

Pastor's Page

"Thoughts for a Sabbath Morning"



Joy's moving testimony last Sabbath was a startling reminder of the power of prayer and the importance of positive testimonies. By God's miraculous power, Joy's x-rays show a 25% reduction in size of her kidney cancer. Her testimony reminded me of the victorious last day people. John writes: "And they overcame him (Satan) because of the blood of the Lamb and because of the word of their testimony, and they did not love their life even when faced with death" (Revelation 12:11). The context of this verse is the non-stop allegations of the "accuser of the brethren" mentioned in the previous verse (verse 10). This lost demon is determined to bring to destruction everyone foolish enough to listen to his complaints. No doubt his accusations are based in fact and those being accused are guilty and deserving of death. On the other hand, those being accused want so much to be with Jesus that they forget their petty difficulties, their foolish mistakes, and the similar defects of those around them, and focus their hope only on Jesus. They do not claim great spiritual growth for themselves or bathe themselves in the weaknesses of anyone else as a means of finding hope, but focus their hope on Jesus, who died for "whosoever believes in Him will not perish (John 3:16). The last day Christians revel in Jesus' blood and tell everyone how unworthy they are and how much Jesus cares for them. As loud as Satan catcalls about their sinfulness, just as loud His people proclaim their testimony about the saving grace of the Lamb.

Truly redeemed people focus on Jesus' righteousness. Hypocrites focus on how much better they are than the sinners around them. Let's be overcomers and make testifying about the power and love of Jesus the main song of our lives.

Blessings,
Pastor David
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Prayer Power

Alfonso Rosas-health issues
Joyce Fox - health issues
James Ortiz- health issues
Nancy Boyd's granddaughter Sonnet age 7 -health issue
Anelalani Essex -- health issues
Joy Carlson -- cancer Praise tumor 25% reduced!
Karen Brewer -- health issues
Julie Kelly -- cancer
Bill Haid -- blood cancer
Zac Martinez- heart issue
Homeless Community
Dawn Evans - health issues
Helen Ebanks – cancer

We will be refinancing our church mortgage soon. Every extra dollar we can raise before then will lower our monthly mortgage payment. Vote to stay at 4920 Wyoming by giving extra now!

Mark Your Calendar

September 1, 2018

Heights Church Picnic 4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Elena Gallegos Picnic Grounds
Bring a favorite vegetarian dish to share and chairs or blankets to sit on.

Adventist Book Center (ABC) 1-800-765-6955

Texas ABC 1-817-558-1000
(where we receive most orders)

Heights Church e-mail:
heightssda@outlook.com
If you want an item in the bulletin,
send by 12:00 noon Tuesdays.
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Aug. 11, 2018 year to date

Budgeted \$ 9,000 \$ 144,000

Received 7,879 129,059

Over (under) \$ (1,121) (\$ 14,941)

HEIGHTS TO NEW HEIGHTS \$ 7,143.00

YOUTH CHOIR

Parents, encourage your children and youth to come and sing with us every Sabbath at 10:30 a.m. in the Kindergarten Room (ages 4-18 welcome).

Pathfinders meet 1st & 3rd Sabbaths after the fellowship meal. Come join us! Contact: Elizabeth Bivens 505-292-3886.



Sabbath School

Sabbath School Classes 9:30-10:20 a.m.

Children's Classes Off Courtyard (9:25)

Adult Classes South Foyer and Fellowship Hall
Worship Center

Mission Emphasis Rebecca Morgan
Vespers 6:30 p.m. Sunset 7:51 p.m.

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Sabbath afternoons from 1:30-3:30 p.m. there will be an Adventist Youth Program and a Sunset program from 4:00- 5:00 p.m. These will be held in the Worship Center.

"Oh give thanks to the LORD, for He is good, For His loving kindness is everlasting.

² Let the redeemed of the LORD say so, Whom He has redeemed from the hand of the adversary."

(Psalm 107:1-2)

Albuquerque Heights

Worship Service

August 18, 2018

Heights Mission in Action Marva Dennis-Drigo

Welcome and Announcements Pastor David Merling

Hymn *Rejoice in the Lord Always* (insert)

Hymn *Jesus, What a Friend for Sinners* **187**

*Opening Hymn *Praise Him! Praise Him!* **249**

Creation Covenant Pastor

Children's Story Alyssa Estrada

Offering Ron Fox

Special Music Offertory: Stephen Harrison

Morning Prayer Reuben Estrada

Special Music Francisca Cubelo

Scripture John 8:48-59 Krystine To-ong

Sermon "Is the 'Trinity' Biblical?" Part 3
'Jesus and the I Am'" Pastor

*Closing Hymn *Jesus Calls Us* **285**

Closing Prayer Pastor

Postlude: Teri and Marva

Song Leader: Marva Dennis-Drigo

Flutist: Diane Gurule Pianist: Stephanie Merling

*Congregation please stand

Today's offering is for Local Church Budget.
If you would like your offering used for a special purpose,
please put it in a tithe envelope and mark its allocated use.

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Announcements

We welcome our visitors! We are excited you came and pray that our worship service will bless you. Join us after the service for a fellowship meal.

Background checks: All church board members and everyone who might work or interact with children must have a background check. Computer help is available today, during the fellowship lunch until 1:30 p.m..

Bell Choir: Today at 1:30 in the Worship Center.

Elder's meeting: Monday, August 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Church Board Meeting: August 20 at 7:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting and reading the *Patriarchs and Prophets*, Wednesday evenings at 6:30. Please come and share a blessing. Contact Carl Longley, 867-5889.

Crestview Seventh-day Adventist Academy is seeking a part-time, afternoon Preschool/Latchkey teacher to join our staff! The position is 24 hours a week, and a 45-hour training certificate is preferred, but not required. Please submit all resumes to the school office or call 505-836-0536 if you have additional questions.

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Weekly Sabbath Schedule

First Sabbath: August 04, Leaves of Autumn Ministry.
Contact: Marva Dennis-Drigo, 505-299-4747.
***** Pathfinders Meet *****

Second Sabbath: August 11, Sing & Share Ministry at Genesis Rehab, 5900 Forest Hills Dr., NE. Contact: Marva Dennis-Drigo, 299-6799.

Third Sabbath: August 18, Praising God in Nature Ministry.
Contact: Jep Choate, 505-301-9783.
***** Pathfinders Meet *****

Fourth Sabbath: August 25, Grace at Home Ministry.
Baptism, Contact: Pastor Merling, (505) 217-4747.