



# 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

April 15, 2017

First Service (8:30 AM)

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

Call to Worship..... Eld. Donna Wilson  
(Congregation, Please Stand)

Invocation..... Eld. Glasworth Richards

Welcome..... Eld. Donna Wilson  
(Congregation, Please Sit)

#### ADORATION & PRAISE

Hymn of Adoration..... #96 .....Congregation  
(Please Remain Standing)

Intercessory Prayer..... Eld. Donna Wilson  
(Those Able, Please kneel)

#### STEWARDSHIP & GRATITUDE

Offertory.....Bro. Mark Morris

#### PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

Scripture Reading ..... I Cor I: 17 & 18 ..... Congregation

Hymn of Meditation.....Congregation

Sermon .....“The Cross” ..... Eld. Glasworth Richards

Hymn of Consecration..... Congregation

Benediction..... Eld. Donna Wilson

LET US PREPARE FOR SABBATH SCHOOL

## PASTORAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Business meeting tonight April 15, 2017

Should we purchase or should we build? Let's discover together the Advantages and disadvantages of either options. Let us seek God in this matter and let us trust him for his Devine guidance.

Investing in the house of God why?

Text: Exodus 35:4-35

Principle 1 – The church focus is building people and not physical buildings.

Principle 2 – When the people are built, the people build the church building Exo 35:4-5 “And Moses spoke to all the congregation of the children of Israel, saying, “This is the thing which the LORD commanded, saying: ‘Take from among you an offering to the LORD. Whoever is of a willing heart, let him bring it as an offering to the LORD: gold, silver, and bronze;”

Pledges from those who wanted to give to the building fund.

When Moses shared, the people responded positively.

A. The Giving was from a Willing Heart.

35:21-22 “Then everyone came whose heart was stirred, and everyone whose spirit was willing, and they brought the LORD’S offering for the work of the tabernacle of meeting, for all its service, and for the holy garments. (22) They came, both men and women, as many as had a willing heart, and brought earrings and nose rings, rings and necklaces, all jewelry of gold, that is, every man who made an offering of gold to the LORD.

A) The hearts of the people were stirred

b) The spirits of the people were willing

The giving was a joyous occasion.

B. The Giving was Widespread in Participation

i) Everyone came.... – V21

ii) Both men and women - v22

iii) The rulers brought... – v27

iv) The children of Israel brought... - v29

It appears that all the people, men and women, rich and poor, brought gifts of all kinds. Their stirred hearts caused them to seek and search for ways to give, not excuses for why they could not give.

C. The Giving was Abundant (23-29)

The response of the people to Moses’ challenge is overwhelming. The people respond in three ways.

A) They gave finances - the people give of their resources for the construction of the temple (35:4-9. 20-29, 36:1-7),

b) They gave time - the skilled craftsman help to build the tabernacle (35:10, 35:30-39:43)

c) They followed instructions - the people obey the Lord’s prescriptions regarding the tabernacle (38:21-40:33).

Moses had to stop the people because too much was coming inside.

## THE CHURCH AT STUDY

April 15, 2017 Sabbath School 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM

Song Service .....Congregation

Opening Remarks ..... Nyambura Mbugua-Daisley

Opening Hymn .....#167..... Congregation

Opening Prayer..... Jean Onyambu

Scripture Reading .....I Peter 2:9..... Modesta Phiri

Welcome ..... Ruth Obeqi

Special Music ..... Murathimengai Daisley

Mission Reading..... Sean Daisley

Lesson Study: 2nd Quarter, 2017..... #3

Closing Hymn.....#338.....Congregation

Closing Remarks..... Nyambura Mbugua-Daisley

### LET US PREPARE FOR DIVINE SERVICE

#### HEALTH NUGGETS:

Oxygen is our body's most important physical need. Although air is composed of 20% oxygen, each inhalation brings this life-sustaining gas into the lungs. Oxygen then diffuses into the bloodstream, where it's transported all over the body via your red blood cells. It is mostly used to facilitate reactions involving the body's main energy source: glucose. Without oxygen, this energy source would be useless. "And the Lord God formed man of the dust of the ground, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul." Gen. 2:7.



# 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.

**Baptismal class:** Begins today at 3:30 PM

**Adventist Youth Society (AYS):** AYS Today @ 5:00 PM

Parents who have students graduating this 2016-2017 school year please see Kaila Blake, Jean Marie Williams or Dania Batt, we are in the beginning stages of planning the graduation celebration and we need a list of all the graduates. Students who are graduating from Pre-K to Kindergarten, High School to College, and College graduates. Note: *College students who will graduate in December, 2017 are also included.*

**Personal Financial Management Seminar:** Next event, April 22 @ 5:00 PM.

**Church Business meeting** tonight April 15, 2017

**Pathfinders:** Sunday April 16

- Drum corps at 9:30 am followed by Pathfinders starting at 11:00 am
- Homework for this week: Daniel chapter 5&6
- Pathfinders Parents meeting on Sabbath right after midday service. Need full attendance. Pathfinders Fair on May 7th.

