



# Connections

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**Submit a Prayer Request**  
227-6829 (Andrew LiVolsi) for  
9am prayer group

357-4401 (Evelyn Baxter): for  
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## **Pastor's Greeting: 10 Days of Prayer**

Dear Anderson Church Family,

After Jesus ascended to heaven, His disciples had 10 days of prayer in the Upper Room before beginning their mission. They prayed, worshipped, were open to the infilling of the Holy Spirit and went forth with Christ's mission imbued with power afterwards (see Acts 1-2). It is our goal to do the same from September 9-19 (before we have our Vision Quest Sessions beginning September 20 – where we will be asking God to help us articulate our mission). Prayer is the first step and so daily devotional guides are provided along with opportunities for united prayer.

### **Here is how you can participate:**

1. Pick up a packet in the foyer just outside of the sanctuary double doors.
2. Follow the schedule for each day at your home
3. If you want to pray in a group setting, then join our prayer group at the Church EACH morning at 7AM. We will meet in the Library Classroom daily at 7am and on Sabbath mornings at 9am.
4. If you cannot make it to the 7AM prayer time in person, then call our tele-conference number at 1-605-475-5900 (long distance does apply), insert the access code 1789547 followed by the # sign. You will be asked to state your name before entering the group.
5. Once you have participated in person, by phone or at home on your own, then take time in the evening at 7pm to do the "Intercession Focus" at the bottom of each page again. This way we will have had a 7am and 7pm connection time with Heaven.

As we progress day by day, may the Lord send Showers of Blessing, precious reviving again—"over the hills and the valleys, sound of abundance of Rain!" May the Holy Spirit rain down on all of us as we seek the Lord in prayer in order to fulfill His purpose in our area, at this time!

Staying connected with you & Christ—**Pastor Miller.**

## A Pleasant & Positive Testimony (by Jac Colon & Elden Walter)

Colon and Walter suggest three tips for presenting a pleasant and positive testimony:

1. Practice your personal witness for Christ until it becomes a part of you.
2. Give your personal testimony in a clear concise and coherent manner.
3. Pray that your face will radiate Christian faith and let your smiles speak the language of heaven.

"Restore to me the joy of your salvation and grant me a willing spirit, to sustain me. Then I will teach transgressors your ways, and sinners will turn back to you." Psalm 51:12,13

"In Christ is the tenderness of the shepherd, the affection of the parent, and the matchless grace of the compassionate Saviour. His blessings He presents in the most alluring terms. He is not content merely to announce these blessings; He presents them in the most attractive way, to excite a desire to possess them. So His servants are to present the riches of the glory of the unspeakable Gift. The wonderful love of Christ will melt and subdue hearts, when the mere reiteration of doctrines would accomplish nothing." DA826      —**Next week:** Things to avoid in a winning testimony.

## Anderson Connections (please see your bulletin for more announcements)

**Church Health Assessment:** If you need assistance in doing the survey, then feel free to contact the Office or the Pastor. The “due-date” for this is September 15.

**10 Days of Prayer:** September 9-19. Devotional guides will be provided and a prayer line.

**Prayer Send-Off**—For Joe Pasamonte during the worship service & fellowship meal.

**Vision Quest 2014:** Sabbath afternoons @ 2pm (Sept. 20 & 27 and October 4 & 11).

**Roof / Solar:** Continue your support by marking your tithe envelope “Roof and Solar”.

## Area & NCC Happenings

**Northern California Conference call to prayer:** each Thursday at 7:00am. Dial 424-203-8400 then put in the access code: 669648#

**10+10 Local:** If each one of us gave \$10/month we could easily reach our Church’s goal of \$14,400 for Christian education in our area for this year. Mark your envelope “Redding Adventist Academy”.

**Camp meeting 2015:** July 23 to August 1 with Doug Batchelor, Ron Clouzet, etc! Visit [www.nccsda.com/redwood](http://www.nccsda.com/redwood) for more info. The gazette from this year: [nccsda.com/gazette](http://nccsda.com/gazette)