YUCAIPA

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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CALENDAR

Tuesdays	Women's Bible Study 6:30 pm
Wednesdays	Bible Study 10:30 am
·	Prayer Meeting 6 pm
June 22	3 Angels Calling – 7pm
June 23	Church Board Meeting
June 25	Family Fun Night – 6 pm
June 26	Healthy Relationships – 6:30pm
June 27	Healthy Relationships – 11a/1:30p
June 29	3 Angels Meeting – 7 pm
July 2	Family Fun Night – 6 pm
July 4	Potluck at Neishs'
July 4	Elder Care – 3pm
July 6	3 Angels Calling – 7pm
July 9	Elders' Meeting
July 10	Pathfinder's end of year party –
	Corona Del Mar
July 11	Communion
July 11	VBS Training Meeting after church
	potluck
July 12	Youth at Magic Mountain
July 12	Seniors' Trip to Myrtle Creek
	Botanical Gardens
July 16	Family Fun Night – 6 pm
July 18	Seniors' Potluck
July 18	Tuition Aid Forms Due at Office

PASTORAL STAFF

Pastor Elijah Grekov 909-795-6965 Pastor Christine Wallington 951-756-1963 Pastor Jamison Wallington 714-510-0589

Pictures are from the church directory, Google or as submitted. See the current church bulletin and inserts or visit the church website at www.yucaipasda.com for updated calendar events, announcements and news.

PASTOR'S NOTE By Pastor Elijah Grekov

Do We Really Need Each Other? Those who attended the "Healthy Relationships" Seminars last weekend, June 19-20, were convinced once again, yes, we do. Dr. Barbara Hernandez, Director of Physicians Vitality, at Loma Linda University helped us to realize the importance of friends, church and family and their effect on our health and life in general. If you get this News Letter in time, make an effort to catch three more presentations on "Healthy Relationships" this weekend, June 26-27. Dr. Curtis Fox, Counseling and Family Sciences Department Chair, LLU, will address "How Do Relationships Affect My Health," Friday, 6:30 p.m.. Sabbath Morning, 11 am., Dr. Colwick Wilson, LLU Professor of Social Work and Social Ecology, will preach on the topic, "Would I Be Better Off Without Society?" After the provided lunch, at 1:30 p.m., Dr. Jan Boyd, Associate Director of Christian Counseling Services, a Licensed Marriage and Family Therapist will present, "Dating 101: What Do I Look For In A Life-Long Partner?" Various events are being planned by the church Pastoral Staff and other Leaders of the Church and I hope you will get to experience at least some of them.

I would like to put in the spot light of this newsletter 3 individuals that are so dear to all of us:

Alice Gerrans, a long member of our church is

moving to Tennessee to be closer to her family. She leaves behind many good memories, from shared fellowship, fruits and stories among young and adults. Many generations of the Primary Sabbath School Division, remember her Sabbath morning stories and will miss her a lot. The July 4th Picnic at the Neish's



will give us a chance to visit and wish Alice a blessing in her new community.

I had a privilege to visit our oldest member Al Learned this week, and present him with flowers on



behalf of our church congregation. Al is turning 104, on Thursday, June 25. Al amazes me with clear mind, as he recognizes me every time I get to visit him. Although he doesn't have much energy to move

around, he never complains, always smiling and friendly.

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CHURCH CALENDAR

JULY 2015

18 Youth Dodge Ball Tournament

19 VBS Crew Leader Training

21 Finance Committee Meeting – 5:30 pm

21 Church Board Meeting – 7 pm

23 Family Fun Night 6 pm

26 VBS Decorating

27 - Aug1 VBS

AUGUST 2015

1 Elder Care – 3 pm

14 -16 One Life (HS students to Camp Cedar Falls)

15 Seniors' Potluck & Vespers in the Park – 5:30 pm

18 Finance Committee – 7 pm

20 School Board

21 – 23 Camp Morning Star

25 Church Board Meeting – 7 pm

SEPTEMBER 2015

5 Elder Care Ministry – 3 pm

6 10 Open the Bible – 6:30 pm

15 Finance Committee Meeting – 7 pm

17 School Board

19 Seniors' Potluck

22 Church Board Meeting – 7 pm

24 Open the Bible – 6:30 pm

26 Church at Noon

27 Seniors' to the Beach

28 & 29 In Pursuit of Excellence

You are invited to the Yucaipa SDA Church Picnic

July 4, 2015

following the worship service

Where?

38387 Potato Canyon Road, Oak Glen



The Church will provide: Burgers and fixings Drink Dessert



Please bring: Lawn chairs <u>Prepared</u> fruit, Salads, Veggies



Directions:

From the church (traveling east), turn LEFT onto Bryant Street. Go past Yucaipa Boulevard and Date Street.
 Turn RIGHT onto Oak Glen Road. After about three to four miles you will see a series of red apple signs on the left advertising the Parrish Ranch. Shortly after the signs, the road will fork.

Turn RIGHT onto Potato Canyon Road.
 The house will be on the right about ½ mile up the road. It is just after the white fence.

