

Pastor's Page

November 16, 2024



Pastor Raul Alvarez

Dear Church Family,

Today is a very special Sabbath for our congregation as we welcome some extraordinary guests from Southwestern Adventist University (SWAU). This occasion is not just a regular Sabbath service; it is a celebration of higher Adventist education in our Southwestern Union. It brings me great joy to see the students here with us today, and I hope you feel the same excitement!

I want to take a moment to share my personal experience with SWAU. I had the privilege of attending this wonderful institution, where I completed two bachelor's degrees—one in business administration and another in theology. Looking back, I can confidently say that attending SWAU has been one of the greatest blessings of my life. The education I received, the friendships I formed, and the spiritual growth I experienced have all shaped who I am today. It is my hope that many of you consider the opportunities that SWAU offers, not just for academic growth but for spiritual enrichment as well.

Today, our university students will lead out in our service, and I encourage you to open your hearts to the blessings they will bring. We are especially excited to hear from Allan Diaz, a senior theology major and student chaplain. Allan is a remarkable young man who has dedicated his life to serving God and his peers. I am eager to hear the message that God has placed on his heart for us today. Let's support him with our prayers and encouragement as he shares with us.

As we enjoy this special Sabbath, I also want to share that next week we will begin a new sermon series titled "Finding Your Calling." This series aims to help us explore and understand God's plan for our lives. I believe that it will be a source of inspiration and guidance for all of us, leading us toward a deeper understanding of our individual purposes in the grand tapestry of God's creation.

May this Sabbath be a time of renewal and blessing for each of you. I pray that the Holy Spirit will guide you, granting you the rest and peace that only comes from God. Let us embrace the blessings of this day and look forward to the journey ahead.

In Christ's love,
Pastor Raul Alvarez

Happy Sabbath

Sabbath Together

November 16, 2024

Sabbath School 9:00 AM

9:00am - Prayer Time

Adult Classrooms:

9:00am: 28-Fundamentals - Philip Mainda - Classroom 14

9:30am: Traditional Quarterly - Classroom 1

Spanish Sabbath School - Classroom 20 -

10:00am Young Adult 18-35 - Youth Lounge

Hans Burda & Daniel Davis

10:00am: 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

Sabbath Worship Service 11:00 AM

Prelude Family of God Congregation

Welcome & Announcements Pastor Raul

Baptisms: "Deji" Ayodeji Adeogun, Pastor Raul
Lorena Gutierrez & Cheryl Randel

Praise Songs I Could Sing of your Love Forever Praise Team
Build My Life ~ Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus

Children's Story Samantha Regalado
Lamb's Offering will benefit Church Landscaping
At this time all children ages 5-14 are invited to Children's Church
in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested

