

FINDING GOD AT THE INTERSECTION OF OUR LIVES

January 27, 2024

On Campus Today at Glendale City Church, January 27:

- 9:00 a.m.: Courtyard Café. Enjoy simple breakfast foods & beverages in our Fellowship Hall lobby.
- 9:30 a.m.: **Grace Sabbath School class** with Pastor Leif, both live in the Fellowship Hall and on Zoom, meeting ID 818-244-7241. Book study: "Do I Stay Christian? A Guide for the Doubters, the Disappointed, and the Disillusioned" by Brian McLaren.
- 9:30 a.m.: **The Living Project Support Group** meets weekly in the Council Room. "Telling my story. Listening to your story. Living our story."
- •11:00 a.m.: **Sanctuary worship service** with Pastor Greg Nelson. Also available online, https://YouTube.com/c/GlendaleCityChurch. **Next Sabbath, February 3:** worship service with Pastor Greg Nelson.
- •11:00 a.m.: City Kids Children's Praise with Music, Room 2.
- •11:15 a.m.: **Tiny Tots** (0-3 years old, together with a guardian) go to Classroom 2; **Godly Play** (4-12 years) go to Classroom 1. Noon pickup.

OPEN TABLE WORSHIP:

• Open Table will not meet this week

THIS WEEK AT GLENDALE CITY CHURCH:

• 7:00 p.m. **Social Jesus Heartgroup** by Herb Montgomery, each Wednesday at https://Zoom.us/j/8182447241, discussing Jesus' call to bringing justice and equality to all. Study guide or podcast: https://RenewedHeartMinistries.com.

SATURDAY WORSHIP — 11:00 A.M. (PLEASE SILENCE YOUR ELECTRONIC DEVICES)

We welcome you as you worship with us online today. Please feel free to contact any of our pastoral staff if you have a question, want a visit, or need help:

- · https://glendalecitychurch.org
- https://facebook.com/glendalecitychurch

• phone 818-244-7241

Prelude "Nobody Knows the Trouble I've Seen" Clarence Cameron White

Lyndon Taylor, violin; Kemp L. Smeal, piano

Call to Worship We have gathered to worship

to listen
to covenant
to praise your name
to remember our heritage
to celebrate our destiny.

Oh God, we joyfully receive your grace.

Opening Hymn "Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven" No. 4

Greetings & Prayers of the Congregation

Myron Counts

Leif Lind

(Please remain standing for prayer)

Anthem "I Surrender All" arr. Mark Hayes

Clarissa Shan, Choral Director

Scripture Reading 2 Corinthians 12:7-10, NLT Jeff Dahlsten

So to keep me from becoming proud, I was given a thorn in my flesh, a messenger from Satan to torment me and keep me from becoming proud.

Three different times I begged the Lord to take it away.

Each time God said, "My grace is all you need. My power works best in weakness."

So now I am glad to boast about my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ can work through me.

That's why I take pleasure in my weaknesses, and in the insults, hardships, persecutions, and troubles that I suffer for Christ.

For when I am weak, then I am strong.

Anthem

"Gospel of Grace" Clarissa Shan, Choral Director

arr. Mark Hayes

Sermon

"The Power of Your Weakness: Living Out Your Authenticity"

Greg Nelson

Offertory

"Stronger Than Fear" Greg Nelson, solo Djamila

(Deacons will collect the offering as we meditate on the message in music. Please give as you're able — unless otherwise marked, loose offering goes to local church expense.)

Closing Hymn

"We hear, Lord, Your Promise"

Carolyn Winfrey Gillette, 2007
Tune: The Ash Grove

(1) We hear, Lord, your promise: "My grace is sufficient!" Those few simple words brought such comfort to Paul; And though every thorn in the flesh may be different, We find in your message good news for us all. Your strength is made perfect in times of our weakness, When hardships assail us and pain comes along; For you dwell within us and we learn your goodness — And when we are weakest, in you we are strong.

(2) Through all that we suffer, your grace is a blessing; O Christ, you are with us to carry us through. What hope you still offer when life is distressing! You heal and forgive us, so we turn to you. When pain is so great that we hardly can bear it, We call on your name and we hear your love's song; You send us the comfort and peace of your Spirit, And when we are weakest, in you we are strong.

Greg Nelson

Postlude

Benediction

"Meditation in C" Lyndon Taylor, *violin*; Kemp L. Smeal, *piano* W. H. Squire



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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Preaching schedule and announcements:

Jan 27 Greg Nelson

• Feb 10 Greg Nelson; Church potluck

• Feb 3 Greg Nelson

Prayer concerns: Please remember Hema and Lalith's son, Ethan, who has been hospitalized at the Children's Hospital all this week.



The memorial service for City Church's former associate pastor, Casey Bahr, will be held in our church sanctuary today, January 27 at 3 p.m. Bahr, together with Pastor Rudy Torres, helped establish the A+ Adventist Preschool in 1981. Light dinner reception immediately following. Please contact Adrienne Bahr at 310-465-9916 or email her at adriennebahr@gmail.com for more information.

The Glendale City Church chapter of the Prayers and Squares quilting ministry is here to help involve as many people as possible in offering prayer for them. If you think someone could benefit from prayer through a guilt, email us at glendalepsm@gmail.com

for more information.

The memorial service for longtime church member **Herman Kibble** will be held at the **Altadena Church** (2609 N. Lincoln Ave, Altadena), Sunday, Feb. 11, 2024 at 11 a.m. The service will be livestreamed (https://altadenasdafamily.org/watch). Interment 11 a.m., Feb. 13 Riverside National Cemetery. Kibble was the first Seventh-day Adventist to serve as head chaplain for an entire U.S. Navy carrier battle group (https://adventistreview.org/obituary/hermanl-kibble-pioneer-seventh-day-adventist-chaplain-dies-at-92).

Help Us Host "Home Again LA" as we help first-time homeless families get back on their feet! For the week of **Feb. 18-24**, we are looking for **volunteers** to provide a hot supper and a sack breakfast as well as chaperones. If you can help as a chef or as a chaperone

one or more nights of this week, please contact our church office (610ecalifornia@gmail.com or 818-244-7241).

Congratulations to **Joseph Chilopoulos** for having recently been named to the College of the Arts Dean's List at CSULB in Long Beach!

On **February 7 the Glendale Noon Concert** will feature violinist Sakura Tsai and cellist Stella Cho performing duos by Maurice Ravel and Reinhold Glière. All are welcome to this free concert, http:// glendalenoonconcerts.blogspot.com.

Spam Alert: Please disregard any emails claiming to be from "Pastor Leif Lind", asking you to contact him immediately regarding an assignment. This is spam, and the sender's email address is fictitious. (Similar emails were sent out previously, at the time supposedly from Pastor Todd Leonard.)