5. Parking is up driveway between white fence and pink block wall.

PASTOR'S NOTE cont'd...

When you have a chance, please meet our new Staff member, Pete Villarreal. Pete is our maintenance/grounds worker. We had a long list of things to do around our church facility and Pete is already actively taking care



of many of them. We hope that this relationship will be a mutual blessing for Pete and our church. Please make him and his wife Linda, feel welcome and appreciated here.

May the Lord keep us cool and safe during these hot Summer days, and in close fellowship with Him and one another.

"Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another – and all the more as you see the Day approaching."

- Hebrews 10:25

CHURCH NEWS

TREASURER'S CORNER

By Linda Hill

May was a great month in regards to our Combined Budget. Yes we had 5 Sabbaths which helped, but your giving went beyond expectations. In May the giving for Combined Budget was \$19,169.13. That means that all our ministries were funded fully for the first time this year. That also means that we were able to cut down our deficit to just \$2,586.03 for 2015 so far. Let's keep it going this direction. Our budget is \$14,000 per month and we depend on you. There are many exciting activities happening this summer which will take funds so please continue to dig deep and keep this church functioning and outreaching to our community.

Another great big thank you goes to those who supported our tuition aid. We were able to help 26 students who wanted to go to an Adventist School with \$100 per month for all 10 months this school year. We will have just as many, maybe more, for this upcoming school year. Please do not forget our children and their wish for a Christian Education.

Tuition Aid

The applications for Tuition Aid for the school year 2015 – 2016 are on the table in the foyer. They need to be turned in to the office by July 18 if you want it to be approved before registration in August.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

By Pastor Christine Wallington

On May 9th children crowded the stage building the Tower of Babel and the Altar of Abraham with Teacher Jennifer Lidar's help as they learned about what two paths they have to choose from: making a name for themselves as the builders of the Tower of Babel attempted, or allowing for God to give us a name as Abraham experienced. After learning much from these two stories the service ended with children and adults alike adding links to a paper chain full of reasons we come to worship together in a unity that is only possible through Christ. Following the service children received "towers" made out of carrots and cucumbers, along with "altars" made out of cupcakes, candy rocks, and animal cookies prepared by Bonnie di GiroLamo.

A BIG "Thank You" to all who helped to make this children's church a true blessing to those involved.



CHURCH WEBSITE: visit the church website at www.yucaipasda.com

The "Tower of Babel" by Pastor Jamison made out of refrigerator boxes and masking tape

The church website is updated with activities, news and bulletins. Now, audio of the sermons are available. Check out the Ministries tab as well to get a peek at the various areas our church is meeting the needs of members and the community.

ADVENTURERS & PATHFINDERS: FAIRS, INVESTITURES, & BIKE SAFETY

OH MY! By Pastor Christine Wallington

On May 30th the Adventurers and Pathfinders celebrated their many accomplishments as awards, patches, and slides were awarded to our children and youth. Tabitha Usery, Brenden Siegel and Kaitlyn Novy finished their Adventurer requirements and have been welcomed into the Pathfinder club, Congratulations! This year we celebrated 26 Adventurers and 14 Pathfinders! As our children and youth continue to increase and grow older we can enjoy these moments when we can stand back and celebrate what God has done in the lives of His children. The year ended strong and we are very proud of our children and youth as they continue to grow in Christ.

The following Sunday, May 31st, the Adventures biked, skated, "scooted," and even "strolled" through an obstacle course outside of the church Fellowship Hall. The kids and parents had fun learning about bike safety facts through word puzzles, maps, a live quiz show, and even math. Safety was key as older and younger kids rolled along together in their favorite "vehicle" of choice.

THANK YOU to our Adventurer and Pathfinder Director couples: Robert & Dorcas Usery, and Lisa & Ed Radar and their teams of leaders who made it all possible. And thank you to the parents who brought your children to all the meetings and events, without you we would not have the clubs we do. Thank you and we look forward to see you next year!



Adventurers are ready to ride at the Bike Safety "End-of-the-Year" event

PATHFINDERS

PATHFINDER FAIR

INVESTITURE

By Lisa Rader

On May 17, our club attended the annual SECC Pathfinder Fair. We marched in the parade, and had a kite making booth. The Pathfinders helped participants start earning their kite honor, and enjoyed the exhibits, participation booths and food. Our club earned the Sweepstakes trophy level for points this year, which is the highest level a club can achieve. This is definitely an honor which our club worked hard for. Everyone came home a little tired, but it was a fun filled day with friends and other clubs.

Our Pathfinder club held it's Investiture ceremony on May 30 with the Adventurers. We had a fantastic year, ending with 12 of our 14 Pathfinders being invested in their class. Being invested, takes a lot of work and our Pathfinders did a great job to earn honors, and their progressive classwork patches and pins. Please keep our club in your prayers as we look forward to another year, starting in the fall.







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June 19-20 and 26-27 Dinner & Childcare Provided



Friday, June 26, 6:30-8pm "How Do RELATIONSHIPS AFFECT MY HEALTH?"

