

## Church Life

### Welcome to the West Covina Hills SDA Church Family!

We pray you will hear God speak to you through various ways and through His people. If you don't have a church home we would love to have you consider making us your church home. **Guests and members please share with us your presence and any other information on the Communication Card in the pews and place them in the offering plate, thank you!**

**We also have wireless services for the hearing impaired.**



Please see a Deacon for assistance.

### THIS WEEK AT WEST COVINA HILLS:

**TODAY, October 4th** — Speaker: Lew Gray—10:45 a.m.  
FM 101 Class 1:15—2:15 p.m. - Ellie Hua  
Get Connected—6:00 p.m.

**Wednesday, October 8th** —FM 101 Class —7:00 p.m.

**Friday, October 10th** — Prayer Warriors —7:30 p.m.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Sabbath, October 11th**— Speaker: Ellie Hua -"God's Hand in My Life" -10:45  
FM 101 Class 1:15—2:15 p.m. - Ellie Hua  
Get Connected—6:00 p.m.

**Monday, October 13th**—Finance Committee—6:30 p.m./Church Board—7:30 pm

**Wednesday, October 15th** — FM 101 Class —7:00 p.m.

**Friday, October 17th**—Prayer Warriors—7:30 p.m.

Music Committee meeting—7:00 p.m.

**Sabbath, October 18th**— Guests: Chunestudy Men's Chorus—10:45 a.m.

All Church Vegetarian Potluck hosted by Children's Sabbath School  
FM 101 Class—1:15—2:15 p.m.—Ellie Hua  
Get Connected—6:00 p.m.

**Sabbath, October 25th**—WCH Youth Sabbath—10:45 a.m.

FM 101 Class—1:15—2:15 p.m.—Ellie Hua  
Get Connected—6:00 p.m.

**Check out our website! We now have** delicious vegan & vegetarian recipes and links to health information available. Thank you to Carlos Rivera, our web master and Robyne Gray who provided us with some of her scrumptious recipes!

**Reminder: "Tracing the Footsteps of Jesus"** Volume 3 continues on Friday and Saturday evenings at 7:00 p.m. from November 1 - November 22. You don't want to miss this part of the journey with film maker Tony Moore.

### October 2014

#### Adventurers

4—Meeting 3:00—5:00 p.m.  
5—Meeting 10:00 a.m.—Noon  
18— Induction 3:00—5:00 p.m.

#### Pathfinders

11—Induction 3:00—5:00 p.m.  
12—Meeting/Swimming & Water Safety 10:00 a.m.—1:00 p.m.  
18—Meeting 3:00—5:00 p.m.  
19—Meeting 10:00 a.m.—Noon  
26—Habitat Restoration—Angeles Nat'l Forest 7:15 a.m.

### Cheerful Giving!

October 2014

|  |                    |
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| <b>Church Budget Monthly Goal:</b>       | <b>\$17,500.00</b> |
| Received to date in September:           | \$19,746.66        |
| Behind YTD as of September 30:           | \$ 8,371.62        |
| <b>Total Scholarship Need per Month:</b> | <b>\$ 2,316.00</b> |
| Lamb's Offering in September:            | \$ 1,114.30        |

Mark any special offerings on the tithe envelope.  
All loose offerings go toward Church Budget.

### Ministry Leaders

**Adventurers** - Alma Castaneda  
**Adventurers**—Riris Huliselan  
**Children's S.S. Coordinator** - Maria Botello  
**Church Clerk** - Celeste Mercy  
**Head Deacon** - Guidel "Guy" Rivera  
**Head Deaconess** - Pauline Reid  
**Elder, Co-Head** - Sam Ang  
**Elder, Co-Head** - Harry Walker  
**Evangelism/Personal Ministries** - Harry Walker  
**Evangelism/Personal Ministries** - Sam Ang  
**Get Connected Ministry** —Marisela Garcia  
**Greeters Ministry** - Jeannette Hughes  
**Health & Temperance Ministry** - Corneliu Baci  
**Health & Temperance Ministry**—Sharon Tanghal  
**Health & Temperance Ministry**—Jenne Walker  
**Home & School** - Caroline Light  
**Interest Coordinator** - Corneliu Baci  
**Music Committee** - Alan Beaumont  
**Music Committee**—Casey Hughes  
**Music Committee**—Gene Manners  
**Pathfinders** - Sam Ang  
**Pathfinders** - Genemar Porsona  
**Religious Liberty** - Daniel Benitez  
**Risk Management**—Moe Hanna  
**Sabbath School Secretary** - Linda Barrett  
**Treasurer** - Daniel Weston  
**Visitation** - Lupe Garcia  
**WCH School Board Chair** - A. D. Hall  
**Wedding Coordinator**—Marisela Garcia  
**Women's Ministry Leader** - Mickie Hall  
**Youth** - Nenad Didara

### West Covina Hills Seventh-day Adventist Church

3536 East Temple Way, West Covina, CA 91791

**Church Office Hours: Mon.--Thurs. 9:00-1:00; Fri.-Closed**

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**West Covina Hills Seventh-day Adventist Church is now on Facebook**

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# WEST COVINA HILLS SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH



## OCTOBER 4, 2014

Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.

