

## 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, Dec. 26th**—Speaker: Lew Gray—10:45 a.m.

Communion

**NO** Get Connected

**Wednesday, Dec. 30th** — **NO** Bible Study

**NO** Hebrew Class

**Thursday, Dec. 31st**— Church office closed

**Friday, Jan. 1st**— Prayer Warriors—7:30 p.m.

(Beginning of Day of Prayer & Fasting)

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

**Sabbath, Jan. 2nd**—Speaker: Lew Gray—10:45 a.m.

Day of Prayer and Fasting sponsored by Get Connected

**Wednesday, Jan. 6th**— Bible Study—7:00 p.m.

Hebrew Class—7:00 p.m.

**Friday, Jan. 8th** — Revival Weekend with Taj Pacleb—7:00 p.m.

**Today's flowers are for two birthdays this week:** Claudia Pineda and Chisom Nwosu. Happy birthday to both of you!!

**The last day to turn in your 2015 offering to the church office is December 30th by 1:00 p.m. Online giving must be completed by 9:00 p.m. on December 31st. Gifts for Jesus envelopes are available on the podium as you enter the church for those who were unable to give their offering last week. You can also use a tithe envelope and mark it "Gifts for Jesus".**

**2016 Flower Chart:** If you would like to purchase flowers for a special occasion (birthday, anniversary, memorial, etc.), please send your request in to the church office. The cost is still \$45 per arrangement. We are taking requests for all Sabbaths in 2016. It will be on a first-come first-served basis. (email: wchsda-church@gmail.com) If you want flowers next week, Jan. 2nd, get your email in right away!

**A Christmas message from the Alarcon Family:** Be unbelievably kind because Jesus said, "Do to others whatever you would like them to do for you. For this is the law and the prophets." Matthew 7:12 Rejoice for salvation is a free gift of God!



### January 2016

#### Adventurers

23—Club Meeting

3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

24—Club Meeting (snow day)

10:00 a.m.—Noon

#### Pathfinders

9- Church Potluck—hosting/Club Meeting

3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

10—Club Meeting

10:00 a.m.—Noon

16—Club Meeting

3:00 p.m.—5:00 p.m.

17—Club Meeting

10:00 a.m.- Noon

### Cheerful Giving! December 2015

<b>Church Budget Monthly Goal:</b>	<b>\$16,500.00</b>
Received to date in December:	\$12,922.94
Short YTD as of November 30:	(\$ 3,875.26)
<b>Total Scholarship Need per Month:</b>	<b>\$ 1,300.00</b>
Lamb's Offering in December:	\$ 920.30
<b>Local Evangelism Goal:</b>	<b>\$40,000.00</b>
Received to date:	\$ 6,504.55
<b>Gifts for Jesus:</b>	<b>\$ 1,526.00</b>

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  
**Community Services**—Guidel "Guy" Rivera  
**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** - Audree Luevano  
**Health & Temperance Ministry** - Corneliu Baciu  
**Health & Temperance Ministry**—Sharon Tanghal  
**Health & Temperance Ministry**—Jenne Walker  
**Home & School** - Caroline Light  
**Interest Coordinator** - Corneliu Baciu  
**Men's Ministry**— James Dawson  
**Music Committee** - Alan Beaumont  
**Music Committee**—Casey Hughes  
**Music Committee**—Gene Manners  
**Pathfinders** - Sam Ang  
**Pathfinders** - Genemar Porsona  
**Religious Liberty** - Daniel Benitez  
**Risk Management**  
**Sabbath School Secretary** - Linda Barrett  
**Treasurer** -  
**Visitation** - Lupe Garcia  
**WCH School Board Chair** - A. D. Hall  
**Wedding Coordinator**—Marisela Garcia  
**Women's Ministry Leader** - Mickie Hall  
**Youth** -

### 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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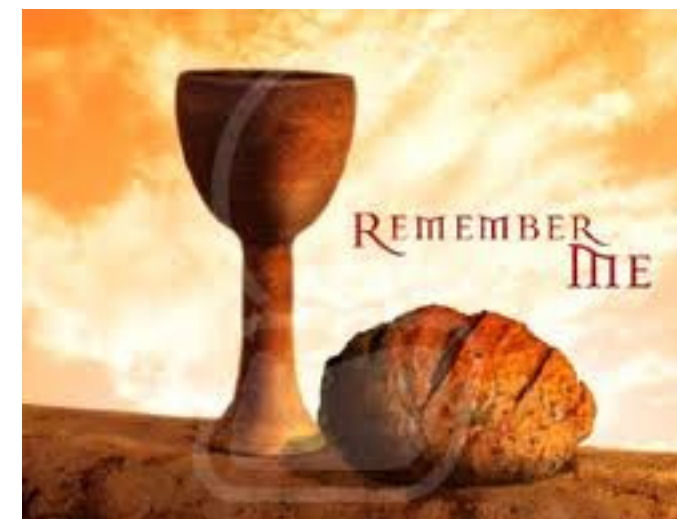
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## WEST COVINA HILLS SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

2015  
THE YEAR OF  
PERSONAL EVANGELISM



## DECEMBER 26, 2015

Rejoice always, **pray without ceasing**, in everything give thanks; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.  
1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

"Prayer is the key in the hand of faith to unlock heaven's storehouse, where are treasured the boundless resources of Omnipotence." SC, pp. 94, 95

### 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

The bulletin is available on our website.

