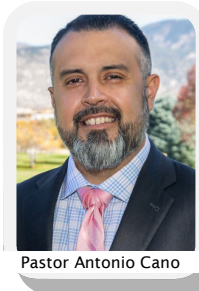


Welcome To Lubbock



Pastor Antonio Cano

There is much we can learn from Moses and his calling to ministry at the burning bush. This calling was meant to encourage not only Moses as a visible leader, but also the people of Israel whom Moses was called to lead. Moses had a struggle he needed to overcome - his struggle with self-confidence as well as his identity as a viable leader to do what God was asking him to do. You see, Moses thought that his lot in life was to be ruler of Egypt and when that didn't pan out it seemed that he was content to settle as a shepherd. That's what he was doing when God called him.

Moses' identity problem is on full display when God calls him to "Let My people go!" Moses responds initially by asking God the wrong question. Exodus 3:11 says, "...Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and bring the Israelites out of Egypt?"

I say this is the wrong question because Moses knew himself. He knew that he lacked confidence. He knew he didn't have extensive leadership training. He knew that he had a speech problem. He felt the odds were stacked against him; therefore, his insufficiencies and weaknesses were all he could focus on...and it wasn't good enough for what God was asking.

After some dialog, Moses then asks the right question. He basically asks, "Who are You?" And God answered, "I Am who I Am." I Am who I Am? What does that mean? What we don't often recognize is that God as the "I Am" is enough. There is no need for descriptive nouns, there is no need for modifiers.

What God is telling Moses was, "I Am who I Was, I Am who I Am, I Am who I Will Be. I just Am, and whatever you need, I am that! Moses had to find his identity in the I Amness of God.

As the Lubbock church embarks on this new chapter with Pastor Raul Alvarez as its visible leader, understand that a calling has been



Pastor Raul & Giovanna Alvarez

extended to him to which he is not worthy to take. It is a task that his own shortcomings and weaknesses would disqualify him to be an effective leader. But there is one thing that qualifies him and in this, take comfort. His focus,

his trust and his confidence is in "I Am".

If the Lubbock church recognizes that "I Am" is the One equipping and guiding its pastor, then the church can take confidence that they are in great hands! The Texico Conference is looking on with anticipation at how this trio of God, Pastor Alvarez and the Lubbock church will ultimately take shape. Faithfully, there is much assurance in the I Amness of God and what He will do for the good of this church and the community.

Welcome to the Lubbock Church
Pastor Raul and Giovanna Alvarez!

Trusting in
I Am who I Am,

Pastor Antonio Cano

Sabbath Together

December 2, 2023

Sabbath School 9:30 AM

Adult Classrooms:

Classroom 1 - *Traditional Quarterly*
Classroom 20 - *Spanish Sabbath School*
Classroom 14 - 28-Fundamentals - *Philip Mainda*
Youth Lounge - Young Adult 18-35 - *Hans Burda & Daniel Davis*

