

GLENDALE CITY CHURCH of Seventh-day Adventists



September 12, 2026

WELCOME



Today at Glendale City Church

9:00AM (*Fellowship Hall*) - Come & enjoy a light breakfast with us at our Courtyard Café!

11:00AM (*Sanctuary*) - Worship with Pastor Uriel Herinirina.
The service can also be viewed online at:
youtube.com/glendalecitychurch.

SABBATH LIFE GROUPS

9:30AM (*Fellowship Hall*) - **Everyday Faith** with Rebecca Barceló both in-person and on Zoom.*
(Meeting ID 818-244-7241).

9:30AM (*Council Room*) - **The Living Project** support group meets weekly: "Telling My Story, Listening to Your Story. Living Our Story."

12:20PM
(*Fellowship Hall*) - **Open Table** will join the rest of the church in potluck this week in the Fellowship Hall at 12:30pm. Hope to see you there!

CITY KIDS PROGRAMMING: (12pm Pickup)

11:00AM (*Classroom 2*) - City Kids Children's Praise with music!

11:15AM (*Classroom 2*) - Children's Sabbath School

PREPARING

If you don't know the kind of person I am
and I don't know the kind of person you are
a pattern that others made may prevail in the world
and following the wrong god home we may miss our star.

For there is many a small betrayal in the mind,
a shrug that lets the fragile sequence break
sending with shouts the horrible errors of childhood
storming out to play through the broken dike.

And as elephants parade holding each elephant's tail,
but if one wanders the circus won't find the park,
I call it cruel and maybe the root of all cruelty
to know what occurs but not recognize the fact.

And so I appeal to a voice, to something shadowy,
a remote important region in all who talk:
though we could fool each other, we should consider—
lest the parade of our mutual life get lost in the dark.

For it is important that awake people be awake,
or a breaking line may discourage them back to sleep;
the signals we give — yes or no, or maybe —
should be clear: the darkness around us is deep.

WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude

Draw Us in the Spirit's Tether
(Union Seminary)
Charles Callahan

Sean O'Neal

Call to Worship

Rebecca Barceló

Almighty and ever living God,
ruler of all things in heaven and earth,
hear our prayers for this church family.
Holy God, for the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ
be present among us today as we seek you. Amen.

Hymn of Praise

When Morning Gilds the Skies

No. 43

Greeting and Prayers of the Congregation

Samuel Guerrero

Q&A with the Pastors

Uriel Herinirina / Rebecca Barceló

Worship in Song

He's Got the Whole World
in His Hands
arr. Moses Hogan

Christina Bristow

Prayer of Confession & Assurance of Grace

Doug Schultz

In Jesus, God offers us a mirror through which we begin to see ourselves as we truly are and as we ought to be. We look to Jesus, the perfect image of goodness and truth and pray to be transformed.

O Lord, hear our prayer.

For Jesus, there was no need to project an image of righteousness.

O God, open our eyes.

WORSHIP SERVICE

(Confession Continued)

In Christ we see absolute authenticity in personhood and in action.

O God, show us the truth about ourselves.

In Jesus there was no hint of self-deception, no reason to pretend to be perfect.

O God, illumine our inner being.

(A Moment of Silent Prayer)

In Christ there is authenticity, In Him there is healing, and freedom. People of God, I declare to you that your sins are forgiven, Be at peace.

Amen.

Scripture Reading

Matthew 18:15-20

Beth Johnston Taylor

"If your brother or sister sins against you, go and point out the fault when the two of you are alone. If you are listened to, you have regained that one. But if you are not listened to, take one or two others along with you, so that every word may be confirmed by the evidence of two or three witnesses.

If that person refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church, and if the offender refuses to listen even to the church, let such a one be to you as a gentile and a tax collector.

Truly I tell you, whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven. Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them."

Sermon

Why Church Matters

Uriel Herinirina

Offertory

Eternal Life (Prayer of St. Francis)"
by Olive Dungan

Christina Bristow

WORSHIP SERVICE

Hymn of Response

Lord of All Nations

No. 588

Benediction

Uriel Herinirina

Postlude

“O For a Thousand Tongues to Sing”
(Azmon)
by Emma Lou Diemer

Sean O’Neal



GETTING ACQUAINTED



Tony Biehl

Tony Biehl has always had a knack for defying expectations. Born just 20 minutes before New Year's, he jokes that while his parents may not have won any prizes, they did get a tax break. The youngest of four children—with two older brothers and an older sister—Tony's oldest brother is 14 years his senior. As a child, his sister-in-law delighted in introducing her four-year-old companion as her “brother-in-law.” These days, however, people tend to do a double-take when Tony is introduced as the “little brother,” having grown larger than all of his siblings.

Tony's path into computer science was not exactly straightforward. His first Computer Science class at Walla Walla College earned him a C, a grade he was grateful to receive given how confusing the subject initially seemed. But after being persuaded to work on a computer art project involving characters creating artwork, something suddenly clicked. Tony discovered not only that he understood computer science, but that he excelled at it. He went from earning Cs to As and eventually became the third Computer Science graduate from Pacific Union College.

After spending 11 years working in the computer industry, Tony returned to school to earn his master's degree and pursue a career in teaching. Today, he is the only member of his family with a college degree—and, as he proudly notes, a Professor of Computer Science to boot.

Tony has also loved writing fiction since his teenage years. Over the years, he has written numerous short stories and 12 novels, bringing his imagination and creativity to life through storytelling. After one published story failed to earn him its promised \$25, Tony decided to pursue self-publishing. After nearly 20 years of work, he is preparing to publish his *Gay Prophet* trilogy, with the first book soon to be available on Amazon.

OUR LIFE TOGETHER



Church Potluck - Today!

Join us for a church potluck today, around 12:30 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall! Bring a vegetarian dish to share if you can, and stay after the service to enjoy a meal, connect, and spend time chatting with our church community. We look forward to sharing lunch together!

Glendale Noon Concert - September 16

Join us for the next Glendale Noon Concert on Wednesday, September 16, from 12:10–12:40 p.m. in GCC's Sanctuary! This month's concert features Jacqueline Suzuki, violin, and Brendan White, piano, performing works by Wieniawski and Beethoven, including Wieniawski's *Légende* and Beethoven's *Violin Sonata No. 10 in G Major, Op. 96*. Take a midday break and come enjoy beautiful live music!

Hispanic Heritage Month: Sept. 15 – Oct. 15

Hispanic Heritage Month is a time to celebrate the rich histories, cultures, traditions, and contributions of Hispanic and Latin communities. At GCC, we'll be honoring Hispanic Heritage Month together on October 3rd in partnership with CODA*, celebrating the many ways Hispanic and Latin culture enriches our church, our city, and our wider community. Throughout the month, we also encourage you to explore and support cultural events happening throughout Glendale and the greater LA area. The City of Glendale's community calendar is a great place to find local arts, cultural, and community events.



OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Join the CROP Hunger Walk!

Help us take steps toward ending hunger! Join the Glendale City Church team for the CROP Hunger Walk on Sunday, October 25, or support our walkers with a donation.

Scan the QR code to join the team or donate.
Every step and every gift makes a difference!

Where: Incarnation Catholic Church
1001 N. Brand Blvd., Glendale



OUR LIFE TOGETHER



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INSPIRING MEMBERS TO IMPACT THEIR COMMUNITIES

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PREACHING SCHEDULE

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Dr. Zdravko Plantak

September 26
Pr. Branden Stoltz



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