

A stylized illustration of two palm trees in grey, with three birds flying in the sky above them.

# Mesa + Palms

*Seventh-day Adventist Church*

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



November 25, 2023

# Church Life

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## CALENDAR

### Today:

Tuesday: Bulletin deadline

### Friday:

Sabbath, Dec. 2

Offering: Church Budget

Fellowship meal • Pathfinders/Adventurers

Sunset 5:21 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

Sunset 5:20 p.m.

Speaker: Pastor Vince

Elder on Duty: Don Jaqua

After church

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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.

**Membership transfers—Second Reading:** Margaret Victor & Simon Victor—From Gurnee SDA Church, Gurnee, IL, to Mesa Palms

**Health Ministries Leader—Second Reading:** Ellen Tryon

**The CAAFA needs for October, November, & December: holiday giving.** Toys and games, holiday gifts, gift cards, socks, underwear, warm clothing, holiday food baskets (contact for details), gift wrap, and scotch tape.

**If you're looking** for a good read, be sure to visit the library. There are lots of great books to choose from—old and new. There is a great variety—EGW books, theological/inspirational, SDA history, mission stories, Christian novels, Bible character stories, and many more. DVDs are available, too. Also, there are many great magazines and other reading material in the foyer to enjoy. If you don't get the *Adventist Review*, there are always several issues of that magazine on the spinner.

*"God desires His people to prepare for the soon-coming crisis. Prepared or unprepared, they must all meet it; and those only who have brought their lives into conformity to the divine standard, will stand firm at that time of test and trial. When secular rulers unite with ministers of religion to dictate in matters of conscience, then it will be seen who really fear and serve God. When the darkness is deepest, the light of a godlike character will shine the brightest. When every other trust fails, then it will be seen who have an abiding trust in Jehovah." Acts of the Apostles, p. 431*

# 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>	Sharon Judd

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## CHURCH SERVICE

### GOD GATHERS

Prelude		Alice Ray
Invocation, Welcome, & Announcements		Don Jaqua
Meet and Greet		Congregation
Children's Story		Robert Higginbotham

### PEOPLE SURRENDER

Worship in Giving	<i>AZ Elementary Education</i>	Don Jaqua
Worship in Singing		MP4
Garden of Prayer		Ron Gorton

### GOD SPEAKS

Special Music		
Scripture Reading	<i>1 Thessalonians 5:16-18</i>	Miya Kaingwa
Sermon	<i>Trusting God in Dark Times</i>	Willie Shamabanse

### PEOPLE RESPOND

Closing Song	<i>It Is Well With My Soul</i>	MP4
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### GOD SENDS

Benediction		Willie Shamabanse
Postlude		Alice Ray

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Thank God for His peace

"Thanksgiving  
was never  
meant to be  
shut up in a  
single day."  
Robert Caspar  
Lintner

With love from your  
Women's Ministries



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