

## Pastor's Page

Pastor Phil Robertson, Interim Pastor



Throughout human history people have wondered how to truly understand God, to get a picture of Who He is and what His relationship with mankind looks like. One of the recurring challenges to this understanding has been accepting the reality of His declarations to His people. When He says that He will do something, or not do something, the natural reaction of those who receive this message has been to wonder if He is serious.

Many of God's statements of promise have carried with them a condition relating to how men and women respond to His words. Sometimes when those words are heard, or read, we may wonder if He will indeed carry through on His promises. However, in the study of scripture we find the oft-repeated theme that one of the most important characteristics of God is that He is faithful. **He is Who He says He is, and He will do what He says He will do.**

Last week we spent some time in Chapter 3 of Romans where Paul tells us, rather emphatically, that indeed God is faithful. We considered what the benefit would be if we, as humans, had a confident belief in God that even blossomed into a fully mature faith, only to discover that God was not faithful, that He wasn't really going to follow through on what He promised. **What a devastating thought!**

This Sabbath we will launch into Chapter 4 and get a better understanding of just how serious God is about having us understand that He absolutely means what He says. He is the One Who has created us, along with everything that is in our world and beyond, yet He is also the God Who knows the most deeply protected secret in every single person. He is faithful in His cosmic work to hold the world in space and He is faithful to spark every beat of our hearts.

What a God! Yet somehow, we sometimes want to know more. Is He really going to come again and take us to live with Him forever? **Is Heaven really real after all?**

In our sermon study we are going to see just how serious God is in His desire for us to have faith in Him. Our story will go all the way back to Abraham and I am excited to share a passage of scripture that underscores how firmly committed God is for us to believe in His faithfulness.

## Sabbath Together

August 28, 2021

### Sabbath School 9:30 AM

#### Adult Classrooms:

Classroom 1 - Traditional Quarterly  
Classroom 20 - Spanish Sabbath School  
Conference Center - Bible Study - David Rendon  
Youth Lounge - Young Adult 18-35 - Hans Burda & Daniel Davis

#### Birth-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

Welcome		Pastor Phil
Call To Worship	<i>We Have This Hope</i>	Hymn 214
Invocation		Robert Plant, II
Hymn of Praise	<i>Leaning on the Everlasting Arms</i>	Hymn 469
Children's Story		Archel Burda
	<i>The Lamb's Offering will benefit Children's Ministry</i>	
	<b>All children ages 5-14 invited to Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested</b>	
Praise in Giving	Texico Ministries	Keon Paez
	~ ~ ~ Regular tithe and offerings also received at this time ~ ~ ~	
Offertory		Mikhail Johnson
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		Pastor Phil
Song of Response	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	Hymn 684
Message in Song		Candy Juma
Message	<b>"God Swears an Oath"</b>	Pastor Phil
	<i><sup>2</sup>If, in fact, Abraham was justified by works, he had something to boast about—but not before God. <sup>3</sup>What does Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness." Romans 4:2-3(NIV)</i>	
Closing Song	<i>What A Wonderful Savior</i>	Hymn 335
Benediction		Pastor Phil

**Praise Leader:** Robert Plant, II  
**Pianist:** Mikhail Johnson

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**Speaker Next Week:** Sam Baron  
**Offering Next Week:** Church Budget  
**Attendance Last Week:** 155 + 199 on Facebook Live

**Today's Greeter:** Dottie Haney  
**Deacon in Charge:** David Riley  
**Elder in Charge:** Robert Plant, II

## How To Reach Us

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Robert Plant, II, Chair	806.441.1090
Philip Minda	432.599.2645
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Melwin "Bim" Paez	240.460.7923
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David Riley, Chair, Board of Deacons	806.577.2990
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Church Website	<a href="http://www.lubbockadventist.org">http://www.lubbockadventist.org</a>
Marybel Orellana; LJA Principal/Teacher	817.709.3965
Lubbock Junior Academy	806.795.4481
Adventist Book Center - Texas	800.333.1844
Texico Conference Office	1.505.244.1611
Conference Website:	<a href="http://www.texico.org/">http://www.texico.org/</a>

### Church Worthy Student Challenge

**Our Finance Committee met to review the financial needs of our students; both here at LJA and at Sandia View Academy!**

It will take \$27,700 to accommodate the needs of the parents to keep their children in Church School: We found that just **15 Donors @ \$170/month would equal \$25,500**  
Please prayerfully consider how you can help.

