

# 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)

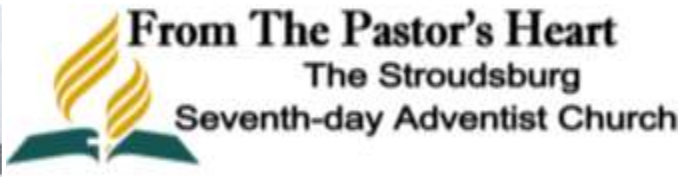
Through the Holy Spirit, makes our body His temple. (I Cor. 3:16, 17)

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	OUR PEOPLE
<p><b>Prayer Meeting</b> - Wed. 7:00 pm <b>First Service</b> - Sat. 8:30 am <b>Sabbath School</b> - Sat. 9:45 am <b>Second Service</b> - Sat. 11:00 am <b>Adventist Youth Society</b> Sat. 1 hour before sunset</p>	<p><b>Pastor:</b> Livingstone Aaron 570-355-5762 416 Tranquility Ct. Long Pond, PA 18334 Email: laaron@paconference.org <b>Church Clerk:</b> Stacey Charles 570-534-5311 <b>Head Elder:</b> James Obegi 201-423-3227 <b>Community Services: 570-476-0039 or</b> <b>Sis. Jamala Asiyu</b> - 570-644-3491 <b>Pocono Adventist Christian School</b>— 570-421-5577</p>



# CHURCH AT WORSHIP <sup>c2</sup>

**March 04, 2017**

**Divine Service (11:00 AM)**

## Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Today we join our sisters at Stroudsburg Seventh day Adventist church, and all over the world in the celebration of international women's day of prayer. I am pleased as Pastor to greet you on this great occasion, our "Annual Women's Day of prayer and consecration to God". Over the years, the women of Stroudsburg Seventh - day Adventist church have come together to make this day an uplifting time of Worship, Praise, Prayer and Celebration.

In today's church, the women outnumber the men in most local congregations. In fact, many churches would not exist at all if it were not for godly women. This is not to say that Godly men have not and do not contribute to the success of the church, but so many times it is the converted and committed women who have been the source of spiritual maturity in their homes, and in the church. In so many cases, consecrated women patterned after Lois and Eunich (see 2 Tim. 1:5; 3:14-15) have been the source of sacred teaching, training, and the example that has helped shape the next generation for servants and workers in the Lord's kingdom. Many of us can personally look back upon godly mothers and other holy women who have greatly influenced us to arrive at our current positions of faith and service in the Lord's church. Yes, the Lord's church would be in quite a fix without the efforts of such godly women.

Many a man in the Lord's church today can also point to his godly wife as the source of his conversion. The persistent, faithful teaching and example of a godly woman has introduced many a man to the Lord. And many of us men in our current positions of service also realize the difficulty it would be for us to carry on that service without the faithful support of our companions who do all to hold up our hands and encourage us in all things that are right. Yes, we men would be in a terrible way without godly women!

Ellen White believed that not enough women felt their responsibility as individuals to work for God. Many thought that the trials of raising a family and running a home demanded all the time they had, and excused them from further obligations. In a letter she wrote to Sarepta Myrenda and Irish Henry, the woman who founded Women's Ministries in 1898 (it was called a Woman Ministry at that time), Ellen White wrote:

(OH-3, PP 6/7/8/) The work you are doing to help our sisters feel their individual accountability to God is a good and necessary work. Long has it been neglected, however, when this work is laid out in clear, simple, definite lines, we may expect that home duties, instead of being neglected, will be done much more intelligently. The Lord would have us ever to urge the worth of the human soul upon those who do not understand its value. Daughters of God, p. 130)

OH-7, PP 15) Wonderful is the mission of the wives and mothers and the younger women workers. If they will, they can exert an influence for good to all around them. By modesty in dress and circumspect deportment, they may bear witness to the truth in its simplicity. They may let their light so shine before all, that others will see their good works and glorify their Father which is in heaven. A truly converted woman will exert a powerful transforming influence for good. ~Manuscript 91, 1908 (Daughters of God, p. 150)

So let us thank God for godly women. Let us ever acknowledge their irreplaceable and priceless role in the kingdom of Christ, and never be guilty of placing a stumbling block before them by minimizing or overlooking their value. And may godly women never be discouraged when their service is not rightfully acknowledged. Nor may they never be tempted to abandon the great state to which the Lord has called them for the cheap counterfeit being touted by the world.

