

## Pastor's Page



Pastor Sam Garbi

Dear Lubbock Church Family:

We buried my mother. God helped With finding tickets, arriving, getting the paper work needed for burial, making arrangements with the various entities for the place at the cemetery, get a casket, find, prepare, dress and transport her body. There are no funeral homes and directors in Israel like we have in the States.

God miraculously provided the vehicle, the helpers, all exactly as we know she would have wanted. The Israel church family was present as was a channel of divine love and blessings in helping towards practical arrangements in the services at the church and at the burial. We found and ate the last special foods that my mother had prepared. We also had the last fruits (pomegranates and apples) that she had bought. We buried my mother.

Now, after days of intense activity preparing and realizing this major project, we are experiencing a mini-resurrection and a few moments of rest by celebrating the life and birthday of our baby daughter, our Mother's granddaughter, Melissa. The theme of this celebration is provided by a special trip starting at the three headwaters of the Jordan River up in Northern Galilee. Thirty-three years ago, Connie and I got engaged in the snows of Mount Hermon from which the three springs of the Jordan flow. We'll follow the River down through the upper lakes of the Hula, the Sea of Galilee, the Valley. On Saturday, we'll stop for the Sabbath services at the church in Jerusalem and we'll enjoy the wonderful Filipino food potluck there. The last full day that Connie and the two girls are in Israel before they return to their various locations in the States, we'll soak up in the Dead Sea where the Jordan ends.

My mother went to sleep in Jesus in the last month of the Jewish year, the month of Elul, a month of serious spiritual preparation. She was ready and was telling us to be ready. The services and our present birthday celebration focusing on new life are taking place in the context of the Jewish New Year - serious joy, apples with honey. We're looking forward to the full realization of the third Fall festival, the Great Thanksgiving, when after our pilgrimage is over, we will rejoice and be reunited as God's family "Tabernacling" together with God, with Jesus and in God's Spirit, in the Heavenly abodes, and in the Earth and Heaven made new, by the Tree and the River of Life.

With love and blessings,  
Pastor Sam and Family

## Sabbath Together

September 17, 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 - 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		Robert Plant, II
Call To Worship	<i>We Have This Hope</i>	Hymn 214
Invocation		Robert Plant, II
Hymn of Praise	<i>I Will Sing of My Redeemer</i>	Hymn 343
Children's Story		Jay Reed
	<i>The Lamb's Offering will benefit LJA Worthy Student Fund</i>	
Praise in Giving	<b>Church Budget</b>	Jared Saucedo
	~ ~ ~ <i>Regular tithe and offerings also received at this time</i> ~ ~ ~	
Offering Response		Hymn 694
	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow</i>	
Song of Prayer	<i>As We Come to You in Prayer</i>	Hymn 671
Circle of Prayer		Daniel Davis
Song of Response	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	Hymn 684
Message in Song		A J Pastor
Message	<b>Render Unto Caesar</b>	Robert Plant, II
	<sup>25</sup> <i>And He said to them, "Render therefore to Caesar the things that are Caesar's, and to God the things that are God's." Luke 20:25 NKJV</i>	
Closing Song	<i>At the Cross</i>	Hymn 163
Benediction		Robert Plant, II

**Praise Leader:** Niiang Mung  
**Pianist:** Robert Plant, II

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**Speaker Next Week:**  
**Offering Next Week:** Texico Conference  
**Greeter Next Week:** Jane Perez

**Attendance Last Week:** 172 + 56 reached via Facebook Live

**Today's Greeter:** Elizabeth Verastegui  
**Deacon:** David Riley **Elder of the Month:** Robert Plant, II

## How To Reach Us

Samuel Garbi, Pastor	608.475.3044
<b>Board of Elders:</b>	
Robert Plant, II, Chair	806.441.1090
Glenn Blake	806.790.9549
Hiram Calderon	956.523.1576
Philip Minda	432.599.2645
Luis Moreno	956.999.3666
Melwin "Bim" Paez	240.460.7923
Abel Rios	806.438.1821
Ed Thorne	806.535.4300
Cindy Riley, Treasurer	806.928.9713
David Riley, Chair, Board of Deacons	806.577.2990
Michele Crawford, Chair, Board of Deaconess	970.901.0987
Kathy Flyger, Church Event/Building Coordinator	806.535.7770
Church Office	806.793.8614
Church FAX	806.799.5136
Church Email Address	<a href="mailto:lubbockadventist@texico.org">lubbockadventist@texico.org</a>
<b>Church Website</b>	<a href="http://www.lubbockadventist.org">http://www.lubbockadventist.org</a>
Lubbock Junior Academy	806.795.4481
Adventist Book Center - Texas	800.333.1844
Texico Conference Office	505.244.1611
Conference Website:	<a href="http://www.texico.org/">http://www.texico.org/</a>



