

## Pastor's Page

### READ THIS



“KERYGMATIC” versus “PROPHETIC”  
The past three November messages on Gratitude are called “prophetic” messages because they tell us what to do, i.e., “Be grateful!” Another type of biblical messages is called “kerygmatic” because instead they focus on what God does for us.

I prefer such “kerygmatic” messages because “prophetic” messages are weak in their assumption that the people they address are healed, healthy and able to do things.

But although through the gospel or cultural conditioning we can experience some health and perform, truth is that we are broken individuals and systems that remain unable to fully perform “should’s” and “don’t’s” from the right place. We remain individuals and systems who repeatedly need hearing the only all-powerful message there is - i.e., the good news of the Gospel, what God is doing for us.

#### UNGRATEFUL OR SAD?

Maybe you have experienced some level of frustration at trying to force yourself to be grateful while having a sense that you are not able to do it. This is where the Gospel and “kerygmatic” messages that present the Gospel remain the mainstay of the Christian message and of the Church: Jesus loving us on the cross, in pain, still on this earth, suffering as we do. This alone is the “Fount of Blessings” from which healing and salvation are found.  
**Jesus Loves You Just As You Are Now.**

#### ONE BIG PROBLEM

The problem is not with Jesus not loving us as we are. The big problem is that we refuse to love ourselves the way Jesus loves us.

Our love for ourselves is usually tainted by the good ideals inculcated into us. We have decided that decent theology is to maintain an accounting system of check and balance between “what God has done for us” and the demands of “what because of this, we should do.” But such is not God’s Gospel. That way of conceiving “the gospel” is in fact a system of meritorious legalism outside of the Gospel of what God does for us, and it prevents us from experiencing the power of the only Gospel there is: God’s unconditional acceptance of us in Christ

### SAY THIS



Please eliminate the only barrier that there is to be experiencing the love of Jesus now. Dare to leave the “do’s” and the “should’s” you hold in your head and take a moment to repeat and savor Jesus’s words to you in the first person:

**“I Love Myself Just As I Am Now.”**

The love of Jesus, dear One, is the only Gospel that can save and heal you where it’s needed.

With love,  
Pastor Sam

## Sabbath Together

November 19, 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 into Membership Pastor Sam  
Darren Kruse; Jennifer Monik;  
Monica Lima and Jeyson DeSilva  
Ricky & Betty DeHoyos

Call To Worship *We Have This Hope* Hymn 214

Invocation Robert Plant, II

Hymn of Praise *Now Thank We All Our God* Hymn 559

Children’s Story Amy Hovorka  
*The Lamb’s Offering will benefit our Church Landscaping*

Praise in Giving **Church Budget** Mae Flores  
~ ~ ~ *Regular tithe and offerings also received at this time* ~ ~ ~

Offering Response Hymn 694  
*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow*

Song of Prayer *I Must Tell Jesus* Hymn 485

Circle of Prayer Philip Minda

Song of Response *Hear Our Prayer, O Lord* Hymn 684

Message in Song *Count Your Blessings One by One* Congregation  
(On the Screen)

Message Grateful for . . . (Part 3) Pastor Sam  
**Present Blessings**  
*Scripture: Ephesians 1: 3-14 NKJV*

Closing Song *Come, Ye Thankful People* Hymn 557

Benediction Pastor Sam

**Praise Leader:** Robert Plant, II  
**Pianist:** Joy Ramos

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**Speaker Next Week:** Pastor Sam

**Offering Next Week:** Texico Ministries

**Greeter Next Week:** Sarai

**Attendance Last Week:** 152 + 82 reached via Facebook Live

**Today’s Greeter:** Briana Cooper  
**Head Deacon:** David Riley **Elder of the Month:** Philip Minda

## How To Reach Us

**Pastor:** Samuel Garbi, Pastor, MM, DMin 608.475.3044  
**Board of Elders:**  
Robert Plant, II, Chair 806.441.1090  
Glenn Blake 806.790.9549  
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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

### PATHFINDER EVENTS:

LET’S HELP THE PATHFINDERS RAISE FUNDS FOR THEIR 2024 GILLETTE CAMPOREE

**PATHFINDER ART SHOW & SILENT AUCTION**



SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 27, AT 5:30PM, IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.  
PLEASE DONATE ITEMS FOR SILENT AUCTION

### Church Board Recommendations:

#### MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS:

#### SECOND READING:

**To Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church:**

♦ **Grant** the request from **Samuel Garbi** from the Lancaster Seventh-day Adventist Church - Lancaster, WI

♦ **Grant** the request from **Amy Hovorka** from El Paso Northeast Seventh-day Adventist Church - El Paso, TX

♦ **Grant** the request from **Joyce “Joy” Onwere** from Georgetown Seventh-day Adventist Church - Georgetown, TX

#### CHURCH BOARD REPRESENTATIVES:

#### FIRST READING:

Nominate **Briana Cooper** to serve as **Religious Liberty Director**

Nominate **Jane Perez** to serve as **Bible School Coordinator**



# 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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**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: Dr. 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)
- ◆ Paul Barker's Mother (comfort)
- ◆ Holly Barton (Health & Healing)
- ◆ Oliver Barton (Health & Healing)
- ◆ John Brown (Health & Healing)
- ◆ Donna Cartwright (Healing)
- ◆ Ken Cartwright (Surgery Healing)
- ◆ James Crowley, Jr (Divine Healing)
- ◆ Denise Downing (Healing)
- ◆ Steve Downing (Healing)
- ◆ Debbie Galloway (Healing)
- ◆ Olga Garcia (Healing)
- ◆ Lola Hernandez (dialysis)

