

## ELDER JOSÉ ROJAS '78



MBA is delighted to have Elder José Rojas as our guest speaker for the worship hour of Alumni Weekend. José graduated from MBA with the Class of 1978 and he is quick to tell anyone that MBA transformed his life—instilling in him the desire to serve the Lord. Upon graduating in 1978, he attended college, eventually graduating from La Sierra University (formerly La Sierra Campus of Loma Linda University) in 1987 with a bachelor's degree in Religion. He received his Master's degree in Religion with a Sociology emphasis from Loma Linda University in 1988, and later received a *Honoris Causa* Doctor of Divinity, from Southwestern Adventist University in 1997.

José's life of service has included serving as Director of Youth and Family Life for Central California Conference from October of 1991 to December 1993, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries and Adventist Youth Service Network for the North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists (NAD) from 1994–2000, and Director of the Office of Volunteer Ministries for the NAD from 2000–2012. Feeling called by God to start his own organization, José left the NAD in January of 2013 and formed MOVEMENTUM, LLC. "We exist to strengthen organizations by developing servant leaders," says José. Services offered by MOVEMENTUM are leadership development, specialized ministries, and motivational speaking.

Currently, José and his wife, Ruthie, live in Burtonsville, MD. They are blessed with four beautiful children, Veronica, Angelica, Gabriel and Maria. José has a heart for the Lord and we are look to the spiritual blessing he will bring to us this weekend.