

SABBATH AT IRVINE REGIONAL PARK APRIL 25

On April 25 our congregation (along with the some from the Los Angeles and Redlands congregations) will again be able to enjoy a Sabbath in the Park (our 29th) at Irvine Regional Park in Orange. We have reserved the same secluded and beautiful Coyote Corner underneath a canopy of trees. There are plenty of picnic tables but you may bring your own lawn chairs if you would like. For parking, note that the parking lots are basically in alphabetical order and we are in Parking Lot "O." There are two adjacent parking areas.

Services will be at 11:00 a.m. followed by a deli-type sandwich lunch. Our congregation again will provide all the sandwich fixings. We ask our attendees to bring a salad or side dish (preferably) OR a dessert. A donation box will be there if you want to help defray some of the costs. After lunch, enjoy fellowship with each other in nature until you want to leave.

Please note that there will be no services at our regular church facility that day and no local webcast. Flyers with more details and directions are on our church website at: orange-county-ca.ucg.org and copies are available on the Information Table.

Help needed for Sabbath in the Park

For the **lunch**, if you want to help with food handling, serving or cleanup, please contact Caty Seiglie



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Hymn Leader: Mr. Bill Wassner
Sermonette: Mr. Gary Snyder
Sermon: Mr. Mario Seiglie

Sabbath Thought

Ps. 4:3, "But know that the Eternal has set apart for Himself him who is godly; the Eternal will hear when I call to Him."

Believer's Commentary mentions, "David asks them how long their mindless rage against him will continue, then reminds them that their efforts to overthrow him are futile because God Himself is on his side: 'The Eternal has set apart for Himself him who is godly.' Those who trust in the Eternal are as 'the apple of His eye' (Zec. 2:8). Their names are engraved on the palms of His hands (Is. 49:16). He hears them when they call and hastens to their assistance. David is thus anticipating Paul's argument in Rom. 8:31: 'If God is for us, who can be successfully against us?'"

-- submitted by Mario Seiglie

LAST DAY OF UNLEAVENED BREAD THIS COMING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

The Last Day of Unleavened Bread will be this coming Wednesday, April 8, here at our church facility with services at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. with the Fellowship Hall open during the lunch time for those who want to bring their own lunches. A restaurant guide for nearby restaurants is on Information Table and on our church website. You can also bring your lunches and eat here at this facility between services. Drinks will be provided. We will only set up tables and chairs, and participants are asked to do their own area cleanup.

HOLY DAY OFFERING

We will be taking up an offering the morning of the Last Day of Unleavened Bread. If you have your pre-labeled green envelopes please use them since it *speeds up processing* procedures. You can also get an offering envelope from an usher that day. Please make checks payable to “United Church of God” and remember to write the amount legibly on the front. The location is Orange County, CA. For the Last Day of Unleavened Bread, we will have a donation box in the back for those who only attend the afternoon service.

AN ALTERNATE WAY OF HOLY DAY OFFERINGS ONLINE - REUSABLE, ONLINE HOLY DAY OFFERING CARDS

Donating on the UCG website is a secure and convenient way to give a Holy Day offering. It also saves time for our processing team and helps ensure accuracy. However, we understand that some brethren may feel uncomfortable letting the offering basket pass by without physically placing something in it. To help with this, the home office has provided reusable online offering cards for each congregation.

These cards display a QR code that can be used to submit an offering online. If you choose to donate online, you may take a card before services, make your offering online, and then return the card by placing it in the offering basket as it passes. This allows for a meaningful physical gesture even when giving digitally. Of course, if you prefer to give using a traditional green envelope, you’re still welcome to do so during Holy Day services

ORGANIZATIONAL CHARTS— please keep as reference

Last Sabbath we distributed updated Organizational Charts as we do about every two years. Copies are available on the Information Table. These documents list key people who lead or handle the various responsibilities in our congregation as well as provide a list of our elders, deacons, deaconesses and a page with info on our four regions. Contact info is provided. Many others serve in vital capacities but these docs focus on the leads of the various responsibilities. Please keep these docs for reference.

SPREADING THE GOOD NEWS OF THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Irvine Spectrum has approved our next two outreaches. One outreach is for Friday, April 24, 2026, from 4:00 pm to 8:00 pm near the Giant Wheel. The second outreach is for Sunday, April 26, 2026, from 2:00 pm to 6:00 pm in front of Verizon.

“GETTING TO KNOW OUR UCG-ORANGE COUNTY BRETHREN” PROJECT - Mike Masten featured today

Today we are featuring the interesting life of Mike Masten. Copies of the bios for Brian Higa and Anna Moore are on the Information Table. We would like to feature others in our congregation. If you have any questions or would like the guidelines emailed to you, please contact Jean Updegraff at jeanupde@sbcglobal.net. If you have previously submitted a bio and want to update it for distribution, please contact Jean.

BIBLE STUDY APRIL 18 (note change in date)

Our next Bible Study, still continuing in the book of 1 Corinthians, will be at 4:30 the Sabbath of April 18.

LOCAL CHURCH COUNCIL MEETING APRIL 20

The next meeting of our local church council will be Monday evening, April 20, at 7:00 via Zoom. The main focus will be the draft budget for our next fiscal year. If you want to attend as a guest, please contact Michelle Thomas, our council chair.

SABBATH IN THE PARK APRIL 25

Details for our next Sabbath at Irvine Regional Park are on the back of this bulletin.

FEAST OF TABERNACLES REGISTRATION – EARLY REGISTRATION BEGINS APRIL 19 FOR TEMECULA

Those church areas assigned to Temecula for the Feast will be able to register on Sunday, April 19, a week prior to open registration for most or all of the U.S. sites.. Details will be forthcoming.

PRAYER REQUESTS

Wolfgang Spengler, Roy Tower, Linda Kozachenko, Knox Anson, Rebeca Azar, Christa Sanchez, Nancy Dailey, Irene Larvie, Lincoln Marini, Jeff Lewis, Ramona Morrisette-Nagai, Mark Dyches, Enrique Vidal, Pam Snyder, Jimmy Ortiz, Carmel Cini, Brad & JoAnn Slater, Helene Rosenberg, Melanie Bryan and Brennan Hilgen

COFFEE SOCIAL ROTATION

April 4	#1 (West) – Moore family
April 11	#2 (North & East) = Towers
April 18	#3 (Central) - Seiglies
April 25	Sabbath in the Park

SUNSET: Sunset this evening is at 7:16 p m; next Friday at 7:20 pm.