



From The Pastor's Heart
The Stroudsburg
Seventh-day Adventist Church

CHURCH AT WORSHIP c2

MARCH 12, 2016

Second Service

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

What influences our thoughts feelings and attitude? Does our thinking in anyway impacts the way we feel or behave? The Bible has the answer and the solution to our problems. Proverbs 23:7King James Version (KJV) ⁷ For as he thinketh in his heart, so is he: Eat and drink, saith he to thee; but his heart is not with thee. And In Philippians 4:8 the Apostle Paul says ⁸ Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things. Philippians 4:8King James Version (KJV). Beloved our mind is the most valuable thing that you have in your possession. The things that we put in our minds and that we dwell upon is of utmost importance. We will become what we think!

Marcus Aurelius says “The most important things in life are the thoughts you choose to think”. Gary Collins—It doubtless is true that people become what they think about. I also have to tell you a very important fact. Our mind is under siege every single second of the day. There is a great plan to control our thinking. In the course of time, we will become on the outside what you believe on the inside. The devil loves to take advantage of a mind that is ignorant or one that is pushed around by wayward emotions. J. Oswald Sanders—The mind of man is the battleground on which every moral and spiritual battle is fought. Vance Havner—Our defeat or victory begins with what we think, and if we guard our thoughts we shall not have much trouble anywhere else along the line. As a man thinketh. . . so is he! There is power that comes from focus. If you can just think, if you can give your mind to God in such a way that He can use it, it will be amazing what He will do with you! Our actions are always in harmony with the thoughts that we have. Whatever we are thinking will dominate us so that we will find ourselves pursuing our thoughts. That is why that Paul was so insistent on making sure that we had the ability to think right. Every man, no matter what age he is, is pursuing something. His thinking pushes him toward something to pursue. A positive mind does not allow negativities to dominate the mind and make us mentally weak. We are able to think better, decide wisely and rationally, and choose what is deemed right. We can easily size up situations and create solutions to problems. A positive mental attitude is very beneficial in your personal endeavors as well as in the professional aspects of your life. Emotionally, positive thinking makes us feel light and blissful. As early as waking up in the morning, you can already choose your mood by thinking positively and believing that your day will be a good one. You may experience a bad situation or encounter a problem but you do not feel totally upset or disappointed about it because you are able to manage your emotions well with a positive approach towards instances such as that. The really nice thing about it is that such positive emotions radiate and are exuded to others especially those whom you deal with regularly. In effect, they also tend to imitate the positivity of your emotions and even your thinking pattern. According to Herbert Samuels, smile and the world will smile at you; frown and the world will do the same to you.

If you want to be happy and stay happy throughout your life, changing your outlook in life is a remarkable thing to do. Then again, it is not a radical change but a gradual process. Bear in mind that positive thinking can transform our personality if we choose to.

Your brother in Christ

F1 Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Introit.....“We Have Come Into This House”.....Praise Team
 Call to Worship..... Elder James Yansen
 Doxology.....“Praise God from Whom”.....Congregation
 Invocation..... Sis. Ranelle Williams
 Welcome..... Elder James Yansen
 AnnouncementsChurch Clerk
 Pastoral Announcements.....Pastor Livingstone Aaron
 Hymn of Adoration.....Congregation
 Scripture Reading.....Bro. Joel Peters
 Intercessory Prayer..... Elder Bernard Lewis
 “I Must Tell Jesus”
 Special Music.....
 Children’s Story.....Sis. Zharia Baker
 Offertory.....Bro. Derrick Francis
 “We Give Thee but Thine Own”
 Praise and Worship.....Praise Team
 Hymn of Meditation..... Congregation
 Sermon..... Sis. Ranelle Williams
 Hymn of Consecration..... Congregation
 Benediction.....Elder Bernard Lewis

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED UNTIL USHERED OUT

PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Class

Bible study will continue this afternoon at 3:30 pm. The presenter will be Pastor livingstone Aaron . And the studies will continue on schedule . Please come and learn how to conduct small group ministries. The best preparation that anyone can have in personal evangelism is the continued and purposeful study of the scriptures and working earnestly for the salvation of someone that you want to meet in heaven. Studying the bible is like yeast in bread letting it rise slowly in our heart through the power and infilling of the Holy Ghost. When that happens the word of God in you will be like yeast, penetrating you heart and mind gradually like salt strewn over ice. So join us every other Sabbath afternoon, let us study the Bible together and see what God will do in us and for us!