Yours in the blessed Hope <sup>F1</sup> Pastor Livingstone Aaron. 1

- Introit....."We Have Come Into This House" .....Praise Team
- Call to Worship..... Eld. Donna Wilson
- Doxology....."Praise God from Whom" .....Congregation
- Invocation..... Eld. Angela Clarke
- Welcome..... Sis. Nadine Gayle
- Announcements .....Church Clerk
- Pastoral Announcements.....Pastor Livingstone Aaron
- Special Music.....Sis. Porschea Clarke
- Scripture Reading ....Ps 27:14 & 69:3.....Sis, Gaygloria Maynard
- Offertory..... Sis. Natalie Gibbs
- Praise and Worship..... "When I lay My Issac Down" ..... Praise Team
- Prayer - Clothesline.....Eld. Thomas Pitts
- Sermon..... "A Mother's Station"..... Eld. Angela Clarke
- Praise and Worship... "Your Cries Have Awaken the Master"... Praise Team
- Prayer - Women.....Eld. Donna Wilson
- Praise and Worship..... "He Knows My Name" ..... Praise Team
- Prayer Children.....Eld. Jackson Dolly, Sis. Dorn Hunte, Sis. Audrey Sylvane
- The Christian Woman's Journey .....Sis. Solange Sanchez
- Praise and Worship..... "It's Me Again Lord" ..... Praise Team
- Prayer - Men.....Eld. Gladsworth Richards
- Hymn of Consecration.....#518.....Congregation
- Benediction..... Eld. Donna Wilson

# STROUDSBURG



## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

### *Mission Statement*

Spreading the Gospel of Jesus Christ in Stroudsburg and beyond.

### *Vision Statement*

Making disciples of Jesus Christ through the power of His word and the ministry of His love, and by faith establishing places of worship to prepare us for His second advent.



## CHURCH AT WORSHIP <sup>c4</sup>

March 04, 2017

First Service (8:30 AM)

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

Call to Worship..... Eld. James Obegi  
(Congregation, Please Stand)

Invocation..... Eld. Angela Clarke

Welcome..... Eld. Angela Clarke  
(Congregation, Please Sit)

#### ADORATION & PRAISE

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

Intercessory Prayer..... Sis. Stacey Charles  
(Those Able, Please kneel)

#### STEWARDSHIP & GRATITUDE

Offertory..... Bro. Geddes Gibbs

#### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading ... Bro. Geddes Gibbs

Hymn of Meditation.....Congregation

Sermon..... Eld. Angela Clarke

Hymn of Consecration..... Congregation

Benediction..... Eld. Angela Clarke

LET US PREPARE FOR SABBATH SCHOOL

# THE CHURCH AT STUDY

March 0-4, 2017      Sabbath School      9:15 AM - 10:45 AM

- Song Service .....Congregation
- Opening Hymn.....Congregation
- Opening Prayer..... Sis. Josephine Aaron
- Scripture Reading ..... Sis. Josephine Aaron
- Lesson Study: 1st Quarter, 2017..... #9
- Lesson Synopsis..... Sis. Josephine Aaron
- Mission emphasis..... Sis. Josephine Aaron
- Sabbath School Welcome..... Sis. Josephine Aaron
- Closing Prayer..... Sis. Josephine Aaron

## LET US PREPARE FOR DIVINE SERVICE

### HEALTH NUGGETS:

Note: Please consult with your physician before utilizing these natural remedies, especially if you have severe symptoms or have a special condition, such as diabetes, heart disease, cancer, etc.

For nasal congestion:

- (1) Drink hot broth or hot tea, such as peppermint or ginger.
- (2) Add plenty of garlic and onion to soups and eat while hot.
- (3) Use saline nose drops: Dissolve 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon baking soda in 1 cup warm water. Use with a clean eyedropper or nasal spray bottle.
- (4) Use a water vaporizer with eucalyptus essence.
- (5) Apply a hot sinus compress.
- (6) Use "breathing strips" found in the First Aid section of drug stores.

"The spirit of God hath made me, and the breath of the Almighty hath given me life." Job 33:4

# PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stroudsburg Seventh-day Adventist church; business meeting  
March 4, 2017 at 6:30 pm.

Tonight we will commence our first business meeting for the year 2017. We must remember that even though we do all we can to be organized and operate within proper guidelines, we are serving the Lord and His work. Paul told Timothy, "I write so that you may know how you ought to conduct yourself in the house of God, which is the church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth" (1 Timothy 3:15, NKJV). The meeting that conducts the business of the church is a spiritual meeting just as a Bible study or Sunday service is a spiritual meeting. The focus may be somewhat different, but the conduct of church business is essential to the health and proper functioning of the local church.

