colossians. Notice what is said about this book that was penned long ago:

***This little epistle contains distinctive teachings about the person and work of Christ, about Christian living and relationships, and about Paul's conception of his ministry. Studying the epistle is an adventure in Christian theology. It reveals Pauline thought and authentic Christian living. The pages of the text are alive with relevance and challenge the reader to a more reflective and informed faith***

(Melick, Richard R. *The New American Commentary, Philippians, Colossians, Philemon*, Vol. 32).

We will analyze the four chapters of this epistle through a six part sermon series. We will try to see what words Jesus was sharing with the people of Colossae, also what Jesus has to share with us today. As we venture through this letter we will find great similarities to this church and the current state of Christianity. Even though we will be looking at various concepts, there is only one theme throughout this book and it is "the centrality of Christ. No other epistle is as Christocentric as this one" (*ibid*).

The question we have to ask ourselves today is this:

"Is Jesus the center of my life?"

- If the answer is "no," please wrestle with this text to find reasons why Jesus should be.
- If the answer is "yes," please wrestle with this text to know how to keep Jesus at the center!

May we all be blessed by the reading, studying and applying of the life changing message of this book!

**Church Board Recommendations**  
**Second Reading: Membership Transfer**  
**To Lubbock: Marybel & Jose Orellana** from the Keene Seventh-day Adventist Church in Keene, TX.

## Sabbath Together

June 3, 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 Songs	<i>O Worship The King</i>	Hymn 6
Children's Story	<i>The Lamb's Offering will benefit Vacation Bible School</i>	Archel Burda
Praise in Giving	Church Budget	Daniel Tinajero
	~ ~ ~ All tithes and offerings also received at this time ~ ~ ~	
Offering Response	<i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	Hymn 694
Song of Prayer	<i>Like Jesus</i>	Hymn 492
Circle of Prayer		Pastor Geraldo
Song of Response	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	Hymn 684
Message in Song		Tammy Fleming
Message	<b>Colossians: The Exalted Messiah</b>	Pastor Geraldo
Closing Song	<i>Sweet By and By</i>	Hymn 428
Benediction		Pastor Geraldo
	Postlude	

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

**Praise Leader:** Dondie Ramos

**Pianist:** Joy Ramos

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**Program Next Week: Maker Fun Factory**  
**"Vacation Bible School"**

**Offering Next Week:** Multilingual/Chaplaincy Ministries

Attendance Last Week: 150

Deacon Today: Henry Loya

**Today's Greeters:** Tammy Allen & Maria Ruiz

## 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:	<a href="http://www.texico.org/">http://www.texico.org/</a>

**COMING THIS WEEK**

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

**MAKER FUN FACTORY**

Created by GOD  
Built for a Purpose

It Moves!

6:00 to 8:30pm

THIS Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday,  
Friday and Sabbath morning @ 11:00am



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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 806.793.8614

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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 Pastor**

◆ **All Disaster Victims**

◆ **Pray for Christ's followers who are being persecuted and/or killed for their faith world wide.**

- ◆ Ajima-Juma family (comfort)
- ◆ Connie Beam (speedy recovery)
- ◆ John Brown (healing)
- ◆ Irma Brown's daughter Rachel
- ◆ Connie Buckman's Neighbor's family
- ◆ Eric Byrd's brother (health)
- ◆ Jennifer Byrd's friend "Kim"
- ◆ Frank Calkins (healing)
- ◆ David Cartwright (hospitalization, recovery and healing)
- ◆ Donna Cartwright (health)
- ◆ Joe Castillo (health/healing)
- ◆ Karen Contreras (health)
- ◆ Michele Crawford's nephew Ryan Conley (healing)
- ◆ Pauline DeJohn's friend "Tsunii"
- ◆ Denise Downing (health/healing)
- ◆ Walter Foust (health/healing)
- ◆ Jaydee Fremgen (health/healing)
- ◆ Vaughn James (healing)

- ◆ Cindy Johnston (healing)
- ◆ Keith Marpa (rapid recovery)
- ◆ Flo McIntire (healing)
- ◆ Angel Moreno (Safety & Peace)
- ◆ Debra Murphree's cousin's husband, Randy; Aunt's sister, Donna Temple; and her Aunt's granddaughter, Lexie (all with serious health problems)
- ◆ Alton Muse (healing)
- ◆ Peggy Myers (health)
- ◆ Kathy Pate (healing)
- ◆ Jennifer Petty (healing)
- ◆ Petty's niece, Melinda (healing)
- ◆ Kathy Phillips (health/healing)
- ◆ Rebekkah Plummer's sister(health)
- ◆ Cindy Riley's brother (healing)
- ◆ David Riley (healing)
- ◆ Mary Robertson (healing)
- ◆ Esther Slaughter (health)
- ◆ Brenda Stephenson's sister(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)

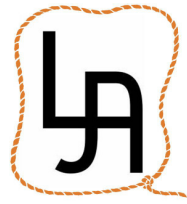
*Please stand in the gap for me—that God's divine will be done regarding the following . . .*

*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

## 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:

**Marybel Orellana, Principal and Teacher**

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Phone or Text - 817.709.3965 School - 806.795.4481

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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

please sponsor one, five, ten or more, Sponsor now before they are all gone!