Baptismal class

We are kindly inviting all those who have been coming to this church and are not yet baptized to plan to attend our baptismal class tomorrow afternoon at 5-6pm. This meeting is for all our children, visitors, youth and adults who sincerely love the lord Jesus and want to know more of his will for their lives, and are desirous of surrendering their lives to him and be baptized one of these days should attend. Enrollment cards will be made available from the ushers; for all those who are serious about giving their lives to Christ completely and be saved in Gods eternal kingdom. We are urging all parents, and families who have unsaved loved ones to attend this class and you can attend with them also. Baptismal lessons will be made available to all who enroll and attend the Class. Our primary goal is to teach and prepare others to understand all that Jesus want them to know and do, so we can all get to heaven soon.

Family Life

Worry Is A Waste of Time Worry is one of the most ineffective pastimes we can indulge in,. Jesus Himself asked, "Can all your worries add a single moment to your life?"(Matt. 6:27 NLT). Worry is the assassin of rest and relationships. it stalks us and hijacks our minds. While we may continue to function publicly, there's a sinister force lurking within us. This enemy called worry disorients mood, destroys creativity, and depletes your sense of completion which comes from within and can't be achieved by the acquisition of things. Why do we wrestle so much with things we can't change? Here's God's prescription for worry: 'Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything'."

CHURCH AT WORSHIP ^{c4}

MARCH 12, 2016

First Service

Introit.....Sweet, Sweet Spirit
(Please Remain Standing)

Call to Worship..... Elder Glasworth Richards
(Congregation, Please Stand)

Invocation..... Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Welcome..... Elder Glasworth Richards
(Congregation, Please Sit)

ADORATION & PRAISE

Hymn of Adoration.....Congregation
(Please Remain Standing)

Intercessory Prayer..... Elder Glenn Melitti
(Those Able, Please kneel)

STEWARDSHIP & GRATITUDE

Offertory..... Bro. Joseph Hussy

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading Elder Glasworth Richards

Sermon..... Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Hymn of Consecration..... Elder Glenn Melitti

Benediction.....Elder Glasworth Richards

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

March 12, 2016

9:30 AM — 10:45 AM

Theme: Equipped for Spiritual Warfare

Welcome.....Sis. Dania Batt
 Opening Prayer.....Bro. Wesley Francis
 Opening Song.....Congregation
 Scripture ReadingBro. Joshua Wilson
 World Mission Emphasis.....Bro. Joel Peters
 Special Music..... Revive Us Again Congregation
 Lesson Study: First Quarter, 2016..... Lesson #11
 Secretary Report Sabbath School Secretary
 Welcome Visitors..... Bro. Wesley Francis
 Special Music.....
 Closing Remarks.....Sis. Kaila Blake

HEALTH NUGGET

"Carrots are rich in beta-carotene which gives food their bright colors. Scientists believe the naturally occurring chemicals have protective effect. It is also found in foods such as spinach, red peppers and mangoes. Diet made women 40-60% less likely to develop certain breast cancers 'Everyone can reduce their risk of breast cancer and many other diseases through healthy lifestyle choices'. Dr Richard Berks, Breast Cancer

Now" <http://www.dailymail.co.uk/health/article-3462440/They-not-good-eyes-Eating-carrots-slash-risk-breast-cancer-60.html?ITO=applenews>

“I will praise thee, O Lord my God, with all my heart: and I will glorify thy name for evermore.”Psalms 86:12

PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Tips for sharing your faith every day

In the course of daily life:

Pray before a meal, especially with family and friends, but also in public places. Don't be ostentatious about it, but be faithful.

Refer to your church, your faith and the Bible in casual conversation with others.

Respond "Thank God!" or "God is Good!" when someone shares an uplifting story with you.

Say "I will pray for you" when someone shares a personal concern or difficulty with you.

Send a card or note of encouragement, offer words of blessing.

