

# *As We Come to You in Prayer*

Now, Dear Lord, as we pray,

Take our hearts and minds far away,

From the press of the world all around,

To Your throne where grace does abound.

May our lives be transformed by Your love;

May our souls be refreshed from above.

At this moment, let people everywhere

Join us now as we come to You in prayer.

Hear our prayer, O Lord, Hear our prayer, O Lord.

Incline Thine ear to us, and grant us Thy peace.

Transfer Out: Second Reading  
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## *Paradise Seventh-day Adventist Church*

### *Our Mission*

*To proclaim the everlasting gospel,  
To reflect God's character in our lives,  
To prepare a people for the soon return of Jesus!*

*December 26, 2015*

# The Church at Study

9:15 a.m.

<i>Song Service</i>		<i>Choristers</i>
<i>Theme Song</i>	<i>"Be Still My Soul" (#461)</i>	<i>Choristers</i>
<i>Welcome</i>		<i>Jennie Neri</i>
<i>Scripture and Prayer</i>		<i>Pastor Peter Neri</i>

*13th Sabbath Lower Division Program*

*Cradle Roll, Kindergarten, Primary and Juniors*

*Mission Offering*    ***Southern African-Indian Ocean Division***

<i>Introduction of Teachers</i>		<i>Jennie Neri</i>
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<i>Class Study</i>	<i>"Lessons from Jeremiah"</i>	<i>Individual Classes</i>
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## *Sabbath School Classes*

Head Elder Larry Pedrodalasol	Adult Quarterly	Sanctuary
Deacon Greg Isaak	Adult Quarterly	Library
Elder Ron Mackey	Adult Quarterly	Fellowship Hall
Stephanie Bedker	Young Adults	Classroom 2
Ron Greenwood	New Members Class	Classroom 3
Siolo Leena	Samoan Class	Assoc. Pastor's Office
Jim Jusits	Prophecy Seminar	Classroom 4

# The Divine Worship

11:00 a.m.

<i>Announcements</i>		<i>Pastor Peter Neri</i>
<i>Hymns of Praise</i>		<i>Choristers</i>
<i>Call to Worship**</i>		<i>Kia Taalo</i>
<i>Invocation **</i>		<i>Kia Taalo</i>
<i>Opening Hymn</i>	<i>"Joy to the World"</i>	<i>No. 125</i>
<i>Introduction of Candidates</i>		<i>Pastor Neri &amp; Pastor Neat</i>
<i>Children's Story</i>		<i>Sylvana Randriamialison</i>

## BAPTISMS

<i>Offering</i>	<i>Conference Advance</i>	<i>Deacon Austin Stojanovich</i>
<i>Garden of Prayer**</i>		<i>Paul Ratsara</i>
<i>Scripture</i>	<i>Psalms 103:1-5</i>	<i>Alyson Malaesilla</i>
<i>Special Music**</i>		<i>Mary Neri &amp; Toni Neri</i>
<i>Message</i>	<i>"Count Your Blessings...More to Come"</i>	<i>Elder Paul Ratsara</i>
<i>Closing Hymn</i>	<i>"Great Is Thy Faithfulness"</i>	<i>No. 100</i>
<i>Closing Prayer</i>		<i>Pastor Peter Neri</i>

*Guitarists: D'Mariae Banks and Jeff Cruz*

**\*\* PLEASE! Do Not enter or leave the Sanctuary during these special moments in the worship service!**

**We appreciate your refraining from applauding during worship service. A hearty "Amen" would be appropriate.**

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**December 26, 2015**

**Sunset Today: ~ 4:34 p.m.**

**Sunset Friday, January 1, 2016: ~ 4:36 p.m.**

### PRAYER WARRIORS

Today's Prayer Warriors: Youth Class  
Prayer Warriors January 2: Primary Class

### WEEKLY GROUPS AND STUDIES

Homeless Ministry: We will resume on January 2.

Women's Prayer Group: Monday mornings at 10:00 a.m.  
at the home of Jean Gaddy.

Day of Fasting and Prayer: 6:00 - 7:00 a.m., 12:00 - 1:00 p.m.,  
6:30 - 7:00 p.m. each Wednesday.

Prayer Meeting: Wednesdays from 7:00 - 8:15 p.m. A study of  
the Minor Prophets.

Children's Choir Practice: Is on hiatus until January 16.

Bible Studies: Each Friday evening at 7:00 p.m. We will be studying  
the "Acts of the Apostles".

Youth Vespers: Fridays at 7:00 p.m.

Sonshine Singers: 2nd, 4th, and 5th Sabbath 1:00 p.m.

Vespers: VESPERS this afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

### PRAYER LIST

Ira Smith, Doug Wong, Lizeth Olmeda, Neil Montoya, Donna Stark,  
Kenneth Jones, Avery Simon, and the Marlene Simon family.

### DAY OF FASTING AND PRAYER

The weekly Day of Fasting and Prayer is practiced each Wednesday.  
The prayer times at the church are 6:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m., and 6:30 p.m.  
**Please call in your prayer requests before Wednesday.** Contact  
the church office at (702) 433-4703 or email to: [info@paradisesda.org](mailto:info@paradisesda.org).  
You may also contact Pastor Neri by text, or call at (702) 449-0962.

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

### CONGRATULATIONS EXTENDED

Congratulations extended to Elizabeth, Haley, and Ethan King,  
Stanley Sampson, Norma Villarreal-Rodriguez, Eyouel Bekele and  
Tigist Gudeta, Lindy Morales-Garcia, and William Centeno who are being  
baptized this morning. Welcome to the Paradise Church family!

### A WELCOME TO OUR GUEST SPEAKER

Our speaker today will be Elder Paul Ratsara. He is the President  
of the Southern African-Indian Ocean Division and Mary Neri's  
father. We also welcome Elder Ratsara's wife, his two sons,  
Pastor Moises and Paul and their wives, Amy and Anouchka,  
respectively. Welcome to Paradise Church! :)

There will also be **VESPERS this afternoon at 3:30 p.m.** Our  
speaker will be Pastor Moises Ratsara, who is a pastor in the Michigan  
conference and brother to Mary Neri. The Vespers topic is: Leviticus  
and the Holiday Season". Please plan to attend. It will be a blessing!

### LUNCHESES FOR VISITORS

There will be a sack lunch provided for all of our **OUT-OF TOWN  
VISITORS ONLY** at the table to the right of the sanctuary.

### SABBATH SCHOOL SECRETARY AND ASSISTANTS

There will be a short meeting in the library today immediately  
following the worship service.

### PRAYER MEETING

There will be NO Prayer meeting on Wednesday, December 30.

### "ACTS OF THE APOSTLES"

There WILL be a study this Friday, January 1, 2016, at 7:00 p.m..

### AGAPE FEAST AND COMMUNION

We will celebrate the end of 2015 with Communion and an Agape  
Feast on December 31 at 6:30 p.m. (see insert)

### "BOOK-at-a-TIME BIBLE READING PLAN

This outline is available at the Greeters stations.

### UPCOMING EVENTS

January 2	Homeless Ministry Resumes
January 9, 16, & 23	Vespers-New video series by Ed Reid on Pope Francis' visit to the U.S.
January 30	Home Hospitality Sabbath