Pastor's Page



Happy Sabbath, Church Family!

Have you ever promised God that you would never fall into the same temptation again, only to find yourself struggling with it a few days later? Perhaps it was something you said, something you watched, a habit you wanted to overcome, or a decision you knew was not pleasing to God. You prayed, you made promises, and you genuinely wanted to change. Yet somehow, the temptation returned.

If you have ever experienced this struggle, I want to remind you of something important: You are not alone, and through Jesus Christ, you can experience victory!

The Bible reminds us in 1 Corinthians 10:13 that no temptation has overtaken us except what is common to humanity. In other words, temptation is part of the human experience. Even Jesus Himself was tempted! Yet Hebrews 4:15 tells us that although Christ was tempted in every way as we are, He remained without sin.

This teaches us a powerful lesson: Being tempted is not the same as committing sin. The enemy may bring temptation into our lives, but through God's grace, we do not have to surrender to it.

Unfortunately, many Christians spend their lives trying to overcome temptation through their own strength. We make resolutions, establish rules, and promise ourselves that next time will be different. While discipline is important, the secret to spiritual victory is not simply trying harder. It is learning to depend more completely on Jesus.

When Jesus faced temptation in the wilderness, He responded with the Word of God. He demonstrated that victory comes through trusting the Father, relying on Scripture, and refusing to compromise with the enemy.

This Sabbath, we will explore what the Bible teaches about temptation, why we sometimes fall into the same struggles repeatedly, and how we can experience genuine victory through Christ.

My prayer is that this message will encourage those who are struggling, strengthen those who feel spiritually weak, and remind every one of us that God's grace is greater than our failures.

Church family, remember this: Temptation does not have to determine your destination. Jesus has already demonstrated that victory is possible!

I look forward to worshiping with you this Sabbath as we discover how to be tempted, but not defeated.

With love and prayers,
Pastor Raul Alvarez

Sabbath Together

November 14, 2026

Sabbath School **9:30AM**

9:00 am - Intercessory Prayer - Conference Center
Adult Classrooms:
9:30 am: 28-Fundamentals - Philip Mainda - Classroom 16
9:30 am: Traditional Quarterly - Classroom 1
10:00 am: Spanish Sabbath School - Classroom 20
10:00 am: Young Adult 18-35 - Youth Lounge
10:00 am: Birth to High School Classrooms
Cradle Roll - Birth to 3 - Classroom 3
Kindergarten - Age 4 through First Grade - Classroom 4
Primary - Grades 2-5: Classroom 2
Juniors - Grades 6-8: Classroom 7
High School - Grades 9-12: Classroom 9
Classrooms are on the North, South & West Halls
For directions, ask a Greeter for assistance.

Sabbath Worship Service **11:00AM**

Prelude	***Family of God***	Congregation
Welcome & Announcements		Pastor Raul Alvarez
Praise Songs	***Only Trust Him***	Hymn 279
	Whiter Than Snow	Hymn 318
Children's Story		Archel Burda

Lamb's Offering will benefit: ***Church Landscaping***

Praise in Giving		Jannielis Gomez

Annual Sacrifice for Global Missions
~ ~ ~ All tithe and offerings received at this time ~ ~ ~

Offering Response		Hymn 694

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Song of Prayer	***A Quiet Place***	Hymn 503
Circle of Prayer		Smiley Verastegui
Song of Response	***Hear Our Prayer, O Lord***	Hymn 684
Scripture Reading	***1 Corinthians 10:13***	Aya Brofas
Special Music		Naane Richemond
Sermon	***Tempted, But Not Defeated***	Pastor Raul Alvarez
Closing Song	***Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus***	Hymn 290
Closing Prayer		Elder Jose Garcia

Pianist: Elijah Asamoah
Praise Leader: Nikki Marpa
Praise Team: Macky, Almie, Nikki, Niaang, & Naane
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Speaker Next Week: Pastor Raul Alvarez
Offering Next Week: Local Church Budget
Greeters Next Week: Ben & Sandra Caballero
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Attendance Last Week: 255
Elder for November: Jose Garcia
Today's Greeters: Jesse & Charlotte Pauda