Be courteous and helpful in all public transactions; look for ways to give a verbal and positive witness to the hope that is within you.

Offer affirmation to colleagues for a job well done; share how thankful you are to God for their gifts.

Share a smile and personal greeting with a stranger.

Model Christian behavior when you coach or attend your child's sport events

Carry your faith over into your work by insisting on fair prices, good products and just treatment of customers and employees.

Share what motivates you to stand up for these values in such a way

Model your faith by taking time for daily devotions and Bible study.

Model stewardship and hospitality by giving money or food to people in need.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Up-Coming Events

Adventist Youth Society (AY) Today at 4:30 PM.

Sabbath Prayer Session: Immediately after Divine Service in the Kindergarten class room, all are welcome

Prayer Line: Sunday Mar. 20th @ 8PM. Phone number 712-432-0175 Access Code 853923#.

Couples club meeting continues (tonight) March 12, 2016 at the Community Center @ 6:30 PM. Special guess presenters

Zumba Class March 26 @ 7:30pm in the Gym. \$10 per person, water included, please bring your own towel.

Watch this Space: Stroudsburg's Community Guest Day, Sabbath April 9, 2016

Women's Retreat: Deadline/Payments for the Women's Retreat in Harrisburg, PA are due next Saturday, March 19th, after Sabbath. Please see the flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer for further information.

For Your Information:

Dear Brethren Please be informed that any document that you see on the bulletin board is there for a reason. No one has the authority to remove or place anything on the bulletin boards without the expressed permission of the Communication Director, Pastor or First Elder of the church.

Pastor Livingstone Aaron.

Children's Ministries Day Sabbath March 19:

- **Children's Church** 10:45am in the gym
- **Nursing Home Visitation** 3pm
- **Junior AY** 4:30 - 6pm in the gym
- **Social Activity** 6:30pm:
Let's skate!! Big Wheel Skating Center 3226 North 5th street
East Stroudsburg, PA 18302
Admission: \$8, Skate rental: quad \$1.50, inline \$3.50
A parent or guardian over 18 must be responsible for each child.
All parents/guardian must sign a waiver form.
All parents are responsible for the cost for their children's expenses.
We will be carpooling.

Theme Song: Revive Us Again cs

We praise Thee, O God!
For the Son of Thy love,
For Jesus Who died,
And is now gone above.

Refrain:

Hallelujah! Thine the glory.
Hallelujah! Amen.
Hallelujah! Thine the glory.
Revive us again.

We praise Thee, O God!
For Thy Spirit of light,
Who hath shown us our Savior,
And scattered our night.

All glory and praise
To the Lamb that was slain,
Who hath borne all our sins,
And hath cleansed every stain.

All glory and praise
To the God of all grace,
Who hast brought us, and sought us,
And guided our ways.

Revive us again;
Fill each heart with Thy love;
May each soul be rekindled
With fire from above.

CHURCH BUSINESS

Choir Rehearsal Schedule

- Sanctuary Choir – Sabbath after AY
- Youth Choir (12 years and up) – Sabbath at 2:30 PM
- Children’s Choir (2 years thru 11 years) - Sabbath at 3PM

Baby Dedications Third Sabbath of Each Month

Medical Personnel on Duty..... Sis. Delia Palmer

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All heads of departments are asked to check their mailboxes weekly.

Help Wanted

- **The Sanctuary Choir** is looking for Sopranos, Altos, Tenors, Basses and Baritones. Please contact Michael Dumpereh or Karen Cato.
- **The Communication team** is looking for individuals to work on Church Social Media Strategy, Web Site design and the Official Church Photographer, contact Mark Morris

SICK & SHUT-IN

Richard Adams 1361 Resica Falls Rd, East Stroudsburg 570-223-7727

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Nemesia Rance 267 King St, Stroudsburg, 570-619-5338

Norma Leap 570-992-4970

Please remember Sister Pitts, Brother Colegangle and Brother Samson in your prayers.

