

SAN GABRIEL PRESBYTERY MONDAY MORNING UPDATE

July 27, 2020

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NEW THIS WEEK

Reflection from Executive Presbyter Rev. Wendy Tajima: [Zoilita and Osvaldo Garcia](#)

There are digital contacts for the [August 1, 10 am, Asian American and Pacific Islander \(AAPI\) Christians for Black Lives Vigil](#). For those who cannot join us at Leimert Park, the event will also be live-streamed. A promotional flyer is attached; for more information or questions, go to:

Facebook event

page: <https://www.facebook.com/events/921986704943440/>

Website: <https://aapichristiansforblacklives.org/>

Email:

aapichristiansforblacklives@gmail.com

Two new ways to serve God's kin-dom: we are looking for a part-time [Property Manager](#) for our West Covina ministry site, to support our Fellowship and International Theological Seminary, and the Synod is looking for a [Business Manager](#), as Fried Wilson will be retiring at the end of this year. Please reply if interested, or pass the word.

OTHER RESOURCES

Follow the [Presbytery of San Gabriel on Facebook](#) and join one of our groups to hear more about what is happening in the life of our Presbytery.

Looking for the latest stats on Coronavirus?

· LA

County: <http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/>

· LA Times California

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Zoom call for Clergy and Church leaders on **Tuesday, July 28 at 10:00 am.**

Join Zoom call:

- <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/906806900?pwd=Q1FSOEJHRGIQby9BK1VPQ0VwYbEITUT09>
- Meeting ID: 906 806 900 PSSWRD: 788935
- Dial in (669) 900 9128

Committee on Representation and Nomination on **Tuesday, July 28 at 11:30 am.**

Executive Commission on **Tuesday, July 28 at 4:00 pm.**

PLEASE REMEMBER

West Covina Ministry Center in your Prayers of the People this week.

Please pray for **Charles and Shirley Castles**. Shirley suffered a brain aneurysm at 1 am late Friday/early Saturday. The damage was totally unexpected, sudden, and extensive. One of their daughters Jhey posted information on [Facebook](#). As Jhey wrote, "We are open to a miracle, or swift painless peace." The family was allowed a one-hour visit, but otherwise they can only love Shirley, who is in a coma, from afar. Anyone who knows Monte Vista Grove knows of Shirley's boundless energy for love and care for others. We pray for Shirley, but

Tracker: <https://www.latimes.com/projects/california-coronavirus-cases-tracking-outbreak/>

(gives county-by-county data)

• NPR United States Tracker:

<https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2020/03/16/816707182/map-tracking-the-spread-of-the-coronavirus-in-the-us#states>

(gives state-by-state data)

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center is offering their sessions online. For a full listing [click here](#). Two that might be of particular interest in this season are:

Grief in the time of COVID-19:

A Family Systems Approach to Pastoral Care

The COVID-19 pandemic has significantly impacted our experience of grief, from the ability for families to grieve the loss of a loved one, to the more ambiguous grief of the loss of our pre-pandemic ways of life. COVID-19 presents a unique challenge to faith leaders, and while we don't yet know the long-term impact of COVID-19 on grief, we must find a way to provide adequate pastoral care, even in an era of social distancing.

This 90-minute webinar will be offered on August 13 and August 27.

Breaking Free: Finding Resilience in an Era of Collective Trauma

This webinar will explore the issue of trauma in the current context of both the COVID-19 virus and the public killing of George Floyd. Grounded in Family Systems Theory, *Breaking Free* will help participants identify the impact of trauma on themselves and others, discuss strategies to break free from trauma, and find resilience. This 90-minute webinar will be offered on July 30.

To register [click here](#).

especially for Charlie, their family, and the many who love Shirley.

COMMUNITY CARE

Check out the [San Gabriel Presbytery Website](#) for information about ways to help in the community.

Presbyterian Women is designating July 31 as "PW Gives Day." This organization is not as visible as when every Presbyterian Church had a PW in their congregation, but they continue to be a formidable and faithful pillar of the church. Please see the attached [flyer](#), or go to <https://www.presbyterianwomen.org/giving-funding/give/> and contribute to their ministry.

SAN GABRIEL DIGITAL DIRECTORY

We have updated our directory of the digital worship services in our presbytery and you can download it [here](#).

INFORMATION LINKS

[2020 Presbytery Minimums](#)

[Employment Opportunities](#)

[Donate Online to Presbytery or to Churches in the Presbytery](#)