Birth to 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

Prelude	<i>Family of God</i>	Congregation
Welcome & Announcements		Glenn Blake
Call to Worship	<i>We Have This Hope</i>	Hymn 214
Invocation		Pastor Raul
Hymn of Praise	<i>To God Be the Glory</i>	Hymn 341
Children's Story		Giovanna Alvarez
Lamb's Offering will benefit Church Worthy Student fund		
Health Nugget		
Offering Call	Church Budget	Cindy Riley
~~~ 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		Pastor Antonio Cano
Song of Response	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	Hymn 684
Special Music		Madelyn Caballero

**Installation of Pastor Raul Alvarez**  
**Commissioned By: Pastor Antonio Cano,**  
**Ministerial Director for Texico Conference**

Message	<b>We are Not Walking</b>	Pastor Raul
¹⁵ So Miriam was confined outside the camp for seven days, and the people did not move on till she was brought back. Numbers 12:15, NIV		
Closing Song	<i>I Love to Tell the Story</i>	Hymn 457
Benediction		Pastor Raul

### Postlude

**Pianist:** Joy Ramos

**Praise Leaders:** Madelyn & Sandra Caballero  
**Offering Next Week:** Adventist Community Service  
**Speaker Next Week:** Pastor Raul Alvarez  
**Greeter Next Week:** Ana Moreno  
**Attendance Last Week:** 161

**Today's Greeter:** Nehemie Gervais  
**Head Deacon:** David Riley **Elder of the Month:** Bim Paez

## How To Reach Us

Pastor Raul Alvarez	620.277.8130
<b>Board of Elders:</b>	
Glenn Blake, Interim Head Elder	806.790.9549
Daniel Davis	432.413.4717
Jose Garcia	806.778.7485
Philip Mainda	432.599.2645
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
Jane Perez, Chair, Board of Deaconesses	806.401.6116
Kathy Flyger, Clerk, Church Event Coordinator	806.535.7770
Church Office	806.793.8614
Church FAX	806.799.5136
<b>Church Email Address</b>	<b><a href="mailto:lubbockadventist@texico.org">lubbockadventist@texico.org</a></b>
<b>Church Website</b>	<b><a href="http://www.lubbockadventist.org">http://www.lubbockadventist.org</a></b>
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>



**Vespers**  
**Today, December 2, 5:00pm**  
**We Will Welcome our**  
**New Pastoral Team**  
**Raul & Giovanna Alvarez**

**Then stay for a spectacular**  
**FALL FESTIVAL!**

**Bar-B-Q Burgers/vegetarian burgers,**  
**Salad or chips, Cookie & bottled water! \$10**  
**Hot cocoa, Hot apple Cider & S'mores!**  
**Games and hay ride with lots of music**  
**inside and out**

We look forward to welcoming you to our fantastic Fall Festival, An evening filled with joy, community and the spirit of Autumn! Bring your friends & family for a memorable experience!  
**Proceeds will benefit Lubbock Junior Academy.**  
**Assisted by: Young Adult Ministries and**  
**Lubbock Knights Pathfinder Club**



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

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

◆ Deborah Bellknap - Healing & Finances

◆ John Brown (Health & Healing)

◆ Donna Cartwright (Healing)

◆ Joe Castillo (Total Healing)

◆ James Crowley, Jr. (Divine Healing)

◆ Jose Garcia family - Comfort Death in family

◆ Anthony Guerra (Colon Cancer)

◆ Faith Kruse (Healing)

◆ Mireya Lujan (Total Healing)

◆ Sherry Muse (Healing)

◆ Andi Nunez (Healing)

◆ Janie Perez (Pain relief)

◆ Jennifer Petty (Total Healing)

◆ Kathie Robertson (Total Healing)

◆ Judy Short (Healing)

◆ Linda Sigala (Total Healing)

◆ Gary Sitton (Pain Relief)

◆ Esther Slaughter's Grandson "Steven" total healing

◆ Josh Williams Mother (cancer)

◆ Kathy Yates (Total Healing)

◆ Kay Young (Strength & Healing)

◆ **WAR VICTIMS**

◆ **TORNADO VICTIMS**

◆ **EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS**

◆ **FIRE VICTIMS**

◆ **SHOOTING VICTIMS**

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

## CHRISTMAS FOOD BOXES

If you, or if you know of a family who would be blessed by receiving a Christmas Food Box

Please contact: Georgina Pidoux, Kathy Flyger, Cindy Riley, Glenn Blake, or the Church Office (806) 793-8614

Registration will be open through December 2.

### 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!

12/2/23

## Lubbock Junior Academy



**Accepting K-8 Students for 2023-2024 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:

**Melwin "Mr. Bim" Paez, Teacher**  
Phone or Text 240.460.7923

**Cindy Riley - School Board Chair**  
Phone or Text 806.928.9713

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

| 2022 | Payment | Received | + or (-) |
|------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| Jan-Dec | \$42,528 | \$56,520 | \$13,992 |
| 2023 | | | |
| Jan-March | \$10,632 | \$9,608 | (\$1,024) |
| April-June | \$10,632 | \$9,598 | (\$1,034) |
| July-Sept | \$10,632 | \$21,563 | \$10,931 |
| October | \$3,544 | \$1,880 | (\$1,664) |
| November | \$3,544 | \$2,295 | (\$1,249) |

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 2023 | YTD 2023 | YTD 2022 | |
| \$33,388 | \$340,005 | \$247,532 | |

| CHURCH BUDGET | | | |
|---------------|----------|----------|-----------|
| 2023 | Required | Received | + or (-) |
| October | \$14,125 | \$11,711 | (\$2,414) |

| ROOF LOAN
(15-Year Note) | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------|
| Original Roof Loan | Monthly Payment | Balance 11/30/2023 |
| \$420,000 | \$3,544/month | \$142,608 |

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, here's the 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 \$14,125 is required monthly for every ministry to be fully funded.

Events This Week

Sunday - December 3

9:00am - **Men's Breakfast:** All men are welcome to meet at the Golden Corral for breakfast

Tuesday - December 5

5:00-7:00pm - **Pathfinder/Adventurer Club**
Meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month. Adventurers in Classroom 2 and Pathfinders in the Conference Center.

Friday - December 8

7:30pm - Church Choir Rehearsal - Conference Center! Come blend your voices - for information contact Bim 240.460.7929

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath

Begins at 5:39pm

Upcoming Events

Children's Church Schedule: December 9 & 23.

Women's Prayer Breakfast: December 10 at 10:00am

All women are invited to the home of Anita McChesney at 10:00am

Texico Conference Symphony Orchestra Concert and LJA Christmas Program - December 16,
5:00pm - Lubbock Church Worship Center

LJA Christmas Break: December 21 to January 3

School Board - Tuesday, December 26, Classroom 1

2024

New Year's Day - January 1

LJA Classes resume - January 4

Men's Breakfast - January 6, 9:00am. All men are invited to meet at the Golden Corral for breakfast

Texico Youth & Young Adult SKI RETREAT -
Ski Santa Fe - January 12-15. For information & to register go to: www.texico.org

First Quarter Mini-Health Fair - Sabbath, January 13
Watch this space for details

MLK Holiday - Monday, January 15
No School at LJA-

Texico Youth & Young Adult HOOPS FEST - SWAU - January 24-27: More information and to register to to: www.texico.org

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, WE WELCOME Pastor Antonio Cano, Texico Conference Ministerial Director. Pastor Cano has come today to introduce us to Pastor Raul Alvarez and his lovely wife Giovanna.

9:00am - Discipleship Class - Classroom 14
A study of the 28 Fundamental Doctrines.

9:30am - Sabbath School for all ages

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

11:00am - Divine Worship Service - Worship Center

12:30pm - Health Ministry Committee brief meeting in Classroom 1

2:30pm - Church Choir Rehearsal - Conference Center! Come blend your voices

3-4:00pm - Zoom Bible Study: The Gospel of Mark to join; contact Anita McChesney (574) 514.9495.

5:00pm - VESPERS we will officially Welcome Pastor Raul Alvarez and his wife Giovanna.

6:00pm - Fall Festival - Fellowship Hall (Details on back panel)

The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath
Concludes today at 5:40pm
Begins next Friday at 5:39pm