

## Sage Granada Park

#### United Methodist Church

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### October 2018 E-Thymes

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**Our Vision:** We are a multi-cultural and inclusive church united in the love of Jesus Christ.

**Mission Statement:** We are called to be disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world.

#### **Our Congregational Goals for 2018:**

- \* Growing into stewardship with our gifts and strengths
- \* Strengthening our outreach ministry in San Gabriel Valley
- \* Vitalizing our Sunday worship service to reach out to the unchurched & de-churched



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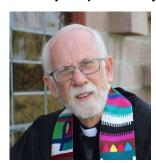
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"Discerning a Way Forward:
October 14 meeting
with the Bishop"

by Rev. George Martzen



"Make me to know your ways, O Lord; teach me your paths." - Psalm 25:4

Nowadays wherever I go, I just type my destination into my cell phone and the phone map guides me there. This is made possible by the Global Positioning System (GPS) involving satellites and software that calculate location and destination. While it is convenient to do this right when I get in the car, it is still wiser to study the trip in advance so there are no surprises on the way.

Psalm 25:4 is a common biblical prayer for guidance. "Make me to know your ways, O Lord." If we rely on the vantage point of satellites to guide us through the maze of city streets or country roads, would it not also be wise to seek the transcendence of God to guide us through the difficult decisions of life? And just as people have sometimes become lost because they did not study the map in advance, shouldn't we also spend time studying our spiritual and moral guidance systems, the Bible, our Christian heritage, our community and the experience of the Holy Spirit.

As United Methodists, we are being asked to discern the Way Forward. A special session of the General Conference will take place on February 23-26, 2019 in St. Louis, Missouri, principally to decide our denomination's stance toward gays, lesbians and transgender. Since 1972 our denominational rule book, the Book of Discipline, has stated that the practice of homosexuality "is incompatible with Christian

teaching." Prohibitions have also been added against the ordination of homosexuals and the conducting of same-sex marriages or unions. While several biblical passages have been cited against homosexual practice, the issue has been increasingly debated by faithful Methodist Christians on all sides.

Several considerations are at stake. One is the unity and mission of the church. My wife and I once had a conversation with the head of our United Methodist Missions, Thomas Kemper, who expressed frustration that so much time and effort were being spent on the debate about LGBTQ inclusion that the church has forgotten how to be in mission. We are also in danger of losing the great diversity of our church. There are gays, lesbians and transgender people engaged in ministry, but there are also faithful people who believe that homosexuality is counter to Christian teaching. Also at stake are the great denominational institutions. which could be significantly altered if our church were to split. For one, the United Methodist Committee on Relief offers global support in times of disaster, and relies on the generous support of all faithful UM churches.

The United Methodist Church is a "big tent" church. We are a global denomination that has 56 annual conferences

(regional jurisdictions) in the United States, including our own California-Pacific Annual Conference, and 75 annual conferences in Africa, Europe and the Philippines. While we all share a common heritage, core doctrines and polity, there are significantly different cultural values, views on sexuality and other matters of biblical interpretation.

The special General Conference will consider three distinct proposals from the Commission on the Way Forward, termed The One Church Plan, The Connectional Conference Plan, and The Traditionalist Plan.

The **One Church Plan**, in the words of the Commission, "provides a generous unity that gives conferences, churches, and pastors the flexibility to uniquely reach their missional context." Prohibitive language is removed from the Discipline, but the right is granted to local churches and conferences with differing views. Minimal organization changes are made.

Similarly, the **Traditionalist Plan** seeks to maintain the organizational unity of the church, but would retain the current prohibitive language and seek to enforce accountability to that language.

The **Connectional Conference Plan** restructures the denomination in the United

States into three "values-based connectional conferences."
Annual conferences and local churches would have the option to align with one of the connectional conferences based on whether they align with progressive, traditionalist or unity. The Council on Bishops would seek to hold the whole denominations together around core doctrines and services.

If you want to know more about the Way Forward and these different options, Bishop Grant Hagiya will be addressing these options for churches in the East District on October 14 at 3 p.m. in Rancho Cucamonga.