# 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)	Richard Alamillo
<b>Earliteens</b>	(Grades 7-8)	Jennifer Walker
<b>Youth</b>	(Grades 9-12)	Susan Benitez/Tony York

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

## Participants Today

P.A.	Daniel Benitez
Church Chorister(s)	Gene Manners
Organist	
Church Pianist/keyboard	Edwin Rumbaoa
Ushers and Deacons-Leader	Guidel Rivera
Greeters 9-10 a.m.	Morris Sianturi
Concierges greeters 9-10 a.m.	Carolyn Sianturi
Greeters 10-11 a.m.	Rosemary Caudillo
Concierges greeters 10-11 a.m.	Suzy Salinas and Roberta Rivera
Worship Coordinator (s)	Al Acevedo
Sabbath School Secretary	Rose Carson/Marilena Fox

## West Covina Hills School News



**DATES TO REMEMBER: December**

**21—January 1—Christmas Vacation**

**Please continue your prayers for our school**

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

**West Covina Hills SDA School**

**Principal:** Angel Nair

**Website:** [www.wchas.adventistfaith.org](http://www.wchas.adventistfaith.org)

**Follow us on Facebook:** [www.facebook.com/WCHASchool](http://www.facebook.com/WCHASchool)

**Office:** 626-859-5005

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**Sunset Time**

**This week— 4:49**

**Next week— 4:55**

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# Our Church at Worship

**10:35 a.m.**  
NO Song Service today

**10:45 a.m.**

<b>Prelude</b>		Edwin Rumbaoa
<b>Welcome &amp; Announcements</b>		Isabella Alamillo
	<i>Please place your communication card in the offering plate.</i>	
<b>Hymn of Praise</b>	“I Shall See the King”	426
<b>Chorister</b>		Gene Manners
<b>Prayer</b>		Richard Alamillo
<b>Ministry Spotlight</b>		Astacia and David Bravo
<b>Tithes &amp; Offering</b>	Conference Church Building	Hilda Onsoe
<b>Offertory</b>		
<b>Children’s Story</b>		Lew Gray
<b>Lambs Offering</b>		
<b>Scripture</b>	Revelation 5: 1-5, 9, 10	Haile Mackey
<b>Special Music</b>	“Until Then”	Alyssa Rumbaoa
<b>Sermon</b>	“The Story of Redemption” “Adam Raccoon at Forever Falls”	Lew Gray
	<b>Ordinance of Humility</b>	
	<b>Lord’s Supper</b>	
<b>Hymn of Dedication</b>	“Tell Me the Story of Jesus”	152
<b>Chorister</b>		Gene Manners
<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, Esther Chow, Liz Corless, Sarah Corless, Richard Dizon, Humberto Espinosa, Juanita Hamren, Melissa and Arlene Hernandez, Betsy Hirayama, Kathy Ann Jenny, Johnson family, Timothy Kim, Jasminka Knecht, David Limongan, Brenden Markert-Green, Esther Ramos, Elizabeth Rivera, Roosevelt Sampson, Virginia Shull, Jill Korolsky-Smith, Daisy Supit **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 Story of Redemption

Do you find yourself telling your children stories to help them understand things you want them to learn or remember? Maybe you find yourself remembering the point of a sermon because of the illustration used.

Telling stories to convey truth is not new. Jesus often taught in parables.

Why do we use parables to teach? Because we *remember* stories—and the truths they hold.

Adam Raccoon and King Aren illustrate truths from God’s Word in language and experiences children readily understand. While stories like these are not a substitute for the Bible, they will enhance and reinforce the Bible teaching your children receive.

*Adam Raccoon at Forever Falls* is a parable about salvation. We see God’s love for man illustrated in King Aren’s sacrifices for Adam. When you read it with your children, use it to begin a discussion. For example: Of whom does Adam remind you? How is King Aren like Jesus?

How they answer these questions will give you insight into their understanding and open the door to more discussion about God’s plan of salvation.

For some children, this story will be one more step in their knowing who Jesus is and their need for salvation. Others may be ready to receive Jesus as their Saviour.

A special thanks and appreciation goes to Greg Fox for preparing the visuals from the book *Adam Raccoon at Forever Falls*. We never cease to be amazed at Greg’s talents and eager willingness to share with His Lord and church family.

The Cook Communications Ministries was pleased to grant our church permission to make the visual from the book with the following reproduced in our bulletin:  
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## Health Nugget



**Here are some strategies for staying on track during the holidays:**

- Always keep your kitchen stocked with fresh and frozen produce.
- Keep disease-causing foods out of your home to avoid temptation.
- Budget time: plan out when you will shop for groceries, cook, exercise, relax, and spend time with friends and family.
- Bring healthy dishes to share when you attend holiday gatherings.
- Cook warming vegetable bean soups in large batches, and store leftovers in the refrigerator so you can quickly heat some up for lunch or dinner later in the week.
- Stay focused on your health — eating right is self-care. Do not allow the ubiquitous unhealthy foods around you to derail you from your health goals.
- Find a healthy living buddy. Commit together to your food and exercise goals. Getting support from a friend will firm up your commitment to yourself.

Don’t give in to “food bullies.” Friends, family or co-workers will inevitably push unhealthy foods on you; remain confident in your pursuit of excellent health and decline unhealthy foods in a kind and loving manner. Not only will you be pleased with your food choices, you will give the bullies a chance to learn from your example.