#### **Ukiah Seventh-day Adventist**

# Church Newsletter



### Life Groups Coming in January

Life Groups are coming soon in 2018. What is a Life Group? It is a small group of people with common interest meeting together regularly during the week and doing life together, with the aim of growing together in faith and friendship and having fun doing it. According to Krystle Maddox, ways to get involved: Become a leader. Think about something you love to do and want to lead, e.g. prayer group, Bible study, arts and crafts, music, woodwork, sports, or you can join a group.

To learn more come to our information sessions after church on December 2 and December 9. Life Groups are an opportunity for us to connect with each other, grow and serve together. See you there.

# The Glory of Christmas

We are once again offering the annual Christmas cantata, *The Glory of Christmas–Sing Gloria!*, which is a spectacular musical and dramatic portrayal of the Christmas story. This festive program, with new and familiar Christmas music, is back by popular demand for the 26th time. Get your free tickets quickly before they are gone. They are available at Mendocino Book Co., Rod's Shoes or by calling the Ukiah SDA Church at 707-462-5455.

#### Bible Bowl

Sabbath, December 30th, for 13th Sabbath, the JETS and Youth Sabbath School class will be challenging the Adults in a Bible Bowl. This will take place during the time between Sabbath School and the church worship service.

Northern California Conference officers present Gabriel Barraza and elders of the Ukiah Spanish congregation a plaque commemorating the establishment of the group as an official company in the Conference.

#### Christmas Breakfast

Come enjoy the annual Christmas Breakfast December 23, 2017, from 9:30–10:30 a.m. and Worship Service from 10:30–12:00 noon.

Please bring fresh and dried fruits, nuts and breads to share. Hot and cold drinks will be provided.

No regular Sabbath School classes will be held, but the adult SS lesson in the Mother's Room is available from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m.

# Church Family Christmas Fellowship Dinner

This special potluck dinner will be held Sabbath, December 16, 2017, following the church service, in the UJA Gym. This is hosted by the Sabbath School class that meets in the Mother's Room. Please bring generously of your favorite vegetarian food dishes. Come celebrate the love and joy of the season with church family. All are welcome.

# Legislative Alert

The Church State Council is urging everyone to contact their state senators and congressman right away regarding several provisions of the Tax bill, HR 1, which are of concern to churches.

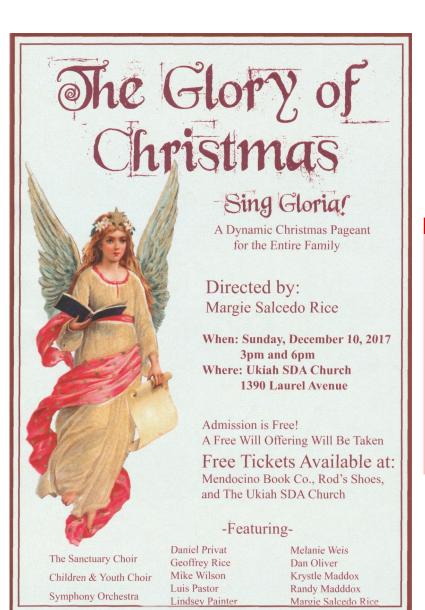
Please check their web site for specific details by going to www.churchstate.org.
Information on how to contact your legislators can also be found on this site.



A special thanks to Beckie Sitz for all her hard work and leadership in organizing the Thanksgiving Basket food distribution! Also thanks to the Pathfinders and UJA staff and students and for all others who helped by donating funds, food and by delivering the baskets!

#### **Pathfinders**

December 2 - Club Meeting in the UJA Pathfinder Room December 16 - The Pathfinder Club Meeting will be caroling





# Looking Ahead

- ✓ Coming March 2-31, 2018—Apocalypse of Hope Bible Seminar with Dan Bentzinger.
- ✓ New information—there are now new dates for the AMEN Medical and Dental Clinic! Please mark your calendar for April 3-6. Tuesday, April 3, is set-up day, and the clinic dates are Wednesday through Friday, April 4, 5 and 6, 2018.

#### First Friday Vespers

This month's First Friday Monthly Vespers, hosted by Adventist Health Ukiah Valley, is December 1 at 6:15 p.m. in the Glenn Miller conference room of the hospital. This is an opportunity for you to minister to the community with worship and a soup supper. For more information contact Natalie Barahona.

#### Fellowship Lunch Schedule

December 2	Jeff Rickard & Young Adult Sabbath
	School Class
December 9	Gabriel Barraza & Spanish Congregation
December 16	Dale Morrison SS Class Annual Christmas
	Potluck
December 23	Gabriel Barraza & Spanish Congregation
December 30	Gabriel Barraza & Spanish Congregation

At all potlucks members are asked to bring 6 generous servings for themselves and each person with them.

Information deadline for the January newsletter: December 23, 2017. Contact Glenda Merklin by email (preferred) at gsmerklin@yahoo.com or by text at 909-786-7617.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Dec	embe	1 First Friday Monthly Vespers, Glenn Miller Conf Rm at AHUV, 6:15 pm	2 Sonrise Srv 8:30am-Geoff Rice 10:55am-Eric Williams Life Groups info session Pathfinder club meeting, UJA Pathfinder room Sunset 4:50 pm			
3	4	5	6 Community Service Center 9-11:45 am  Revelation Now Part 2 - 7:00 pm	7 Veggie Food Store 2:30-4:30 pm	8 Sunset 4:50 pm	9 Sonrise Srv 8:30am- Barbara Morrison 10:55am-Eric Williams Life Groups info session Sunset 4:50 pm
10 "Glory of Christmas Sing Gloria" 3:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	11 UJA Late Start – 10:00 a.m.	12	13 Community Service Center 9-11:45 am  Revelation Now Part 2 - 7:00 pm	14 Veggie Food Store 2:30-4:30 pm	15 Sunset 4:51 pm	16 Sonrise Srv 8:30am-Greg Harper 10:55am-Eric Williams Church Family Christmas Fellowship Dinner, UJA Pathfinder club meeting, caroling Sunset 4:51 pm
17	18 UJA Christmas Vacation begins (through January 2)	19	20 Community Service Center 9-11:45 am Revelation Now Part 2 - 7:00 pm	21 Veggie Food Store 2:30-4:30 pm	22 Sunset 4:54 pm	23 NO Sonrise SrvAnnual Christmas Breakfast, 9:30-10:30 Worship Service, 10:30-12:00 noonEric Williams
24	25 MERRY CHRISTMAS	26	27 Community Service Center CLOSED NO Revelation Now Part 2	28 Veggie Food Store 2:30-430 pm	29 Sunset 4:58 pm	30 Sonrise Srv-8:30amAll Sing JETS/Youth vs Adults Bible Bowl 10:55am-Doug Barahona Sunset 4:59 pm
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