Let us hold to the psalmist's prayer and seek divine guidance. I recommend that we should be more diligent in studying the road map, including prayerful study of scripture, in order to illuminate our call to be in mission in our ever-changing world. Please keep our leaders and all the good people of our United Methodist Church in prayer.

#### Fall Preaching Series: Tests of Discipleship

Jesus challenged his followers to grow in discipleship through various challenges, including tests of riches, power and selfsufficiency. Come each Sunday in October and find out how you can grow in your Christian discipleship.

# Thinking About Prayer by Rev. Dickson Kazuo Yagi



The Worship Manual for both East and West Branches of Jodo Shinshu, Honganji, say they do not do magic and intercessory prayers. Zen also does not pray intercessory prayers. It is common knowledge that Quakers do not pray intercessory prayers. Quakers instead say, "We will hold you in the Light (Holy Spirit)." That is, these three groups from two different religions have powerful reasons not to do intercessory prayers.

Jesus himself prayed that he might escape the sufferings and shame of the Cross. He prayed that God would "take this cup away from me." But then he caught himself and cancelled his prayer by saying, "Nevertheless not my will but yours be done."

Intercessory prayer is so common—that my business will not go bankrupt, that my father will not die from his traffic accident, that my son will separate from his gang and not end up in prison, that my son will not die in the frontlines of war, that my daughter will not get divorced.

But Honganji, Zen, Quakers, and Jesus saw clearly the danger of intercessory prayers. If we let things happen then God's will is being done. But when we pray against what is happening, we are praying that my will be done, not God's will. That is, intercessory prayer comes from our ego, our greed. We are insisting that the outcome be beneficial to us and not to God.

But intercessory prayer can also come from God Within. All mature religions know that God lives inside us. People whose minds and hearts are saturated with God are praying through the Holy Spirit, not from their ego. Being careful to separate our will from God's will, God can pray through our prayers. I had stopped intercessory prayers for some ten years because I wanted God's will, not my will. When my wife was in terminal care for 6 months, I prayed God's will, not my will. So I try to pray God's will through my will and God's prayer through my prayer. How do you pray?!





Our hearts go out to the family of Florence Sumire Griffen. Her memorial service will be held at Sage Granada Park UMC on Oct. 6 at 12:00 pm. A lunch reception will follow the service.

Please also keep in prayer:

Shoji Tatsugawa, June Iwamoto,
David Nakamura, Tak Yoshida,
Nancee Iketani, Mat Nakamura,
Alfred Chu, Isabel Reyes, Sada
Mayeda, Bette McIver, Elizabeth
Kells, Phillip & Nenita Marquez,
Echavarria Family, Duane Martin,
Derek Tani, Elvis Gershom, Violet
Tomei, Robin Nakahara, Marilyn
McIver, those affected by
hurricanes, earthquakes, fires and
tsunamis

#### **Thanksgiving HOPE MEALS**

Every year, Sage Granada Park UMC assists the group, Catalyst SGV, with providing food items for families in the Alhambra Unified School District. We have begun collecting items for hungry kids and families. Here are items for donation as suggested by the HOPE team: Breakfast Bars

Instant Oatmeal
Applesauce
Trail Mix
Individual Cereal Boxes
Fruit Cups
Bottled Water (Individual)
Boxed Milk
Cup A Noodles
Mac n Cheese Cups
Tuna and Crackers (single serve)
Peanut Butter and Crackers packs
Granola Bars

Pudding Snacks (with utensil)
Juice boxes
Gallon Ziplock Bags (for putting together meal bags)

If you can help with any of these items, please leave them in the church office on the table by Nov.11th. Thank you!

## **FLAVOR**

# FULL'18

by Ruth Chon

The big church camp fundraiser for the year: Flavorfull '18, which was held on September 16 after fellowship, was a huge success. We raised a profit of \$1592.27, all of which will go towards off-setting the cost of our annual family camp. Flavorfull combined a stellar show of talent from our beloved SGP UMC members and friends, a most delicious luncheon of savory tacos with an asian twist, Kahlua pork & Korean bulgogi with ample fixings, and a celebration of our 20th anniversary as Sage Granada Park United Methodist Church.

