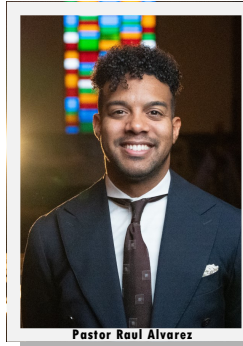


Pastor's Page

November 9, 2024



Pastor Raul Alvarez

Dear Church Family,
Today, we gather to explore a profound story from the Bible that speaks to the heart of our faith and commitment to God. In Mark 12, we encounter a remarkable widow who, despite her limited means, chose to give everything she had as an offering to the Lord. This story is not just about the act of giving; it is a powerful testament to faithfulness and trust in God.

The widow's offering was just two small coins, yet Jesus highlighted her gift as greater than all the others given that day. Why? Because her offering was not measured by its monetary value but by the depth of her faith. She exemplified that true generosity comes from the heart and is rooted in a profound trust in God's provision. In a world that often equates success with wealth, her story reminds us that God does not measure our gifts in terms of quantity but in terms of sacrifice and sincerity.

Being faithful to God through our tithes and offerings has never been about the money itself; after all, God does not need our finances. Instead, it is an expression of our faith and a reflection of our relationship with Him. When we give, we are symbolically saying, "Lord, I trust You with my life." It is an act of surrender, acknowledging that everything we have is a gift from Him, and in return, we choose to honor Him with our resources.

As we delve deeper into this story today, I will share how giving everything I have to God has transformed my life and enriched my marriage. The blessings that come from a heart aligned with God's purposes are immeasurable. When we prioritize our relationship with Him and demonstrate our faith through our giving, we open ourselves to receive His abundant blessings in ways we could never have imagined.

May this Sabbath serve as a reminder of God's unwavering faithfulness to us. Just as the widow's act of giving was a profound declaration of her faith, let us also strive to be faithful stewards of what God has entrusted to us. As we reflect on this powerful story, may we be inspired to give generously and wholeheartedly, trusting that God will provide for our every need.

Wishing you all a blessed Sabbath filled with peace and joy.

In Christ's love,
Pastor Raul Alvarez

Sabbath Together

November 9, 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
Praise Songs	God, Whose Giving Know No Ending Goodness of God; In Christ Alone	Hymn 636 Congregation
Children's Story		Ethan Burda <i>Lamb's Offering will benefit Church Landscaping</i>
Praise in Giving	"General Conference Annual Sacrifice for Global Missions" ~~~ Regular tithe and offerings also received at this time ~~~	Daniel Davis
Offering Response		Hymn 694 <i>Praise God From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>
Song of Prayer	A Quiet Place	Hymn 671
Circle of Prayer		Ed Thorne
Song of Response	Hear Our Prayer O Lord	Hymn 684
Musical Selection		Nehemie Gervais
Message	"Your Faith Has A Price" Scripture: Mark 12:41-44,NIV	Pastor Raul
Closing Hymn	Amazing Grace	Hymn 290
Benediction		Pastor Raul

Postlude

Pianist: Pastor Raul and Kristine Reyes

Saxophone: Ubani Ikonne; **Violin:** A J Pastor.

Praise Leader: Siobhan Davis

Praise Team: Sarah Alvarez, Ethan Burda, Naane Richemond and Nevenora Richemond.

Attendance Last Week: 149

Program Next Week: SWAU Students

Offering Next Week: Local Church Budget

Greeter Next Week: Nehemie Gervais

Today's Greeter: Naane Richemond
Head Deacon: David Riley
Elder for November: Philip Mainda

How To Reach Us

Pastor Raul Alvarez 620.277.8130

Board of Elders:

Glenn Blake, Interim Head Elder

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Jose Garcia

Philip Mainda

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YAMs Thanksgiving Food and Winter Coat Drive

Today, November 9th, we will be placing empty paper bags at the doors of houses in our area.

There will be a note on those bags describing who we are, what we are doing, and how that household can help if they choose.

One week later, on November 16th, we will be picking up the filled bags (that information is also on the note).

We will sort the collected food and coats in the Choir Room/Pantry.

Sunday November 17, at 2:00pm on we will set up at the church and be ready to distribute food and/or coats to families who need them. (We can be flexible with this time)

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

(Bags will also be prepared and set aside for pickup at another time if requested.)

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!



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 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)
- ◆ Shawn Henderson (Divine Intervention & Restoration to the Father)
- ◆ Michael Killough & his wife, Shiela are seeking prayers of comfort and peace for her mother. Requesting the cancer pain from her mother.
- ◆ Mireya Lujan (Total Healing)

- ◆ Martinez family (Comfort in loss of their brother 'Jesus Martinez')
- ◆ 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.

Intercessory Prayer

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

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!*

11/9/24

Prayer FAX Line 806.799.5136

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

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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     |

*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     | Last Year |
|----------------|-----------|-----------|
|                | This 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 10:**

**Monday, November 11: Veterans Day**



**Tuesday, November 12:**

6:30pm Finance Committee in the Board Room.  
7:30pm Church Board - Conference Center

**Wednesday, November 13**

**6:00pm - Lite Supper** - Fellowship Hall.  
**7:00pm - Bible Marking** - Conference Center

**Friday, November 15:**

**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**  
Begins at 5:44pm

## Upcoming Events

**Students from SWAU**

**Southwestern Adventist University will conduct the Worship Service next Sabbath, November 16.**

**There is also a Baptism scheduled November 16, if you, or you know of someone that is ready for baptism please talk to or text Pastor Raul 620.277.8130.**

**Children's Church Schedule** November 16 & 30, December 14 & 28.

**YAMs Thanksgiving Food & Coat Drive - November 16 & 17: See back panel for details.**

**Game/Karaoke Night - November 16, 6:00pm 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, get your voices ready for the grand finale Karaoke Contest. See you there! Don't be late! Any questions contact, Janie @ 806-401-6116

**YAMs Food Distribution** - Sunday, November 17, 2:00pm - Church Pantry - details on Back panel.

**Adventurer/Pathfinder Club** - Tuesday, 5:00pm, November 19  
**Adventurers:** in Classroom 2  
**Pathfinders:** in the Conference Center  
Meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Tuesday/month

## 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.*

### Church Membership Transfers

From Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church  
**First 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  
"Your Faith Has A Price"

**2:00pm: YAM's FOOD & COAT DRIVE** - YAMs will be placing bags on doors of our neighbors with instructions inviting them to fill the bag and help the less fortunate.

**7:30pm: "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 5:48pm  
Begins next Friday at 5:44pm