Mentone

Seventh-day Adventist Church





Church at Study

10:00 am

Children's Classes

Cradle Roll (Ages 0-Early 2) Primary (Ages 7-9)
Beginners (Ages 2-3) Junior (Ages 10-12)

Kindergarten (Ages 4-6)

Youth

Earliteens (Ages 13-15) Youth (Ages 15+) in PF Rm

Adult Classes

Young Adults (Ages 18-35, Co Op Rm)

Spirit of Prophecy (Fellowship Hall) Quarterly (Sanctuary)

New Believer's Class (Upper Rm) Quarterly (Rm behind piano)

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. If we can help you in any way, please let us know by contacting one of our pastors, greeters, elders, deacons, or deaconesses, or by our church app/website.

Today we are celebrating the Lord's Supper. As Seventh-day Adventist we celebrate open communion and we invite all baptized Christians to partake of the emblems. **Gluten-Free communion bread** for those who need GF option.

Foot Washing locations: Women in the Kindergarten Room, Men in the Pathfinder Room and Families in the Fellowship Hall. We also have Today at 2:00 pm is our Elder Care Music Ministry with Tim Chapman to Rose Garden Residential Care at 1350 N. Wabash Ave., Mentone. Fellowship Meal is planned on Sabbath, 1/10/26 following the second service. More information to come via email.

Birthday Blessings!

January 3rd – Lou Ann Strachan 4th – Alexandra Martin "Sasha", Ester Oyoyo, Daisy Joy Shelton 5th – Carter McCabe 6th – Ellen Tomazeli 7th – Derek Logan, Vladimir Zaninovic 8th – George Perez 10th – Mary Veronica Nallathamby, Rosemary Morgan, Jayne Nelson, Amanda Green



Bulletin information must be submitted to office@mentonechurch.org by Sunday at 8 pm

Church at Worship

lanuary 3, 2026, 8:30 am* 11:00 am**

Prelude Organ

Welcome and Announcements Flder Keith Perman

Introit+ Organ

Invocation Pastor Daniel Gomez

Songs of Praise #33 Sing a New Song to the Lord

#445 I'm But a Stranger Here

#500 Take Time to be Holy Opening Hymn

Worship in Giving Keith Perman

Kaitlyn Porter & Justin Smith* Offertory

Pass Me Not, Oh Gentle Savior*

Rachel Jegede & Jianna Bulwer**

Because He Lives**

Lambs Offering Keith Perman

Children's Story Margie Perman

Andrew Gonzales* Daniel Bora** Scripture Reading

1 Corinthians 11:27-29

Prayer Song+ Congregation

#668 O Thou Who Hearest

Worship in Prayer Andrew Gonzales* Daniel Bora**

Worship in Song Kaitlyn Porter & Justin Smith*

Fairest Lord Jesus/Abide with Me*

Harp Ensemble**

Dona Nobis Pacem**

Sermonette Pastor Daniel Gomez

In Remembrance of Me

Foot Washing Congregation Partake of the Emblems Congregation

#318 Whiter Than Snow Closing Hymn

Pastor Daniel Gomez Benediction

⁺ Please Kneel Platform Elder: Keith Perman

Song Leader: Gary Strunk* Katya Gavrielova**

Pianist: Judy Northrop* Kathleen Sparks**

Organist: Anna Sparks

Lead Deacon: Doug Yowell Sunset Tonight: 4:53 pm Sunset Next Week: 4:58 pm

Mentone Church Life

January 3, 2026

Thank you, Church family for generously donating ties for Bible workers in India. They will happily receive those in February! Michael & Tina Robinson and Bobbie Jo Srikureja (Michael's sister)

A Memorial Service is planned on Sunday, January 4, 2026 at 11:00 am for Janet Williams (Janell Burk's mother.)

Our citrus fruits are ready to be picked! This fundraising for several church youth ministries. We'd love your support! ©

Persimmon Christmas Project – Rade & Rohini will be selling persimmons to raise funds for the Christmas offerings. Contact Rohini (909) 801-0406.

