

Pastor's Page

Dear Church Family:

How shall I express to you my many feelings this morning? My 88 year old mother passed away earlier this week. From her birth in Normandy, France, all her life, she was a beautiful, godly woman and then an excellent spouse in ministry at the side of my father in the old style, the way it was done in the past, for forty years: twenty in France, and twenty in Israel. She lived in Jerusalem for the past 40 years, and there we buried my father 19 years ago. She was in her late 80's, living independently, vigorous and in good health as she had been all her life and was till her death. She walked everywhere for her own errands and business. She was with us for worship on Facebook last Sabbath. She peacefully passed away in her sleep.

I am having to go bury her there next week and I am leaving this (Thursday) afternoon, before Sabbath, because that was the only way to make it. Flights have been extremely difficult to find for each member of the family going there, due to the holidays coming up in Israel around this time of year. But God has helped, guided, and provided. Also, because of the difficulty of finding flights to Israel this time of year, I will only be able to be back on September 27, taking advantage of the one day after the Jewish New Year when the ticket prices are going a bit down for just one day. I'm flying back that day. In the meantime, please keep me and us in your prayers as we plan and carry out our mission next week. I will miss being with you and will pray for you as well. I am looking forward to being back together here for special Sabbaths, communion, and continuing our life and mission here together.

Thank you to all and especially to those I have been privileged to already connect with personally, and those who have been able to be here for me simply by their presence or in special ways. I am thankful our local elders have accepted to fill the pulpit, and on short notice. They are here at your service, especially in my absence. Kathy Flyger at the church office continues to be my contact person for us to communicate as needed. I will not have access to phone or text (except through using WhatsApp when I have internet) but I will be able to occasionally check my email.

Love, and may God bless you as He continues to guide each of us through our personal and church family experiences on our pilgrimage to Heaven.

Pastor Sam



Pastor Samuel Garbi with his Mother

Sabbath Together

September 10, 2022

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:
 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

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| Welcome | | Robert Plant, II |
| Call To Worship | <i>We Have This Hope</i> | Hymn 214 |
| Invocation | | Abel Rios |
| Hymn of Praise | <i>Make Me a Captive Lord</i> | Hymn 568 |
| Children's Story | | Sandra Caballero |
| | <i>The Lamb's Offering will benefit Church Landscaping</i> | |
| | 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 | World Radio Ministries | Josh Shetler |
| | ~ ~ ~ Regular tithe and offerings also received at this time ~ ~ ~ | |
| Offering Response | | Hymn 694 |
| | <i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i> | |
| Song of Prayer | <i>I Must Tell Jesus</i> | Hymn 485 |
| Circle of Prayer | | Glenn Blake |
| Song of Response | <i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i> | Hymn 684 |
| Message in Song | | Jane Perez |
| Message | I Dare You: Be Humble! (Daniel) | Abel Rios |
| | ³⁷ <i>Now I, Nebuchadnezzar, praise and extol and honor the King of heaven, all of whose works are truth, and His ways justice. And those who walk in pride He is able to put down. Daniel 4:37 NKJV</i> | |
| Closing Song | <i>What Does the Lord Require?</i> | Hymn 571 |
| Benediction | | Abel Rios |

Praise Leader: Bim Paez
Pianist: Robert Plant, II

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Speaker Next Week: Robert Plant, II
Offering Next Week: Church Budget
Greeter Next Week: Elizabeth Verastegui

Attendance Last Week: 168 + 68 reached via Facebook Live

Today's Greeters: Tammy & Jay Reed
Deacon: David Riley **Elder of the Month:** Robert Plant, II

How To Reach Us

| | |
|-------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Samuel Garbi, Pastor | 608.475.3044 |
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| Robert Plant, II, Chair | 806.441.1090 |
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| Church Website | http://www.lubbockadventist.org |
| Lubbock Junior Academy | 806.795.4481 |
| Adventist Book Center - Texas | 800.333.1844 |
| Texico Conference Office | 505.244.1611 |
| Conference Website: | http://www.texico.org/ |

I Dare You: Be Humble (Daniel) Abel Rios

Have you heard the saying, "Pride comes before the fall?" The meaning is that people who are overconfident are likely to fail. But the saying is close to a passage in the Bible. Solomon wrote, "*Pride goes before destruction, and a haughty spirit before a fall*" (Proverbs 16:18 NKJV). Pride is a human problem. How often do we hear stories of regular people or secular and religious leaders whose pride led to their destruction? Today, we return to the book of Daniel and look at the fall of the most powerful king at that time – Nebuchadnezzar. A man who was the envy of every citizen and other kings. However, Daniel did not envy him. In fact, Daniel warns the king about his pride and reminds him about the importance of humility (Daniel 4).