In the kitchen, the Toms added their special touch cooking up a smorgasborg of flavors (hence the name of our event, Flavorfull). Also helping with the food were Ashley Parks, Elaine Chung, Ruel Reyes, Jeanie Wong, Pyoung Hwa Lee, Sehong Mun, Nathan Tom, Otto Saiki, Louise Garcia, Alicia, Angelea & Jillian Marquez. On stage, was a full range of performances hosted by the comedy duo, Sharon Mori & Alan Kitsuse, with help from the lovely Jillian & Angelea Marquez, and Sommer Kitsuse. Joshua Tom kicked if off with an impressive display of "sword" manship, followed by Corrina Chu's dazzling line dance troupe, which included Yena Finch, Jan Hurtado, Teresa Ikuta, Kohei Ishida, Pat Mascarenas, Gloria Garcia Miranda, Cathy Nguyen, Roger

Wilcox, May Wong, Donna Yamashita, and Harry Yamashita. An extra special thank you to Corrina for adding spice to our lives and teaching us some fancy footwork we can show off at the next big gathering.

After the intermission where lunch was served, the show continued with the heartwarming mother son duo, Kai Garcia on cello accompanied by mom/ pianist Louise Wong-Garcia. Next up was our very own Reverend George Martzen, crooning the whimsical German folk tune, Guter Mond (Good Moon) accompanied once again by Louise Wong-Garcia. How fortunate we are to have a Reverend with a singing voice straight from heaven. Then came an act that blew us all away, our newest member Debashish Shah, a treasure of musical excellence playing his Tablas. Debashish comes to us from India where he plays professionally. We were honored to have him grace our show with his transcendent performance. Marise Saiki stepped up to the challenge of following such a tough act with a sweet rendition of "Tale as Old as Time" from Beauty and the Beast on piano and vocals. Next was the extremely talented husband/ wife duo Pyoung Hwa Kim and Sehong Mun enchanting us with a Korean love song. Pyoung Hwa's mesmerizing Ocarina transitioned perfectly into his vocals as Sehong provided a beautiful piano melody. And last but not least, was Otto Saiki on violin, transporting us all to where troubles melt like lemon drops, way above the chimney tops with "Somewhere Over The Rainbow."

Thanks to all for supporting this event, from the Boy Scout/Cub Scout troop to PFLAG to Corrina's abundant fan club. Also to our members past and present and perhaps future as well. A special thanks to Jim Bell for doing what he does to make it all sound like a professional music hall and to Susie and Larry Ari for donating the anniversary cake. What a sweet way to end a lovely afternoon!

Every year we share a bit of our joy and gifts through song, dance, and performance. Every year we marvel at the richness of the humble yet talented people within our community. Art is healing. Opening up and sharing is therapy. In the words of Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, "People should hear a little music, read a little poetry, and see a fine picture every day of their lives, in order that worldly cares may not obliterate the sense of the beautiful which God has implanted in the human soul."

If you missed it, it's okay, there's always next year. So bring out those squeaky recorders and start practicing!





# Flamenco Alhambra at Performing Arts Center on Oct. 27

Alhambra Performing Arts Center, under the direction of Chef/ Artistic Director Bill Yee, presents the world-renowned Spanish Dancer Inesita, who has been one of the most prolific artists for over eight decades on stage and screen. She is bringing back her Flamenco Alhambra troupe on Saturday, October 27, 2018, 7pm to Sage Granada Park UMC. This dance performance is FREE to the public and a free-will offering will be taken during the intermission which includes treats from the Chefs from the Alhambra Culinary School.

Inesita is a renowned Spanish dance artist who has performed in all-solo concerts internationally including Madrid, London,



Liverpool, Paris, New York City, Mexico City, and Valletta, Malta. American tours have taken her to communities from coast to coast. Born in New York City, (Yorkville), she moved with her parents to Los Angeles at age 13 and began early studies in Spanish dance. Additional instruction in Mexico led inevitably to Spain where she

studied under the legendary El Estampio, and Regla Ortega, of the famous Ortega family and a number of other renowned teachers. She has appeared in all possible venues over an extensive career in concerts, films with Bob Hope and others, musical theater, and cabaret showcasing her vast range in all aspects of Spanish dance and pure flamenco.

