

A stylized illustration of two palm trees with long, thin trunks and large, feathery fronds. Two small birds are flying in the upper right. The background is a light yellow gradient.

# Mesa + Palms

*Seventh-day Adventist Church*

*Planting eternity in the hearts of all who come.*



June 3, 2023

# Church Life

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## CALENDAR

### Today:

Tuesday: Bulletin deadline

### Friday:

Sabbath, June 10

Offering: NAD Women's Ministries

Sunset 7:33 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

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Speaker: Don Jaqua

Elder on Duty: Ron Gorton

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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**A warm welcome** to all of our visitors here today. We are blessed by your presence and hope that you are blessed too.

**2023 Camp Meeting June 9–17:** Join the Arizona Conference at Camp Yavapines June 9-17. Speakers include Dick Duerksen, Minervino Labrador, Ivan Blake, Karl Wagner, and Jac Colón. Special Guest Musicians include Jennifer LaMountain and Charles Haugabrooks. There is programming for all ages for the entirety of the event.

**Volunteers needed for VBS.** Many opportunities for all ages, talents, and skills. Dates are July 17–22, 2023, 6:00–8:00 p.m. Volunteers needed: Station leaders—5–10 (1 or 2 per station); Snacks providers and servers; Crafts helpers; Bible storytellers; Games coordinators; Prayer; Music team (2–4); Registration (1–2); AV (1–2). See Carmen Mitchum for more information and to offer your help. **VBS Volunteers: please meet after church today—really! Lunch will be provided.**

**The CAAFA needs** for June & July: Back to School—Backpacks, journals, pencils, notebooks, three-ring binders, paper, calculators, glue, scissors, crayons, two-pocket folders.

**Check out** the new books in the library! Some great reads there.

*"Every human being is the object of loving interest to Him who gave His life that He might bring men back to God. Souls guilty and helpless, liable to be destroyed by the arts and snares of Satan, are cared for as a shepherd cares for the sheep of his flock."*

*The Ministry of Healing, p. 162*

# Welcome to Worship

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## SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES

Cradle Roll/Kindergarten		Nancy Baker
Primary		Carmen Mitchum
Junior		Elizabeth Nyakondo
Youth		<i>This ministry needs to be filled!</i>
Adult 1	<i>Sanctuary</i>	Pastor Buursma
Adult 2	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>	Don & Randy
Adult 3	<i>Last classroom in NE hall</i>	Charles Nyakondo

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## CHURCH SERVICE

Prelude		Alice Ray
Invocation		Ron Gorton
Welcome & Announcements		Ron Gorton
Meet and Greet		Congregation
Worship in Giving	<i>Church Budget</i>	Ron Gorton
Worship in Singing		Joline & Friends
Garden of Prayer		Don Jaqua
Children's Story		Francis Obaigwa
Special Music		Carmen Mitchum
Scripture Reading	<i>Romans 8:28</i>	Seth Woolsey
Sermon	<i>Choices</i>	Robert Higginbotham
Closing Hymn	<i>Side by Side</i>	Joline & Friends
Benediction		Robert Higginbotham
Postlude		Alice Ray

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Stay Grounded



## You Are Needed!

Everybody needs somebody! Remember—"People who need people are the luckiest people in the world"? We all need someone else, and we're not "lucky," we're designed that way by our Creator. Not only do we need other people, but we also need God. And dare we say—God needs us? "Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." Jesus wants us, needs us to come to Him, to remain in Him, to bring Him glory. "Everyone who is called by my name, whom I created for my glory, whom I formed and made." People who hold back, keep aloof from others may think they are protecting themselves from hurt, but deep inside, they are lonely. We're made to be social creatures. You need the church family, and the church family needs you!

With love from your Women's Ministries.

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**AED-CPR Class** will be held June 14 from 6:00–7:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall. This is a non-accredited class, but will teach you what to do in case of an emergency. Please RSVP to Larry Popplewell or sign up on the sheet in the foyer.

**Youth for Truth Kick-off, June 3:** The Paradise Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church and the Liberty and Health Alliance are sponsoring the Youth for Truth kick-off events this Sabbath at the Paradise Vally Church. First event will take place during the Church Service at 11:00 a.m. with Scott Ritsema and Ron Meinhardt, and then the second event will take place at 6:30 p.m.

**Youth for Truth, Youth Medical Missionary Outreach Training Program, June 5–July 8:** The Liberty and Health Alliance is sponsoring a four-week health and gospel evangelism outreach for youth ages 16–25 in Phoenix this summer. The event will culminate with the MegaClinic at the Phoenix Convention Center July 4–9. For more information visit [www.libertyandhealth.org](http://www.libertyandhealth.org).

### FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN ALL AREAS OF PRISON

**MINISTRY:** Byron West, Pacific Union Coordinator for Correctional Ministries, will be speaking during camp meeting on Sabbath, June 17 in the Alaska Room by the cafeteria from 5:30 p.m. to 6:15 p.m. Come with your questions and listen to the important information that will be provided.

**Women's Ministries 2nd Annual The Gathering, July 29:** The Arizona Conference Women's Ministry Department is presenting their 2nd Annual "The Gathering: Experience Hope in our Hectic World" on July 29 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Thunderbird Adventist Academy. The event features Keynote Speaker Pastor Crystal Ward and a whole line up of breakout sessions and seminars. For more information go to <http://www.azadventistwomen.org/events.html>

