

## **2017 Summer Meeting**

**July 8, 9:30 a.m.**

### **Global Migration: A Christian Perspective for a Current Human Phenomenon**



#### **Carlos Parra, PhD**

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La Sierra University**

Join us at the **Tierrasanta SDA Church**  
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We are excited to welcome Dr. Carlos Parra to our Summer 2017 SDAF forum meeting. Dr. Parra is currently chair of the World Languages Department & ESL Program at La Sierra University. He earned his bachelor's in Spanish Language and Literature from Weber State University, his

master's in Language and Literature at the University of Utah, and his Ph.D. in Romance Studies from Duke University. His academic interests and research topics are wide ranging, including: cultural studies, hemispheric studies, diaspora, migration, communities nostalgia, displacement, and belonging. His scholarly publications investigate the challenges of immigration and describe the cultural changes that immigrants face in the diaspora. The titles from recent publications include "A Glance at Identity (Trans/Con) Formation among Latino/Hispanic Communities in North America" and "Indigenous Communities: Representation, Isolation, and Dependency in 'Yawar Fiesta and 'Flutes of Death'".

Join us for a fascinating conversation.

**Breakfast!** Instead of the usual lunch meal, for this meeting we are trying something new. Please join us for a delicious breakfast starting at 9 am. The lecture by Dr. Parra will follow at 9:30 am.

### **Upcoming Meetings**

Our speaker coordinator, Mary Proctor-Dehn, is always on the lookout for excellent lecturers. If you have any ideas, please let us know at [sdaf.org@gmail.com](mailto:sdaf.org@gmail.com). You won't want to miss the following speaker, tentatively scheduled for January 2018:

**Winter 2018: Jon Henderson**  
*Homosexuality within the Church*