- ◆ Ysidro Hernandez (Healing from Stroke paralysis)
- ◆ Shawn Henderson (intervention, restoration and healing)
- ◆ Faith Kruse (Healing)
- ◆ David Lara, Sr. (Healing)
- ◆ Mireya Lujan (Total Healing)
- ◆ Linda & Brandon Manley (Prayers for matched Liver)
- ◆ Shane Martel (Healing)
- ◆ Andi Nunez (Continued Healing)
- ◆ James Petty (Strength & Pain relief)
- ◆ Jennifer Petty (Total Healing)
- ◆ Stacy Reid (Full Recovery)
- ◆ David Riley's Sister "Phyllis"
- ◆ Kathie Robertson (Total Healing)
- ◆ Maria Rocha (Unspoken)
- ◆ Esther Slaughter's Grandson "Steven" critical condition
- ◆ Elizabeth Verastegui's 'Uncle Arturo' (Total Healing)
- ◆ Jan Yates (Strength & healing)
- ◆ Kathy Yates (Total Healing)
- ◆ **UKRAINE WAR VICTIMS**
- ◆ **Unspoken** prayer requests Healing, finances and families.

# 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**  
 School, 806.795.4481 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

2021	Payment	Received	+ or (-)
Jan-Dec	\$42,528	\$51,961	\$9,433
2022			
Jan-June	\$21,264	\$26,249	\$4,985
July-Sept.	\$10,632	\$11,688	\$1,056
October	\$3,544	\$4,660	\$1,116
November	\$3,544	\$1,570	(\$1,974)

*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-Oct)	Last Year (Jan-Oct)	
October 2022	YTD 2022	YTD 2021	
\$22,055	\$247,532	\$257,750	
CHURCH BUDGET			
	Required	Received	+ or (-)
November 2022	\$13,400	\$5,608	(\$7,792)
ROOF LOAN (15-Year Note)			
Original Roof Loan	Monthly Payment	Balance 10/31/2022	
\$420,000	\$3,544/month	\$193,291	

*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 - November 20**  
 1:00-5:00pm - **YAMs** distributing Thanksgiving Baskets  
 2:00-4:00pm - **Pathfinder & Adventurer Club Meetings** - Pathfinders in the Conference Center and Adventures in Classroom 2

**Monday-Friday November 21-25 LJA Thanksgiving Break** - Classes will resume, November 28

**Wednesday - November 23**  
**No Midweek Prayer & Bible Study this week**

**Thursday - November 24 - THANKSGIVING DAY**

**Friday - November 25**  
**5:00pm - Friday Night Sundown Vespers** - Facilitated by Robert Plant, II.  
**7:00-9:00pm - Prayer Warriors** - Prayer Room

*~ ~ ~The Joy of Sabbath begins Friday at 5:41pm ~ ~ ~*

## Upcoming Events

**PATHFINDER ART SHOW & SILENT AUCTION**  
 Sunday Afternoon, November 27, 5:30pm, Fellowship Hall.  
 Please DONATE items for the auction and plan to attend.

**Adventurer Club Meeting & lunch:** Sabbath, December 3 & 17, in Classroom 2

**Men's Breakfast:** Sunday, December 4, 9:00am.  
 All men are invited to meet at Golden Corral.

**Adventurer & Pathfinder Club Meetings**  
 Sunday, December 4, 2:00-4:00pm  
 Adventurer Club in Classroom 2  
 Pathfinders in Conference Center

**Holiday Taste Tasting Contest**  
**December 4, 4:00pm**  
 Come enjoy a variety of signature dishes prepared by some of our most talented chefs!  
 Proceeds will benefit LJA Worthy Student Fund

**Men's Ministry** will provide the evening meal for the residents of the Ronald McDonald House, Saturday evening, December 10, 5:30pm

**Badminton Tournament** - Saturday night, December 10, 6:00pm, Fellowship Hall  
 Proceeds will benefit Pathfinder Camporee

**Women's Prayer Breakfast:** Sunday, December 11, 10:00am, All women are invited to the home of Anita McChesney for Worship and Breakfast

**LJA Christmas Program**  
**Sabbath, December 17**

# 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.

**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 - Spanish Speaking Worship Service** - Spanish Chapel - Classroom 20

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

**HAYSTACKS - All Church Fellowship Lunch** to bid farewell to our beloved sister, **Dorothy Tubbs**, she is moving to Keene, TX

**1:00pm - PBE Rehearsal** - Classroom 7 with Ubani I.

**1:30pm - Adventurer Club Meeting** - in Classroom 2

**2:00pm - YAM Church Food & Coat drive:**

**3-4:00pm - Zoom Bible Study: The Gospel of John**  
 To join contact Anita McChesney (574) 514.9495.

**5:00pm - Sundown Vespers** - Classroom 1.  
 Facilitated by Robert Plant, II

**6:30pm "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 5:44pm  
 Begins next Friday at 5:41pm

## Lubbock Junior Academy Holiday Taste Testing Contest



**Sunday afternoon**  
 December 4, 4:00pm,  
 in the Fellowship Hall.

**Proceeds will benefit LJA Worthy Student Fund**

## THANKSGIVING FOOD BASKETS

**If you, or if you know of a family who would be blessed by receiving a Thanksgiving Food Basket Please contact: Keith Marpa (806) 928-5895, Uboni Ikonne (972) 904-6755, Pastor Sam or the Church Office (806) 793-8614**

### 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!*