What about humility? It is not a word that we often hear today. The truth is, humility is often thought of negatively, but the Bible speaks about it as necessary in the life of a believer. If you continue to the next verse in Proverbs 16:19, Solomon states, "Better to be of a humble spirit with the lowly, than to divide the spoil with the proud." King Solomon understood the importance of humility. Although he was wise (1 Kings 4:30), he was also someone who made mistakes. Often, humility is associated with weakness. As Christians, we have confidence in the Lord but humility means we are willing to grow. To admit when we make mistakes and to look to God to restore us.

Finally, the story about the restoration of King Nebuchadnezzar is interesting because it is the only time in apocalyptic literature where Babylon shows repentance. We should not overlook another critical point - a pagan king repented. It almost never happened but it is a reminder about God's grace if we are willing to forsake pride and humble ourselves.



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, Our Pastor: Sam Garbi, Elders, School Teachers and Local Church Ministry Leaders**

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

- ◆ Robert Aldridge (restored health)
- ◆ Paul Barker's Dad (Broken hip)
- ◆ John Brown (Health & Healing)
- ◆ Donna Cartwright (Healing)
- ◆ Joe Castillo (Divine Healing)
- ◆ James Crowley, Jr. (Divine Healing)
- ◆ Denise Downing (Healing)
- ◆ Steve Downing (Healing)
- ◆ Kathy Flyger's Nephew "Rick"
- ◆ Olga Garcia (Healing)
- ◆ Faith Kruse (Healing)
- ◆ David Lara, Sr. (Healing)
- ◆ Dorothy Lawson (Continued prayer for Strength/healing)
- ◆ Mireya Lujan (Healing)

- ◆ Linda & Brandon Manley (Prayers for matched Liver)
- ◆ Shane Martel (Healing)
- ◆ Andi Nunez (Continued Healing)
- ◆ James Petty (Strength & Pain relief)
- ◆ Jennifer Petty (Divine Healing)
- ◆ Stacy Reid (Full Recovery)
- ◆ Cindy Riley's friend "Diana"
- ◆ Cindy Riley's Nephew "Tyler"
- ◆ Cindy Riley's brother "Tommy"
- ◆ Cindy Riley's sister "Vicki"
- ◆ David Riley's Sister "Phyllis"
- ◆ Kathie Robertson (Total Healing)
- ◆ Maria Rocha (Unspoken)
- ◆ Ester Slaughter's Grandson "Steven" - critical condition
- ◆ Hailey November Torrez - Safe
- ◆ Dorthy Tubbs Nephew "Tim"
- ◆ Elizabeth Verastegui's Uncle Arturo (Bicycle Hit-n-run)
- ◆ Jan Yates (Strength & healing)
- ◆ Kathy Yates (Total Healing)

◆ UKRAINE WAR VICTIMS

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

Pray For Christ's Followers World Wide, Who Are Being Persecuted and/or Killed For Their Faith.

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!*

9/10/22

Lubbock Junior Academy . . .



Accepting K-8 Students for 2022-2023 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

Please feel free to contact:

Harim E. Calderon, M.Ed., Head Teacher
Phone or Text 956.523.1576

Melwin "Mr. Bim" Paez, Teacher,
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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and visit us on-line: www.lubbockjracademy.org

CHURCH ROOF LOAN

| 2020 | Payment | Received | + or (-) |
|-----------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Jan-Dec | \$42,528 | \$58,760 | \$16,232 |
| 2021 | | | |
| Jan-June | \$21,264 | \$22,680 | \$1,416 |
| July-Dec | \$21,264 | \$29,281 | \$8,017 |
| 2022 | | | |
| Jan-June | \$21,264 | \$26,249 | \$4,985 |
| July | \$3,544 | \$4,198 | \$654 |
| August | \$3,544 | \$3,914 | \$370 |
| September | \$3,544 | \$1,074 | (\$2,470) |