Praise in Giving "Local Church Budget" Mae Flores
~~~ Regular tithe 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 Dustin Galloway

Song of Response Hear Our Prayer O Lord Hymn 684

Musical Selection Fortune Matambo

Message "A Greater Sense" Alan Diaz  
Scripture: Jonah 2:8-9

Closing Hymn COMMUNION Hymn 398  
"Bread of the World"

Benediction Alan Diaz

Postlude

Pianist: Pastor Raul

Praise Team: SWAU Students & Lubbock Praise Team

Praise Team: Attendance Last Week: 183

Sermon Series Starting Next Week:

"Finding Your Calling"

Loose Offering Next Week: Texico Ministries

Greeter Next Week: Nehemie Gervais

The lunch today is for our YAMs & the visiting SWAU students only

Today's Greeter: Nikki Marpa

Head Deacon: David Riley

Elder for November: Philip Mainda

## How To Reach Us

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

### YAMs Thanksgiving Food and Winter Coat Drive

Today, November 16th, YAMs will return to the homes where they placed the empty paper bags last Sabbath to pick up those bags which will be filled with Coats and non-perishable food.

Sunday (tomorrow) Nov. 17 at 2:00pm we will be set up at the church and ready to distribute food and/or coats to families who come in need of them. (We can be flexible with this time - If requested, Bags could be prepared and set aside for pickup at another time.)

Church, if you, or if you know of anyone who is in need. Please invite them (or bring them) to the church at 2:00pm tomorrow, November 17, they will be able to pick up food and/or coats.

Please help us help families in need by donating New or CLEAN Used Coats and winter gear! Along with non-perishable food (bottled water, breakfast bars, cereal, canned fruits and canned vegetables, etc. - Please no expired dates!)

Please bring your items to the Church on or before November 16!



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Freshman Scholarship

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In the Fall of 2025.

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For details call 817.202.6794



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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 on funding of our church and LJA.

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

- ♦ John Brown (Total Healing!)
- ♦ Donna Cartwright (Healing)
- ♦ Ken Cartwright (Health&Healing)
- ♦ Joe Castillo (Total Healing)
- ♦ James Crowley, Jr. (Divine Healing)
- ♦ Denise Downing (Broken hip)
- ♦ Leland Flyger (Strength & Healing)
- ♦ Anthony Guerro (Colon Cancer)
- ♦ Lydia Gellido (Strength)
- ♦ Prayers of comfort for Sheila & Michael Killough on the recent loss of her mother.
- ♦ Mireya Lujan (Total Healing)
- ♦ Martinez family (Comfort in loss of their brother 'Jesus Martinez')

- ♦ Andi Nunez (Health & Healing)
- ♦ Andi Nunez (Health & Healing)
- ♦ Jennifer Petty (Complete Healing)
- ♦ Kathie Robertson (Total Healing)
- ♦ Linda Sigala (Total Healing)
- ♦ Vicki Taylor (Total Healing)
- ♦ Rebecca Walker (Healing)
- ♦ Bryce Whorton (Stage 4 wounds)
- ♦ Duane & Kay Young family (Comfort in their loss of their Son)

- ♦ **WAR VICTIMS**
- ♦ **TORNADO VICTIMS**
- ♦ **HURRICANE VICTIMS**
- ♦ **EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS**
- ♦ **SHOOTING VICTIMS**
- ♦ **All Disaster Victims - RIOTS, PROTESTS, FIRES, FLOODS AND THE DEVASTATION THE HURRICANES HAVE RECENTLY CAUSED!**

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

## Lubbock Junior Academy



**Accepting Pre-K Ages 4 & 5; 1st-8th Grade 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*

### Mission Statement

*To inspire every learner to develop a life of faith in God, and use their knowledge, skills, and understandings to serve God and mankind through a well-balanced spiritual, moral, physical, intellectual, and social education.*

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

**Email:** lubbockadventist@texico.org  
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CHURCH ROOF LOAN

| 2024 | Payment | Received | + or (-) |
|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Jan-March | \$10,632 | \$ 9,352 | (\$1,280) |
| April-June | \$10,632 | \$10,052 | (\$580) |
| July | \$3,544 | \$ 2,951 | (\$593) |
| August | \$3,544 | \$ 4,474 | \$930 |
| September | \$3,544 | \$ 2,382 | (\$1,162) |
| October | \$3,544 | \$ 4,284 | \$740 |
| November | \$3,544 | \$ 1,340 | (\$2,204) |

We must stay a month ahead at all times, as the payment is drafted directly from our bank account

CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

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|----------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | This Year (Jan-Oct) | Last Year (Jan-Oct) |
| September 2024 | YTD 2024 | YTD 2023 |
| \$24,388 | \$314,758 | \$340,055 |

CHURCH OPERATING EXPENSES

| | Required | Received | + or (-) |
|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| October, 2024 | \$15,874 | \$12,228 | (\$3,646) |

ROOF LOAN

| Original Roof Loan | Monthly Payment | Balance 10/31/2024 |
|--------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| \$420,000 | \$3,544/month | \$109,844 |

Please place your contribution in an offering envelope and designate the ministry to which your offering is to be allocated. Undesignated offerings will go to Local Church Budget.

For your convenience, use this link for on-line giving: <http://www.lubbockadventist.org>

Thank You For Remembering our Local Operating Expenses and for the sacrificial way you continually give.

A total of \$15,874 is required monthly for every ministry to be fully funded.

All the ministry efforts of the Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church are made possible by your generous, prayerful contributions.

Events This Week

Sunday, November 17:

2:00pm: YAMs to distribute food and/or coats to families who come in need of them.
See back panel for more details.

Tuesday, November 19:

Adventurer/Pathfinder Club 5:00pm:
Adventurers: in Classroom 2
Pathfinders: in the Conference Center
Meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Tuesday/month

Wednesday, November 20

Winter Break for Bible Marking Class
To resume in the Spring.

Thursday, November 21

6:00pm - School Board in the School Classroom

Friday, November 22:

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath
Begins at 5:41pm

Upcoming Events

Friday-Sunday, November 22-24:

Southwestern Union Public Affairs & Religious Liberty Summit. 2024
For information www.SouthwesternAdventist.org

MARANATHA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Fall Concert: Sunday, November 24, 3:00PM MDT (4:00PM CDT) at the Hobbs Seventh-day Adventist Church - 3721 N. Grimes Street - Hobbs, NM

School Board, Thursday, November 26, 6:00pm

THANKSGIVING DAY - November 28, 2024

YAM Young Adults will conduct Sabbath services Thanksgiving Break Weekend, November 30.

Children's Church Schedule November 30, December 14 & 28.

December 5 & 19: Adventurer/Pathfinder Club 5:00pm

Adventurers: in Classroom 2
Pathfinders: in the Conference Center
Meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Tuesday/month

December 7: Communion

December 7: Baptism scheduled December 7.
if you, or you know of someone that is ready for baptism please talk to or text Pastor Raul 620.277.8130.

December 7: Pearl Harbor (Remembrance Day)

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.

Church Membership Transfers

From Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church
SECOND READING:

Amy Hovorka and Isaiah Hovorka to El Paso Northeast Seventh-day Adventist Church.

and

Alex Bachica to the El Paso Central Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Welcome New Members

Amara Ikonne and Ubani Ikonne

Today's Events

9:00am: Discipleship Class - Classroom 14

An in-depth study of the 28 Fundamental Doctrines.

Breakfast will be served 9:00 to 9:50am

9:30am: Traditional Sabbath School Class - Classroom 1

9:45am: Spanish Speaking Worship Service:
Spanish Chapel - Classroom 20

11:00am: Divine Worship Service - Sanctuary "A Greater Sense"

2:00pm: YAMs to pick up Non-perishable food & coats

5:00pm: Operation Christmas Child packing party
In Classroom 2 - to donate, talk to Candice Rendon

6:00pm: Game/Karaoke Night in the Fellowship Hall - Come enjoy a night full of Fun, Food, and Fellowship. Bring your favorite board/card game, snacks, desserts and/or drinks.

And, be ready to sing for the grand finale "Karaoke Contest." See you there! Don't be late! Any questions contact, Janie @ 806-401-6116

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath

Concludes today at 5:43pm
Begins next Friday at 5:41pm

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!

11/16/24

Prayer FAX Line 806.799.5136