Miguel Bernal is a brilliant and gifted flamenco dance artist as well as a singer and actor. He is known as a profound and serious performer. His ability has granted him various concert engagements within the United States. A high point of his career was a tour with the renowned company of Jose Greco and Nana Lorca culminating in an appearance with them and the Boston Pops Orchestra; televised nationally.

Clarita, dancer, singer, teacher, and choreographer has an extensive background in all facets of Spanish dance, including Regional, Escuela Bolera, and Flamenco. While living in Sevilla, Clarita's gifts was recognized by Sevilla's leading male dancer, Curro Velez. Mr. Velez presented her at "El Arenal" a foremost tablao, and her dance career exploded. Afterward she then was highly regarded as a solo artist and performed with "La Familia Montoya" and appeared with many prominent flamenco stars in Spain.

Tina Love, "La Nubia" had a back ground in ballet and modern dance before falling in love with Flamenco much later in life. Her first teacher was Ana Galindo in 2001. Over the years, she has taken workshops with various famous performers; Antoinette Lopez, Timo Nunez, Pamela

Lourant, Lakshimi Basile, and other well-known teachers. Tina has a group "Love Flamenco" that performs in Old Spanish Days Santa Barbara annually. She is excited by her new role in producing tablao style flamenco shows at the Four Seasons Biltmore, Montecito. She is also a film maker and flamenco is often represented in her film work,

Stamen Wetzel is an experienced traditional flamenco guitarist and is active as accompanist for flamenco dancers and singers playing for performances and classes. Among the artists he has worked with are Luisa Triana, Margo, Chinin de Triana. Dolores Fernandez, Inesita, Teo Morca. Pepita Sevilla. Miguel de Malaga, Miguel Bernal, and many more. Stamen studied for many years under Jeronimo Villarino (de Rio Tinto) as his primary instructor. Villarino was guitarist for the great figures of flamenco such as La Argentina (Antonia Merce), La Argentinita, Carmen Amaya, Rosario and Antonio, and numerous others.

Benjamin Shearer has been an active member of the Flamenco community for many years. He is a respected accompanist and musician, having performed with the leading Flamenco artists in the Los Angeles area. He has worked as a studio musician for Capitol Records, and has numerous radio and television performances to his credit. His primary musical influences came from his friend and teacher, Jeronimo Villarino as well as Julio de Los Reyes with whom he also studied. Apart from his work as a guitarist, Benjamin owns and operates the Shearer Musical Instrument Co. in Oxnard, CA. He builds and distributes his

own line of guitars and other stringed instruments.

APAC is a member of the Consortium of Southern California Chamber Music Presenters and a proud member of the Alhambra Chamber of Commerce. Chef/Artistic Director Bill Yee has been producing these free monthly world-class concerts since 2006.

Contact: Bill Yee (626) 230-5435 or e-mail bizwind@yahoo.com

Please refer to the **Around Alhambra**, October article, for more information.



Accepting Registration for children 2 years 9 months and potty trained to 5 years old for the 2018-2019 School Year.

Call the school for more information at 626- 284-5006, or visit our web site at http://gpumnsk.org

Please visit our Facebook page to see our new school video by local photographer and nursery school parent Tiffany Luong.

October Curriculum Themes are: Welcome Fall; Fire Prevention; All About Apples; Pumpkins; Acorns; Squirrels; and Halloween

October Calendar:

1– Midland Fundraiser Ends 15 Picture Day 9:00 A.M. 19 - School closed—Teacher workshop 20– Parent Work Day 8 am-12 pm 22- Shakey's Pizza fundraiser 5:00-8:00 pm

24& 25– Hearing Center 9am-12 30 & 31 – Mrs. Good Witch visits



Mrs. Goodwitch visits the children to talk about Halloween Safety.



# Shakey's Pizza Fundraising Event on Monday Oct. 22

To benefit Sage Granada Park United Methodist Nursery School & Kindergarten

25% of sales before tax will be given to the school! Dine in or take out. Just inform restaurant staff that you are part of the event when placing your order and drop your receipt in the box. Come enjoy great food with familiar faces!

