

Pastor's Page



Today, I would love for us to reflect on a remarkable story of faith and resilience found in the book of Acts, specifically in chapter 16. It is the inspiring account of Paul and Silas, whose unwavering commitment to prayer and praise in the face of adversity led to a miraculous chain of events.

In Acts 16, we find Paul and Silas embarking on a mission to spread the Gospel. However, their journey took an unexpected turn when

they were unjustly imprisoned. Shackled in chains and confined to a dark and dismal cell, one might expect despair to consume their spirits. But instead, they chose a different path—a path of prayer and praise.

Amidst the bleakness of their situation, Paul and Silas found solace in communing with God. They fervently prayed and lifted their voices in songs of praise, despite their physical suffering and uncertain future. Little did they know that their acts of faith would unleash an extraordinary sequence of events.

As they prayed and praised, an earthquake shook the foundations of the prison, causing the doors to swing open and everyone's chains to be unfastened. It was a tangible manifestation of God's power in response to their unwavering faith. But the story does not end there.

The jailer, awakened by the earthquake, assumed that all the prisoners had escaped. Filled with despair and contemplating taking his own life, he was intercepted by Paul, who reassured him that they were all still present. This encounter became a turning point for the jailer, as he witnessed firsthand the transformative power of Paul and Silas' faith.

Overwhelmed by their actions, the jailer fell before them and asked, "Sirs, what must I do to be saved?" In that moment, the jailer's life was forever changed. Through the prayers and praises of Paul and Silas, he found salvation and embraced the Lord. This profound story serves as a powerful reminder to us all. Just as Paul and Silas experienced breakthroughs through prayer and praise, we too can find freedom and inspire transformation in the lives of those around us. Our darkest moments can become opportunities for God's light to shine through us.

In times of struggle and adversity, it is natural to feel overwhelmed and discouraged. However, let us take heart from the example set by Paul and Silas. They chose to focus on God's goodness, even in the midst of their darkest hour. Their unwavering faith became a catalyst for change, not only in their own lives but also in the life of the jailer.

Dear friends, let us be encouraged to pray and praise in our most challenging times. Let us remember that our words and actions have the power to set others free, just as Paul and Silas did. May we never underestimate the impact of our faith, for it can ignite a chain reaction of transformation that extends far beyond our own lives.

In conclusion, let us embrace the power of prayer and praise, knowing that even in our darkest moments, God is with us. As we seek His presence and lift our voices in worship, we can experience breakthroughs and become instruments of His love and grace.

May our prayers and praises echo through our lives, touching hearts, and leading others to encounter the life-changing power of our Lord.

Pastor Raul

Sabbath Together

February 10, 2024

Sabbath School 9:30 AM

Adult Classrooms:

Classroom 1 - *Traditional Quarterly*
Classroom 20 - *Spanish Sabbath School*
Classroom 14 - 28-Fundamentals - *Philip Mainda*
Youth Lounge - Young Adult 18-35 - *Hans Burda & Daniel Davis*

Birth to High School Classes:

Cradle Roll - Birth to 3: Classroom 3
Kindergarten - Age 4 through First Grade - Classroom 4
Primary - Grades 2-5: Classroom 2
Juniors - Grades 5-8: Classroom 7
High-School - Grades 9-12: Classroom 9

Classrooms are on the North, South & West Halls

For directions, see posted floor plan or ask the Greeters for assistance.

Sabbath Worship Service 11:00 AM

~ ~ ~ **Health Nugget** ~ ~ ~

Prelude	<i>Family of God</i>	Congregation
Welcome & Announcements		Pastor Raul
Praise in Worship	<i>What a Friend We Have in Jesus</i>	Hymn 499
Children's Story		Archel Burda
	Lamb's Offering will benefit Church Landscaping <i>At this time all children ages 5-14 are invited to Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested</i>	
Offering Call	Adventist Television Ministries	Jeff Saied
	~ ~ ~ <i>Regular tithe and offerings also received at this time</i> ~ ~ ~	
Offering Response		Hymn 694
	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	
Song of Prayer	<i>A Quiet Place</i>	Hymn 503
Circle of Prayer		Jose Garcia
Song of Response	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	Hymn 684
Special Music		A.J. Pastor
Message	The Resounding Power of Prayer & Praise <i>Scripture: Acts 16:25-26, NIV</i>	Pastor Raul
Closing Hymn	<i>Fill My Cup, Lord</i>	Hymn 493
Benediction		Pastor Raul

Postlude

Pianist: Emelyn Elaida
Praise Leader: Keon, Ethan, Almai & Akkoy
Offering Next Week: Local Church Expenses
Speaker Next Week: Pastor Raul Alvarez
Greeter Next Week: Elizabeth Verastegui
Attendance Last Week: 193

