The Camarillo Seventh-day Adventist Church desires that today you will experience the love of Jesus Christ, and the “Blessed Hope” of His soon return. Thank you for sharing this Sabbath day with us! If you’re looking for a spiritual home, we invite you to join our church family.

**Our Vision Statement:** We exist to know Christ through: Loving Him, Serving Him,Sharing Him.

If you would like to view/listen to a previous sermon go to our website and click on “Video Archives”. For an audio CD copy from the Audio-Visual Dept. order on a “Welcome” card and enclose a donation of $3.00 each in an offering envelope marked “Sermon CD”. Hearing Assistance Devices can be checked out from the A/V booth.

**Church Web Site:** www.camarillosda.org

To watch the live broadcast of our Sabbath School & Worship Services, go to the video player at the bottom of the home page.

**Church Office E-mail:** office@camarillosda.org

**NEXT SABBATH:** December 24, 2016

**Message:** Pastor Erwin; Family Christmas Worship

**Offering:** Conference Church Building

**No Fellowship Luncheon**

**Deacon:** Carl Randall

**Sunset:** 4:48 pm
Candlelight & Carol: The Christmas Candlelight Concert last night was truly delightful. Thank You to Logan Dickinson, program coordinator; to the wonderful musicians; the greeters; the reception team (and cookie bakers) for the lovely after-concert reception; and to our decorating team for the festive decor. We appreciate all who participated in this joyful holiday tradition!

December - Celebrating Our Savior’s Birth:

Today, December 17:

• 10:45 am: “GIFT WRAPPED” - message by Pastor Erwin.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEON TODAY: All visitors are cordially invited to join us after the worship service in the Fireside Room for a vegetarian buffet-style lunch.

• 1:15 pm (approx.): 40 DAYS STUDY & PRAYER.

• 5:00 pm: “ADVENT EVENSONG”- featuring the Oratorio de Noël by Camille Saint-Saëns. Ventura SDA Church. 6300 Telephone Rd.

December 24:

• 10:45 am: “FAMILY CHRISTMAS WORSHIP” - with songs and readings of the season by our Church Family.

SPECIAL THANKS TO OUR PANTRY VOLUNTEERS, who go “above and beyond” in their hard work and dedicated service!

THE PANTRY THANKS YOU for helping us serve our neighbors in need through your kind and generous contributions of cash, food, and household items. You are making a difference!

FOR AN EXPANDED VERSION of our announcements, go online to the church web site. Click on Weekly Bulletin.

COURTESY REQUEST: Please silence all cell phones etc.

TO OUR ADVENTURERS: Thank you so much for putting together 120 “Blessing Bags” for the homeless friends that come to our Pantry. May God bless you for your kindness!

THE “WHOLE” CONFERENCE is coming Sun., Feb. 19, 2017! See flyer for details. Special 2-for-$1 Offer! If you are a church member and invite a non-member, your cost is only $79 (it’s like getting 2 half-price tickets!) Limited time only - until Dec. 31, 2016. Enter Code 241 (in the comments box) when you register online. Enter your name and your guest’s name, email and phone number. www.wholeconference.org

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

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. When your prayer needs have changed, please contact Prayer Ministry leader Anne Curry (805-987-1365) or the Pastor with an update. Thank you.

PLEASE NOTE: We’re starting a new prayer request list in Jan. 2017. Submit your new requests (or re-submit requests currently published) by phone or email to the church office or the pastor. Thank You.

If YOU HAVE A SPECIAL PRAYER REQUEST, there is a prayer group meeting right after the church service each week in the Mothers’ Room. Please feel free to join us for prayer.

PRAISES: Joy Lee, Rick & Nanette Ingersoll’s daughter - doing better. For a ...

HEALTH CONCERNS:

Donna Cummings (surgery recovery); Dennis (VOP Bible School student) - heart rhythm issues; Sigi, Georgie Livingston (frak-injury recovery); Ghanim Elias (neck surgery recovery); Lisa, Geraldine Pratt (upcoming surgery); Dr. Eric Kinsley; Jimmy Kimble, Joan Muff; Merle Evelyn, her aunt Jane Cadle, her daughters Michelle & Prudence, her son Ivan and granddaughter Nicole McCoy; Madison Jones; Carlos & Judy Romero (parents of Carlos Romero, Jr.), Dave Pennock’s mom, Joanne (stroke recovery); Naomi Turner; Jim Douglas, Shirley Bellows, Mike & Joanne Godfrey’s grandson Michael; Jim & Ann McClintock.


Berea\[e\]ument: Susie Potts and family in the loss of her father, Gerald Zeller. Kami Berry and family in the loss of her father, Robert Cummings.

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Scripture for the Day

7 Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning. 11 Of His own will He brought us forth by the word of truth, that we might be a kind of firstfruits of His creatures.

James 1:17-18 (NKJV)

NEXT WEEK’S REMINDERS:

► TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20:

8:00 - 11:00 am: Pantry Set Up
4:00 - 6:00 pm: Pantry Distribution

► WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21:

10:30 am & 6:30 pm: BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER GROUP: “40 DAYS - PRAYERS AND DEVOTIONS TO PREPARE FOR THE SECOND COMING by Dennis Smith” with Pastor Erwin & Calvin Gardner.

ALSO: Sabbath afternoon class @ 1:30 pm. AND: PHONE PRAYER CIRCLE Sun., Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri. @ 6:30 pm. CALL: 515-739-1293. PASS CODE 806486#

*The “40 Days” runs through Sabbath, Dec. 31 when we will also have a Communion Service as well as praise reports of answers to prayer.