How To Reach Us

Pastor Raul Alvarez	*806.793.8614*
Board of Elders:	
Glenn Blake, Head Elder	*806.793.8614*
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Adventist Book Center - Texas	*800.333.1844*
Texico Conference Office	*505.244.1611*

Conference website: http://www.texico.org/

Join YAMs every Friday night for bible study and Saturday night for a bible study/social in the youth lounge 7 pm



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, School Teachers and Local Church Ministry Leaders

♦Joe Castillo (Total Healing)
♦Andi Nunez (Total Healing)
♦ Linda Sigala (Total Healing)
♦Sigala Family (Peace & Comfort)
♦ Abby (Smiley's cousin-recovery from car accident)

♦ WAR & SHOOTING VICTIMS
♦FLOOD, TORNADO, & EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS

♦Unspoken Prayer Request
♦Healing, Finances, & Families

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!
11/14/2026

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath
Concludes Today at 5:45pm
Begins next Friday at 5:42pm

Lubbock Junior Academy

Accepting Pre-K Ages 4 & 5;
1st-2nd Grade Students for
2026-2027 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

LJA Mission Statement
To inspire every learner to develop a life of faith in God, and use their knowledge, skills, and understanding 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, Head Teacher
Phone or Text 240.460.7923

Cindy Riley - School Board Chair
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CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

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November 2026	This Year (Jan-Nov) YTD 2026	Last Year (Jan-Nov) YTD 2025
$4,588	$305,965	$268,650

CHURCH OPERATING EXPENSES

	Required	Received	+ or (-)
October 2026	$18,455	$3,663	-$14,792

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 the Local Church Budget. For your convenience, you can also use this link or QR code for online giving:

http://v tist.org
Thank You For Remembering
our Local Operating Expenses
and for the sacrificial way you continually give.
A total of $18,455 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, and faithful stewardship. You are deeply appreciated, and your financial support makes a significant difference.

Today's Events

Intercessory Prayer: *Conference Center 9 AM*

Children's Church: *Conference Center 11:30AM*

Children ages 5-14 are invited for
Children's Church
in the Conference Center
(Parental permission is requested)

Elder's Meeting: *November 14 @ 5PM*

Finance Committee: *November 14 @ 6PM*

Church Board Meeting: *November 14 Conference Center 6:30PM*

Events This Week

Stewardship In Action: November 15 @ NEW TIME! 10AM-1PM

Wednesday Night Bible Study: *Amazing Facts Bible Studies Conference Room 6PM*

Wednesday Night Crochet Class: *Join us every week in Classroom 1 @ 6 PM*

The Giving Table: *November 19, 6:30-7:30*
Healthy Helpful Tips for the Holiday Season

Upcoming Events

Children's Church: *November 21 Conference Center 11:30AM*

YAM'sGiving: *November 21*

Vespers: *November 21, 4:30PM Location TBD*

Children's Church: *December 5 Conference Center 11:30AM*

EQUIP Texico Ministries Training: *December 5-6 Amarillo, TX-training for all Elders, Deacons, Deaconesses, Treasurer, and Church Clerk (more details to come)*

Vespers*: December 5, Location TBD*

Men's Breakfast*: December 6 Golden Corral 9AM*

Walk thru Bethlehem: *December 11-12*

Elder's Meeting: *December 12: 5PM*

Finance Committee Meeting: *December 12: 6PM*

Church Board Meeting*: December 12 Conference Center 6:30PM*

John Bradshaw Evengelistic Meetings: *May 7-8, 2027*

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.

We are glad you have chosen to worship with us today.



The Giving Closet
also known as:
Sandy's Closet
is accepting donations for winter!
Please contact Dagmar Toussaint for more information on how you can help this ministry.