Date: Monday, October 22, 2018 Time: 5:00-8:00 pm

Location: 2234 W. Valley Blvd, Alhambra (626) 289-7851





#### Halloween & Reformation Day Outreach Event

Organized by Pyoung-Hwa Lee Sunday, **October 28<sup>th</sup>** 6:00 pm until 8:00 pm

at Sage Granada Park UMC

Volunteers and donations needed:

- dinner and snack items
- pumpkins for carving
- Halloween decorations
- candy and small treats for game booths and craft activities.
- Volunteers for dinner, activities and game centers

Wear a costume and come join the fun!

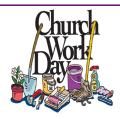


Family Camp was a great success! Two weeks before, we despaired that only a few people were going, but on Saturday, Sept. 22, we had a nice group of 36 people. Thanks be to God! We used ideas from the biblical Feast of Booths to practice making room in our lives for nature, room for God and room for others. We picked apples and we ate s'mores around the campfire. We are already talking about next year's family camp. Sadly, it was our last year with "Peace" Pyoung-Hwa Lee as Youth and Outreach Coordinator, as he has resigned his position to explore other ministry options. We thank him for his excellent service with our youth!



#### **World Communion Sunday**

October 7. Combined worship service with Church of India. Service begins at 10:30am. Light luncheon to follow.



Saturday, October 13, 8 AM to 12 PM. Volunteers of all ages are needed to help beautify the church: pull weeds, clean out rain gutters, wash windows, sweep, mop, dust, vacuum, polish, organize



**Open House** 

After cleaning the church, walk over to the Open House at the Parsonage. Rev. George and his wife, Rev. Chin Cheak Yu are

hosting this event from 11 am – 3 pm on Saturday, October 13. Tour the garden and enjoy food and fellowship with San Gabriel First UMC members.

#### The Way Forward Bishop Meeting

October 14 at 3:00 pm at Rancho Cucamonga UMC. Please see Rev. George Martzen if you are interested in attending.

#### **INTER-FAITH DIALOGUE**

Rabbi Zev-Hayyim Feyer will speak Sunday, November 11 at 11 am following the worship service in the fellowship hall.



Join us on Sunday, October 21 for a special luncheon to recognize the vital volunteers who contribute their skills and time to help make Sage Granada Park UMC the special place that it is.



Our next church council meeting will be on October 28 at 11:30 am. Some of the agenda items include setting goals for 2019 and proposing a budget for 2019. All are invited to attend.

#### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED**

Please contact Rev. George Martzen if you are interested in working with the youth, young adults, and or college aged persons.



Save Nov. 4 at 4 pm for our Charge Conference with other churches in the Mission Area at Shepherd of the Hills UMC in Monterey Park.

Support Sage Granada Park **financially** just by making on-line purchases of things you would normally buy. Check out UMCmarket.org. It's kind of like purchasing something from Amazon Smile. There are thousands of vendors, some offering free shipping, discount pricing, or special incentives, who will donate a percentage of your purchase back to our church. All you need to do is go to the website, sign up, choose Sage Granada Park as your designated church, and create your own UMC market secure profile. Why not give it a try? It's an easy way to give an additional donation to SGPUMC!





Did you know that Altar Flowers can be sponsored in memory or honor of a loved one, or in celebration of a special event or occasion? If you would like to sponsor flowers, you can either contact the church office or sign up on the bulletin board in the church office. Sponsorship is only \$25. Thank you for sharing God's beauty with us!



#### **Fun With Numbers for SGPUMC**

Sept. 2 Attendance: 56

Pledge: not available Other: not available

Sept. 9 Attendance: 63

Pledge: \$1190 Other: \$325.00

Sept. 16 Attendance: 74 Pledge \$1002.22

Other: \$450

Pledge: \$460.00

Sept. 23 Attendance: 38 (Family Camp)

Other: none Sept. 30 Attendance: 56 Pledge: \$2080.00 Other: \$250.00

Sunday School:

Sept. 2 Attendance: 4 Sept. 9 Attendance: 4 Sept. 16 Attendance: 7 Sept. 23 Attendance: 2 Sept. 30 Attendance: 5 Offering: \$1.00



With deepest gratitude, we thank you for your generous contribution of monetary offerings, time, and service that help to sustain the church.