I Thessalonians 5:16-18

### Mission Statement

"Christ's method alone will give true success in reaching the people. The Saviour mingled with men as one who desired their good. He showed His sympathy for them, ministered to their needs, and won their confidence. Then He bade them, 'Follow Me.'" MH p143

# Sabbath School at 9:15 a.m.

## Adults may attend any of these classes:

|                            |                            |                     |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------|
| Class #1 (Sanctuary)       | "To Know God"              | Harry Walker        |
| Class #2 (Training Room)   | "His-story Class"          | Adolfo Garcia       |
| Class #3 (Library)         | "Open Discussion"          | Mildred Williams    |
| Class #4 (Sanctuary)       | "Contemporary Application" | Rotating Teachers   |
| Class #5 (Pastor's Office) | "New Believers"            | Lew Gray            |
| Class #6 (Choir Room)      | "Young Adults"             | Sam Ang/Chris Ostos |

**Sabbath School Quarterlies:** If you are in need of the Sabbath School Quarterly you can go on-line at [www.ssnet.org](http://www.ssnet.org), select "current lesson."

[www.BibleInfo.com](http://www.BibleInfo.com)

## Children/Youth may attend any of these classes:

|                     |                |                             |
|---------------------|----------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Beginners</b>    | (Ages Birth-3) | Robyne Gray                 |
| <b>Kindergarten</b> | (Ages 3-5)     | Isabel York                 |
| <b>Primary 1</b>    | (Grades 1-2)   | Maria Botello               |
| <b>Primary 2</b>    | (Grades 3-4)   | Melanie Rumbaoa             |
| <b>Juniors</b>      | (Grades 5-6)   | Corneliu Baciu              |
| <b>Earliteens</b>   | (Grades 7-8)   | Jennifer Walker             |
| <b>Youth</b>        | (Grades 9-12)  | Pastor Nen Didara/Tony York |

[www.kidsbibleinfo.com](http://www.kidsbibleinfo.com)

## Participants Today

|                                |                                |
|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| P.A.                           | Daniel Benitez/Sam Darnell     |
| Church Chorister(s)            | Chester Hickman                |
| Organist                       | Edwin Rumbaoa                  |
| Church Pianist/keyboard        | Melanie Rumbaoa                |
| Ushers and Deacons-Leader      | Alex Garcia                    |
| Greeters 9-10 a.m.             | Edward Luevano                 |
| Concierges greeters 9-10 a.m.  | Audree Luevano                 |
| Greeters 10-11 a.m.            | Udee Nwosu                     |
| Concierges greeters 10-11 a.m. | Maria Mejia and Roberta Rivera |
| Worship Coordinator (s)        | Al Acevedo                     |
| Sabbath School Secretary       | Rose Carson/Linda Barrett      |

## West Covina Hills School News

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

October:

- 13—Columbus Day—No School
- 28—Minimum Day—Dismissed at 12:30
- 28—30—Parent/Teacher Conferences

**Please continue your prayers for our school**

We thank the WCH church family for all their continued support.

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| <b>West Covina Hills SDA School</b>   | <b>Office:</b> 626-859-5005 |
| <b>Principal:</b> Angel Nair  | <b>Fax:</b> 626-859-5724    |
| <b>Website:</b> <a href="http://www.wchas.adventistfaith.org">www.wchas.adventistfaith.org</a>                      |                             |
| <b>Follow us on Facebook:</b> <a href="https://www.facebook.com/WCHASchool">https://www.facebook.com/WCHASchool</a> |                             |

## Sunset Time

This week— 6:36

Next week— 6:26

# Our Church at Worship

10:45 a.m.

