

HAYWARD HERALD

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SEMINARS: A CHURCH PLANTING

EVANGELISM

BY DENNIS REED

"And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come."
Matthew 24:14

In January and February 2009 a seed was planted in Hayward, and it is starting to germinate in San Leandro. As a result of our lay evangelism meetings and inspiration of the Holy Spirit, new souls have been attending Sabbath and mid-week services on a regular basis. Several church members were re-baptized, rededicating their lives to Christ!

Other Adventists got word of our efforts, attended a few meetings, and were thrilled and inspired to ride the wave started by the Hayward church. Praise the Lord!!

Sister churches have reached out with us in a joint effort to plant a church in San Leandro. Christ Jesus Himself said, "The harvest truly is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into His harvest." Bible



Brother Dennis Reed speaking at Southland Mall

workers from Hayward, Elmhurst, Grand Avenue and the East Bay Fill-Am churches are currently canvassing various areas of San Leandro. This effort is already proving fruitful; we already have requests for home bible study.

The prayers of the Hayward church family were truly appreciated by the evangelism series speakers, health message speakers, greeters and technical support staff.

Now is the time for all members to respond to God's call for laborers, the fields are ripe for harvest!

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JAIME JORGE & KELLY MOWRER IN HAYWARD MUSIC MINISTRY



Did you miss Kelly Mowrer or Jaime Jorge at the Hayward Adventist Church?

Jaime returns to the Bay Area mid-May.

Check his website: www.jaimejorge.com

To hear more of Kelly's music, buy CDs at:

www.morningsongestore.com



THOUGHTFUL MOMENTS WITH GOD

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR

BY PAUL PENNO, JR.

“The best devotional book for children is to read from the Bible.”

The idea of “relationship” falls short of the Biblical truth. It is not we who initiate a relationship with Christ, but He initiates such with us. (John 15:4, 5, 16; Luke 15:4-10).

A devotional program is not do-it-yourself “works”; the Holy Spirit does the wooing, we do the responding (Isaiah 50:4, 5; 30:21).

Tell your child that the Holy Spirit has already been given to him, for what Jesus says is true (John 14:16). Don’t take that “Comforter” away!

Assurance of salvation is not the issue in these last days; the true issue is the honor and vindication of Christ (Romans 3:3.4, 23, 24; 5:16-18; Revelation 14:6, 7; 19:6-8).

Many early morning problems will be automatically solved when we find something better to think about at night than the “late late show” (each new day begins at sunset! Genesis 1, etc.

However hurried or however late you are, pray unhurriedly with your children. Let them hear your voice; and don’t be afraid if sometimes the tears come.

Family worship in an atmosphere of resentment or impatience is a disaster. The solution is not to cut out the worship, but solve the problem. An unhurried prayer can be a brief one! God help us never to utter a thoughtless prayer. Think first.

The best devotional book for children is to read from the Bible. Take great care in what translation you use. Before you read any passage, be sure you see the Good News in it. If you don’t see it, you will very likely communicate Bad News in the way you read the pas-

sage, and that Bad News is the source of all our problems. The ancient Jews read the Bible with a *veil* over their heart and missed the Good News (2 Corinthians 3:14).



Don’t pray unnecessary prayers—they communicate legalism. Example: you don’t need to pray that the Lord will make the sun rise tomorrow. Neither need you ask Him to “help” little Junior be a good boy, etc. The Saviour is already helping him. The child desperately needs to learn the Good News and believe it, and then he *will be a good boy*.

Both parents should initiate and support family worship, but if only one wishes to pray with your child, do it. Never let the child get the impression that the uncooperating parent is “outside” the family of God, etc., but that he or she does not yet see its importance. In the thinking of the child, don’t draw a circle to shut the other spouse out, draw a circle to draw him or her in (Luke 15:1-4; Galatians 4:1-3).

