### ATTITUDE OF GRATTITUDE



Sam and Gracie Carvajal

Gracie and Sam Carvajal first came to Vallejo Drive Church in 1964, after the congregation had just moved across the Vallejo Drive into the newly built Sanctuary. Gracie a native of Cuba, where her father had been a prominent church planting Adventist minister, and Sam, who had come from Colombia, had just gotten married the year before and decided to make the Vallejo Drive Church their home. And Vallejo Drive has amazingly been their church home for almost 60 years! All these years they both have been actively involved in countless church ministries, giving abundantly their time, efforts and skills. They have also been one of the biggest financial supporters of the Church. When the Carvajals give, they give sacrificially.

They have an extraordinary passion for God, the church and the people. They are also dedicated to Christian education. Their two children and four grandchildren all graduated from Glendale Adventist Academy and beyond. There are countless people around here who have been touched by their kindness and generosity. They are just wonderful people with kind and loving hearts. Sam says: "Whatever we have done for the church, has never been a burden, but a blessing instead. We have received from our Heavenly Father far more than we have ever given. It's been a sheer joy!"

It's delightful to have the Carvajals at Vallejo Drive Church. Remember to say hi to them and thank them for their lifelong service and perhaps take another look at how you too could contribute in a new way to this church family - your family.

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**NEWSLETTER** 



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**CONTACT A PASTOR** 

DIVINEWORSHIP						
	Prelude	Toccata on "O Filii et Filiae" by Lynnwood Farnam	Haesung Park, organ			
	Pastoral Welcome	Church Life	Buenaventura Garcia			
	Responsive Reading	He Is Risen	Leader & Congregation			
	Introit	Christ The Lord Is Risen Today	Congregation Chancel Choir Vallejo Drive Worship Brass Ensemble H. Quintana, director Haesung Park, organ			
	Call to Worship	Invocation	James Hearn			
	Congregational Praise	The Anthem by Seeley/Hunt/Webber	Vallejo Drive Worship			
	Greeting Time	Lord I Lift Your Name On High by Rick Founds	Vallejo Drive Worship			
	Children's Story		Kathleen Diaz			
	Tithes and Offerings		Aivars Ozolins			
	Musical Offering		Julian Mars, piano			
	Blessing of the Quilts		Terry & Diana Benson			
	Congregational	Crown Him	Leaders &			

Congregational Crown Him Leaders & by George J. Elvey Hymns & Readings: Congregation Jesus in the Books of

Lift High The Cross Chancel Choir by Michael R. Newbolt **Brass Ensemble** H. Quintana, director Easter Hymn Haesung Park, organ

Sermon He's Alive! **Terry Benson** 

arr. Ariel Quintana

Chancel Choir & Worthy Is The Lamb by Darlene Zschech Congregation Vallejo Drive Worship Haesung Park, organ

Gloria- Movement III by John Rutter

Chancel Choir **Brass Ensemble** H. Quintana, director Haesung Park, organ

WELCOME & HAPPY SABBATH! Thank you for choosing the Vallejo Drive Church to celebrate the Sabbath and blessing us with your presence. We are so happy that you are with us today. May God richly bless you!

CHURCH LIFE

Join us as we bid FAREWELL TO PASTOR LAUREN LIM on April 22, 2023 after church in the courtyard. She has been our amazing Young Adult Pastor and we wish her continued healing and many blessings. We love you Pastor Lauren!

**WELCOME POTLUCK:** Please bring your favorite dish to welcome our incoming senior pastor, Pastor Jonathan Henderson, on April 29, 2023. Questions about what to bring? Contact Bianka Tulgar or the church office.

**HOME AGAIN LA:** We are needing more volunteers for our Home Again Los Angeles week of supporting families in need on our church campus starting tomorrow evening, April 9-16. Please contact Fred Cline or Ben Garcia if you would like to volunteer to be an overnight host or a dinner volunteer for this special week.

**GOSPEL CONVERSATIONS** are back. We will meet with Pastor Aivars next Friday, April 14 at 7:00 p.m. in the Chapel. Please plan on attending this concluding meeting of the 6-part series to look at the practical application of the Gospel to life as evidenced in the experiences of the people in the Bible.

**VALLEJO DRIVE YOUNG ADULTS** will be having a Young Adult Game Night TONIGHT, April 8, at 7 pm. Come for some fun and fellowship! Contact Kristina or Matthew Daley for more information. Hope to see you there!

INTERDENOMINATIONAL PASSOVER SEDER at Van Nuys SDA Church, sponsored by the Pacific Union. Wednesday, April 12, 2023, at 7 pm. Reserve your spot with Pastor Gardner at davidgardnersda@gmail.com

THE CHURCH IS IN NEED OF 6-8 greeters to welcome guests and church members on Sabbath mornings. Greeters serve once a month. Please prayerfully consider this ministry and contact Fred Cline for more information.

EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIPS: 2023-2024 Pacific Union Conference Educational Scholarships are now open. Please email the church office at office@vallejodrive.church on how to apply. <u>Deadline: Monday, May 15, 2023.</u>

# PRAYER REQUESTS

We invite you to add these people to your prayer list:

Petra Rodriguez; Alice Loo & family Church Leadership

Wanda Seiber; Valentina McAdams Pastoral Staff; Church Staff Helen Adarme; The McGregor Family Conference Leaders

## **CHURCH FINANCES**

Year-To-Date: April 6, 2023

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Tithes Received 2023	\$242,082.41
Tithes Received 2022	\$211,835.97
Local Church Giving 2023	\$64,499.16
Local Church Expenses 2023	\$88,166.79

Recessional

Postlude

the Bible

### **CHURCH EVENTS**

April 8	Blessing and Delivery of Quilts Young Adult Game Night	Hospitals 7pm, Cafe
April 9-16	Home Again Los Angeles Week	Church Campus
April 14	Gospel Conversations	7pm, Chapel
April 22	Farewell: Lauren Lim, Young Adult Pastor	Courtyard
April 28	Young Adult Vespers	Café
April 29	Welcome: Jonathan Henderson, Senior Pastor	Sanctuary
May 20	Sermon: Buenaventura Garcia Music: Glendale Adventist Academy	Sanctuary

### **MINISTRIES & OUTREACH**

#### **KIDS CONNECTION**

Ages 3 - youth

A safe and fun VBS-style Sabbath School, "where kids learn how to connect with each other and with God" Every Sabbath at 9:45 a.m. in the Chapel

#### **ADVENTURERS & PATHFINDERS**

Adventurers (Pre-K—4th grade) and Pathfinders (5th – 8th grades) meet the 2nd and 4th Sabbaths from Sept— May, along with special events & activities. Email adventurers@vallejodrive.church or text (818) 571-2031 for more information.

#### **HIGH SCHOOL & YOUTH**

**VDrive Youth Ministries** is a Gospel connection which aligns high school teens to quality relationships in order to build their experience with God.

Sabbath School in the Youth Room on Sabbath mornings.

#### **YOUNG ADULTS**

every Sabbath at 9:45 am | Breakfast and Café Hour for ALL 2nd Fridays | Friday Chats Night via Discord every last Friday | Young Adult Vespers

Contact the church office for information on how to join these events.

#### ADVENTIST FITNESS CLINIC

Grab your tennis shoes & come run, jog, or walk with the Adventist Fitness Clinic!
Sundays at 7:00 am | Verdugo Park—1621 Canada Blvd.
For information call Irvin Henry at (818) 625-2952

#### **PRAYER & POWERTOOLS**

Bring your shovel and drill, and come help make our church beautiful by gardening and doing basic maintenance. Contact Irvin Henry for more information.

#### WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY: KOINONIA & SEEKING JESUS

Come study the Bible and learn more about God and His love. 2 classes on Wednesdays via Zoom. Contact Doug Warner for more information: headelder@vallejodrive.church

### **GUEST INFORMATION**

- **CONNECT CARDS** are available in the pews. Please fill them out and place in the offering plates or leave at Hostess Desk.
- **LISTENING DEVICES** are available the Hostess Desk for guests who are hearing impaired.
- CHILDREN'S ACTIVITY BAGS are available at the Hostess Desk for children ages 3 to 8. Please return them at the end of the service.
- **CHURCH PARKING** for those with disabilities or the elderly is designated in both parking lots closest to the church (Holly Drive or Vallejo Drive). Please park courteously.
- FREE BLOOD PRESSURE CHECK every second and fourth Sabbath following the worship service in the courtyard.
- BREAKFAST EVERY SABBATH MORNING at the Young Adult Café, first door on your left from Holly Drive parking lot, from 9:45 am to 11:00 am. Come enjoy food and fellowship!
- **KIDS CONNECTION** in the Chapel! Our children's Sabbath School program starts at 9:30 am, right before the little ones divide into their respective classes. Come join the fun in learning about Jesus!

### SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES

ADULT CLASSES
Adult Sabbath Schoo

10:00-10:40	Sanctuary
10:00-10:40	1st Floor, Room 104A
9:45 -10:30	Fellowship Hall Upstairs
	<b>Educational Complex</b>
All Ages	Chapel
Birth - 36 months	1st Floor, Room 116A
3 & 4 years	2nd Floor, Room 206A
5 - 7 years	2nd Floor, Room 204B
3rd & 4th grades	2nd Floor, Room 202A
5th & 6th grades	2nd Floor, Room 208A
7th & 8th grades	1st Floor, Room 104A
9th to 12th grades	1st Floor, Room 106A
18 and up	Café
	10:00-10:40 9:45 -10:30  All Ages  Birth - 36 months 3 & 4 years 5 - 7 years 3rd & 4th grades 5th & 6th grades 7th & 8th grades 9th to 12th grades

### STAFF CONTACT INFORMATION

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# April 8, 2023 Resurrection Sabbath

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