

Pastor's Page



Pastor Sam Garbi

Dear Church Family:
Before the last month of the year, we are now in November and looking forward to **Thanksgiving**. Gratitude is appropriate and it is needed for us to counter the depression that some of us suffer from this time of year. So, we're starting a three-part sermon series on gratefulness, because to be thankful is that important:

- ▶ **Part 1:** Grateful for the past ("The Faith of Those Before Us") today Sabbath November 5.
- ▶ **Part 2:** Grateful for the future ("The Second Coming" Fundamental Belief #25) on Sabbath November 12; and
- ▶ **Part 3:** Grateful for the present ("Those Around Us") on Sabbath November 19.

From the Psalms in the Old Testament,

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love endures forever.
1 Chronicles 16:34, Psalm 107: 1; 136: 1 and 118: 1
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving Psalms 95: 2
Enter his gates with thanksgiving! Give thanks to him!
From Psalm 100: 4

To Paul's epistles in the New Testament,

Always give thanks to God the Father for everything"
From Ephesians 5: 20
"Give thanks in all circumstances" 1 Thessalonians 5: 18
"Be thankful, with thankfulness in your hearts to God, giving thanks to God the Father through him." From Colossians 3:15-17
"In everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God." Philippians 4: 6
Be filled with the Spirit, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,
From Ephesians 5: 18-20

The Bible is filled with exhortations to be thankful.

It's that important!

A few months ago, the Wisconsin Pastors' Book Club reviewed a little book whose subtitle was: *"How Gratitude Can Transform Your Life."* It can. One of the book's suggestions was to establish a baseline of gratitude practices that I could do every day for several months. The baseline that I chose was to set for myself a Google calendar reminder to say "I am blessed" five times per day. This simple and easy practice did transform my life. And,

It can transform your life too...

Set this month of November as a whole month to practice gratitude. Forget about the Dems, the Republicans, Russia, China, the Catholics, co-workers, the government, crime, pettiness and all the sadness and negativity in the world. Instead, choose to read the Good Book, come to Church, and daily focus on the goodness and rich promises that you have in God. It will change your life.

With love,
Pastor Sam

Sabbath Together

November 5, 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

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| Welcome | | Pastor Sam |
| Call To Worship | <i>We Have This Hope</i> | Hymn 214 |
| Invocation | | Pastor Sam |
| Hymn of Praise | <i>Faith of our Fathers</i> | Hymn 304 |
| Children's Story | | Melissa Conley |
| | <i>The Lamb's Offering will benefit our Lubbock Junior Academy</i> | |
| Praise in Giving | Church Budget | Cindy Riley |
| | <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>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 | | Robert Plant, II |
| Message | Grateful for ... (Part I) The Faith of Those Before Us | Pastor Sam |

¹Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen. ⁶But without faith it is impossible to please Him, for he who comes to God must believe that He is, and that He is a rewarder of those who diligently seek Him. ³⁹And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, ⁴⁰God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.
Hebrews 11:1, 6, 39-40, NKJV

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| Closing Song | <i>Faith is the Victory</i> | Hymn 608 |
| Benediction | | Pastor Sam |

Praise Leader: Tammy Allen-Reed
Pianist: Robert Plant, II

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Speaker Next Week: Pastor Sam
Offering Next Week: Annual Sacrifice for Global Missions
Greeter Next Week: Ana Moreno
Attendance Last Week: 147 + 77 reached via Facebook Live

Today's Greeter: Sandra Caballero
Deacon: David Riley

How To Reach Us

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|---|---|
| Samuel Garbi, Pastor | 608.475.3044 |
| Board of Elders: | |
| Robert Plant, II, Chair | 806.441.1090 |
| Glenn Blake | 806.790.9549 |
| Harim Calderon | 956.523.1576 |
| Philip Mainda | 432.599.2645 |
| Luis Moreno | 956.999.3666 |
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| 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 | lubbockadventist@texico.org |
| 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/ |

