

CAMARILLO SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Sabbath, June 20, 2020

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Welcome to our online services today...

CHURCH ONLINE

9:30am - **Sabbath School** - David Lowe

10:45am - **Worship Service** - Pastor Jason Whitley

Offering: Church Budget



We Worship Together:

PRELUDE: Michelle Blech

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Pastor Jason

CHILDREN'S STORY: Bill Calkins

SCRIPTURE: John 14:5-7* – Kelvin Loh

SPECIAL MUSIC/OFFERING TIME: Michelle Blech
#92 - "This Is My Father's World"

SERMON: "TO BE LIKE OUR FATHER" – Pastor Jason

POSTLUDE: Michelle Blech

Next Week's Reminders:

► **TUESDAY, JUNE 23:** **THE PANTRY IS OPEN** – Staffed by our Youth and Young Adults

8:00 - 11:00am: **Pantry Set Up**

4:00 - 6:00pm: **Pantry Distribution** – **DRIVE THROUGH**, (must wear face coverings)

► **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 24:**

7:00pm: **ONLINE BIBLE STUDY** live stream with Pastor Jason Whitley – "*The Gospels*"

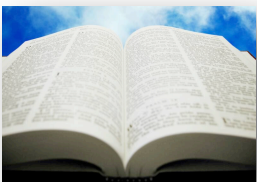
► **FRIDAY, JUNE 26:**

7:00pm: 4:00 - 6:00pm: "**Drive-by Sabbath School Quarterlies Pick-Up**" (see announcement)

Announcements:

WELCOME! We're glad you're with us in spirit, to worship and praise the Lord, our Creator and Redeemer.

SUNSET TONIGHT: 8:11pm.



***John 14:5-7 (NKJV)**

⁵ Thomas said to Him, "Lord, we do not know where You are going, and how can we know the way?" ⁶ Jesus said to him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through Me.

YOUR TITHES & OFFERINGS may be turned in online by using the “Giving” option on the home page of the church website, by mail to the church address, or dropped off in the *new, secure, locked* church mailbox. Thank you so much.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

We're so proud of you and your achievements! May God continue to bless and guide you!



2020 GRADUATES

8th Grade: Linda Vista Adventist Elementary

Cali Cornell
Benjamin Douyon
Emanuel Douyon
Aidan Franco
Hailey Potter

Newbury Park Adventist Academy:

Abigail DeWitt
Keilani Halili
Megan Mayer
Maya Miranda
Catherine Ramirez
Rachel Schlemmer
Rachel Stubbett

College/University

Roxanne Molina
B.A. (Bachelor of Arts) in English
California State University Channel Islands
Mari Zelaya
LL.M (Masters Of Law)
Pepperdine University

NEW QUARTERLIES: Our Sabbath School quarterlies for the third quarter - July/August/September 2020 - have arrived at the church. The theme is: “MAKING FRIENDS FOR GOD: The Joy of Sharing in His Mission.” Here are several ways you as a Camarillo SDA Church member can pick up your copy: **1)** Nancy Tinsley has kindly offered to be here for two Fridays, June 19th and June 26th - for a “Drive-by S.S. Quarterlies Pickup” from 4 to 6pm on those two dates. She'll be by the front door (near the mailbox) to hand you your new

quarterly, whether individually (for you, or for you to deliver to a homebound member) or several for the members of your study group. **2)** Church members with church keys can get a copy from the usual location - the table in the foyer (near women's restroom). **3)** You may phone or email Suzanne at the church office and arrange to pick up a quarterly at the church. Leave a message and we'll get back to you. We can place a copy in an envelope with your name on it, in the bottom section of the mailbox (behind the door) to pick up at your convenience.

