



EXPECTATIONS

News from the Garden Grove United Methodist Church
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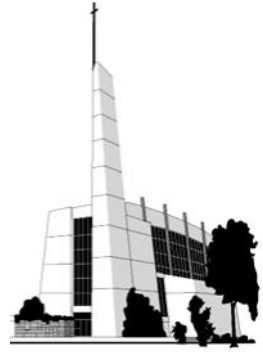
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February 2025

Preparing
FOR
Easter

ASH WEDNESDAY

Ash Wednesday is Wednesday, March 5th! More information to follow, so keep a look out in the weekly updates!

Easter at GGUMC

Easter information for this year will be coming soon! Keep a look out in the weekly updates and Expectations for updates.

EASTER LILIES

Easter Lily Order Forms will be available Sunday, March 9th! This year, you may order lilies, spring flowers, or make a donation to GGUMC in lieu of flowers. The deadline to order flowers will be Sunday, March 23rd.

SPRING CONCERT

Come celebrate the joy and love of Jesus through music at Garden Grove United Methodist Church's Spring Concert: "Sing a Joyful Noise!" Saturday, May 17th in the Sanctuary. Our Chancel Choir will perform an inspiring selection of songs across various styles, filling the evening with harmony, faith, and community. Join us for a night of uplifting music that celebrates the blessings in our lives! Reception in Acker hall to follow.





February 1st
Stacey Beard

February 6th
Eketoni Tosi
Jon Whitford

February 7th
Gary Hickman

February 11th
Mackenna Doser

February 12th
David Gregory
Sharon Rice

February 14th
James Gray

February 15th
Rachel Beard

February 20th
Jennifer Newsome

February 22nd
Christina French
Janine Ryder



March 2nd
Norberto Guinaldo

March 4th
Neil Cole

March 5th
Mitzie Larson
Edward Paap
Jeannie Quental

March 9th
Katie Spangler

March 10th
Lisa Hickman

March 12th
Jim Farley

March 13th
Chris Kramer

March 14th
Eric Ryder
Donna Winchester

March 15th
Jay Clark
Bob Wislocki

March 17th
Robert Stoneham

March 18th
Ian Joseph Hensley

March 19th
Joyce Oleson

March 20th
Bill Hoffman

March 21st
Susan Semotan

March 22nd
Julie Hensley

March 24th
Diane Farley

March 25th
Joan Clark

March 27th
Jennifer M^cCart-Karlovich

March 28th
Etuale Bobo Tuileta

March 31st
Sue Spangler
Catherine Vu

A Very Special *“Happy Birthday”* this month to **Robert** will be **104** on the **17th**! Here are their addresses if you would like to send them a special greeting: **Robert’s** is 6042 Killarney Ave, Garden Grove, CA 92845-2728.

Deaths



IN THE CHURCH FAMILY



Former member of GGUMC, Remedios “Remy” Gambito, gently entered her Heavenly Home on December 14th, 2024. Remy was born in the Philippines and lived a full and complete life as a registered nurse/nurse anesthetist for 50+ years and was a long-time faithful member of GGUMC and participated in many fellowship activities. Cards to the family can be sent to:

The Gambito Family
31932 Manzanita Lane
Lake Elsinore, CA 92532-2612

Celebrating the life of **Robert F. Nease**



JUNE 4, 1931 - JANUARY 2, 2025

**Saturday, March 22, 2025
At 10:30 AM**

Garden Grove United Methodist Church
12741 Main Street, Garden Grove

Lunch Reception to Follow by RSVP
1801 Private Events | 1801 E Katella Avenue, Suite 1001, Anaheim

Resp Details

Please RSVP by March 1, 2025

To Katie Cawelti (Bob's Granddaughter)
at 714-606-7218 or katie@curtpringle.com

Tribute Details

Do you have a memory, photos, stories, or videos
you'd like to share with the family?