Just mark your offering envelope

### Hymnals

127 yet to be sponsored !

### CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

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May 2017	This Year (Jan-May) YTD 2017	Last Year (Jan-April) YTD 2016
\$25,917	\$128,094	\$131,808

#### CHURCH BUDGET

May 2017	Required	Received	Need
	\$14,825	\$11,787	\$2,698

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

#### AV-VIDEO SYSTEM UPGRADE

April 2017	Required	Received	Need
	\$19,774	\$17,362	\$2,412

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

**Vacation Bible School** - Tuesday-Sabbath, June 6-10, 6:00 to 8:30pm. For the enjoyment of ages 4-12. Invite your friends & bring your and your neighbors children.

**Fellowship Lunch** - Sabbath, June 10, in the Fellowship Hall, following the Worship Service.

**Ronald McDonald House** - Saturday, June 10, 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.

**Parking Lot Maintenance** - June 12-17. The Parking lot is scheduled to be resealed and restriped, starting June 12, (weather permitting) The Parking Lot will be closed during this process.

**"Lubbock Adventist Youth" Vespers** - Sabbath, June 17, at 7:00pm in the Youth Lounge. This Youth & Young Professionals, 18-35 age-group, meet bi-weekly.

**Pathfinder Backyard Campout** - June 17-18 at the Verastegui Home.

**Finance Committee** - Monday, June 19, 6:00pm

**Church Board** - Monday, June 19, 7:00pm, Classroom I

**Children's Church** - Sabbath, June 24, following the Children's Story. Children ages 5-14 are invited to attend Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested

**Corporate Sabbath School** - Sabbath, June 24, 9:00am, in the Conference Center.

**Host Texico "Youth Rush"** June 30 to July 21.

**Men's Breakfast** - Sunday, July 2, 9:00am. All men are invited to meet at the Golden Corral for breakfast and fellowship.

**All Church Picnic** - Sunday, July 9, 1:00-4:00pm, Wagner Park on 26th Street & Elgin Avenue. Hosted by Women's Ministry.

**Deaconesses Meeting** - Sunday, August 6, 1:00pm in the Board Room.

**REVELATION 101:** September 7-16, 7:00pm, with Dr. Steve Case. If you would like to volunteer — please contact Pastor Geraldo or Tammy Allen.

**Corporate Sabbath School** - Sabbath, September 30, 9:00am, in the Conference Center.

## Today's Events

**9:00am - Divine Worship Service** - Classroom 20  
9:00am Worship Service presented in Spanish  
11:00am Worship Service presented in English

**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** - Choir Room

**5:00pm - Great Controversy Historical Review**

**6:00pm - Vespers** - Classroom I

**6:00-9:00pm - Eunice Juma Viewing** - Church Parlor

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

**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**

Concludes today at 8:53pm

Begins next Friday at 8:56pm

## Events This Week

**Sunday - June 4**

**8:30am - Homeless Support Group**

Meet at the home of Beatriz Brunken to prepare breakfast and deliver to the "Homeless" at Moose Head Park, 27th & Ave. Q. To donate, designate your offering envelope "Homeless" Warm socks, and hygiene items are also being collected.

**9:00am - Men's Breakfast**, all men are invited to meet at the Golden Corral for Breakfast and Fellowship.

**1:00-3:00pm - Eunice Juma Memorial Service - Viewing:** 1:00-3:00pm in the Church Parlor.

**Memorial Service:** 3:00pm in the Sanctuary  
**Dinner for Friends & Family:** 5:00pm in the Fellowship Hall. Interment will be in Kenya.

A **Go-Fund-Me** account has been established to assist with this funeral expense, please help by logging on to: <https://www.gofundme.com/EuniceFund>

**Tuesday-Friday - June 3 through June 9**

6:00-8:30pm - **VBS "Maker Fun Factory"** for the enjoyment of ages 4-12. Invite your friends & bring your neighbors.

**Wednesday - June 7**

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

**Friday - June 9**

**7:00pm - Prayer Warriors** - Prayer Room

**8:56pm - The Joy & Blessing of the Sabbath Begins**