NEW ADDRESS FOR NAOMI TURNER: Brookdale Camarillo, ATTN: Naomi Turner, **Rm #246**, 6000 Santa Rosa Rd., Camarillo, CA 93012. Her cell phone number is 602-663-5792.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS: Eduardo & Colleen Gonzalez have moved out of state to Yakima, WA! Here is their new address if you'd like to send them a note: **405 N. 75th Avenue, Yakima, WA 98908**. Colleen's updated email is colleen@gnzlz.org. (All phone numbers have remained the same)

THE PANTRY is open and serving our community. We could use some extra help. If you'd like to volunteer Tuesday morning or evening, or other times such as Sabbath afternoon, please contact Calvin Gardner.

HEY KIDS! Are you in need of a story or two? Have you read everything you have at home twice already? Have you heard all your story tapes and CDs six times already? Mister Boomer Bill has some stories you might like to hear; stories you might like to read to your dollies or stuffed animals or little brothers or sisters or cousins. I've even got Cradle Roll songs to sing with your baby sisters and brothers. So let me know if you would like a story.

Tell me if you want a story to READ or LISTEN to. Tell me if you want a Short Story or a LONG story. I'll send you the story by e-mail (so be sure to tell me your email address) within a day or two. Send your request to: boomerbillone@gmail.com I'll check my email a couple times a day on my computer. I don't use a "smart phone." Keep Smiling! Jesus Loves YOU!

Best Wishes Always,

"Boomer" Bill Calkins

Storyteller

P.S. I've got audio books and travel logs for your parents too.

CHURCH E-MAIL LIST: If you'd like to receive Camarillo Church office e-mails, please notify us by sending an e-mail with your request to Suzanne at: office@camarillosda.org

TAKE CHARGE OF YOUR HEALTH: It Is Written will hold an online, health-focused evangelistic series called Take Charge of Your Health beginning June 22, 2020, at 7 p.m. EDT. The week-long series will feature interviews with medical experts, Bible study of wellness principles, and practical instruction in lifestyle change for health improvement. Registration is free and may be completed at www.takecharge.life.

Jason Whitley is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Today, June 20, 2:00p via Zoom:
"CAMARILLO'S PERSONAL TESTIMONIES"
Here is the info you need!

Topic: Camarillo Personal Testimonies - a time to uplift, support and share with each other about what God has been doing in our lives!

Time: 02:00 PM Pacific Time (US and Canada)

Every week on Sat, at 2:00pm until June 27, 2020,

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/91594437287?pwd=bFR4N0pqaVVqNGZHK1hDWWZpaytjZz09>

Meeting ID: 915 9443 7287

Password: 677351

NEXT SABBATH, JUNE 27 *Message* – To be announced; *Offering* – Conference Summer Camp; Sunset – 8:12pm

NAD Asks Members to Join in a Special Day of Prayer for Racial Justice and Equality

On Sabbath, June 27, 2020, the leadership of the North American Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is asking its members, churches, ministries, and services to join in a special day of prayer for the deep hurt and frustration that racial injustice and inequity have caused in North America. As the conversations on racism in society and in the church continue to grow, we are urging the 1.2 million church members in the territories of Bermuda, Canada, Guam/Micronesia, and the United States to come together and prayerfully seek God's guidance and leading in our lives, especially in how we relate to one another, and how we can help stop injustice against people of color.

As leaders, we want to ask the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and ears so we may understand and listen to our brothers and sisters, specifically in the Black American community, as they share the pain and anger they have experienced over the years. We want to ask for forgiveness, and we want to ask for compassion and strength to have the tough yet necessary conversations so our church can move forward in healing the wounds that run deep in our faith community.

By coming to God in prayerful surrender to Him, we can become the church God wants us to be to reach out to those hurting in all our communities.

