

ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE



Sara and Eric Cumbia

Outside of church service, the place to find Sara and Eric would probably be the Fellowship Hall and kitchen area, where they would likely be working in preparation for a church function. They both have servant hearts and a passion for people in need.

Sara has a fascinating story to tell about God's provision, protection, and love. She was born literally in a stable filled with farm animals in Mexico to a mother who did not want her. Sara's grandmother cared for her until she was five, then she was sent to work for various families. An Adventist couple took interest in her and she was able to go to school. When Sara was 15, they arranged for her to move to the United States, where another Adventist family helped her get established. For many years she excelled as a school teacher, as well as a manager at Dodger Stadium. Later Sara was reunited with her mother. She forgave her for all the neglect and abuse, and took care of her during the last six years of her life. Sara says, "God chose me before I was born, He always took care of me, protected me and gave me success. I have so much to thank Him for!"

Eric, a computer programmer by profession, was born and raised in Durham, North Carolina. He spent 20 years in the Air Force and went for two tours of duty in South Korea, after which he retired as master sergeant. Eric is quiet by nature but has true grit and a kind heart.

Both Sara and Eric are involved in various ministries. They are traveling to Mexico frequently, bringing food and clothing and serving orphans, homeless and abandoned elderly. Whenever there is a need at Vallejo, both Sara and Eric are first to roll up their sleeves and work diligently and sacrificially behind the scenes.

We praise God for Sara and Eric, and their love and care they share with the church family. Please take a moment to say thank you to them and be inspired by their service.

Are you receiving our Weekly Newsletter via e-mail? Sign up today:
E-mail office@vallejo-drive.church or call the church office 818-246-2476.

Scan a QR code below! Open your camera app and point it here, and click the link. Connect Cards are also available at the pews.



NEWSLETTER



JOIN A MINISTRY



CONTACT A PASTOR

DIVINE WORSHIP | 11:00 am

Prelude	<i>This Is My Father's World</i>	Matthew Daley, organ
Introit	<i>Gloria!</i> by Ernesto Herrera	Chancel Choir H. Quintana, director Matthew Daley, organ
Call to Worship	Invocation	Rene Silvestre
Congregational Praise	<i>Only A God Like You</i>	Vallejo Drive Worship
Welcome & Greeting Time	<i>Leaning on the Everlasting Arms # 469</i>	Vallejo Drive Worship
Congregational Hymn	<i>All Creatures of our God and King # 2</i>	Vallejo Drive Worship Matt Daley, organ
Garden of Prayer		Annette Hearn
Prayer Response	<i>O How He Loves You & Me</i>	Congregation Chancel Choir
Children's Feature		Teresa Bergman
Offering Call	Prayer for Offering	Pastor Aivars Ozolins
Choral Anthem	<i>We Walk By Faith</i> arr. Jan Sanborn	Chancel Choir Matthew Daley, piano
Sermon	A Person After God's Heart The Heart of a Champion Series	Pastor Jonathan Henderson
Anointing	Elders: Sheri Hansen, Schubert Palmer, Doug Warner, All Pastors	Pastor Jonathan Henderson
Congregational Invitation	<i>Just As I Am</i>	Vallejo Drive Worship
Blessing		Pastor Jonathan Henderson
Recessional		

CHURCH LIFE | 10:50 am

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!

GLENDALE ADVENTIST ACADEMY events:

GAA Alumni Weekend—This weekend, May 5-7, 2023
May Festival—Tomorrow, May 7, 2023, 11:00am to 3:00pm

Contact (818) 244-8671 for more information.

OUR FORMER PASTOR LINDA BISWAS is getting ordained! Come and support her at the Azure Hills Church at 4 pm, today, May 6, 2023, as she celebrates this significant event in her pastoral ministry.

OBOE RECITAL: featuring the students of Victoria Sabonjohn, GAA oboe teacher. May 22, 2023, 6:30 pm in the Chapel.

READ AND FEED BELIZE is hosting a fundraiser at Berbere Ethiopian Restaurant in Santa Monica, where 10% of purchases will go to Read and Feed Belize. May 23, 2023, 6pm-9pm. 510 Santa Monica Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90401.

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

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS

Second Reading

Transferring OUT:

Zorek, Laryssa to Ridgecrest SDA Church
Whittemore, Emelyn to Loma Linda University Church
Keeth, Stephanie to Loma Linda University Church
Spencer-Smith, Mary to Bend Adventist Church, OR
Spencer-Smith, Erland Lawrence to Bend Adventist Church, OR

Transferring IN:

Mars, Denise from Breath of Life SDA Church

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 Adame; The McGregor Family Conference Leaders

CHURCH FINANCES

Year-To-Date: April 28, 2023

Tithes Received 2023	\$279,520.12
Tithes Received 2022	\$266,217.86
Local Church Giving 2023	\$73,821.64
Local Church Expenses 2023	\$153,099.64

CHURCH EVENTS

May 20	Baptisms Music: Glendale Adventist Academy	Sanctuary
May 29	Young Adult Vespers	7pm, Cafe
June 30	Young Adult Vespers	7pm, Cafe
July 9—16	Home Again Los Angeles Week	Church Campus

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. Come join us for Sabbath School in the Youth Room on Saturday mornings. Contact Pastor Ben at pastorbuenaventura@vallejodrive.church for more information.

YOUNG ADULTS

every Sabbath at 9:45 am | Breakfast and Café Hour (everyone is welcome!)
2nd Fridays | Friday Chats Night via Discord
every last Friday | Young Adult Vespers
For more information, email youngadults@vallejodrive.church

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 & POWER TOOLS

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 School	10:00-10:40	Sanctuary
Spanish Sabbath School / Escuela Sabática	10:00-10:40	1st Floor, Room 104A
Sabbath School Discussion Group	9:45 -10:30	Fellowship Hall Upstairs

CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES

Kids Connection at 9:45 am	All Ages	Educational Complex Chapel
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Classes meet after Kids Connection

Beginners	Birth - 36 months	1st Floor, Room 116A
Tiny Tots	3 & 4 years	2nd Floor, Room 206A
Kindergarten	5 - 7 years	2nd Floor, Room 204B
Primary	3rd & 4th grades	2nd Floor, Room 202A
Juniors	5th & 6th grades	2nd Floor, Room 208A
T4C Earliteens	7th & 8th grades	1st Floor, Room 104A
VDrive - Youth	9th to 12th	1st Floor, Room 106A
Young Adults	18 and up	Café

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Vallejo Drive Church

OF SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS

A Place Where GRACE is UNCONDITIONAL

May 6, 2023

Sermon: A Person After God's Heart
(The Heart of A Champion Series)

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