If so, please send them to Bob Nease, Jr.
at rfnease@gmail.com

In lieu of flowers, please consider giving to the
Anaheim Family YMCA Capital Campaign at
<https://www.anaheimymca.org/donate/>
or the Garden Grove United Methodist Church

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Dale Batesole has moved! Please update his address for your records, or send him a letter to say hello!

Dale Batesole
P.O. Box 185
16320 Tish-A-Tang Rd.
Lower Lake, CA 95457



LOVE

Love is *patient*,
love is *kind*.
It does not *envy*,
it does not *boast*,
it is not *proud*.

1 Corinthians 13:4



Pastor Lui will be in Switzerland from March 21st - March 30th. Rev. Ginny Wheeler will be preaching for us on March 23rd! Don't miss it!



Weekly Facility User Schedule

<https://www.ggumc.net/wp-content/uploads/2025/01/Facility-Rental-USER-SCHEDULE-2025.pdf>



George Teepe, the gentleman who designed and handcrafted our stain glass windows, came by to check on them! He was so impressed with how well we've cared for them and is so happy our church is still here and growing strong.



From the South District: If you have not yet seen it, this is a story with information and details about how churches in our conference are doing as these fires burn, and most importantly, how we can help. **Please read here:** <https://www.umnews.org/en/news/united-methodists-see-loss-offer-relief-as-wildfires-rage>

****Please DO NOT send anything to the church office! Please send any donations to the addresses that the South District has posted DIRECTLY.**

Temporary Road Closures for Upcoming Disneyland Half Marathon

The annual runDisney event, the Disneyland Half Marathon, takes place on Sunday, February 2, 2025. **Please note the following road closures in Garden Grove:**

- 9th Street, from Orangewood Avenue to Chapman Avenue
- Chapman Avenue to Euclid Street
- Euclid Street to Garden Grove Boulevard
- Garden Grove Boulevard to Harbor Boulevard
- Harbor Boulevard to Chapman Avenue
- Chapman Avenue to 9th Street

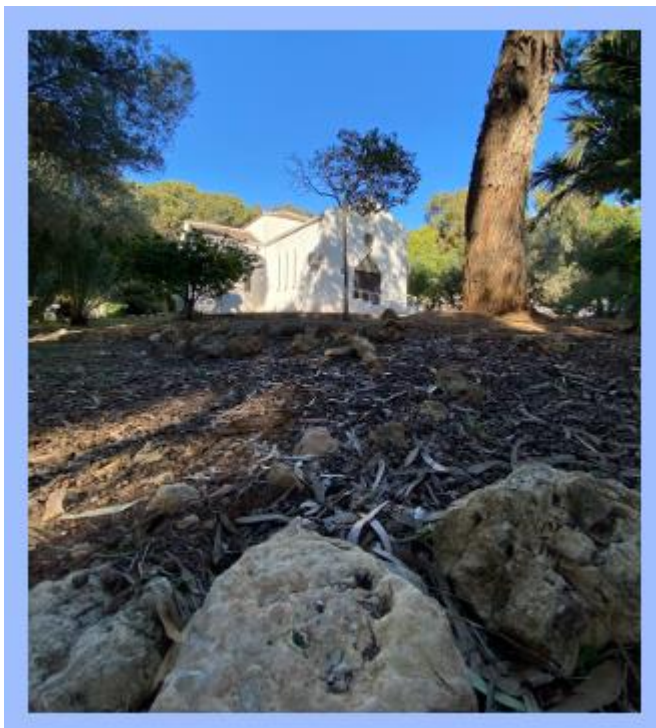
United Women in Faith



During our November meeting UWF members held their first Mini Tree Decorating Event!

Nine trees were donated and decorated. The trees were offered in raffle to the congregation with contributions going toward UWF Mission Funds. We had great participation and very happy winners! During our December meeting we held a Christmas Cookie Exchange and Sue S. and Sally H. led a beautiful Christmas program.

MISSIONS UPDATES



A note from Krista Givens:

“As I conclude my service with the GBGM and re-enter the California-Pacific Annual Conference, I encourage you to continue your support of GBGM Missionaries. May I suggest that you continue your support of **La Siesta Evangelical Church** by supporting their new Missionary pastor. I suggest you visit [Global Missionaries - Global Ministries](#) so that you will be aware when the announcement is made.