Our Christmas Offering this year will include the following – Pakistan Flood Relief \$5,000, The Great Controversy Coloring Books for L.L. Literature Ministry \$3000, Support family in Thailand and raise \$7000 to translate the book Thoughts from Mount of Blessings into the Khmer language.

Religious Liberty Sabbath is on January 10, 2026. Stephen N Allred serves as Director of Government Relations for the Church State Council, a Religious Liberty ministry of the Pacific Union Conference of Seventh-Day Adventists. He is a licensed attorney and ordained Seventh-Day Adventist minister, with degrees in law and divinity. Steve served as a pastor for over 14 years, including his time at seminary, and has practiced law for over a decade. He is married to Cheri, with whom he has three wonderful children. Most of all, Steve is passionate about uplifting Jesus, doing justice, loving mercy, and promoting liberty of conscience.

Simple Massage Techniques and Hydrotherapy for the cold and flu season class, January 25 from 3-5 pm by Elder Gary Strunk.

Pastor Don MacLafferty will be speaking at Mentone on January 28 – 30, 2026. Wed. 6-8 pm, Thurs. 9 am – 12 pm & 6-8 pm, and Friday 9 am – 12 pm. More information to come as it gets closer.

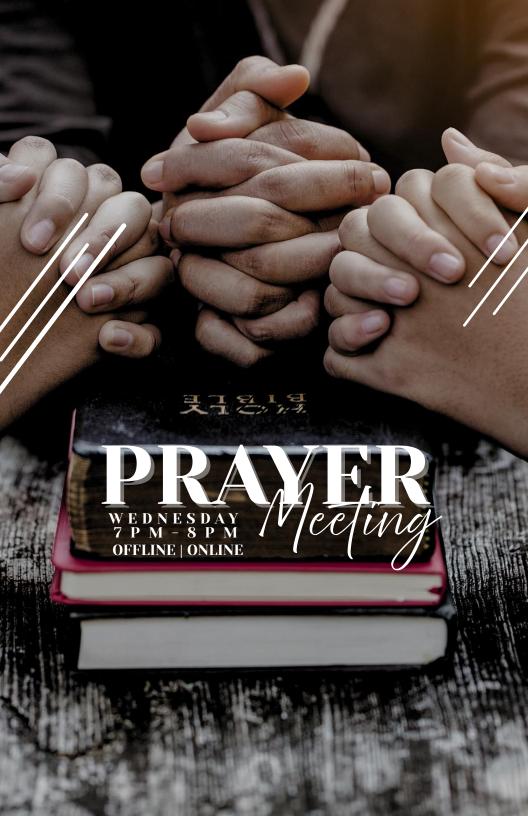
Financial Information as of December 29, 2025