|                                  |  |                      |
|----------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| <b>Prelude</b>                   |  | Edwin Rumbaoa        |
| <b>Welcome and Announcements</b> |  | Morris Sianturi      |
|                                  | <i>Please place your communication card in the offering plate</i><br>The bulletin is available on our website.   |                      |
| <b>Hymn of Praise</b>            | "My Maker, My King"  | 15                   |
| <b>Chorister</b>                 |  | Chester Hickman      |
| <b>Prayer</b>                    |  | Lillian Patton       |
|                                  | <i>In addition to the Prayer Team, the pastoral staff prays for all prayer requests each Monday. You can email prayer requests to the church email as well as put them in the Prayer Request box in the foyer.</i> |                      |
| <b>Tithes &amp; Offering</b>     | Church Budget  | Corneliu Baciu       |
| <b>Offertory</b>                 |  |                      |
| <b>Children's Story</b>          |  | Angel Nair           |
| <b>Lambs Offering</b>            |  |                      |
| <b>Special Presentation</b>      | Cross Trainer video  | Ellie Hua            |
| <b>Scripture</b>                 | Responsive Reading<br>"Healthful Living" 824   | Megan Walker         |
| <b>Special Music</b>             |  | Corneliu Baciu       |
| <b>Sermon</b>                    | "Mercy. . . Medicine"  | Lew Gray             |
| <b>Special Presentation</b>      | Kaitlin Keller   | Arthritis Foundation |
| <b>Hymn of Dedication</b>        | "Wonderful Words of Life"  | 286                  |
| <b>Chorister</b>                 |  | Chester Hickman      |
| <b>Benediction</b>               |  | Lew Gray             |
| <b>Postlude</b>                  |  | Edwin Rumbaoa        |

*Thank you for placing your mobile phone and pagers on silent mode!*

## Prayer and Praise

**Please pray for:** Amy Bauzon, Jennipher Campbell, John Carpenter, Esther Chow, Richard Dizon, Bradley Greaves, Betsy Hirayama, Kathy Ann Jenny, Jasminka Knecht, Roger Knecht, Terry Naffziger, Esther Ramos, Phil Sampson, Roosevelt Sampson, Virginia Shull, Jill Korolsky-Smith, Avadine Stutler, Nancy (Duran) Willie, **and for those who are currently serving our country:** Danny Castillo, Eric Castillo, Jason Corless, Greg Ramirez, Scott Robertson, Brendon Roller, and TJ Wear.

**Homebound Members:** For information regarding homebound members call the church office at (626) 915-7819.

*"Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn" Romans 12:15*

# THEME OF WORSHIP

*The Lord is near to all who call upon Him to all who call upon Him in truth.*  
- Psalm 145:18

## A Bad Prayer That's Good

Have you ever prayed a bad prayer? I have. As a youngster I often selfishly asked the Lord to help me win when I was in a contest. He didn't always grant me my request, but neither did He punish me.

The prophet Elijah gives us a striking illustration of God's way of answering a bad prayer. Elijah had experienced a spiritual high in seeing God send fire from heaven (1 Ki. 18:30-40). Then God had answered his prayer by sending rain after a 3-year drought (vv 41-45).

But when Queen Jezebel sent a messenger to threaten Elijah's life, his elation was quickly squelched (19.2). Instead of trusting God, Elijah fled into the wilderness. There he prayed a bad prayer. He asked to die (vv3-40).

What was God's response? He showed amazing grace. Knowing that His servant needed food and rest, He provided them. Then He gave the prophet a message of encouragement and assigned him new duties to perform (vv 5-18).

We all pray bad prayers sometimes. But even a bad prayer contains some good if it acknowledges God and expresses our dependence on Him. So let's talk to God no matter what our feelings. If we pray honestly, even a bad prayer can open the door for Him to work in our lives. - *Our Daily Bread*

## Doctor Learns About Healing Prayer

My first wife, Pat, had diabetes, two heart attacks, bypass surgery, two strokes, went on dialysis, went blind, and had both legs amputated above the knee. She and I went every week to a healing service at our church. The clergy would lay hands on us and pray, while Pat and I cried uncontrollably. She never healed. There was no evidence that healing prayer had any positive effect in terms of miraculous cures. But every week this intimate prayer gave us enough spiritual strength to endure another week. Thus my own experience was that healing prayer was like manna for Pat and me. Every Sunday we were given enough to get us through. We were not given more nor less manna than we needed to survive. It was exactly like Exodus 16, and like the Lord's Prayer, "Give us today our daily bread."

In other words, Pat and I experienced healing prayer to have a curative power not in terms of a change in medical outcome, but in terms of keeping us in touch with the Lord, who spiritually sustained us. Furthermore, other people from our church were more in touch with us by virtue of us all praying for Pat's healing.

- Jeffrey H. Boyd, "A Biblical Theology of Chronic Illness," *Trinity Journal*, 2003, p. 191

## Health Nugget



### Gallup Names Adventist Health System "Best Place to Work"

Adventist Health System, a non-profit health-care organization operated by the Seventh-day Adventist Church, has been recognized by Gallup as being one of the best places in the world to work.

Gallup, whose decisions are based on rigorous research, said the more than 70,000 people employed by Adventist Health System are among the best-performing, most productive, and engaged workforces anywhere.

Adventist Health Systems is among 36 organizations awarded with the Gallup Great Workplace Award in 2014, the fourth year in a row it has received the distinction.

Adventist Health System has 45 hospital campuses and nearly 8,300 licensed beds in 10 U.S. States. *By Adventist Review Staff, June 26, 2014*