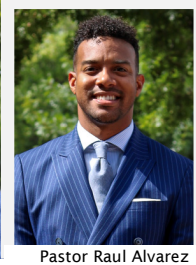


Pastor's Page



Pastor Raul Alvarez

As you listen to the sermon today, please reflect on being there for one another and offering support in times of need. This is an essential aspect of fostering strong and healthy relationships.

The story of Joshua and Hur supporting Moses during the battle against the Amalekites reminds us of the importance of unity. It teaches us that when we unite and lend a helping hand, we can achieve remarkable feats together. By showing compassion, empathy, and support, we build a sense of togetherness that uplifts us and strengthens our bonds.

Moreover; the concept of keeping our hands up in times of trouble, just like Moses did, is equally significant. Life can present us with challenges and setbacks, but maintaining a positive mindset and persevering through adversity can make all the difference. Just as Moses continued to hold his hands up, despite being tired, we too can choose to face difficulties with resilience and determination. By refusing to let the problems of this world overpower us, we open ourselves up to finding the purpose and the lesson that God wants us to learn from those experiences.

In the face of uncertainty, it is crucial to remember not only the power of God, but also the power of community, and the importance of leaning on one another for support. Together, we can weather any storm and overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles. By keeping our hands up and staying positive, we not only inspire ourselves but also those around us. It is through unity, support, and the help of the Holy Spirit that we can navigate the challenges of life with grace and emerge stronger than ever before. Let us always remember that Jesus is on our side.

Pastor Raul

Today's Scripture

11 As long as Moses held up his hands, the Israelites were winning, but whenever he lowered his hands, the Amalekites were winning.
Exodus 17:11, NIV

Sabbath Together

December 9, 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	Family of God	Congregation
Welcome & Announcements		Pastor Raul
Hymns of Praise	10,000 Reasons How Great is our God How Great Thou Art	Congregation
Children's Story		Archel Burda
Lamb's Offering will benefit Church Worthy Student fund At this time all children ages 5-14 are invited to Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested		
Health Nugget		
Offering Call	Adventist Community Service	Courtland Hamel
~ ~ ~ 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		Luke Hamel
Song of Response	Hear Our Prayer, O Lord	Hymn 684
Special Music		Naane & Nora Richemond
Message	You are not Alone	Pastor Raul
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Closing Song	I Surrender All	Hymn 309
Benediction		Pastor Raul

Postlude

Pianist: Kristine Reyes
Praise Team: Sara Alvarez, Almai Burda, Ethan Burda, Ianthe Burda, Maddie Cabalero, Nikki Marpa and Niiang Mung
Offering Next Week: Church Budget
Program Next Week: HARMONY OF HOPE
Greeter Next Week: Elizabeth Verastegui
Attendance Last Week: 189

Todays Greeter: Ana Moreno
Head Deacon: David Riley **Elder of the Month:** Bim Paez

How To Reach Us

Pastor Raul Alvarez 620.277.8130
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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/>

Today is The Annual Day of Giving for

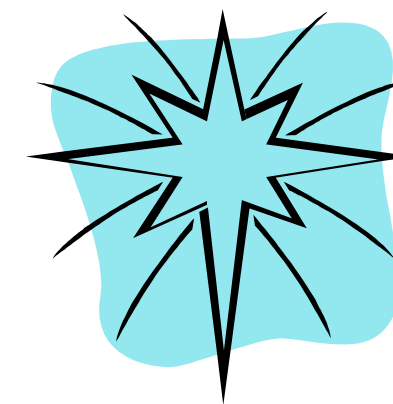
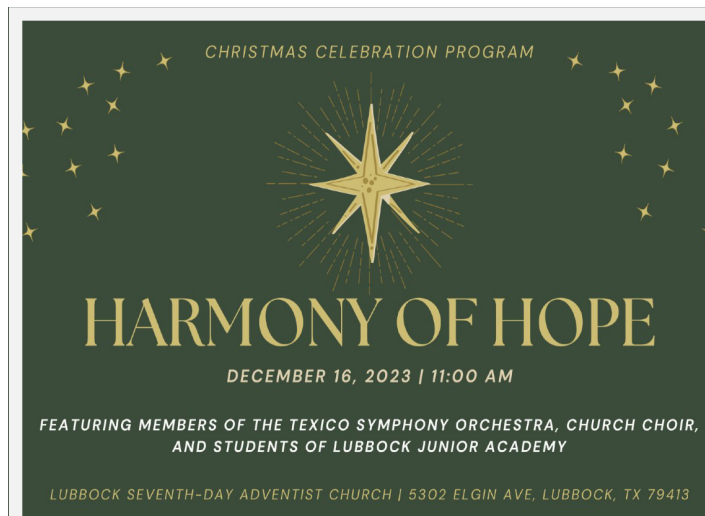
Adventist Community Services.

