

# Connections



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*Declaring to each individual their eternal value in Jesus and preparing them for His soon-return!*

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### **Submit a Prayer Request**

227-6829 (Andrew LiVolsi) for  
9am Saturday prayer group

357-4401 (Evelyn Baxter): for  
church prayer chain

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925-685-4300  
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## Pastor's Greeting: Baptisms Recap

Dear Anderson Church Family,

This week I feel so overjoyed, even now as I write this on Tuesday morning, about the 4 precious baptisms that we had this past Sabbath. All four had been preparing for this day after our Landmarks of Prophecy meetings last Fall. As I stood in the baptistery and gave the invitation for others to commit their hearts, I was almost overwhelmed by the Holy Spirit. It was a joyous occasion indeed and three more individuals are now preparing for their baptisms as well—God is good! If you missed this past Sabbath, then you can get a copy of the DVD from the A/V department. Top to bottom, left to right: Don, Clyde, Gera and Jasmine—Keep following the Lamb!



## Staying Connected—Christ in Our Relationships

We have looked at a redemptive process for resolving relational issues in the church. In this issue we will have a brief summary and a conclusion on how to apply this to our lives. Once again, here is the process outlined by Jesus and fleshed out by Elder John Sweigart:

1. Prayerfully lay the issue before the Lord.
2. When the Lord impresses you to speak to the person
3. When you meet, pray for the Holy Spirit's to guide your meeting.
4. Find an elder of the church and explain the issue to them
5. Ask the elder to arrange a meeting
6. Ask the Holy Spirit to be present
7. If at the end of that time the progress or solution is not evident to you and the elder who met with you, have the elder notify the pastor.

As you can see the process to involve the elders and pastor into a relational issue has one goal in mind: redemption. Redemption of both parties and helping the church stay connected to Christ in its relationships. Some may be wondering, "But what about public sin?" In the case of public sin (something that is widely known about but not through gossip), the pastor and elders still follow this process because it is more redemptive to work with someone in private than trying to let it escalate into a public venue. Therefore, the pastors and elders usually will work through this process and bring a recommendation to the board (sometimes more swiftly for public "sins" or "false teachings"). So, please prayerfully use the method of Jesus in your relationships and patiently allow the Lord to work with hearts—including our own. It is in this way that Christ can be in our relationships!

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

**Small Groups-** One of our 5 year goals is to start small groups in our communities. Those who are interested in an orientation to Discipleship Groups (more information on what elder Del Dunavant talked about), please contact Pastor Miller. This helps anyone host or conduct a group in their homes (and I do mean anyone!)

**Roof/Solar**—We have raised over \$14,000 so far! Work may possibly begin by the end of April. Mark your tithe envelope "Roof/Solar".

**Adventist Book Center Bookmobile:** April 28 from 1:30-2:15pm (be on time, they left promptly last time:). Other location: Redding Academy 3-4:15pm.

**Mission Trips**—May 10-21 at Camp MiVoden in Idaho. Milo—To Be Determined

## 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#

**Men's Retreat**—May 1-2 at Leoni Meadows. Contact Randi Wilson 925-603-5097 or randi.wilson@nccsda.com.

**Redding Church:** 5:30pm—Adventurers (1st & 3rd Wed.) with Pathfinders (each Wed.)