### All-Church Sabbath School

*For the enjoyment of Junior age and up*

August 28, 2021, 9:15am

Song Service	Ianthe Burda & Nikki Marpa
	Pianist: Akkoy Flores
Prayer	Almi Flores
Welcome	Mae Flores
	<b>Feature Program</b>
	<b>"Back To School"</b>
Math Teacher:	Archel Burda
Reading Teacher:	Anita McChesney
Spelling Teacher:	Maybel Paez
Science Teacher:	Daniel Davis
Social Studies:	Glem Brofus
Economics Teacher:	Philip Minda
Mission Spotlight	Bim Paez
Closing Remarks	Mae Flores

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*Separate for Lesson Study by Classes*



# 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, Texas 79413  
806.793.8614**

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 Pastor, Elders, School Teachers and Local Church Ministry Leaders**

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

- ◆ Robert Aldridge (restored health)
- ◆ John Brown (Continued healing)
- ◆ Donna Cartwright (healing)
- ◆ Ken Cartwright (Relief from pain)
- ◆ Denise Downing (Divine Healing)
- ◆ Faith Kruse (Diving Healing)
- ◆ David Lara, Sr. (Healing)

- ◆ Daniel Narcisse (Lung Cancer)
- ◆ Jennifer Petty (restored health)
- ◆ Robert Plant's cousin (Errica Johnson - healing)
- ◆ Dondie Ramos Mother (healing)
- ◆ Alfredo Ramirez family (comfort)
- ◆ David Riley's Sister "Phyllis"
- ◆ Aaron Tygart (total healing)
- ◆ Smiley Verastegui - (Restored sight)
- ◆ Texico Teacher (Health, safety & comfort)
- ◆ Rebecca Walker (healing)
- ◆ Kathy Yates (healing)
- ◆ **Unspoken** prayer requests Healing, finances and families.

◆ **Pray for Christ's followers who are being persecuted and/or killed for their faith world wide.**

### 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)*

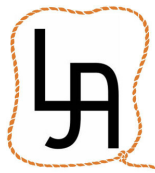
*Please stand in the gap for me - that God's divine will be done regarding the following . . .*

## Church Board Recommendations

### Second Reading

- ▼ **Extend Current Church Officers Term** through June 30, 2022.
- ▼ **Re-nominate Glenn Blake** to prior Ministry positions: Elder, Assistant Sabbath School Superintendent, Assistant Treasurer, also Church Board, Building Committee & Finance Committee member.
- ▼ **Nominated Delegates to represent the Lubbock Church at the Texico Conference Constituency Meeting**, Sunday, December 12, Sandia View Academy in Corrales, New Mexico  
**Delegates:** Glenn Blake, Jose Orellana, Jane Perez, \*Robert Plant, II and \*Cindy Riley.  
 Alternate: Daniel Davis  
 \*Members of the Organizing Committee

## Lubbock Junior Academy . . .



### Recruiting K-9 Students for 2021-2022 School year

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

### Lubbock Junior Academy

School Mission Statement

*Building A Better World ~ One Child at a time*

Please feel free to contact:

**Marybel Orellana, M.Ed., Principal/Teacher, K-4 & 9**

**Email:** morellana@texico.org

**Phone or Text** 817.709.3965 **School** 806.795.4481

**Melwin "Mr. Bim" Paez, Teacher, Grades 5-8 & 9**

**Phone or Text** 240.460.7923

Robert Plant, II - School Board Chair, 806.441.1090

or the Church Office, 806.793.8614

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## Events This Week

**Sunday - August 29**

**2:30pm - Women's Prayer Group via Zoom**

**2-4:00pm - Pathfinder Club - Classroom 7**

(Pathfinder Club meets weekly)