PATHFINDER EVENTS:

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

PATHFINDER ART SHOW & SILENT AUCTION



SUNDAY AFTERNOON, NOVEMBER 20,
AT 5:00PM, IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL
PLEASE DONATE ITEMS FOR
SILENT AUCTION

BADMINTON TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY EVENING, December 10, 6:00PM,
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL

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

Available to watch at your convenience

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



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: 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)
- ♦ Holly Barton (Health & Healing)
- ♦ Oliver Barton (Health & Healing)
- ♦ John Brown (Health & Healing)
- ♦ Donna Cartwright (Healing)
- ♦ Dale Crawford family (Comfort)
- ♦ James Crowley, Jr (Divine Healing)
- ♦ Denise Downing (Healing)
- ♦ Steve Downing (Healing)
- ♦ Debbie Galloway (Healing)
- ♦ Olga Garcia (Healing)
- ♦ 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 (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)
- ♦ Esther Slaughter's Grandson "Steven" critical condition
- ♦ Dorothy Tubbs Nephew "Tim"
- ♦ 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

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 | \$3,544 | \$4,198 | \$654 |
| August | \$3,544 | \$3,914 | \$370 |
| September | \$3,544 | \$3,576 | \$32 |
| October | \$3,544 | \$4,660 | \$1,116 |

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 | Over |
| October 2022 | \$13,400 | \$14,240 | \$840 |

| | ROOF LOAN (15-Year Note) | |
|--------------------|--------------------------|--------------------|
| | Monthly Payment | Balance 10/31/2022 |
| Original Roof Loan | \$420,000 | \$193,291 |
| | \$3,544/month | |

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 6
 2:00am - Daylight Savings Time ends - Fall back 1 hour
 9:00am - **Men's Breakfast: Sunday**, All men are invited to meet at Golden Corral for breakfast.
 10:00am - **Women's Prayer Breakfast:** at the home of Anita McChesney.
 2:00-4:00pm - **Adventurer & Pathfinder Club Meetings:** Adventurer Club in Classroom 2
 Pathfinders in Conference Center

Tuesday - November 8
 7:00pm - **School Board**, 7:00pm - Classroom 1

Wednesday - November 9
 6:00pm - **Midweek Prayer & Bible Study** - Conference Center.

Friday - November 11
 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 5:48pm ~ ~ ~

Upcoming Events

Men's Ministry will provide the evening meal for the residents of the Ronald McDonald House, Saturday evening, November 12, 5:30pm

YAM Church Food drive: November 12 & 19

PATHFINDER ART SHOW & SILENT AUCTION
 Sunday Afternoon, November 13, 5pm, Fellowship Hall.
 Please DONATE items for the auction and plan to attend.

LJA Fall Week of Prayer with Pastor Sam
 Monday-Friday, November 14-18, 9:00am

Finance Committee: Tuesday, November 15, 6:00pm
Church Board: Tuesday, November 15, 6:30pm

LJA Family Thanksgiving Luncheon:
 Friday, November 18,

HAYSTACKS - All Church Fellowship Lunch Sabbath, November 19, to bid farewell to our dear sister, Dorothy Tubbs, she is moving to Keene, TX

LJA Thanksgiving Break: November 21-25.

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.

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

THANK YOU to all who attended and participated in the LJA Fall Fair last Saturday night.

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)

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

1:00pm - Adventurer Club Lunch & Meeting - November 5, in Classroom 2

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

6:00pm - 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.

NOTE: The Badminton Tournament has been rescheduled to December 10

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath
 Concludes today at 6:53pm
 Begins next Friday at 5:48pm

Church Board Recommendation:

Second Reading:

Recommend the current Church Officers term be extended to June 30, 2023.

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Intercessory Prayer

And I sought for a man among them that should make up the hedge and stand in the gap before me . . .

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!*