

## Pastor's Page

### Welcome to Worship!



Pastor Raul

Dear Church Family,

We are so glad that you have decided to worship with us on this beautiful Sabbath! As we gather together in fellowship, prayer, and praise, we are reminded of the blessings that come from our shared faith in Jesus Christ. Today, we have the opportunity to reflect on our rich history as Seventh-day Adventists, a journey that began with a small group of believers seeking to understand God's Word more fully.

Our church was founded in the mid-19th century, rooted in the fervent belief in the imminent return of Jesus Christ. The Great Disappointment of 1844 led many to reevaluate their understanding of Scripture, culminating in the formation of a movement dedicated to the teachings of the Bible, particularly the Sabbath commandment. Pioneers like William Miller, James and Ellen White, Joseph Bates, and others played pivotal roles in shaping our beliefs and establishing the foundations of our church.

As we look back at our history, we see how God has guided us through challenges and triumphs. From the establishment of our first schools and hospitals to the expansion of our global mission work, the Seventh-day Adventist Church has continually sought to share the love of Christ with the world. Today, we are part of a vibrant community of believers, united in our mission to proclaim the good news of salvation and to serve those in need.

In this week's sermon, we will delve deeper into the story of our church, exploring the key events and figures that have shaped our identity. We will celebrate our achievements, acknowledge our trials, and recognize the ongoing work of the Holy Spirit in our midst. As we reflect on our past, we will also look forward to the future, considering how we can continue to fulfill our mission in today's world.

I invite you to join us in this journey of remembrance and inspiration. Let us come together with open hearts and minds, ready to learn and grow in our faith. May this Sabbath be a time of renewal as we honor our heritage and embrace the calling God has placed on our lives.

Blessings to you all,  
Pastor Raul

## Sabbath Together

March 8, 2025

**Sabbath School** 9:00 AM

**9:00am - Prayer Time**  
**Adult Classrooms:**

- 9:00am: 28-Fundamentals - *Philip Mainda* - Classroom 14
  - 9:30am: *Traditional Quarterly* - Classroom 1
  - Spanish Sabbath School* - Classroom 20
  - 10:00am Young Adult 18-35 - Youth Lounge - *Hans Burda*
  - 10:00am: 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

**Sabbath Worship Service** 11:00 AM

Prelude	<i>Family of God</i>	Congregation
Welcome & Announcements		Pastor Raul
Praise Songs	<i>Don't Forget the Sabbath</i> <i>Bringing in the Sheaves</i>	Hymn 388 Hymn 369
Children's Story		Archel Burda
	<i>Lamb's Offering will benefit Lubbock Junior Academy</i>	
	<b>At this time all children ages 5-14 are invited to Children's Church in the Conference Center - Parental permission is requested</b>	
Praise in Giving	Adventist World Radio	Jane Perez
	~ ~ ~ <i>Regular tithes 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		Ed Thorne
Song of Response	<i>Hear Our Prayer, O Lord</i>	Hymn 684
Musical Selection	Laura, Emi, Nikki, Ianthe, Naane, & Nora	
<b>Message</b>	<b>"Raised for a Purpose: Our Identity as Seventh-day Adventists"</b>	Pastor Raul
	Scripture: Revelation 14:6-7	
Closing Hymn	<i>In a Little While We're Going Home</i>	Hymn 626
Benediction		Pastor Raul

### Postlude

**Pianist:** Elijah Amoah-Asamoah  
**Praise Leader:** Laura Garcia  
**Praise Team:**  
Attendance Last Week: 161  
Speaker Next Week: Pastor Raul  
Greeter Next Week: Denise Alvarez Martel  
Loose Offering Next Week: Local Church Expenses

**Head Elder:** Glenn Blake  
**Head Deacon:** David Riley  
**Today's Greeter:** Elizabeth Verastegui

## How To Reach Us

Pastor Raul Alvarez 620.277.8130  
**Board of Elders:**  
Glenn Blake, Interim Head Elder  
Jose Garcia  
Philip Mainda  
Melwin "Bim" Paez  
Ed Thorne  
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**Church Email Address** [lubbockadventist@texico.org](mailto: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/>

CHURCH ROOF LOAN			
2024	Payment	Received	+ or (-)
Jan-June	\$21,264	\$19,404	(\$1,860)
July-Dec.	\$21,264	\$21,432	\$168
January 2025	\$3,544	\$ 6,044	\$2,500
February 2025	\$3,544	\$ 7,451	\$3,907

*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.*

**THE FINISH LINE" February 1 through May 31!  
"Pay off our \$100,525 Roof Note" BY May 31!**



**IF YOU HAVE ALREADY "SET YOUR GOAL" FOR "THE FINISH LINE" FILL OUT YOUR ENVELOPE AND PUT IT IN THE BASKET ON THE PLATFORM!!**

**JOIN "THE FINISH LINE" PROJECT TODAY - GRAB YOUR ENVELOPE - SET YOUR GOAL - AND HEAD FOR "THE FINISH LINE" February 1 through May 31 "Pay off our \$100,000 Roof Note"**



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

- ◆ John Brown (Total Healing!)
- ◆ Donna Cartwright (Healing)
- ◆ Ken Cartwright (Health&Healing)
- ◆ Joe Castillo (Total Healing)
- ◆ James Crowley, Jr. (Divine Healing)
- ◆ Harold Fields family (Comfort)
- ◆ Anthony Guerro (Colon Cancer)
- ◆ Lydia Gellido (Strength)
- ◆ Dottie Haney (Strength)
- ◆ Henry Loya (Health & Healing)
- ◆ Danny Meason (Total Healing)

- ◆ Andi Nunez (Health & Healing)
- ◆ Jennifer Petty (Complete Healing)
- ◆ Kathie Robertson (Total Healing)
- ◆ Linda Sigala (Total Healing)
- ◆ Vicki Taylor (Total Healing)
- ◆ Cristy Tygart (Pending Surgery)
- ◆ Bryce Whorton (Stage 4 wounds)

- ◆ **WAR VICTIMS**
- ◆ **TORNADO VICTIMS**
- ◆ **EARTHQUAKE VICTIMS**
- ◆ **SHOOTING VICTIMS**
- ◆ **All Disaster Victims - RIOTS, PROTESTS, FIRES, FLOODS AND DEVASTATION THE HURRICANES and FIRES HAVE RECENTLY CAUSED!**
- ◆ **Unspoken** prayer requests Healing, finances and families.