COMMUNION REHEARSAL: Fri., Dec. 30 at 6:30 pm for all Deacons, Deaconesses and Elders. A light supper will be served. Thank you for planning to attend.

COMMUNION SERVICE: Sabbath, Dec. 31. If anyone is not able to attend church and would like to receive communion at home, please call the church office, Pastor Erwin or Eduardo Gonzalez to make special arrangements.

TITHE & OFFERING DONATIONS need to be dropped off or postmarked by Sat, Dec. 31 to be credited for the 2016 tax year. Online donations may be made through the church website under the button, “Giving” no later than 9:00 pm on Dec. 31. Please contact Stephen Mayer at 805-990-8855 if you need special assistance.

SUNDAY NIGHT: 4:45 pm.
CHURCH ONLINE: For those who are out of town, unable to attend due to illness, or who would like to share with family and friends – there is a live broadcast of our Camarillo SDA Sabbath School (9:30 a.m.) and worship service (10:45 a.m.). Go to our website at www.camarillosda.org at the bottom of the page. To access previous services, click on the Video Archive link on the left-hand side of the home page.

NEWS, NOTICES, NEEDS etc. are posted in the foyer on the bulletin board for your information.

ADVENTEVENSONG: In the midst of this season of lights, you are warmly invited to an Advent Evensong on Sat., Dec. 17 at 5 pm featuring the lovely Oratorio de Noel by Camille Saint-Saëns. Written in only 11 days, this compact and sublime 35 min. work is Saint-Saëns’ tender homage to the story of the Nativity and includes exquisite solos, a duet and trio interspersed with choral writing. Our soloists include Patricia Lathrop-McPherson and Molly Clementz along with a chamber ensemble. Helen Farson conducts from the keyboard. Admission is always free. Approx. service time 1 hr. Ventura Seventh-day Adventist Church. 6300 Telephone Rd. Ventura. Please call 805.641.9646 if more information is desired.

OPPORTUNITY TO BE BLESSED: Heidi Carpenter, our conference Literature Evangelism Director, is looking for 3–4 homes who could take in student literature evangelists (two girls or two guys) during their practicum for Souls West (evangelism training school). Need: room to sleep in, bathroom access, a little space in the fridge. Sharing food with students is welcome but definitely not required. Dates: 1/6/17 - 1/13/17; 1/20/17 - 1/27/17; 2/3/17 - 2/10/17.

ROOM FOR RENT: There is a senior lady in South Oxnard (near corner of Ventura Rd. & Channel Islands Blvd.) with an empty room w/private bath she needs to rent (in order to make ends meet). Nice place, nice senior complex. She’s Joyce Berg, 805-985-9581.

THE PANTRY THANKS all the thoughtful and generous friends who have brought critically needed food donations to help replenish our Pantry shelves. We can still use canned foods and small packaged goods Thank you again for helping us serve our neighbors in need through your kind support.

THE “WHOLE” CONFERENCE is coming Sun., Feb. 19, 2017 with world-renowned speakers and live food prep demonstrators sharing the “why” and “how” of a healthful plant-based lifestyle. Bulletin flyers give you all the details. Please pick up some extra flyers and posters from the foyer to hand out to anyone you know who might benefit from this special health event. NOTE: Register by Dec. 31 to get the least expensive rate.

SAVE THE DATE! JUNE 24, 2017: 50th Anniversary celebration of the start of our Camarillo SDA Church. Theme: “Homesick For Heaven”. Join us for a full day of worship, fellowship, food, and lots and lots of music! Look for the flyers in the foyer for more details about this special day.

WANT TO JOIN YOUTH PRAISE TEAM? Ages 13 to 27 are invited to join us. We need willing hearts to sing or play any instrument! Contact: Colleen Gonzalez (neca7@roadrunner.com).

NEW JUNIOR PRAISE TEAM! We are forming a Junior praise team of ages 6-14. If your child plays an instrument or sings, we’d love to have them. Contact Colleen Gonzalez at neca7@roadrunner.com to sign up or get more info.

SINGING BAND: Ministry to homebound members. For more info please contact Chad. 805-443-7264.

OUR AUDIO/VISUAL DEPARTMENT needs a minimum of 24 hours notice (by 10:00 a.m. Friday) for anything other than the usual services. Special needs include: additional microphones, tracks or video played, special music, PowerPoint, and all practice/rehearsal sessions. Contact the A/V person on duty. The A/V leader, Reini Blech, can be reached at 805-501-6667. Thanks for your consideration.

2016 FLOWER CHART is posted in the foyer. To commemorate a special occasion or honor the memory of a loved one, mark your chosen dates accordingly. Please print clearly! Place your $35 donation for each bouquet in a title envelope. At least one week’s notice is needed when ordering sanctuary flowers (notify the Floral Designer Team, headed by Flo Lowe, if you want a certain color or type of flower or plant arrangement). If you wish to place a customized message in the bulletin, please notify the church office a week ahead. Remember to take your flowers home with you after the service. Thanks!

NEW STEPS TO CHRIST AUDIO BOOK with narration and melodic piano music in the background. Only $20. To order, please contact Calvin Gardner, our Pastoral Assistant.

LINDA VISTA ADVENTIST ELEMENTARY is now enrolling for the 2016-2017 school year. For more info or for a tour of the school, call (805) 647-2220, or Lois DeWitt at (805) 843-1482. FOR INFORMATION ON QUALITY CHRISTIAN EDUCATION please contact: Newbury Park Adventist Academy; Principal, Steve Laing. (805) 498-2191. stevelaingnpa@gmail.com.