<https://www.nadadventist.org/news/nad-asks-members-join-special-day-prayer-racial-justice-and-equality>

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100 DAYS OF PRAYER
FOR THE WORLD CHURCH AND ITS MISSION
March 27 – July 4, 2020

- Outpouring of the Holy Spirit
- Personal Revival for Mission
- Covid-19 Pandemic

JOIN AT [REVIVALANDREFORMATION.ORG/100DAYS](https://revivalandreformation.org/100days)

Praying for God's Family

"Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours." **Mark 11:24 (NIV)**

PRAYER REQUEST FORMS are in the church pews and may be placed in the Prayer Box in the foyer. To update your prayer needs, please contact Prayer Ministry leader **Anne Curry** (805-987-1365) or the Pastor.

PRAISES: Our Heavenly Father! All our dads! All our graduates!

HEALTH CONCERNS: Henry Hernandez - neck surgery July 10; Linda (sister of Yoli Hernandez) - Covid-19; Naomi Turner; Gershon Napod's Mom - esophageal cancer, and Gershon's brother Levi; Mirjana Popkow's friend Rouja, 44 yr. old recovering from breast cancer surgery, while undergoing a divorce; Lisa Matthew's mother; Dorothea Amey (cancer has returned and spread to other areas); Mike Godfrey - (stroke recovery); Clinton Hooper (Chad's brother) - surgery recovery; Myrna Hooper (Chad's mother); Evelyn DeLay; Jay Cummings; Larry Miller (serious health issues). For all our brave health care providers who are caring for all kinds of illnesses - may God protect them at this critical time.

From Sharon Croombs-Schwartz: "My son has coronavirus. My niece, 37, received news that her cancer has spread and she has 1-2 years at best. She has 4 children, twins age 12, one 2 1/2 and one 6 months. She has been raised with new age teachings and is really confused, spiritually. Please add her to the prayer list. Pray for God to reach her with His word of love and peace. Her name is Amber."

From Rick Ingersoll: I would like to have my grandson (Brian, age 16) included on the prayer list. He has had a seizure last week and one last January; waiting for test results. . . Please pray for the family as well. Thank you all for your prayers.

Henry Hernandez has been suffering so very much pain from a pinched disc and calcium deposits on the neck, and faces risky surgery. Surgery is now scheduled for July 10. Our prayers are needed for Yoli, and for Henry's condition and for the guidance of the doctors.

Alvin Fisher, a brother-in-law of my (Anne Curry's) sister Barbara, has had something happen to him that has affected both his mind and his behavior. They are all very distressed and praying many times daily, plus asking for you to pray with them for the doctor to determine what the problem is and to be able to help. We appeal to the Great Physician, who already knows what the problem is. Thank you for your prayers.

UPDATES from Anne Curry:

Naomi Turner is now (June 17) in her own established room # 246 in the assisted living section of Brookdale. She can receive phone calls directly on her new cell phone number, : 602-663-5792. Please pray for Naomi, and please call her when you can (it's easier now than it was calling through the switchboard!). Thank you. P.S. You may also send cards to: Brookdale Camarillo, ATTN: Naomi Turner, Rm #246, 6000 Santa Rosa Rd., Camarillo, CA 93012.

Sharron Croombs-Schwartz' niece Amber has just come home from 10 days in hospital (June 15). She is receiving no treatments at this point. She still needs prayer as there is nothing they can do for her cancer. They keep killing part of the main tumor but not eradicating it. **We continue to pray for her salvation.**

Dorothea Amey--is again undergoing chemo. She hasn't the strength to accept calls, but would like to get email messages at eameyd@gmail.com. Cards/notes may be sent to Dorothea and Gene Amey at: 1734 La Cantera Way, Beaumont, CA 92223.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRAYERS on these and our other requests.
AND MANY THANKS TO OUR FATHER FOR HEARING THEM!**

OTHER CONCERNS: Liberty and justice for all!



May 29, 2020

Greetings Church family,

As many of you have heard, the President and the Governor of California declared that churches have the right to re-open their facilities. The original intent was to open at phase 3 of the pandemic, allowing for a safer recovery to local families that desire a community driven worship experience.