**LUBBOCK  
JUNIOR ACADEMY  
Fun Run  
Fundraiser**



**Sunday Morning,  
September 25,  
9:00am  
Buddy Holly Park**

**Sign-Up Sheets are available  
For you to record your sponsors**

**Watch this space for more details!  
Or text Jane Perez (806) 401-6116  
Hope to see everyone there!!!**



**Operation Christmas  
Child**

*It is time to accumulate items  
for the Christmas Shoeboxes.*

*Now is a good time to pick up school  
supplies while they are on sale.*

*There will be a table in the foyer so you can start bringing  
your items and be sure to pick up a list of other supplies  
that will be needed.*

**This is an Adventurer Club Community Service project.**



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.

*Mailing Address: P O Box 6277  
Lubbock, TX 79493-6277*

**5302 Elgin Avenue  
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: 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)

♦ Dale Crawford (Strength/Comfort)

♦ 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 - passed  
Continued prayer requested for her family love & 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

♦ Dorothy 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.**



## 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

~ ~ ~ "Like" us on Facebook ~ ~ ~

and visit us on-line: [www.lubbockjracademy.org](http://www.lubbockjracademy.org)

### CHURCH ROOF LOAN

2020	Payment	Received	+ or (-)
Jan-Dec	\$42,528	\$58,760	\$16,232
2021			
Jan-Dec	\$42,528	\$51,961	\$9,433
2022			
Jan-June	\$21,264	\$26,249	\$4,985
July	\$3,544	\$4,198	\$654
August	\$3,544	\$3,914	\$370
September	\$3,544	\$1,489	(\$2,055)

*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	\$3,665	\$9,735

	ROOF LOAN (15-Year Note)	
	Monthly Payment	Balance
Original Roof Loan	\$3,544/month	\$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 18**

**Texico Conference Constituency** at the Albuquerque Heights Seventh-day Adventist Church, Albuquerque, NM

**Lubbock Constituents:** Pastor Sam Garbi, Glenn Blake, Harim Calderon, Daniel Davis, Melwin Paez, Jane Perez, Robert Plant, II and Cindy Riley.

**Tuesday - September 20**

**7:00pm - School Board - Classroom I**

**Wednesday - September 21**

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

**Friday - September 23**

**7:00-9:00pm - Prayer Warriors - Prayer Room**

**7:00pm - Friday Night Sundown Vespers - Classroom I. Facilitated by Robert Plant, II**

**7:30pm - YAM Friday Night Vespers - Youth Lounge. Facilitated by Young Adults**

*~ ~ ~The Joy of Sabbath begins Friday at 7:44pm ~ ~ ~*

## Upcoming Events

**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.

**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.

**Pathfinders - Sunday, Sept. 25, 9:00am, Buddy Holly Park**

**D2U - Wednesday, September 28 - Church Parking Lot**

**Baby Dedication & Communion**  
Sabbath, October 1

**Men's Breakfast, Sunday, October 2, 9:00am.** All men are invited to meet at the Golden Corral for breakfast and fellowship.

**Women's Prayer Breakfast: Sunday, at 10:00am., October 2, at the home of Anita McChesney.**

# 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.*

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

## Today's Events

**Today, Many of our Filipino Members** are attending the **Texico Conference Filipino Convocation** at the Albuquerque Heights Seventh-day Adventist Church in Albuquerque, NM

**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**

**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.

**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.**

**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**  
Concludes today at 7:52pm  
Begins next Friday at 7:44pm

**Volunteers needed for Child Care** during the **Texico Conference Elder's Retreat** Friday, October 21, 6:30-9:30pm & Sabbath, October 22, 2:30-4:30pm

If you, or if you know someone that would be willing to assist Please call the Church Office 806.793.8614 for more details.

**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!*