## Lubbock Junior Academy



**Accepting Pre-K Ages 4 & 5; 1st-8th Grade Students for 2025-2026 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*

### Mission Statement

*To inspire every learner to develop a life of faith in God, and use their knowledge, skills, and understandings to serve God and mankind through a well-balanced spiritual, moral, physical, intellectual, and social education.*

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

Email: lubbockadventist@texico.org

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### LUBBOCK JUNIOR ACADEMY



Has Launched a

**Pre-K Program!!**

*Give your child a strong start in a nurturing, faith-filled environment!*

**Enrollment Is Open for Pre-K and Grades 1-8**



☐ Contact: 240.460.7923

Location: 5302 Elgin Ave. ~ ~ ~ Lubbock, TX. 79413

### CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

|               | TITHE               |                     |
|---------------|---------------------|---------------------|
|               | This Year (Jan-Feb) | Last Year (Jan-Feb) |
| February 2025 | YTD 2025            | YTD 2024            |
| \$24,911      | \$54,096            | \$47,399            |

|               | CHURCH OPERATING EXPENSES |          |           |
|---------------|---------------------------|----------|-----------|
|               | Required                  | Received | + or (-)  |
| February 2025 | \$15,874                  | \$13,324 | (\$2,550) |

|  | ROOF LOAN (15-Year Note) |                   |
|--|--------------------------|-------------------|
|  | Original Roof Loan       | Balance 2/28/2025 |
|  | \$420,000                | \$97,357          |

*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 Local Church Budget.*

*For your convenience, use this link for on-line giving: <http://www.lubbockadventist.org>*

*Thank You For Remembering our Local Operating Expenses and for the sacrificial way you continually give.*

A total of \$15,874 is required monthly for every ministry to be fully funded.

*All the ministry efforts of the Lubbock Seventh-day Adventist Church are made possible by your generous, prayerful contributions.*

## Events This Week

### Spring ahead

Set your clocks an hour ahead before you go to bed tonight. Daylight-saving time starts tomorrow.



**Sunday, March 9** - Daylight-savings time ends.

10:00am - Nominating Committee Meeting - Conference Center

**Wednesday, March 12**

11:00am - Adventist Book Center D2U to deliver orders to our church parking lot.

**Friday, March 14**

**Pathfinder Camporee:** Friday-Sunday, March 14-16 at Possum Kingdom State Park.

**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**

Begins at 7:54pm

## Upcoming Events

**Texas Tech Spring Break:** March 15-22

**LJA Spring Break:** March 17-21

**Tuesday, March 18,**

**Adventurer/Pathfinder Club Meeting:**

March 4, 5:00pm. Adventurers in Classroom 2 Pathfinders in the Conference Center. Meetings are held the 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month.

**Wedding, Kelly Tsukayama and Timothy Verastegui**

Will be married in the Ho'omaluhia Botanical Garden - (Kahua Nui) Hawaii. Thursday, March 20 at 9:30am. For more information contact Smiley or Elizabeth at 806.549.8184.

**ACF/YAMs:** Weekend of March 21-23. Will visit the El Paso Seventh-day Adventist Church and participate in their Worship service.

**Children's Church Schedule:** March 22; April 5 & 19

**Pastor Raul** accepted an invitation to conduct an Evangelistic Seminar in Kentucky, March 22-29. Keep him in prayer that the words he speaks will touch and convict hearts for God.

**School Board - Tuesday, March 25, 6:00pm.**

**Young Adult Sabbath:** March 29: Prepare to be Blessed!

## 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

An in-depth study of the 28 Fundamental Doctrines.

~ ~ Breakfast in the Parlor 9:30 to 9:50am ~ ~

**9:30am: Traditional Sabbath School Class** - Classroom 1

**9:45am: Spanish Speaking Worship Service:** Spanish Chapel - Classroom 20

**11:00am: Worship Service**

Speaker: Pastor Raul

**The Joy and Blessing of the Sabbath**

Concludes today at 6:50pm

Begins next Friday at 7:54pm

## Church Board Recommendations

(1) **Nominating Committee Recommendation:**

**Second Reading:**

Pastor Raul Alvarez, Chair

Glenn Blake Melwin "Bim" Paez

Sandra Caballero Jane Perez, Secretary

Keith Marpa David Riley

Ismael Verastegui

**Alternates:**

Adam K. Garcia, Niiang Mung & Jan Yates

**Second Reading:**

Recommend **Jan Yates** serve as

**Home & School Leader**

And Church Board Representative.

Save the Date:

**April 19-26, 2025**

**Evangelistic Seminar**

**In Spanish**

**International Evangelist,**

**Lauro Gonzalez**

### 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!*

Prayer FAX Line 806.799.5136  
Or Email: [lubbockadventist@texico.org](mailto:lubbockadventist@texico.org)

3/8/25