**Wednesday - September 1**

**8:45am - LJA Chapel**

**7:00pm - Mid-week Prayer & Bible Study**

in the Conference Center

**7:00pm - Spanish Mid-week Prayer Meeting**

in Classroom I

**Friday - September 3**

**7:30-9:00pm - Prayer Warriors - Classroom I.**

**8:09pm - The joy of the Sabbath begins**

## Upcoming Events

### Young Adult—YAM-ACF Campout

Labor Day Weekend, September 4-6,

Lincoln National Forest - Alamogordo, New Mexico

**Children's Church - Sabbath, September 11 & 25,**  
 All children ages 5-14 will be invited to Children's Church in the Conference Center, following the Children's Story  
*Parental permission is requested*

**Ronald McDonald House - Sabbath, September 11,**  
 Men's Ministry will provide the evening meal for The residents of the Ronald McDonald House.

### Select-A-Hymn Piano Concert with Mikhail Johnson, PhD

Sabbath, September 11, 5:00pm, Worship Center,  
 This will be Mikhail's farewell concert to the church  
 Mikhail will play your favorite hymn.  
 We will send him off with a Love Offering!

**Men's Breakfast, Sunday, September 12, 9:00am.**  
 All men are invited to meet for Breakfast at the Lubbock Breakfast House - 3202 50th Street.

**Finance Committee: Sunday, September 12, 10:30am**  
**Church Board: Sunday, September 12, 11:00am**  
 Conference Center

**Home & School: Tuesday, September 14, 6:30pm**  
**LJA School Board - Tuesday, September 14, 7:00pm,**

**Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church Sabbath Morning Messages are now available on line:**  
**Go to: You Tube**  
**bit.ly/LubbockTexico**  
*Available to watch at your convenience*

### CHURCH ROOF LOAN

2020	Payment	Received	Over (Under)
Jan-Dec	\$42,528	\$58,760	\$16,232
2021			
Jan-March	\$10,632	\$11,006	\$ 374
April-June	\$10,632	\$11,674	\$1,042
July	\$3,544	\$3,397	(\$147)
August	\$3,544	\$2,722	(\$822)

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

### CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

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	This Year (Jan-July)	Last Year (Jan-July)
July 2021	YTD 2021	YTD 2020
\$30,003	\$182,800	\$153,468

CHURCH BUDGET			
	Required	Received	Need
August 2021	\$12,950	\$7,719	\$5,231

ROOF LOAN (15-Year Note)		
Original Roof Loan	Monthly Payment	Balance 7/31/2021
\$420,000	\$3,544/month	\$247,862

*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 Church Budget.*

*For your convenience, there is also a link for on-line giving, <http://www.lubbockadventist.org>*

*~ ~ Thank You For Remembering our Church Budget ~ ~  
 . . . and for the sacrificial way you continue to give.*

# 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

## Today's Events

**9:00am - Lite Breakfast - Classroom I**

*Awards for the first 15 members to arrive before 9:15*

**9:00am-1:00pm - Prayer Room** staffed and ready to assist anyone in need of special prayer!

**9:15-9:40am - All Church Sabbath School**

Junior age and above meet in the Sanctuary for a special program "Back To School"

**9:30am - Discipleship Class - Classroom 14**

Facilitated by Philip Minda

**9:40am - Sabbath School** (Bible Study) for all ages

**11:00am - Divine Worship Service - Worship Center**  
*(Worship Service will be streamed via Facebook-Live)*

**11:00am - Spanish Divine Worship Service - Classroom 20**

**2:00pm - Celebration of Life Memorial Service for Alfredo Ramirez - Church Sanctuary**

**3-4:00pm - Zoom Bible Study: The Book of Job**  
 This study is open to all who would like to study.  
 Contact Anita McChesney (574)514.9495.

**7:00pm - Spanish Vesper Service - Classroom 20**

**7:30pm - "YAM" Young Adult Ministry - Youth Lounge.** This 18-35 age group meets weekly.

### The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath

Concludes today at 8:17pm

Begins next Friday at 8:09pm

**We are deeply saddened to announce one of our Church Members,**

### Alfredo Ramirez

Passed away this past week, August 21. Memorial Service will be held at 2:00pm, Today, August 28, here in the Sanctuary. Please keep the Ramirez family in prayer for comfort as they process this tragic loss.