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

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| | This Year (Jan-Aug) | Last Year (Jan-Aug) |
| Aug 2022 | YTD 2022 | YTD 2021 |
| \$22,055 | \$192,705 | \$206,447 |

| | CHURCH BUDGET | | |
|-------------|---------------|----------|----------|
| | Required | Received | Need |
| August 2022 | \$13,400 | \$1,856 | \$11,544 |

| | ROOF LOAN (15-Year Note) | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|
| | Monthly Payment | Balance |
| Original Roof Loan | \$3,544/month | 8/31/2022 \$198,992 |

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 continually give.*

A total of \$13,400 is required monthly for every ministry to be fully funded.

Events This Week

Sunday - September 11

2:00-4:00pm - Pathfinder/Adventurer Club meeting: Adventurers in Classroom 2 and Pathfinders in the Conference Center

Wednesday - September 14

6:00pm - Midweek Prayer & Bible Study - Conference Center.

Friday - September 16

7:00-9:00pm - Prayer Warriors - Prayer Room
7:30pm - YAM Friday Night Vespers - Youth Lounge. Facilitated by Young Adults
7:00pm - Friday Night Sundown Vespers - Classroom 1. Facilitated by Robert Plant, II

~ ~ ~ *The Joy of Sabbath begins Friday at 7:53pm* ~ ~ ~

Upcoming Events

Texico Conference Filipino Convocation

Friday & Sabbath, September 16-17 - Albuquerque Heights Seventh-day Adventist Church - Albuquerque, NM

Texico Conference Constituency

Sunday, September 18, 9:00am. Albuquerque Heights Seventh-day Adventist Church, Albuquerque, NM
Lubbock Constituents: Pastor Sam Garbi, Glenn Blake, Harim Calderon, Daniel Davis, Melwin "Bim" Paez, Robert Plant, II, Cindy Riley & Jane Perez.

School Board - Tuesday, September 20, Classroom 1

D2U - Wednesday, September 22 will be the last day to place your orders with **Adventist Book Center** for delivery to our Parking Lot on Wednesday, September 28. To place an order call the ABC at 800-333-1844. If you wish to see the food list and monthly sales items you can go to www.abckeene.com

YAM to attend **Spark Mission** at SWAU. A gathering of Seventh-day-Adventist college students and young adults for a weekend of worship at SWAU. September 23-25

Children's Church Schedule, September 24, October 8 & 29, following the Children's Story, all children ages 5-14, will be invited to Children's Church, in the Conference Center. Parental permission requested.

LJA "Fun Run" - Sunday, Sept 25, Buddy Holly Park. Plan to participate by getting sponsors. Text Jane Perez (806.401.6116) for a Signup Sheet.

Baby Dedication & Communion Sabbath, October 1

Men's Breakfast, Sunday, October 2, 9:00am.

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

Today's Events

9:00am - Discipleship Class - Classroom 14. Facilitated by Philip Mainda

9:30am - Sabbath School for all ages

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

11:00am - Spanish Speaking Worship Service - Spanish Chapel - Classroom 20

11:30 am - Children's Church - following the Children's Story, children ages 5-14, will be invited to Children's Church, in the Conference Center. Parental permission requested.



2:30pm - Today! Adventurer & Pathfinder Club Induction



In the Fellowship Hall
Everyone is invited and urged to come support our

Adventurer and Pathfinder Clubs!!

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

5:30pm - Men's Ministry will provide the evening meal for the residents of the Ronald McDonald House.

7:00pm - Sundown Vespers - Facilitated by Robert Plant, II

7:30pm "YAM" Young Adult Ministry - This 18-35 age group meet weekly in the Youth Lounge.

Sundown-Midnight: Church Social - Come, enjoy an evening of Bowling at Whitewood Lanes - Tammy Allen-Reed has more details.

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath
Concludes today at 8:02pm
Begins next Friday at 7:53pm