

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)

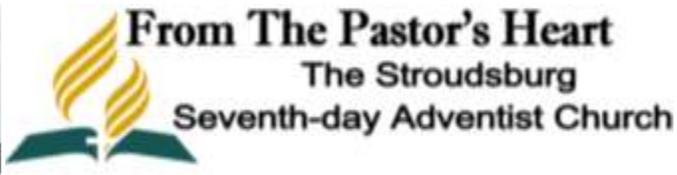
Through the Holy Spirit, makes our body His temple. (I Cor. 3:16, 17)

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>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</p>	<p>Pastor: Livingstone Aaron 570-355-5762 416 Tranquility Ct. Long Pond, PA 18334 Email: laaron@paconference.org Church Clerk: Stacey Charles 570-534-5311 Head Elder: James Obegi 201-423-3227 Community Services: 570-476-0039 or Sis. Jamala Asiyu - 570-644-3491 Pocono Adventist Christian School— 570-421-5577</p>



CHURCH AT WORSHIP c2

March 18, 2017

Divine Service (11:00 AM)

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

This quarter we have been studying about the role of the Holy Spirit in our salvation and our eternal future, have you ever considered how indispensable the Holy Spirit to our eternal salvation. The apostle Paul commands in Ephesians 5:18 and be not drunk with wine, wherein is excess; but be filled with the Spirit; where the present tense of the verb in Greek means just that: "Keep on being filled with the Spirit."

Let's look at the context to see more specifically what this means (5:15-18).

Be careful how you walk, not as unwise but as wise, redeeming the time because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, always and for everything giving thanks in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to God the Father.

The contrast with drunkenness is the key here. What do people go to alcohol for? For a happy hour. We all want to be happy, but there is a problem: "The days are evil."

Notice the logic of verses 16-18:

The days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. *And* do not get drunk . . . but be filled with the Spirit.

Where do you turn when the days are evil, when you are frightened or discouraged or depressed or anxious? Paul pleads with us: "Don't turn to alcohol; turn to the Spirit. Anything of value that alcohol can bring you, God the Holy Spirit can bring more."

*The fundamental meaning of being filled with the Spirit is being filled with joy that comes from God and overflows in song. And Luke would agree with that, too, because he says in Acts 13:52, "The disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit." Therefore, I want to try to answer two questions today. What does it mean to be filled with the Spirit? And, how can we be filled with the Spirit? The filling of the Holy Spirit, then, can vary in the life of each believer. Negatively, a believer in Christ can "quench" or "grieve" the Holy Spirit (1 Thessalonians 5:19; Ephesians 4:30). Sinful actions can hinder the work of God's Spirit in his or her life. In contrast, when a believer in Christ lives in obedience to God's will and commands, he or she should expect to see God's Spirit living through them. Therefore, to be filled with the Spirit means to be caught in the joy that flows among the Holy Trinity and to love God the Father and God the Son with the very love with which they love each other. And then, in answer to the second question, the *way* to be filled with the Spirit is by trusting that the God of hope really reigns. When we are filled with the Spirit, we will see a resultant attitude of joy and thanksgiving and humility. We also see a relational posture of humility toward God and of submission to one another in the faith.*

Yours in the blessed Hope

f1 Pastor Livingstone Aaron.

Introit....."We Have Come Into This House".....Praise Team

Call to Worship..... Elder J. Woodley Brown

Doxology....."Praise God from Whom".....Congregation

Invocation Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Welcome..... Bro. Joseph Hussey

AnnouncementsChurch Clerk

Pastoral Announcements.....Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Hymn of Adoration.....#229.....Congregation

Scripture Reading Ist Peter 4: 12-18.....Sis Dawn Wilson Case

Intercessory Prayer..... Bro. Enrique Rogers
"I Must Tell Jesus"

Special Music Bro. Ike Nwaro

Children's Story..... Children's Church

Offertory..... Bro. Eric Williams
"We Give Thee but Thine Own"

Praise and Worship..... Praise Team

Hymn of Meditation.....#260.....Congregation

Sermon....."Who then shall be saved!"..... Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Hymn of Consecration.....#329.....Congregation

Benediction..... Elder J. Woodley Brown

PLEASE REMAIN SEATED UNTIL USHERED OUT

Have A Blessed Sabbath

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 c4

March 18, 2017

First Service (8:30 AM)

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

Call to Worship..... Elder J. Woodley Brown
(Congregation, Please Stand)

Invocation..... Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Welcome..... Elder J. Woodley Brown
(Congregation, Please Sit)

ADORATION & PRAISE

Hymn of Adoration.....#229.....Congregation
(Please Remain Standing)

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

STEWARDSHIP & GRATITUDE

Offertory..... Bro. Eric Williams

PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading ... Ist Peter 4: 12-18 Elder J. Woodley Brown

Hymn of Meditation.....#260.....Congregation

Sermon.....“Who then shall be saved!”... Pastor Livingstone Aaron

Hymn of Consecration.....#329..... Congregation

Benediction..... Elder J. Woodley Brown

LET US PREPARE FOR SABBATH SCHOOL

THE CHURCH AT STUDY

March 18, 2017 Sabbath School 9:15 AM - 10:45 AM

- Song ServiceCongregation
- Opening Hymn Congregation
- Opening Prayer..... Sis. Stacey Charles
- Scripture Reading Sis. Jean-Marie Williams
- Lesson Study: 1st Quarter, 2017..... #11
(Teachers: Sis. Lavern Ventiere, Eld J. Brown, Sis. Machelie Williams)
- Lesson Synopsis..... Sis. Jean-Marie Williams
- Mission emphasis..... Sis. Stacey Charles
- Sabbath School Welcome..... Sis. Jean-Marie Williams
- Special Music Sis. Shelly-Ann Cooper
- Closing Prayer..... Sis. Jean-Marie Williams