The Southern California Conference announced on Wednesday, May 27, at 3:30 pm, that Local SDA Churches can re-open if they fulfill all the requirements the local county and conference have mandated. Upon viewing the documents and analyzing what is best for Camarillo SDA Church, I decided to bring this issue of re-opening to our local church board to determine the best course of action.

The Camarillo Church board discussed possibilities for 1 hour and 30 minutes. After much discussion, we came to the conclusion that reopening the facilities at this point is not worth the risks. The list of requirements are extensive: deep cleaning the church before use, 6 feet social distancing, tracking where people can sit, bathroom usage, temperature checks, hand sanitizer stations, and required masks for everyone.

That is the physical component. We still need to include the restrictions. Members and visitors who are 65 years or older are highly recommended to not attend church. No praise teams, congregational singing, or choirs are to be performed. No Sabbath Schools for children. Children are to be with parents at all times. No potlucks, no children's stories at the front of the church. No hugging, touching, elbow bumping, etc,. At a certain point, we feel that the restrictions are steep and can destroy the worship experience. Therefore, with the new guidelines, I will be exploring new ways to enhance our worship experiences through livestream. Before we were limited to 5 people in the room by the Conference Standards, 6 people in Ventura County. This opens up possibilities for more participation from the congregation while being less restrictive by an in-person requirement. I will be exploring this with the conference next week to see what our options are and how we can best assist in creating a worship experience for you and meet some of your communal needs.

Thank you for your patience and dedication to Lord during this time.

With Love and God's Blessing,

Pastor Jason Whitley

A Gratitude Calendar

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It's not always easy to be grateful, but experts are recommending that daily gratitude is one healthy approach to making it through difficult times. It is important to acknowledge the gifts God has given to you. Try thanking God for one thing each day during the month of June. Start each prayer of gratitude with "Thank you God for . . ."

June 1 – my family (*name family members*).

June 2 – essential workers and their faithful service.

June 3 – the leaders in my church (*list at least two by name*).

June 4 – the opportunity to worship you.

June 5 – elected leaders who strive for peace.

June 6 – forgiving me.

June 7 – providing shelter and a home.

June 8 – the people who serve in ministry and think they go unnoticed like (*name someone like this*).

June 9 – reliable transportation that gets me where I need to go.

June 10 – rest, even when it feels like I don't get enough.

June 11 – servicemen and -women who serve in our armed forces.

June 12 – food producers who labor so I can eat and be filled.

June 13 – the administrators and staff who educate the children in my community.

June 14 – clothes that keep me warm.

June 15 – providing a paycheck so I can provide for others.

June 16 – music that lifts me up and praises you.

June 17 – a bed to sleep in.

June 18 – heating and air-conditioning that keep me safe in all seasons.

June 19 – technology that keeps me in contact with those I love.

June 20 – laughter.

June 21 – books and the freedom to read them.

June 22 – undeserved grace in my life.

June 23 – people who keep me humble.

June 24 – challenging situations because they cause me to rely on you.

June 25 – shoes that fit.

June 26 – hot, running water.

- June 27 – quiet moments whenever and wherever they happen.
- June 28 – children and pets.
- June 29 – peace in my country.
- June 30 – the never-ending, unfailing love you have for me, even when I find it hard to be grateful.

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June 5, 2020

NAD President Addresses Racial Tensions in the U.S.

My dear fellow Seventh-day Adventists, members of the church throughout North America, and our division,

For the past 10 years it has been my privilege and blessing to serve as your president. It has been an invigorating and challenging road, and one where God has blessed us, and where your faithful commitment to Him has allowed the church in our division to carry out His mission.

This has been especially true in these days of COVID-19 where your faithfulness has been magnificent. In a few days now I will cease my role as your president, but I want you to know that I am proud of what God has accomplished through you.