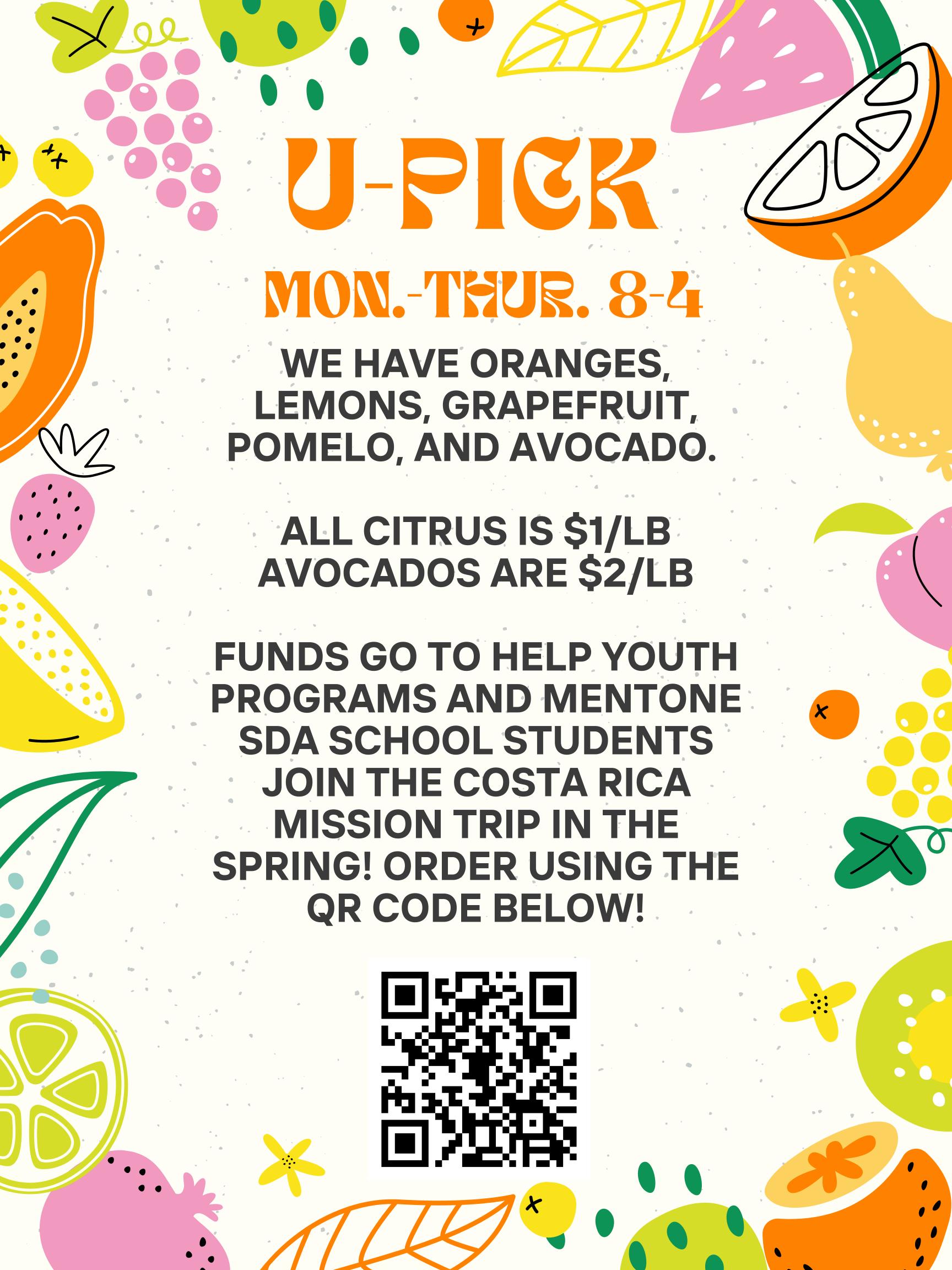
Church Budget: \$334,308.41 (Goal-to-Date: \$341,839.03), Annual Goal: \$341,839.03

Building Fund: \$118,180.54 Christmas Offering: 6,211.35

Staff Information

Senior Pastor: Fred Dana (845) 313-4822 Associate Pastor: Rodney Bowes (951) 500-8559 Church Secretary/Clerk: Maggie Bonilla (909) 492-0738 Spanish Coordinator: Samuel Florian (951) 640-5567 Youth Ministry Leader: Daniel Gomez (626) 900-5593 Church Treasurer: Intissar Issa (909) 214-9200





Cets go to COSTARICA

Join Mentone SDA School and Church on a mission trip to Costa Rica in an effort to build a classroom and host a VBS in Liberia Costa Rica. The trip will last from April 1-8, 2026 and is focused on developing a heart for missions in children, youth, and young adults.

Everyone is welcome!