Through September 30, 2018: Our General offerings to date total \$65553.75. Our yearly general offerings budget is \$111,200.

In addition, the church has collected \$8830 in response to "Bazaar in Spirit." To sustain our budget, our goal for the "Bazaar in Spirit" is \$14,000. Please consider donating and use the envelope that came in the mail, or place your gift in the offering plate this Sunday. Thank you for helping us do ministry in our area and the realms beyond!

#### **Fun With Numbers for COI**

Sept. 2 Attendance: 62

Offerings: \$729

Sept. 9 Attendance: 28

Offerings: \$309

Sept. 16 Attendance: 25

Offerings: \$453

Sept. 23 Attendance: 35

Offerings: \$658

Sept. 30 Attendance: 42

Offerings: Not available

#### Sunday School:

Sept. 2 Attendance: 6
Sept. 9 Attendance: 4
Sept. 16 Attendance: 3
Sept. 23 Attendance: 2
Sept. 30 Attendance: 4

Birthdays & Anniversaries

#### **Birthdays**

10/3 Alexandra Ragos

10/8 Charles Staal

10/8 Susan Brubaker

10/11 Joshua Tom

10/11 Louise Wong Garcia

10/12 Kristin Taniguchi

10/12 Kikuko Nieda

10/12 Gary Yukio Furukawa

10/13 Shelly Bitner

10/14 James Oshita

10/14 Rev. Phyllis Tyler

10/20 Jonathan Roy

10/21 Anya Shafer

10/23 Howard T. Nishina

10/25 Gabriel Hurtado

10/29 Otto Saiki

#### **Anniversaries**

10/2 David & Ets Nakamura

10/7 Roger & Leslie Staal

10/10 Tets & Hiroko Suzuki

10/10 John & Mary Ellen Burgess

The Greater San Gabriel Valley Mission Area Team of our UM East District is hosting a How-To Workshop which will be held at Sage Granada Park UMC! What an honor for us! This training is entitled, "Thirst No More: Living Our Faith." The keynote speaker is Rev. Dr. Jack Jackson. Date and Time is Saturday, November 3 from 8 AM to 2 PM. Mark your calendars and plan to join us for a day filled with fun, learning, contemplation, and fellowship. More information about this workshop will be coming soon. In the meantime, if you have questions, please contact Rev. George Martzen.

Online Registration:

https://calpacumc.formstack.com/forms/easthowto\_nov2018

#### **SERVING SGPUMC THIS MONTH:**

#### October 7

Liturgist: Archana Carey Acolytes: Wissman Family &

Sushma Dixit

Communion Helpers: Rev. Samson Chauhan &

**Archana Carey** 

Communion Co-Celebrant:

Rev. Parimal Roy

#### October 14

Liturgist: Janice Hurtado Acolytes: Marquez Family

#### October 21

Liturgist: Doreen Bolten Acolytes: Tom Family

#### October 28

Liturgist: Youth Acolytes: Youth

#### **East District How to Workshop**



#### Keynote Speaker

#### Rev. Dr. Jack Jackson

E. Stanley Jones Associate Professor of Evangelism, Mission, and Global Methodism

#### **November 3, 2018**

Sage Granada Park United Methodist Church 1850 W. Hellman Ave., Alhambra, Ca 91803

#### **SCHEDULE**

8AM - Registration and Continental Breakfast

8:30AM – Welcome

9AM - 10:15AM - First Session

10:30AM – 11:30AM Worship and Keynote speaker

11:45 - Lunch

12:45PM - 2Pm Second Session

#### **HOW TO REGISTER:**

Online Registration (Preferred): calpacumc.org

Option 2: Register by Phone: (626) 755-5751 (Jennifer Gaylord)

Information needed: Participant name, phone number, church name, child care if needed, and preferred workshop for each session (For Example: Session 1 workshop B - #1B

Registration Fee: \$15/person (lunch included)

Due date: October 28, 2018

All registrations received after October 28, 2018 or on the day of the event is \$20/person