The reason that I am coming to you today, however, is different. Like many of you, I am

heartbroken as a result of the wanton and hateful violence that led to the death of George Floyd. One cannot describe this in any other way than what it is: a horrible illustration of what happens when men feel that they are superior to others. This thinking allows racism and prejudice to grow. It provides the fuel that powers hatred and murder. This incident, furthermore, is one of a series of actions perpetrated against blacks in America. Together, these experiences leads us all to question the guarantees of freedom and justice enshrined in the constitutions of the nations that make up our division.

To my African American brothers and sisters, I want you to know that I am deeply sorry. I am saddened that you have experienced prejudice and bigotry — even in the church — and that there have been times when you were not allowed eat in the same cafeteria or go to the same washroom as whites. I am deeply sorry that you have experienced these things. As a white man I know little of your suffering, but I suffer with you today as you look out at a future that seems uncertain. It is wrong that you should live with fear because of your color. I am sorry. Together with hundreds of thousands of other white people I want to say to you: “I love you — you are my flesh and blood in Jesus.”

To all of our members I say that if we are truly Christians we who know ourselves to be Seventh-day Adventists will demonstrate God’s love. One of Jesus’ great statements was and is, “By this will all men know that you are my disciples in that you have love one for the other” [John 13:35, sic]. It is the litmus test for Christians. If we disdain and denigrate others on the basis of race, gender, economic status, etc., then we are not Christians. We may have a name but, in this regard, it is only a flimsy robe that we garb ourselves in — in order to maintain our self-satisfied superiority.

It is time for us all to do some soul searching. If David could appeal to God to search him in order to see if there was “any wicked way in him,” it is our time to do the same. In this regard our family needs a radical change. Our church needs transformation: If change is to take place in the church then it needs to take place first in me.

It is not OK to tolerate or propagate racial slurs, to laugh at jokes that target others because of their status, etc. Furthermore, it isn't appropriate for us to remain silent when others suffer, are victimized and marginalized. The gospel of Jesus Christ is active. It is not passive. Martin Luther King, Jr. once said, "There comes a time when silence is betrayal. ... In the end we will remember not the words of our enemies, but the silence of our friends."

Many have asked in recent days: "What should we do? How should we act?" Well, it is not mine — nor is it in the capacity of the church to dictate to you what you should or should not do in this time of crisis. However, our guidance should be based upon the life and teachings of Jesus. Whatever will bring dignity, and reform, and blessing to others — whatever will demonstrate true love to a broken and battered world — whatever will bring others to look to God — do these things as you are personally guided by the Holy Spirit.

Finally, my friends, let it be clearly recognized that the work of God on this planet will not be finished — I repeat — will not be finished until we, as a people, connect with God in such a way that we will be instruments in His hands to demonstrate His love.

No program or busy-work will solve the problems of the church as important as they may seem. We must go to our knees and ask God to make us His agents in order to demonstrate His love. Then our programs and objectives will take on a new meaning.

I want to remind us all of the words of one of our founding leaders, Ellen White, who said, "From the beginning it has been God's plan that through His church will be made manifest — even to principalities and powers in the heavenly places the final and the full display of the love of God" [*The Acts of the Apostles*, p. 9, sic]. That is our mission. It must infiltrate our words and every aspect of our work. It must be clearly seen in our voted actions and interactions. Then and only then will the church have fulfilled her mission.

God has a dream. His dream is that one day, at a grand table spread out in heaven, seated next to each other and across from each other, will be men and women, young people, boys

and girls, from every nation, kindred, tongue, and tribe and people. That they will fellowship together in His presence and that the harmony of those moments will go on through the ceaseless ages of eternity. God wants the table experience to start now in your heart and mine.

May God bless each of us. I pray that His Holy Presence will guide you today, and in each day to come. We are living in the final days of human history. Let us stand tall for the God who called us to be His children — His witnesses, every one of us.

Amen.

— *Daniel R. Jackson is president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in North America; this is taken from the transcript of Jackson's [video message](#).*

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