Investment Project



All proceeds will go to the

Mentone SDA Church **Christmas Offering!**

Call/text

Rohini 909-801-0406 Rade 310-704-2836

INSIGHTFUL UNDERSTANDING OF THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY

To often Mrs. White has been viewed as having two main objectives-- rebuking sinners and giving rules. I would invite you to read at least two statements that will reveal her true feelings of reluctance and adversion to giving testimonies to individual people and laying down rules. (See for example Early Writings 76 and 8 Manuscript Releases 238-39.)

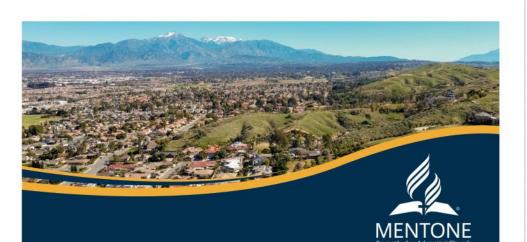
Her true passions were writing and preaching about the love of God in Christ and pointing people to the Bible. "Her writings, which were guided by prophetic revelation through visions and prophetic dreams, must be read and understood with this perspective." (Understinding Ellen White, pg. vi)

Because of her accident at the age of about 9, Ellen Harmon (White) had her educational plans thwarted. This led to bitterness toward God. She also feared hell, which she inherited from her Methodist faith, which in turn added to her viewing God as a tyrant. After a few years of spiritual turmoil her mother arrnaged for Ellen to talke with a Methodist Adventist minister, Levi Stockman. This deeply spiritual counsel from this minister completly changed her view of God and in later years, the parental love of God became her favorite theme. Her favorite hymn became "Jesus, Lover of My Soul" by John Wesley. (Review & Herald, Dec. 13 1906, 10)

Ellen herself wrote about the spiritual counsel Pastor Levi Stockman gave. "My views of the Father were changed. I now looked upon Him as a kind and tender parent, rather than a stern tyrant compelling men to a blind obedience. My heart went out towards Him in a deep and fervent love." (Life Sketches Original Manuscript, 43)



Ellen G. White (Seated in the middle) with her family at Elmshaven August 24, 1913



ADOPT A HOMEBOUND MEMBER A VISITATION MINISTRY INITIATIVE

A simple but meaningful gesture, such as a visit, a phone call, or a chat, can make a difference, creating bonds of affection and continuous fellowship. We aim to support the emotional well-being of our members, seeking to fight their loneliness and minimize the effects of isolation and sadness.

"... thou art thy brother's keeper. Thou shouldest have a watchful care for thy brother, be interested for his welfare, and cherish a kind, loving spirit toward him. Press together, press together."

(Ellen G. White, 1T 113.3)

"The generous soul will be made rich, And he who waters will also be watered himself." (Proverbs 11:25; NKJV)

We invite you to join this vital ministry, and we pray that God will give us all a giving and loving spirit.



Services Will Be Provided On a First-Come First-Served Basis

Free Medical Care

Well woman exams, papsmears, back to school physicals exams, gastro-intestinal, heart, lung, and orthopedic bone evaluations, and free pharmacy service

Free Dental Care

Full dental evaluations, including cleanings, fillings, and extractions

And Much More!

Lifestyle Medicine, Hydrotherapy, Mental Health, Chaplaincy, Haircuts and Much More!



About Liberty & Health Alliance

Liberty and Health Alliance is a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization founded by Seventh-day Adventist Christians who believe that life is a gift from God and that He offers whole-person health to all. We welcome and support people of every background and faith on that journey.









NATIONAL AGRICULTURE CONFERENCE

As part of our Christian family, don't miss out on an incredible opportunity to deepen your connection with God's plan for agriculture in your life!

Join us at Riverbend Retreat and Conference Center in Glen Rose, Texas from January 20-25, 2026, for our National Agricultural Conference.

Engage in enriching sessions, forge lasting bonds and nourish your soul through learning how to experience an agrarian lifestyle.

Early Bird Registration opens Sept. 11, 2025.

Visit our website www.adventistag.org and sign up for emails for conference details.