Today's Greeter: Denise Martel
Head Deacon: David Riley
Elder Team for February: Jose Garcia & Glenn Blake

How To Reach Us

Pastor Raul Alvarez

Board of Elders:

Glenn Blake, Interim Head Elder
Daniel Davis
Jose Garcia
Philip Mainda
Melwin "Bim" Paez
Abel Rios
Ed Thorne

Cindy Riley, Treasurer

David Riley, Chair, Board of Deacons

Jane Perez, Chair, Board of Deaconesses

Kathy Flyger, Clerk, Church Event Coordinator

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Lubbock Junior Academy

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Adventist Book Center - Texas

800.333.1844

Texico Conference Office

505.244.1611

Conference Website: <http://www.texico.org/>

Pathfinder Fund Raiser!!

Want Some
*Chocolate Covered
Strawberries?*

Box of 12 for a \$25 donation
(White Chocolate, Milk Chocolate or Mix)
Lubbock Knights Pathfinder Fundraiser

To order
Text or call "Bim" 240.460.7923

Deadline to Order - Friday Feb. 9

Proceeds will go toward expenses & travel to:

International Pathfinder Camporee '24

(International Camporees only happen once every 5 years!)

This is a very spiritual experience for our Pathfinders and they are working hard to raise the funds required)

To donate just mark your offering envelope

"Camporee"

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER

First Reading:

Church Board recommends the
Church accept the Membership Transfer
of:

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From the San Benito Seventh-day Adventist Church
(San Benito, Texas)

To the Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church
(Lubbock, Texas)



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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Lubbock, TX 79493-6277

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Lubbock, Texas 79413
806.793.8614

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Website: <http://www.lubbockadventist.org>

Prayer Requests

CHURCH FINANCES

For God's continual Leading on funding of our church and LJA.

◆ **Our President, Leaders of our country, Leaders of our Church and Conferences, Our Elders, School Teachers and Local Church Ministry Leaders.**

◆ **All Disaster Victims - WAR, EARTHQUAKES, RIOTS, PROTESTS, FIRES & FLOODS**

◆ Alex Bachicha (Job & Finances)
◆ Deborah Bellknap (Healing, Health & Finances)

◆ John Brown (Health & Healing)
◆ Donna Cartwright (Healing)
◆ Joe Castillo (Praise for Healing)
◆ James Crowley, Jr. (Divine Healing)
◆ Anthony Guerra (Colon Cancer)
◆ Dottie Haney (Health & Healing)
◆ Faith Kruse (Health & Healing)
◆ Mireya Lujan (Total Healing)
◆ Sherry Muse (Total Healing)

◆ Andi Nunez (Health & Healing)
◆ Charlotte Pauda & Jane Perez (comfort in loss of Mother)
◆ Janie Perez (Pain relief)
◆ Tiffany Perez (Healing)
◆ Jennifer Petty (Total Healing)
◆ Kathie Robertson (Total Healing)
◆ Linda Sigala (Total Healing)
◆ Esther Slaughter's Grandson "Steven" (Total healing)
◆ Morgan Stewart (Stroke)
◆ Vicki Taylor (Praise No Cancer)
◆ MaryAnn Ulery (Abnormal Lab)
◆ Olivia Villanueva (Healing)
◆ Bryce Whorton (Stage 4 wounds)
◆ Kathy Yates (Health & Strength)
◆ Kay Young (Strength & Healing)

◆ **WAR VICTIMS**
◆ **TORNADO VICTIMS**
◆ **EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS**
◆ **FIRE VICTIMS**
◆ **SHOOTING VICTIMS**

◆ **Unspoken** prayer requests
Healing, finances and families.

**THERE IS
always, always, always,
SOMETHING TO BE
GRATEFUL FOR.**

— Rhonda Byrne

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!*

2/10/24

Lubbock Junior Academy



Accepting K-8 Students for 2024-2025 School year

Student Applications & Handbooks are available at the school or church office.

Lubbock Junior Academy

Building A Better World ~ One Child at a time

Please feel free to contact:

Melwin "Mr. Bim" Paez, Teacher
Phone or Text 240.460.7923

Cindy Riley - School Board Chair
Phone or Text 806.928.9713

School, 806.795.4481 or the Church Office, 806.793.8614

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### CHURCH ROOF LOAN

| 2022      | Payment  | Received | + or (-)  |
|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Jan-Dec   | \$42,528 | \$56,520 | \$13,992  |
| 2023      |          |          |           |
| Jan-June  | \$21,264 | \$19,206 | (\$2,058) |
| July-Sept | \$10,632 | \$21,563 | \$10,931  |
| October   | \$3,544  | \$1,880  | (\$1,664) |
| November  | \$3,544  | \$2,673  | (\$871)   |
| December  | \$3,544  | \$5,867  | \$2,323   |
| January   | \$3,544  | \$2,753  | (\$791)   |

