

Hello friends! Here's the latest updates and announcements:

#### RECAP OF RECENT EVENTS:

- **WOMEN'S RESTAURANT SOCIAL:** Ten of us adventurous ladies enjoyed a lovely (and yummy) evening at Sunny Thai restaurant last Saturday night. The menu options were plentiful for those of us vegetarians, the portions were LARGE, and the flavors did not disappoint! I personally recommend the mango smoothy with coconut milk! Sunny Thai may be my new go-to restaurant in Arlington.

Our next adventure will be on April 29 at 8:00pm. We'll meet for dessert at Morgan's Ice Cream in Burleson.

- **CLOSET CLEAN UP:** Thanks to all who donated their time and energy to this project. We debrided A LOT of old, broken, outdated, unused stuff and the closets we tackled have never looked better! There are still some areas in need of some TLC, so we may be doing this again.

#### THIS SABBATH:

- It's the first Sabbath of the month this week, and that means BREAKFAST WITH THE FAMILY from 9:15-10:00. Make your morning less stressful and come enjoy breakfast on us and some time to fellowship together.



- Pastor Kevin will be bringing us the Message of Hope
- The offering emphasis is for the Local Church Budget

March 2, 2024

## Sabbath Offering

Local Church

God took it upon Himself to provide Joshua with the wisdom to be the leader that Israel needed at that moment. We too have been given the privilege of supporting the work of God at a local level. Our offering today will go to support our local church budget. As we collect our offering today, consider how you can best steward all of the resources that God has blessed you with!

### CTA MISSION TRIP SUPPLY DRIVE:

You only have a couple of days left to donate supplies to Chisholm Trail Academy's mission trip to Cuba. The flyer says to drop donations off by Thursday, but when I went by yesterday, I was told that could be extended to Friday morning if needed. See the flyer for details.



### Mission Trip supply drive

The Mission Trip this year with CTA is going to Cuba. We are collecting multi-vitamins, over the counter medicine, personal hygiene items, toothbrush and toothpaste and suitcases.

We also would like to take school supplies like pens and pencils and crayons etc...

Of course your monetary donations are always welcome

For more information, call  
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# CTA Cuba Trip suitcase Drive

Donation Drop-off Hours

**Monday-Thursday**

**11:00 AM – 4:00 PM**

**Chisholm Trail Academy**

**(817) 641-6626**

### POWER WEEKEND:

In less than a month we will have a **very special** Power Weekend with guest speaker Dr. Roy Gane from Andrews University. I included his bio in last week's letter in case you missed it. Pastor Gane will present a total of four sessions on the topic of "Christ's Sanctuary and Your Salvation." You can see the schedule details in the graphic below. We have invited all of the area SDA churches and encourage you to invite your family and friends as we take a deep dive into earthly and heavenly sanctuaries.

# POWER WEEKEND

## "Christ's Sanctuary and Your Salvation"

with Dr. Roy Gane

### March 22

6:00 - Supper provided

7:00 - "Why Study About the Sanctuary?"

### March 23

11:00 - "The Drama of Ages"

1:00 - Lunch provided

2:00 - Righteousness and Peace Have Kissed (includes Q&A)

7:00 - "The Hour of His Judgement Has (Already) Come"

8:00 - Refreshments provided



Professor of Hebrew Bible and Ancient Near Eastern Languages at the SDA Theological Seminary, Andrews University

### SWAU ALUMNI GOLF CLASSIC:

ATTENTION GOLFERS AND FRIENDS: Southwestern Adventist University welcomes you to join with us for our 25<sup>th</sup> annual Alumni Golf Classic will be held Friday, April 12, at Southern Oaks Golf and Tennis Club here in Burleson. Burleson church members are invited to join us in this fun event as a golfer or sponsor.

All sponsorship money contributes to our "First in Family Scholarship Fund" which benefits our students who are the first in their family to attend college. This extra money is most welcome during their junior and senior years as they continue on to graduation.

The tournament is played in a best ball format thus allowing all players to have a fun experience with friends. For more information on playing and giving opportunities contact Tom Bunch, 817-437-0628, [buncht@swau.edu](mailto:buncht@swau.edu).

In closing, I'd like to invite you once again to attend our **TUESDAY NIGHT PRAYER MEETINGS**. This is a weekly conference call meeting that you can conveniently attend from home by calling (817) 916-8035 and entering 641-8438#. We begin at 8pm (and go for about 45 min) with a short devotional, then take turns offering prayers of praise, petition (for our school, our church, our community, etc.) and thanksgiving. You can pray as much or as little as you are comfortable doing, or just listen and pray in your heart. This is not a time of eloquent prayers, but a chance to claim promises like Matthew 18:19-20, Mark 11:24, and Romans 8:26. Will you consider becoming a prayer warrior as we put on the full armor of God, knowing that prayer is essential in this ongoing warfare? "Pray always. Pray in the Spirit. Pray about everything in every way you know how! And keeping all this in mind, pray on behalf of God's people. Keep on praying feverishly, and be on the lookout until evil has been stayed." Ephesians 6:18 *The Voice*  
God be with you, friends. ~Liz~





# Call out for grace in any hour.



GraceNotes

When warm light floods the living room and laughter visits along with friends, we bless the grace of God for making all our good days better.

But when the rain slants heavily across our midnight loneliness, is grace still real? Is God still good?

The greatest saints this world has known are full unanimous on this: God's grace is undiminished by the dark, the cold, the prison cell, the illness and the tears.

For just such hours and just such years the witness of God's Word is clear: "He reached down from heaven and rescued me; He drew me out of deep waters. He rescued me from my powerful enemies, from those who hated me and were too strong for me" (Psa 18.16-17) "The Lord's arm is not too weak to save you, nor is His ear too deaf to hear you call" (Isa.59.1).

Yes, grace is justly celebrated when harmonies rise heavenward, and massive choirs proclaim the beauty of redemption. But grace is even better known when tearful, solo saints exclaim: "From the depths of despair, O Lord, I call for Your help. Hear my cry, O Lord. Pay attention to my prayer" (Psa 130:1-2).

Call out for grace in any hour. God hears your voice: it doesn't take a choir.

And stay in grace.

—Bill Knott

## FUNNIES:

- Penguins produce an oil that helps their feathers retain heat. So, the oily bird gets the warm.
- Why can pirates never finish the alphabet? Because they always get lost at C.
- What do you call a sleepy relative? Nap-kin.
- I lost my three fingers on my right hand, so I asked my doctor if I would still be able to write with it. "Maybe," he said. "But I wouldn't count on it."
- How do you keep a person in suspense? I'll tell you tomorrow...