LET US PREPARE FOR DIVINE SERVICE

HEALTH NUGGETS:

"The frontal lobe gives us the ability to choose. It makes up 3.5% of the brain in a cat, 7% in dogs, 17% in chimps, and between 33% and 38% in humans. The frontal lobe is where our judgment, reasoning, social norms, and long term planning take place, all of which contribute to making healthy, life-giving choices. Human reasoning and planning capabilities are more powerful and complex than those of other species, which allows for variable relationships in our decision-making." From CREATION health. "He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much: and he that is unjust in the least is unjust also in much." Luke 16:10



PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will celebrate Holy Communion Sabbath April 1, 2017

Jesus' last meal with His disciples took place during the celebration of Passover. Giving them bread, He said, "Take, eat; this is My body." Next, offering wine from a shared cup, He told them, "Drink from it, all of you; for this is My blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins" (Matthew 26:26-28). Believers today observe the Lord's Supper as a symbol of cleansing, consecration, and communion.

Jesus' blood cleanses us from sin. Starting with Adam and Eve, God required a blood sacrifice to cover transgressions (Genesis 3:21; Leviticus 17:11). But this was just a temporary solution, as the next offense required another sacrifice. Jesus was God's permanent answer to the problem: He took upon Himself all sin - past, present, and future - and died to pay the full penalty.

No matter how bad you have messed up, when you surrender your life to Jesus He gives you a clean slate! You are forgiven for all of the wrongs you have done and you have a clean slate. The Bible says that when God forgave you and me He removed our sins far away from us:

You don't have to be a slave to your past because God has forgiven it! So we can eat and drink and fellowship one with the other, free from guilt and shame, not because we are not guilty, but because Jesus took my punishment for you and me. We can all partake of the Holy Communion on Sabbath April 1st all because of Jesus.



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.

Personal Financial Management Seminar: Continues April 8 @ 5:00PM.

Children's Church: Today March 18, 2017 in the Gym.

Women's Ministry:

- Upcoming event: Pennsylvania Conference 2017 Women's Retreat, March 24-26, 2017.
- No book club meeting this month.

Community Lunch: Next lunch will be on March 26, hosted by Sis. Fern Batson, Sis. Medline Morris and Sis. Dawn Wilson.
We are looking for a Family to host the community lunch for (Nov).

The Stroudsburg Eagle Adventurer Club will be attending the Adventurer Family Retreat at Laurel Lake from April 7-9. Registration closes on Monday.

The Church is asked to assist in donating items for care packages for the Adventurers to distribute to local shelters/families. The items may be given to Sis Gibbs or any of the club's leaders. A list of these items will be placed on the Adventurer club notice board. All families of Adventurers kindly meet with Director Natalie Gibbs immediately after Divine Service at the left rear of the Sanctuary (next to door).

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 4:30 NEW KING JAMES VERSION (NKJV)

³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

CHURCH BUSINESS

Choir Rehearsal Schedule

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

Board Meetings - 1st Sabbath of each month

Baby Dedications: - 3rd Sabbath of each month

Medical Personnel on Duty.....Dr. Sandra Pascal

Pathfinders Club: meets every 1st and 3rd 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

Prison Ministries: – Men Visit every 1st and 3rd 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 Brookmont 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 03/04/2017

	For The Month	For The Year
Amount Needed	\$14,166	\$ 169,992
Amount Collected:	\$ 4,732	\$ 26,888
Amount Difference	\$-9,434	\$-143,104

Sunsets

CSF3 Today: 7:10 PM

Next Friday: 7:16 PM

STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

“How to ensure continuous prosperity”

All of us as Seventh - Day Adventist can be far more prosperous than we are today. If we are not, it is not Gods fault but ours. For the bible says in Proverbs 3:9-10 “9 Honour the Lord with thy substance, and with the firstfruits of all thine increase: 10 so shall thy barns be filled with plenty, and thy presses shall burst out with new wine.” If we are faithful to give to the Lord, Proverbs 3:10 tells us, our blessings will be not only spiritual but also physical. The Lord will give us so much that our barns will be full and our wine vats overflowing. These are images of incredible abundance, and the principle applies even for those of us who are not farmers. God will reward all those who give sacrificially to His mission both now and especially in the age to come, Mark 10:39-40 Haggai reminds the people of Israel that there are consequences for disobeying God.

“You have planted much, but have harvested little. You eat, but never have enough. You drink, but never have your fill. You put on clothes, but are not warm. You earn wages, only to put them in a purse with holes in it.” The people had lived in a drought and famine because God had withheld his blessing because of their disobedience.

Here we come to a sobering reminder that what happens in your heart effects every other part of your life. Because the people had pushed God out of the center of life, they were now suffering in every other area. We make precisely the same mistake today. I know many people who truly intend to give generously to the Lord’s work. Each paycheck they sincerely intend to give something to God. But first they pay the mortgage or the rent, then they pay the electric bills, then the other utilities, then the food bill, then the credit card bills, then they set some aside for savings and some for recreation. Pretty soon that stack of dollar bills just disappears. And so makes the money they intended to give to God.

What is your situation? Each of us today is making choices and our priority is often reflected in our faithfulness to God in returning our tithes and offerings.

Biblical Baptism:

Baptismal class will conducted on the first and third Sabbath of each month beginning today.

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 were 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).