*We must stay a month ahead at all times,  
as the payment is drafted directly from our bank  
account on the 10th of each month.*

### CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

| TITHE         |           |            |          |
|---------------|-----------|------------|----------|
|               | This Year | Last Year  |          |
| December 2023 | YTD 2023  | (Jan- Dec) | YTD 2022 |
| \$54,869      | \$426,974 | \$318,499  |          |

| CHURCH OPERATING EXPENSES |          |          |           |
|---------------------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| December 2023             | Required | Received | + or (-)  |
|                           | \$14,125 | \$10,296 | (\$3,829) |

| ROOF LOAN          |                 |                   |
|--------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
|                    | (15-Year Note)  |                   |
| Original Roof Loan | Monthly Payment | Balance 1/31/2024 |
| \$420,000          | \$3,544/month   | \$136,933         |

**Receipts for all 2023  
Tithe & Offering Contributions  
have been delivered,**

**If you have not received your receipt or should  
you find a discrepancy on your receipt  
contact Cindy Riley at 806.928.9713**

## Events This Week

**Sunday - February 11**  
**Chocolate Covered Strawberry Delivery**

**Tuesday - February 13**  
**6:00pm - Finance Committee:** Board Room  
**6:30pm - Church Board:** Conference Center

**Thursday - February 15**  
**6:30pm - School Board Committee - Classroom 1**

**Friday - February 16**  
**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**  
Begins at 6:32pm

## Upcoming Events

**Health Ministry Committee Meeting - Sabbath,**  
February 17 - Following the Worship Service, in  
the Conference Center.

**Women's Prayer Breakfast:** Sunday Morning, Feb. 18,  
at 10a.m. All women are invited to the home of  
Anita McChesney for Breakfast and Fellowship.

**Presidents Day Holiday:** Monday, February 19, 2024 –  
No School.

**Pathfinder/Adventurer Club Schedule - Tuesday,**  
February 20, 5:00-7:00pm  
Adventurers in Classroom 2 and  
Pathfinders in the Conference Center. In March  
Clubs meet the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month.

**Wednesday Night Meetings Back!!! February 21:**  
**6:00pm** Come early for a "Lite Supper"  
LJA Fundraiser - leave a donation if you can.  
(If you can help on Wednesdays with lite meal  
preparation please contact Cindy Riley or the  
church office.)

**Wednesday, February 21, 7:00pm!!!**  
**Pastor Raul** will direct us through J. Earnhardt's  
**"Bible Marking"** Guide. *"An easy Bible Marking  
system that chain-references texts for 38 Bible topics!"*

**Texico Youth & Young Adult FESJA (Adventist  
Youth Federation)** Pastor Raul as speaker Feb. 24.

**YAMs - Community Service - Sabbath, February 24.**

**School Board - Tuesday, February 27, 6:30pm** in the  
LJA Classroom

**Conference Level PBE- 11:00am to 5:00pm** at the  
El Paso Central SDA Church; March 2.

## 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 introduce yourself to  
our Pastor or one of our Elders, Deacons  
or Deaconesses - who are here to greet you.**

If you are looking for a church home, we pray you will find  
it with us! We would love to welcome you into our church  
by baptism, by your profession of faith in Jesus, or by  
transfer from another Seventh-day Adventist church.  
Our Pastor, Elders or Church Clerk will be happy  
to help you make membership arrangements.

Simply write your request on a Card and drop it in  
the offering plate. *Cards are located in the Sanctuary pew racks.*  
**We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today.**

## Today's Events

**Today, Several members of our YAM (Young Adult  
Ministry) group are visiting and participating in the  
Worship service at the Amarillo Seventh-day  
Adventist Church. Please keep them in prayer for  
God to bless their efforts and for safe travel.**

**9:00am - Discipleship Class - Classroom 14**  
A study of the 28 Fundamental Doctrines.

**9:30am - Sabbath School for all ages**

**9:30am - Spanish Speaking Worship Service -**  
Spanish Chapel - Classroom 20

**11:00am - Message: The Resounding Power of  
Prayer & Praise -** with Pastor Raul.

**11:30am - Children's Church -** Conference Center

**5:00pm - Elders Meeting - Meet in the Board Room**

**6:00pm "YAM" Young Adult Ministry - This 18-35  
age group meet weekly in the Youth Lounge.**

**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**  
Concludes today at 6:26pm  
Begins next Friday at 6:32pm

**Save-The-Date**  
**Wednesday Evening, March 6, 2024!**  
**Lubbock Junior Academy**  
**SCIENCE FAIR & More**  
**Science Fair 5:30pm - Lite Supper 6:30pm**  
**Bible Marking at 7:00pm**