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#### Workshops - 9AM

#	Workshop Title	Description	Presenters	
1-A	Finance Committee	The role and audit requirements, internal control, budget preparation and apportionment	Archana Carey Cal-Pac Executive Director of Finance & Facilities/Treasurer	
1-B	Staff/Pastor Relations Committee	Identify and discuss the unique nature of SPRC – basic skills, competencies, and boundaries	Rev. Melissa McKinnon District Superintendent, East District	
1-C	Loving By Serving: Church Engagement in the Communi- ty*	What benefits does your church give to the community? Lessons learned	Jesse Chang Director of Catalyst (Kingdom Causes)	
1-D	Spiritual Life** 靈修生活	Understand the scope and methods of spirituality and build your own spiritual life	Rev. Tom Tseng, First UMC of Alhambra	
1-E	Connecting Sunday Faith to Monday Work*	How do we bridge our faith from Sunday to Monday?	Rev. Dr. Jonathan Wu Executive Pastor of Evergreen Baptist Church of Los Angeles Christopher Neal Director of Youth Leadership Initiative, Center for Vocational Ministry at APU	
1-F	Lay Servant Ministries – "Living Our Faith as Lay Servants"	Explore history and application of Lay Servant Ministries to better serve the local church and beyond	Pat Hogan and Director or Lay Servant Ministries Melody Ashley Lay Servant Minister	

<sup>\*</sup>Mandarin translation available, \*\*Workshop in Chinese only (Mandarin)

#### Workshops - 12:45PM

2-K	Missional Life Groups*	Equipping members for community engagement grounded in Scripture and Wesleyan heritage	Rev. David Palmer Temple City UMC	
2-L	Youth Ministry: What do You Want?	How can youth workers help the next generation love what God loves?	Christopher Neal	
2-M	SPRC – Human Relations	Employment relationships: overview of employment related issues such as employee classification	Jan Hanson  Conference Director of Human Resources/Benefits Officer	
2-N	Power of Sharing Your Story*	Sharing your personal faith story of how Jesus Christ has touched you to touch the heart of people	Bob Gin Co-chair, East District Mission Area	
2-P	Thirst No More: Living Sanctu- ary, Offering Christ in Our Community	Responding to the call to be neighbors to our immigrant sisters and brothers	Rev. Jeanne Roe Smith  CalPac Immigration Task Force	
2-R	Trustees	Role of trustees, risk management, local church	Archana Carey	
2-S	Caring Evangelism** 關懷佈道,我行嗎?"	What is and how to do caring evangelism?	Rev. Dr. Chin Cheek Yu First UMC, San Gabriel	

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 1:00pm Ukelele	2	3 1:00pm Bible Study	4 7:45pm Chinese Choir	5 6:00pm SGP Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Cub Scouts 7:30pm Boy Scouts	6 8:30am Japanese Language School 12:00 pm Memorial for Flo Griffen
7 10:30am Combined Worship with the Church of India for World Communion Day'. Light Luncheon to follow.	8 1:00pm Ukelele	9 7:00pm Ministry Coordinating Team	10 1:00pm Bible Study	11	12 6:00pm SGP Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Cub Scouts 7:30pm Boy Scouts	8:30am Japanese Language School 8:00 am-12:00 pm Church Clean Up Day 11:00am-3:00 pm Open House at the Parsonage
14 9:30am Worship 3:00– The Way Forward at UMC Rancho Cucamonga	5 1:00pm Ukelele	16 7:00pm PAC Meeting	17 1:00pm Bible Study 7:30pm– New Bible Study begins	18	19 6:00pm SGP Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Cub Scouts 7:30pm Boy Scouts	20 8:30am Japanese Language School
21 9:30am Worship 11:15 am Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon	1:00pm Ukelele 5:00 pm-8:00 pm Shakey's Fundraiser for the Preschool	23 7:00pm Midwick Neighborhood Watch Meeting	24 1:00pm Bible Study 7:30 pm– Bible Study	25	26 6:00pm SGP Choir Rehearsal 6:00pm Cub Scouts 7:30pm Boy Scouts	27 8:30am Japanese Language School 7:00pm APAC Concert: Flamenco Ensemble
28 9:30am Worship 11:30am Church Council Meeting 6:00 pm Eat Drink & Be Scary Halloween Event	29 1:00pm Ukelele	30	Reformation Day  7:30 pm— Bible Study		CTO	OBER