John Maxwell states: "Two common problems in board meetings are (1) each person has his own agenda, and (2) the pastor has a difficult time maintaining control of the meeting." Maxwell is right. He recommends avoiding digressions by sticking to an agenda prepared before the meeting. He has a further helpful suggestion of dividing the agenda into three categories: information, study, and action items.

### Getting Started

Through prayer and Christ like leadership, the pastor, elders, and church officers can set the overall tone that everyone is on the same team and working toward the same goal of honoring God. Have everyone turn off their cell phones, or set them to silent. If necessary, remind everyone, "Whatever you do, work at it with all your heart, as working for the Lord, not for men," according to Colossians 3:23. Remind those in attendance that information discussed should be considered confidential.

### Time

Meetings can easily drag on when people are sidetracked or long-winded. Being mindful to begin and end the meeting on time demonstrates that we value everyone's time. If the meeting is going to be a long one, schedule breaks to ensure everyone's comfort. Five to 10 minutes is plenty of time to run to the bathroom or stretch your legs.

### Be Prepared

The person leading a church meeting should always be prepared, setting the tone for a productive work environment. Each church member should also come prepared to contribute, having done her research and ready to participate and share her knowledge and opinions. Each attendee's preparation and organization shows respect for the other attendees.

### Other Issues

Value each person's opinion, giving each one a chance to speak and be heard, and limit side conversations to keep the meeting moving forward. Never embarrass any brother or sister during a meeting. If you must confront someone about his conduct during the meeting, do it privately during a break or after the meeting. Give specific examples of his disruption along with suggestions to remedy the problem.

# CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Up-Coming Events

**Sabbath Prayer Session:** Today - Immediately after Divine Service in the Kindergarten class room, all are welcome. And Remember, every First Sabbath, Grief Support Ministry sessions are included in the prayer meetings.

**Adventist Youth Society (AYS):** AYS Today @ 4:30PM.

**Principal's Appreciation Week,** ends today, let us all as a school and church family continue to show the Principal how much we appreciate her.

**Prayer Breakfast:** Tomorrow March 5, 2017 10 A.M – Noon, All members are invited to participate.

**Adventurers Club:** Next Sabbath March 11th, will be Induction Service and Parents blessing for the Stroudsburg Eagles Adventurers Club. They will be inducted during Divine Service hour. Come and show your support for the 19 little ones and their parents.

**Personal Financial Management Seminar:** Continues Next week March 11 @ 4:30PM.

**Couples Club:** Next Couples' Club meeting will be held on Saturday March 11th, 7PM at the Community Center. The event will be facilitated by Michelle Townsend, LCSW- Owner of Empowered Living, LLC in Stroudsburg, PA.

**Children's Church:** Next program Scheduled for March 18, 2017.

### **Women's Ministry:**

- Upcoming event: Pennsylvania Conference 2017 Women's Retreat, March 24-26, 2017.

**Community Lunch:** Next lunch will be on March 26, hosted by Bro. Everton & Sis. Jean-Marie Williams.

We are looking for Families to host the community lunch for (Jul, Aug, Sep, Oct, Nov, and Dec).

### **Sabbath School Announcement:**

- Looking for that special person who is interested in molding our children in learning to grow in Jesus. We are in need of a Teacher for the Cradle Roll and Kindergarten classes. If interested, please contact Sabbath School Superintendent.



## Q1 THEME SONG: c6

Theme: Holy Spirit, Our Divine Indweller

### Hover Over Me Holy Spirit

Hover o'er me, Holy Spirit,  
Bathe my trembling heart and brow;  
Fill me with Thy hallowed presence,  
Come, O come and fill me now.

#### Refrain

Fill me now, fill me now,  
Jesus, come and fill me now;  
Fill me with Thy hallowed presence,  
Come, O come, and fill me now.

Thou canst fill me, gracious Spirit,  
Though I cannot tell Thee how;  
But I need Thee, greatly need Thee,  
Come, O come and fill me now.

I am weakness, full of weakness,  
At Thy sacred feet I bow;  
Blest, divine, eternal Spirit,  
Fill with power and fill me now.

Cleanse and comfort, bless and save me,  
Bathe, O bathe my heart and brow;  
Thou art comforting and saving,  
Thou at sweetly filling now.

