## Welcome to Maranatha International Church Sunday, December 7, 2025

## Unified Worship Service.....11:00 AM

Welcome to our Unified Service and the second Sunday in Advent — that time of preparation as we celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, who entered this world at His Father's command to express unconditional love and renewed hope for all mankind. We will celebrate communion today. We trust your heart will be refreshed as you share in the breaking of the bread. This morning Rev. Zepure Samawi will share a message titled: "Prayerful Life, Joyful Hearts, Peaceful Minds and Faithful Hands."

Bienvenidos a nuestro servicio unificado y al segundo domingo de Adviento, un tiempo de preparación mientras celebramos el nacimiento de Jesucristo, quien vino a este mundo por mandato de su Padre para expresar amor incondicional y esperanza renovada para toda la humanidad. Hoy celebraremos la Santa Cena. Confiamos en que sus corazones serán renovados al participar en la fracción del pan. Esta mañana, la Reverenda Zepure Samawi compartirá un mensaje titulado: "Una vida de Oración, Corazones Alegres, Mentes en paz y Manos Fieles".

مرحبًا بكم في خدمتنا الموحَّدة وفي الأحد الثاني من زمن المجيء، زمن الإعداد ونحن نحتفل بميلاد يسوع المسيح، الذي دخل إلى عالمنا بأمر من الآب ليُظهر محبّة غير مشروطة ورجاءً متجددًا لكل البشر. سنحتفل اليوم بالعشاء الربّاني، ونثق أنّ قلوبكم ستنتعش وأنتم تشاركون في كسر الخبز. وفي هذا الصباح ستشاركنا القس زيبيور سماوي برسالة بعنوان: "حياة مصلية، قلوب فرحة، أذهان سالمة، وأيدٍ أمينة"



Join us after the service today in the Fellowship Hall (downstairs) for coffee, donuts and fellowship. Everyone is welcome!

# SUNDAY KINGDOM KIDS CHURCH (K-5th Grade)

9:30am, 11:00am & 1:00pm (Fellowship Hall) Nursery care is available downstairs.

# **Sunday Services Live Streamed**

9:30 AM Spanish | 11:00 AM English | 1:00 PM Arabic mchapel.net

REMINDER! Please silence your mobile phones prior to the beginning of service.

#### **A Heartfelt Thank you!**

We had a wonderful time at our Ladies Holiday Gathering on Friday! Thank you to everyone who attended, as well as those who contributed in various ways, such as inviting others, planning, decorating, setting up, cleaning up, and serving. Your efforts truly made a difference. It's always a blessing to connect with other women and celebrate the holiday season!

## **Tuesday Night Mega Ministry Holiday Schedule**

All adult, youth and kids groups will meet as normal this Tuesday, Dec. 9th from 7:00-8:30 p.m. However, after this Tuesday the groups will break for the holidays and not meet Dec. 16, 23 & 30 and Jan. 6. The groups will resume Tuesday, January 13th. Enjoy this time off!

# <u>"A Very Veracity Christmas Party"</u> <u>Tuesday, Dec. 16 | 6:30 PM | Fellowship Hall</u>

Join us for our annual A Very Veracity Christmas Party on December 16th at 6:30 PM. Wear your Christmas pajamas, bring a friend, a dish to share, and a white elephant gift from home worth \$10-\$15!

## <u>Arabic Christmas Worship Celebration Service</u> <u>Friday, Dec. 19th | 7:00 PM</u>

Our Arabic congregation will gather for a special Christmas worship celebration service of joyful praise on Friday evening, Dec. 19th at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. Everyone is welcome!

# <u>Unified Christmas Candlelight Service</u> <u>Tuesday, Dec. 23 | 7 PM</u>

Join us Tuesday, December 23rd at 7:00 p.m. for our Christmas Candlelight Communion Service for the entire family. Come celebrate the birth of Jesus! Bring the whole family and invite a friend to this very special service you won't want to miss! (Nursery care will be provided.)

#### **2025 Memorial Names Submission**

During the New Year's Eve Service on Wednesday, Dec. 31st, we will display in a Power Point presentation the names and photos of family members who passed away in 2025. If you would like to make a submission, please provide their name, a photo, date of death and relationship to you. Please email information to: linda@mchapel.net or place in box in foyer.

# **Christmas Staff Love Offering**

Next Sunday, December 14th we will be receiving our annual Christmas love offering for our pastors and church staff. This collection is a free-will offering that is a simple monetary reflection of our love and appreciation to them.

### This week at Maranatha International Church

#### Monday-Thursday, Dec. 8-11

6:30-7:30 a.m. - Early Morning Prayer (Church open)

#### Tuesday, Dec. 9

7:00 p.m. - Adult Small Group Bible Studies (9731 Bldg.)

7:00 p.m. - Missions Prayer (9731 Bldg.)

7:00 p.m. - Children's Ministries (Fellowship Hall)

7:00 p.m. - Veracity Youth (sanctuary)

#### Wednesday, Dec. 10

6:00 a.m. - Budget Committee Meeting (Zoom)

#### Sunday, Dec. 14

9:30 a.m. - Bilingual Service (Spanish-English)

11:00 a.m. - English Service

1:00 p.m. - Bilingual Service (Arabic-English)

# Our Prayers and Deepest Condolences

"Please lift up in prayer these families this week as they grieve the loss of their loved ones. May God embrace them with comfort during this difficult time.

- Pastor Nader Kawar on the passing of his dear brother-in-law.
- Connie Gagne on the passing of her beloved mother.



The Ladies' Wednesday English Bible Study and the Ladies' Thursday Arabic Bible Study are on holiday break. They look forward to seeing everyone again when Bible studies start up in 2026.



Pastors Nader & Rania Kawar

#### **Pastoral Care and Prayer**

Please be assured that Pastor Rania and I are here for you—for pastoral care, prayer, and spiritual guidance. Please feel free to call the church office (708) 422-4340 and schedule a time to meet. Whether you need encouragement, direction, or someone to stand with you in prayer—you are not alone. We are here for you.





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