**Men's Ministry:** Next meeting scheduled for Today April 15<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30 PM

**Women's Ministry:** Next meeting scheduled for April 23<sup>th</sup>. Continue reading "The Safety Pin" by Francine Hernandez. Please read chapter two.

**Music Ministries:** On April 22<sup>nd</sup> @ 5 pm, The Urbane Choir from Pocono Mountain School District will be in concert here at Stroudsburg church under direction of Sis. Nadeen Edwards.

**Children's Ministries:** Next scheduled children's church is on April, 29, 2017.

**Couples' Club:**

Next Club meeting May 13<sup>th</sup>, the men will be taught a special skill that will thrill their wives! June 10- Couples' Club Escape Room in Lehigh, PA. \$20 per person- includes finger foods. Limited to the first 20 couples that sign up!

**The Stroudsburg Eagle Adventurer Club** are at the Adventurer Family Retreat at Laurel Lake from this weekend April 7-9.

**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.

## Q2 THEME SONG: c6

Theme: Learning to Know and Obey His Voice

Savior Like a Shepherd Lead Us.

**Savior, like a shepherd lead us, much we need Thy tender care;  
In Thy pleasant pastures feed us, for our use Thy folds prepare.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Thou hast bought us, Thine we are.**

**We are Thine, Thou dost befriend us, be the guardian of our way;  
Keep Thy flock, from sin defend us, seek us when we go astray.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! Hear, O hear us when we pray.**

**Thou hast promised to receive us, poor and sinful though we be;  
Thou hast mercy to relieve us, grace to cleanse and power to free.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! We will early turn to Thee.  
Blessèd Jesus, blessèd Jesus! We will early turn to Thee.**

## This Week's Memory Text

### **1 PETER 2:9 NEW KING JAMES VERSION (NKJV)**

<sup>9</sup> But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light;

# 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**.....Dr. Sandra Pascal

**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 now at the White Stone Care Center.

**Sis. Christine Adams** is now at the back at home.

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

## **Financial Report as of 04/01/2017**

	For The Month	For The Year
Amount Needed	\$14,166	\$ 169,992
Amount Collected:	\$ 7,765	\$ 42,896
Amount Difference	\$- 6,401	\$-127,096

## **Sunsets**

CSF3 Today: 7:40 PM

Next Friday: 7:46 PM

# STEWARDSHIP MOMENTS

## Stewardship moments

Why should we give to the cause of GOD?

When we talk about stewardship within the context of the Christian life, we mean God is the owner of all things. These resources would be anything and everything He has given us. This would be our salvation, the gospel message, our churches, our education, our time, our energy, our thought life, the words we speak, the house in which we live, the cars we drive, our children, our spouse, our finances, our job. Everything we have. It all belongs to Him, and He has entrusted it to us for a specific purpose.

*"God is the source of all blessings, temporal and spiritual; all that we have and are we owe to Him. Christians have a spiritual debtorship to the whole world, a holy trusteeship in the gospel, and a binding stewardship in their possessions. They are therefore under obligation to serve Him with their time, talents, and material possessions; and should recognize all these as entrusted to them to use for the glory of God and for helping others. According to the Scriptures, Christians should contribute of their means cheerfully, regularly, systematically, proportionately, and liberally for the advancement of the Redeemers' cause on the earth."*

So what area of your life needs rearranging? Where do your priorities need to be realigned with God's priorities? Is it in the area of your time? How much of your time are you spending pursuing the Kingdom of God and His righteousness? Is it in the area of your finances? Are you giving faithfully back to God? Are you giving proportionately to what He has given you? When you stand before Him someday, what will He say?

## ***Welcome to Baptismal class begins today at 3:30 PM***

Stroudsburg Seventh-day Adventist Baptismal class will commence on Sabbath afternoon April 15th at 3:30 PM. We are urging all parents with children who are not yet baptized to make sure that you study with them regularly and make you to bring them to baptismal class twice per month. All the children ten years old and older, and unbaptized adults are expected to attend regularly and study the baptismal manual 'In His Steps'.

Our baptismal class aims to teach in a group environment the basic doctrines of the Bible as understood by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Ellen White notes: "There are many who want to know what they must do to be saved. They want a plain and clear explanation of the steps requisite in conversion" (*Evangelism*, p. 188). She adds this advice: "Often it would be more profitable if the Sabbath meetings were of the nature of a Bible class study. Bible truth should be presented in such a simple, interesting manner that all can easily understand and grasp the principles of salvation" (*Evangelism*, p. 348).

# 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>C1</p>	<p><b>Pastor:</b> Livingstone Aaron 570-355-5762 416 Tranquility Ct. Long Pond, PA 18334 Email: laaron@paconference.org</p> <p><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>