### **This Week's Memory Text**

**EPHESIANS 4:3-5 NEW AMERICAN STANDARD BIBLE (NASB)**

<sup>3</sup>being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.<sup>4</sup>*There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in one hope of your calling;*<sup>5</sup>one Lord, one faith, one baptism,

## CHURCH BUSINESS

### Choir Rehearsal Schedule

- *Children's Choir (2 years thru 11 years) - Sabbath at 3PM*

**Board Meetings** - 1<sup>st</sup> Sabbath of each month

**Baby Dedications:** - 3rd Sabbath of each month

**Medical Personnel on Duty**.....Sis. Hilrea Morris

**Pathfinders Club:** meets every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month.

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### **Building Committee:**

To submit your ideas on the Church Building Plans or Fundraising, please email the Building Committee at [building@pacs-sda.org](mailto:building@pacs-sda.org)

**Prison Ministries:** – Men Visit every 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath of the month.

### **Nursing Home Schedules and hours:**

1st Sabbath---Spring Village Home, 329 Brown Street, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301 from 3pm-4pm  
2nd Sabbath---White Stone Care Center, 870 White Stone Corner, Stroudsburg, PA from 3pm-4pm  
3rd Sabbath--Pleasant Valley Manor, 4227 Manor Drive, Stroudsburg, PA 18360, from 3pm -4pm  
4th Sabbath--Brookmont Health Care, 510 Brokmont Drive, Effort, PA 18330, from 3:30pm-4:30pm

### **SICK & SHUT-IN**

**Bro. Richard Adams** is back at home.

**Sis. Christine Adams** is now at the White Stone Care Center Rm 218

**Sis. Nemesia Rance** 267 King St, Stroudsburg, 570-619-5338

**Sis. Norma Leap** 570-992-4970

### **Financial Report as of 02/25/2017**

	For The Month	For The Year
Amount Needed	\$10,998	\$ 131,976
Amount Collected:	\$11,538	\$ 22,156
Amount Difference	\$+ 540	\$-109,820

\*\*Values are Based on Last year's budget, subject to change

### **Sunsets**

CSF3 Today: 5:54 PM

Next Friday: 6:01 PM

## STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

### "Genuine Love, Genuine Giving"

2 Corinthians 8:8

You can give without loving, but you cannot love without giving. While not a new statement, this still merits our consideration.

Genuine, sincere love involves giving, and giving expresses our love. John wrote, "For God so loved the world, which He gave..." We have numerous opportunities to give time, energies, and money through our church. Paul confessed to the Corinthian church that he wanted "to test the sincerity of your love."

We are not members of the Corinthian congregation, but Paul's counsel is still wise. If we love God, love our church, and love the new life we have in Christ, we will give. If genuine love motivates our giving, we will give like God - our best.

What is shaping your giving? Are there fewer motivations, less biblical and inspiring, determining your giving pattern? Let giving be a primary means of expressing the sincerity of your love.

"The angels of glory find their joy in giving,--giving love and tireless watch-care to souls that are fallen and unholy; heavenly beings woo the hearts of men; they bring to this dark world light from the courts above; by gentle patient ministry, they move upon the human spirit, to bring the lost into a fellowship with Christ that is even closer than they can know.

God desires us to give--cheerfully, willingly, gladly. None can keep His law without ministering to others. Happiness is the gift of God to him who, in the spirit of Christ, toils for the good of others". Published in *Signs of the Times*, January 22, 1902.

### BIBLICAL BAPTISM:

Baptismal class will be conducted on the first and third Sabbath of each month beginning in March 11, 2017.

#### **1. Who Should Be Baptized?**

Acts 2:41 - "Those who had received his word were baptized that day"

Acts 8:12 - "Those who believed were baptized, men and women alike."

Acts 18:8 - "When they heard he was believing and being baptized."

#### **2. Why Be Baptized?**

Obedience - Christ commands every believer to be baptized. Jesus said:

Matthew 28:19 - Make disciples of all the nations and baptize them.

1 John 2:3-6 - Obedience is a test/proof of our faith.

The example set before us - The early church practiced baptism.

(Acts 8:36-38, Acts 10:44-48, Acts 16:31-33, Acts 18:8).

**Conclusion:** Baptism is an act of obedience to Christ's command (Matthew 28:19) that was obeyed by the first Christians.

Conclusion: Everyone that has repented and by faith believed in the Lord Jesus Christ as their personal Savior and Lord should be baptized. (Romans 10:9-13).