Our offering emphasis today is for ACS

This offering keeps volunteers serving communities across the North American Division. Whether distributing food and clothes, welcoming refugees, teaching life skills, or offering showers to the unsheltered, ACS fulfills Christ's mission to reach people by meeting needs and making communities wholesome.

Thank you for giving
please designate your offering envelope
"ACS"

God Bless You



LUBBOCK SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

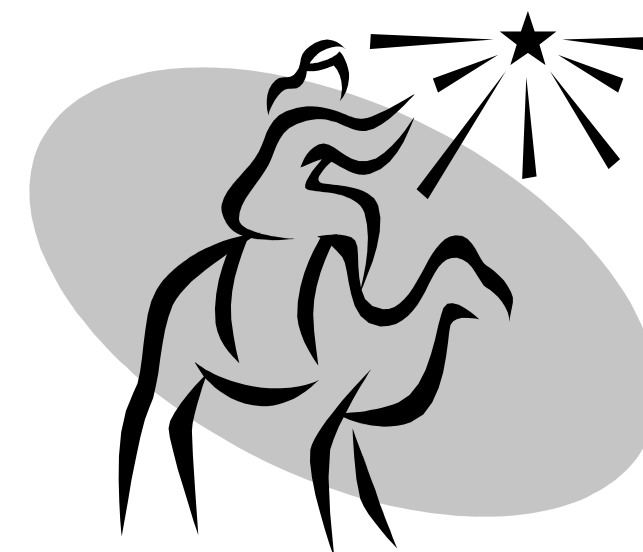
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"And the star they had seen in the east went ahead of them until it stopped over the place where the child was."

Matthew 2:9



Wise Men Still Seek Him!

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)

◆ Anthony Guerra (Colon Cancer)

◆ Faith Kruse (Healing)

◆ Mireya Lujan (Total Healing)

◆ Sherry Muse (Total Healing)

◆ Andi Nunez (Healing)

◆ Janie Perez (Pain relief/Healing)

◆ 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

◆ Elizabeth & Smiley Verastegui Healing from Covid

◆ 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.

Church Motto:

UPLIFT JESUS CHRIST!

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!

12/9/23

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](http://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  | \$2,673  | (\$871)   |

*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

| TITHE         |           |            |          |
|---------------|-----------|------------|----------|
|               | This Year | Last Year  |          |
| November 2023 | YTD 2023  | (Jan- Nov) | YTD 2022 |
| \$31,274      | \$371,279 | \$268,243  |          |

| CHURCH BUDGET |          |          |          |
|---------------|----------|----------|----------|
| 2023          | Required | Received | + or (-) |
| October       | \$14,125 | \$14,293 | \$168.00 |

| ROOF LOAN |               |            |
|-----------|---------------|------------|
| Original  | Monthly       | Balance    |
| Roof Loan | Payment       | 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 10

10:00am - **Women's Prayer Breakfast**

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

Tuesday - December 12

6:00pm - **Finance Committee** - Board Room

7:00pm - **Church Board**: Conference Center

Friday - December 13

7:30pm - **Church Choir Rehearsal** - Conference Center.

**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**

Begins at 5:44pm

## Upcoming Events

### HARMONY OF HOPE

*A Christmas Celebration Program*

*Featuring Members of the Symphony Orchestra, Church Choir & Students of Lubbock Junior Academy -*

December 16, 11:00am

Lubbock Church Worship Center.

**All-Church Fellowship Lunch** - Sabbath, December 16.

following the Christmas Celebration Program in the Fellowship Hall.

**Pathfinder/Adventurer Club:** Tuesday, December 19

Adventurers in Classroom 2 and

Pathfinders in the Conference Center.

**LJA Christmas Break:** December 21 to January 3

**Children's Church:** December 23

**School Board** - Tuesday, December 26, Classroom 1

2024

**New Year's Day** - January 1

**Pathfinder/Adventurer Club:** Tuesday, January 2

Adventurers in Classroom 2 and

Pathfinders in the Conference Center.

**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](http://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

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

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 - **Elder's Meeting** - Board Room

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 5:41pm

Begins next Friday at 5:44pm

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.