If there is tension or disunity in your home, your greatest danger is that you unconsciously yield to the temptation of unbelief. Instead of blaming your spouse for your problems, get on your knees and ask the dear Lord to show you where you may be making the problem worse. Then be straight-forward, honest, and humble, even to the point of self being crucified with Christ. *A resurrection is sure to follow the cross, but you may not see it now.*



AMBASSADORS’ NEWS

MEN’S MINISTRIES

BY JAMES LEBLANC

“Wanted: Men of faith to help with God’s work.”

New Church Sign: Our long-awaited new church sign as arrived and will be erected soon! Did you notice it on our patio?

Wanted: Men of faith to help with God’s work! The vineyard is plentiful, but the laborers are very few. See Brother James for more information or email at jim_leblanc@mygrantglass.com

Ambassadors’ Sabbath

(Save this date!):

August 29, 2009

11am Worship Service

Guest Pastor: *Dexter Thomas*

Special Music: *Michael Harris*



August 29, 2009

Evening Concert

Ambassadors’ Second Anniversary

Celebration

Join us for this concert and celebration!

With recording artist

Michael J. Harris



Michael’s CD’s can be purchased at the ABC online at:

www.AdventistBookCenter.com

MY TESTIMONY

PRAYER MINISTRY

BY LAURA LOOBY

"What is impossible with men is possible with God." Luke: 18:27

In much pain and not walking very well, I had this catching sensation inside my hip, which made it very difficult to walk. The doctor said I needed surgery. I went to see a specialist, and the x-rays still didn't look good. I was told to use crutches, a walker, and a cane, which helped me quite a bit! I am thankful.

The orthopedic surgeon said that I had a very bad case of bursitis. The bursa sac was very swollen, which created all this pain. After a mega shot of cortisone, I was able to walk pain free. (God does direct us to use medicines he sees fit for us. Amen!) With tears in my eyes I turned to my husband and said, "Here, take the cane, I don't want it anymore!" I wanted to jump and leap for joy!

Then the Lord directed me again, this time to a wonderful physical therapist, who really respects my love for Jesus. I pray Jesus will touch her heart!

Please keep me in your prayers for the osteoporosis is pretty bad in my back/spine. However, I claim this promise, *"And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose."* Romans 8:28

My brother and sisters: In every thing give thanks and supplication, and make your requests be made known to God. Many people prayed for me and with me. I didn't know this but Jesus had other plans for me. No matter what, never stop serving Jesus. Never give up praying, and pray with others who ask for prayer. There is power in prayer!!!

I am the new Prayer Chain leader; so if you have a prayer request, submit it on our website Hayward.AdventistFaith.org.

"My grace is sufficient for thee; for my strength is made perfect in weakness. Most gladly therefore will I rather glory in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me... for when I am weak, then am I strong." 2 Corinthians 12: 9, 10

"There is power in prayer!"

VALENTINE'S BANQUET—FILIPINO STYLE!

MISSION SPOTLIGHT

BY ERNESTO AN

On February 14, 2009, our Sabbath School Tagalog class had our third fundraising event for our Pinoy church-building and medical mission trip in 2010. To build one church, we need at least \$5,000.



tarian meals were served, with fruits and cakes for dessert.

More than 100 people attended from different Bay Area churches. The highlight of the program was the closing video presentation which was "A Love Letter from God". Pastor Paul Penno led the benediction.

Brother Dennis Reed opened our Valentine's Day Banquet with prayer. Michael Camba was our emcee for family games and contests. Several talented individuals entertained us: Christian De La Paz, Maricel Tactay Bautista and Stephanie Cobarrubia, as well as special numbers by Brother Ignacio Lucero and the Grappone family. Pastor Paul Penno serenaded his wife Candice with the all time favorite, "When I Fall In Love" to everyone's delight. Vegetarian

A special thanks to Tammy and Gabriel Jimenez, the Thio family, Pastor Penno and to all who helped and participated. A garage sale, park food sale, and Christmas caroling are among the upcoming fundraising projects.