Thank you for your financial and prayerful support during this three-year term of service. Your encouragement has made an impact of my service in ministry with the wonderful people of La Siesta Evangelical Church in Torrevieja, Spain

Expectations



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Outside Renters –
Acker Hall 8AM-
11PM

Samoa Ministry –
Lounge 8AM-3PM

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Disney
Marathon Street
Closures in
Garden Grove

Trinity Circle –
Lounge 9:30AM

Trustees
Meeting –
Lounge 5PM

Outside Renter –
Acker Hall 10AM -
11PM

Sanctuary – Funeral
9AM-4PM

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SPRC meeting –
5PM

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Worship
Commission
Meeting 11AM

UWF Meeting –
Lounge 5PM

Outside Renter –
Acker Hall 9AM-
11PM

Sanctuary – Wedding
9AM-1PM

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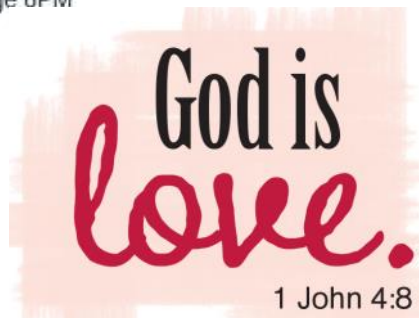
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Finance meeting
– Lounge 6PM



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Church Staff

The ministers of this Church are its members. They are assisted by:

Bishop.....Dottie Escobedo-Frank
District Superintendent.....Rev. Luis Garcia
Clergy..... Lui Tran, Yong Sam Park, Toné Tosi, Khuong Chau
Minister of Youth/Young Adult Ministries....Zi Nghiem
Administrative Assistant.....Sonia Guerrero
Director of Youth/Children Choirs Sally Hickman
Financial Bookkeeper..... Linda Gregory

Missionary to CambodiaRev. Andrew Lee
Missionary to Greece..... Rebecca Swartz
Vietnamese Administrative Asst.Phuong Dinh
Organist/Pianist..... Liz Nguyen
Music DirectorMichael Ortiz
Wedding Coordinator Mitzie Larson
Membership Secretary Donna Gregg



Wesley Village

The clinic is open Tuesdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Fridays 9:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., and Saturdays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m. The phone number to call for appointments is 714-633-4600. *They have moved to the first floor of the Wesley Village Family Building on Acacia.*



Online giving is available at:

<https://www.simplechurchgiving.net/app/giving/ggumc>

Detailed information about Online Giving is available at:

<https://www.ggumc.net/online-giving/>

Direct any Online Giving support issues to linda@ggumc.net

The GGUMC website is under construction. The latest sermons and news, are always available at:

<https://www.facebook.com/GardenGroveUnitedMethodistChurch/>

Link for Live Sunday Services:

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Do you have an article or information you would like to add to our next expectations? You can send that information to the Church Office email at ggumc@ggumc.net. Sonia will confirm that she received it and ensure that it gets in the next newsletter!

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DATED MATERIAL 2/1/2025

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WORSHIP SCHEDULE

10:00 a.m. English Worship-Sanctuary
9:30 a.m. Samoan Worship-Chapel
11:30 a.m. Korean Worship-Sanctuary
11:30 a.m. Vietnamese Worship-Chapel
2:30 p.m. Spanish Worship-Sanctuary

**TURN IN
YOUR ARTICLES
EARLY!**

DEADLINE FOR NEWSLETTER ARTICLES IS

Thursday, February 27th

The *Expectations* deadline for the March issue (to be mailed on Friday, February 28th) is Thursday, February 27th. News and Events for March and April should be in this issue. You may E-mail articles to ggumc@ggumc.net, bring them to the Church Office, mail them, or (if they are short) call them in, on or before the deadline.

Sonia Guerrero,
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