

Pastor's Page



Pastor Raul

Happy Sabbath Church Family!

This Sabbath, we will gather around the Lord’s table to participate in Communion. We will take the bread that represents Christ’s body, drink the grape juice that represents His blood, and remember the sacrifice He made for our salvation. Yet Communion does more than direct our attention to the past. It also points us toward the future.

The apostle Paul wrote, “For as often as you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death till He comes” (1 Corinthians 11:26). Those final words are filled with hope: “till He comes.”

Every Communion service makes a declaration. We declare that Jesus came into this world, gave His life upon the cross, rose from the grave, and will come again. The bread reminds us that His body was given for us. The cup reminds us that His blood was shed for the forgiveness of our sins. The promise reminds us that the One who died for us will return for us.

This Sabbath’s message is titled “Until He Comes: Is Jesus Really Coming Back?” as part of our sermon series, “What Does the Bible Really Say?” We will examine Christ’s promise to return and what that promise means for the way we live today.

Before we participate in Communion, Scripture invites us to examine ourselves. This does not mean that we must make ourselves worthy before coming to the table. None of us could ever do that. Instead, we come honestly, confessing our sins, receiving Christ’s forgiveness, and allowing the Holy Spirit to search our hearts. Communion is not a reward for perfect people. It is a reminder that imperfect people have a perfect Savior.

If there is someone you need to forgive, a relationship you need to restore, or a sin you need to surrender, bring it to Jesus. His grace is greater than our failures.

As we eat the bread and drink from the cup, let us remember: Jesus died, Jesus rose, Jesus lives, and Jesus is coming again. Until that glorious day, may we remain faithful, love one another, and proclaim His death “till He comes.”



- Pastor Raul Alvarez

Sabbath Together

September 26, 2026

Sabbath School 9:30AM

- 9:00am - Intercessory Prayer - Conference Center
- Adult Classrooms:
- 9:30am: 28-Fundamentals - Philip Mainda - Classroom 16
- 9:30am: Traditional Quarterly - Classroom 1
- 10:00am: Spanish Sabbath School - Classroom 20
- 10:00am: Young Adult 18-35 - Youth Lounge
- 10:00am: 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

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| Prelude                 | Family of God                                                                                                                      | Congregation         |
| Welcome & Announcements |                                                                                                                                    | Pastor Raul          |
| Praise Songs            | Amazing Grace<br>O, How I Love Jesus                                                                                               | Hymn 108<br>Hymn 248 |
| Praise in Giving        | Texico Ministries                                                                                                                  | Dagmar Toussaint     |
|                         | ~ ~ ~ All tithe and offerings received at this time ~ ~ ~                                                                          |                      |
| Offering Response       |                                                                                                                                    | Hymn 694             |
|                         | Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow                                                                                            |                      |
| Song of Prayer          | Now Dear Lord As We Pray                                                                                                           | Hymn 671             |
| Circle of Prayer        |                                                                                                                                    | Janie Perez          |
| Song of Response        | Hear Our Prayer, O Lord                                                                                                            | Hymn 684             |
| Scripture Reading       | I Cor. 11:23-26                                                                                                                    | Gio Lizarzaburo      |
| Homily                  | What Does the Bible Really Say?<br>Until He Comes: Is Jesus Really Coming Back?                                                    | Pastor Raul          |
|                         | (Congregation will separate for Service of Humility)                                                                               |                      |
|                         | ~ ~ ~ The Service of Humility ~ ~ ~                                                                                                |                      |
|                         | (The following choices are provided for your personal comfort)                                                                     |                      |
|                         | Men only in Class Room 1<br>Women only in Class Room 2<br>Couples only in the Fellowship Hall<br>Families in the Conference Center |                      |

Please honor the reserved seats as you return to the Sanctuary

~ ~ ~ The Emblems ~ ~ ~

Hymn of Dedication Redeemed Hymn 337

“And when they had sung a hymn, they went out....”  
Matthew 26:30

~ ~ An offering for the poor will be collected as you leave ~ ~

Pianist: Elijah Asamoah  
Praise Leader: Naane Richemond  
Today's Greeters: Nikki Marpa & Almie Flores

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**FAMILY PRAYER CORNER**

Do you need prayer?  
Are you carrying a heavy burden?

Meet with our Elders after the service  
Up at the front for prayer



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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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