Let us continue to work hand in hand to finish God's work and to hasten His soon return!

"Pastor Paul Penno serenaded his wife..."

C.H.I.P HEALTH PROJECT

HEALTH MINISTRY

BY JUDITH VALDEZ

All over North America people are attending these life-transforming workshops. Their blood pressure drops, they lose excessive weight, and their hearts are turning to the LORD.

- C** stands for Coronary (Heart),
- H** stands for Health,
- I** stands for Improvement, and
- P** stands for Project.



The question is before us: Do we want *improvement* in our lifestyle? If we do, then we will diligently work together to make it happen.

Please call Church Office (510) 782-3422 if you want to be a blessing by impressing our community with God's laws of health.

An exciting time for training in this project is scheduled for April 25 - 26, 2009, at our Rocklin SDAC (near Sacramento). All aboard!

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Nothing but the Kingdom



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

SPOTLIGHT ON MEMBERSHIP



Welcome to our new, church-family members from baptisms, re-baptisms and transfers:

- **Joshua Barney:** Returning to the Hayward Church and active in Evangelism Committee, Youth Ministry, Junior/Earliten Sabbath School
- **Mary Britsch:** Transfer from the Spanish Adventist Church; you can find her smiling face at pot luck every Sabbath
- **Manuel Castillo:** Father of Deborah Grappone
- **Michael Canales:** Re-baptized and active as a Deacon, in Community Services and Disaster Preparedness,
- **Deborah Grappone:** Re-baptized and active as a Deaconess, on the Social Committee, in the Music Ministry, and Church Decorations Committee co-lead
- **Steve Grappone:** Re-baptized and active as a Deacon, the Communication Secretary, on the Social Committee, Junior/Earliten Sabbath School Committee, the Nominating Committee and active in the Music Ministry
- **Sala Hankins:** Welcome to the Hayward Adventist Church, Sala!
- **Lisa Kornsila:** Welcome to transfer, Lisa!
- **Barbara Kowall:** Active in local evangelism and one-on-one Bible studies
- **Naomi Leung:** Transfer from the Mountain View Japanese Adventist Church and active in Health Ministry
- **Alicia Lucero:** Re-baptized and active in the Music Ministry
- **Mark Olds:** A transfer and husband to Selma Olds
- **Janet Moawad:** You can find Janet running after her adorable son Peter!
- **Maylou S. Reyes:** Maylou can be found in the Filipino Sabbath School class and at pot luck
- **Deborah Ryan:** Re-baptised and is active as a Deaconess

FAREWELL TO MEMBERS

SPOTLIGHT ON MEMBERSHIP



Farewell to church family members who have moved, transferred or at rest in the Lord:

- **Sophie Kaiser:** Farewell to Sophie who has moved to Yountville
- **Keith Igarashi:** Transferring to the Santa Rosa Adventist Church, farewell!
- **Pepito Fabro:** At rest February 10, 2009. Rest in peace, Pepito.

NEW CHURCH WEBSITE

WEB MINISTRY

BY GWEN YEE CONDAP

Our new website is now up and running with **four new buttons** on the Main Menu:

- **Visitors:** Information and links for visitors to our church and website
- **Members:** Information and photo galleries just for our members
- **Adventist Media:** For links to 3ABN, Amazing Facts TV, Hope Channel, Quiet Moment Radio and more
- **Resources:** For the bookstore online, the Bible Gateway, Bible Studies, Adventist News and more

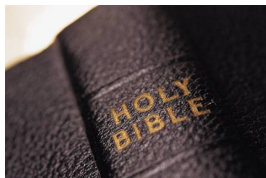
Come visit our new website!

<http://Hayward.AdventistFaith.org>



BIBLE READINGS FOR THE MONTH

A Website by
Brother Paul Lightfoot



www.bpo-1.com/Paul/ReadTheBible/Home.html