Curtis Fox, PhD Dept. Chair, Counseling & Family Sciences, LLU

Saturday, June 27, 11am-12:15pm "WOULD I BE BETTER OFF WITHOUT SOCIETY?"

Colwick Wilson, PhD Prof. Social Work & Social Ecology,





Hernandez,

Dir. of Physician Vitality, Loma Linda University

Friday, June 19 at 6:30-8pm "DOES FRIENDSHIP MATTER?"

Saturday, June 20 at 11am "WHAT DOES THE CHURCH HAVE TO OFFER?"

Saturday, June 20 at 1:30-3pm "WHAT ABOUT OUR FAMILY RELATIONSHIPS?"



Saturday, June 27, 1:30-3pm "DATING 101: WHAT DO I LOOK FOR IN A LIFE-LONG PARTNER?"

Jana Boyd, PhD Assoc. Dir. Christian Counseling Service, Lic. Marriage & Family **Therapist**

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

EVENINGS ALIVE

God's Not Dead (April 11th, 2015)

It may look like the back of our Yucaipa Adventist Church and an empty parking lot, but over 40 people came out to watch the movie God's Not Dead from the comfort of their own cars thanks to Bryce Brown's GIANT blow-up outdoor movie screen and a FM transmitter to allow the sound to stream from the car's own radio system. The Pathfinders were also on board to raise money toward the Summer 2016 Fiji Mission trip by selling snacks "in the lobby" (Fellowship Hall). A special Thank You also goes out to Martin Headley and "crew" for starting our evening with worship and songs. It was a great time had by all. Keep tuned as we prepare for our next Outdoor-Drive-In-Movie night!



Dodgeball (April 25th, 2015)

The balls were purchased. The Mesa Grande Gymnasium reserved. The invitations sent out. And the turnout was GREAT! We had well over 50 families, youth and young adults come out to throw dodgeballs at each other for several hours. While it seemed that whatever team I was on didn't win a match, perhaps I'm the reason, those that came out ready to see who could hit who with a dodgeball all had a blast. Although the war raged on for the "last man standing," or should I say dodging, those that came out all bonded more closely even though being hit by their opponent. Good fun was had and the dodgeballs sit in my office waiting for their next tournament.



By Pastor Jamison Wallington

Capture the Flag (May 16th, 2015)

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Dave and Jan Larson as they opened up their house, and acreage, to more than 50 families, youth and young adults to come and play a few games of Capture the Flag in the dark! The evening started, as all good evenings do, in the kitchen with pizza, drinks and snacks for the hungry mob. After dinner, the group gathered as Eric Manjarrez and "crew" led in song service and vespers. As the festivities continued, the group was divided, more-or-less evenly, into two teams geared with glow sticks of either red or green to identify their team. Once the whistle blew, the games began with the plays trying to determine not only the rules of the game but also where the flags were hidden in enemy territory in the pitch darkness of Cherry Valley.



Game Night (June 20th, 2015)

The air hockey/pool table combo is ready. The ping pong paddles are set. And the gamers are ready to go! On June 20th, 2015, the Youth center was host

to GAME NIGHT! But these table games were not the only ones ready to go. Board games such Scrabble and Sorry; Dominoes and Taboo; Battleship and the like were set ready for the teens, young adults and parents to enjoy some fellowship together. But the fun didn't stop there either! Video sports games and the like were ready to allow these kids the opportunity to have some good clean fun and to be in an environment of trust.



Congratulations to all our graduates, YOU DID IT!

Wills Groth graduated from 8th
Grade at Mesa View Middle School
Kalyapi Humpal, Noah
Pierce, and Wella Slough
graduated from 8th Grade at Mesa
Grande Academy

Denise Macias graduated from 8th Grade at Redlands Cope Middle School

Angel Al-Hakim, Ariel

Lynch, Lauren Tomas,

and Brianna Wren

graduated from High School at Mesa

Grande Academy

Chelsea Yoder graduated from High School

Jennifer Clegg graduated from Walla Walla University with a Bachelor of Arts in Psychology with a minor in Biology

Mindy McLarty graduated from Andrews University with her Bachelor of Science in Biology

Or. Erhen McLarty graduated from University of California, Davis School of Veterinary Medicine with her Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine

Dr. Rochellel Roach graduated from the University of Tennessee with a Doctorate of Veterinary Medicine

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Jeremiah 29:11



INTERNET PRAYER TEAM

The Yucaipa SDA Church Internet prayer team is willing to pray for both short and long term requests. If you have a request or a praise, please place it in the prayer request box in the church foyer, or e-mail it directly to Deanne Joseph: dgjoseph400@yahoo.com

Note that all requests are handled confidentially. On all requests, please keep Deanne updated on any progress, and answers to prayer.

THURSDAYS

June 18 – July 16 at 6:00-8:00pm



Family Fun Nights at the Yucaipa Adventist Church

Come enjoy evenings filled with fun for the whole family. This year we are featuring our very own BOUNCE HOUSES! We are also offering a raffle to win fun-filled gift baskets with essentials for a movie night, a beach day, and more!



Family Fun Nights

Bounce Houses with slides

Kiddy pool

Burritos, Pizzo and more

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