Financial Report as of 02/27/2016

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Amount needed	\$10,998	\$ 131,976
Amount collected:	\$ 2,950	\$ 24,963
Amount Difference	\$ -8,048	\$ -107,013

Sunsets

CSF3 Today: 6:04 PM

Next Friday: 7:10 PM

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

How to ensure you have a successful Financial future

Every one of us is making investments every day. There is much uncertainty in the world of investments. We all invest our money, self and time with the hope of getting a windfall in terms of profit and see growth in our 401 or 403K. Earthly investments do not last, even when they are successful for a time. But I want to talk about another kind of investment. This investment has *no risk* whatsoever, and it pays *handsome returns* on a continuing basis. I speak of investment of time, of spiritual investments—investments in character, obedience, service, kindness.

The Lord has told us:

“Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal”. “But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal.” (Matt. 6:19–20.)

While obsession with money incites crime, destroys families and wrecks lives, the ultimate price for loving temporal things is eternal damnation. Jesus hinted at this when He asked, “What does it profit a man to gain the whole world, and forfeit his soul?” (Mark 8:36).

A day is coming when all the material possessions you own and hold to be dear will be "dissolved." The word "dissolved" is from the Greek word *luo*, which is the same word mentioned above in Second Peter 3:10 to describe the complete dissolution of everything that presently exists. By using this word, Peter alerts us to the fact that nothing we presently own will last forever. In light of this truth, how should we view our material possessions, and how should we prioritize our lives? Too often we devote the bulk of our time to our homes, gardens, cars, businesses, or other worldly affairs. Although we must give attention to the basic things that are necessary to life, we make a huge mistake if we focus on these temporal matters while neglecting the eternal spiritual issues that will pass from this life into the next. Only what is done for the Lord will last. Everything else will be left behind in a world that will one day be consumed with a fervent heat. Since everything will be dissolved, as Peter tells us, doesn't it make sense that we invest in our spiritual futures as well as in our present lives?

Hosea 13:6 sums up this tragic disparity: “Being satisfied, their heart became proud; therefore, they forgot Me.” When we become prosperous, we become proud. Then we forget God. Frankly, for most people persecution is easier to endure than prosperity. In other words, there is a clear connection between your attitude toward money and your spiritual health. Where you invest your treasure reveals where you have set your trust and affections. That is why the Lord had so much to say about money. Do you want to take your spiritual temperature? Look at your checkbook. Where are you investing your treasure? That’s where your heart really is.

God does not give you riches to hoard, but to use for His glory. True enjoyment of wealth comes not from possessing it, but from investing it as God intended—in things that count for eternity.

WHO ARE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS?

WHAT SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS BELIEVE

We believe that Jesus Christ;

Is found throughout the entire Word of God. (John. 5:39; II Tim. 3:16, 17)

Is the divine Son of God and our personal Savior. (John. 1:1-3; Heb. 7:25)

Offers His righteousness to all who accept Him by faith. (Rom. 4:3-5)

Soon coming will be visible to all, and at that time He will raise the dead.
(I Thess. 4:16, 17; I Cor.15:52)

Is the source of a new birth experience. (John. 3:3-5)

Is the Creator of the world, and established the 7th day Sabbath for His people to remember

His creative power. (Heb. 1:1, 2; Ex. 20:8-11)

Is our example that the Ten Commandment Law is a reflection of God's perfect character, and that it is our pattern for successful living. (John. 15:10, James. 2:8-12)

In the Old and New Testaments, outlined the free giving of tithes and offerings to support the work of the church. (Mal. 3:10; Matt. 23:23)

Through His baptism, gave an example of His death and resurrection, and new life through our baptism. (Mark. 1:9; Rom. 6:3-5)

Through the Holy Spirit, makes our body His temple. (I Cor. 3:16, 17)

Gives the gifts of the Spirit for the unity of the faith and the perfection of the saints.
(Eph. 4:8-11; I Cor. 12)

Expects modesty and deportment in His children. (I Tim 2:9, 10)

Is now our heavenly Priest, and gives His last message for all mankind that,
"the hour of God's judgment is come." (Rev. 14:6-12; Heb. 8:1-6)

COME AND WORSHIP WITH US

Prayer Meeting - Wed. 7:00 pm
First Service - Sat. 8:30 am
Sabbath School - Sat. 9:45 am
Second Service - Sat. 11:00 am
Adventist Youth Society
Sat. 1 hour before sunset

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