Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church

2420 East Ashman St., Midland, MI 48642 Telephone: (989) 631-3120 Website: www.midlandsda.org Sabbath, December 27, 2008

The Church at Study (9:30-10:25 a.m.)

Lesson Study "Atonement and Universal Harmony" Classes

Outreach (10:30-10:45 a.m.)

Worship in Song and Praise (10:50-11:00 a.m.)

The Church at Worship (11:00 a.m.)

Welcome and announcements Reid Tait		
Preparation "The Bells of Hope and Peace" Kaitlyn Mercy		
Invocation Pastor Bentley		
Choral Call to Worship Psalm 150:6 Hal Hopson		
*Hymn of Praise "Come, Thou Almighty King" #71		
Family PrayerReid Tait		
Giving of Gifts Michigan Advance Partners Reid Tait		
Offertory "How Far is it to Bethlehem?" Czech, arr. Strid		
Children's Story Pastor Bentley		
"There is a Need for Shepherds		
Anthem in this Place" John Horman		
Scripture Lesson Matthew 6:9-13 Jackee Osborn		
Sermon "Essentials for the Journey: Prayer" Pastor Bentley		
Part 2		
*Hymn of Response "Forgive Our Sins as We Forgive" #299		
Benediction Reid Tait		
"Good News From Heaven		
Postlude The Angels Bring" Johann Pachelbel		
*Denotes congregation standing to sing		
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Pastor: Darryl Bentley	<i>Phone:</i> (989) 948-3531
Tri-City SDA School	<i>Phone:</i> (989) 790-2508
Principal:	Laura Jean Muir

Welcome to Worship Today

"Above everything else, guard the affections of your heart; the emotional attachments you make determine the course of your life." **Proverbs 4:23**, *The Clear Word*

Events This Week

Today	Amazing Discoveries Class 9:30 am Fellowship Meal in the Activity Center Sunset 5:07 pm
Monday	Community Services 9 am – 3 pm Amazing Discoveries 7 pm in the Activity Center
Wednesday	Bulletin material due by 8 pm to Susan Mercy at smercy@tds.net. Thanks!
Friday	Sunset 5:12 pm
Sabbath	Robert Marsh Offering Local Church Budget Fellowship Meal in the Activity Center

Future Worship Services and Events

Jan 5	Adventurers 4:30-6pm
Jan 10	Pastor Bentley
	Adventurers following fellowship meal
Jan 17	Dorothy Dalton
Jan 19	Adventurers 4:30-6pm
Jan 24	Pastor Bentley
Jan 31	Pastor Bentley

<u>Announcements</u>

Quarterly Study Guides: The new year is just around the corner and that means the beginning of a new weekly Sabbath School Bible study. The study guide for the first quarter is titled "The Prophetic Gift" and will focus on the nature of spiritual gifts and prophecy and especially the gift giver and how their inspiration has been important to we as Seventh Day Adventists. There are two regular classes with teachers being Reid Tait and Jesse Walker and a new member class with Norman Moll and Ardith Tait. If you haven't already received a new study guide please let your SS teacher know and you will be provided one.

Pastoral Vacation: Please note that Pastor Bentley and his family will be on vacation from December 28th through January 5th in North Carolina. If there are serious emergencies—such as a death, near-fatal accident, or illness of some kind—please call Pastor Bentley. Otherwise, please call Head Elder Reid Tait with routine business or questions.

A Friendly Reminder from your Treasurer: The Church Books for 2008 will be closed on December 31. Funds received by that date, or postmarked by that date, will be included in your receipts. Thank you.

Attention Christian singles age 16 to 105! A New Years eve party will be held for all Christian single people at the home of Rose Drummond (865 Dale Rd., Beaverton - $1\frac{1}{2}$ mile off M-30) Wednesday evening December 31st at 7pm. Refreshments & games are planned. Call 989-435-9770 for more information.

Adventist Frontier Mission Project: So that we can accurately estimate our capacity to support Michee Bade's work in Benin you are asked to **please provide Bea Green with the amount you plan to contribute to this project on a monthly basis** as soon as possible. Individual commitments will remain confidential. Only the total of all commitments will be used in establishing our projected monthly support. We will be sharing this number with Michee and AFM so that the necessary project funding can be assured. **The Amazing Discoveries Bible Study Group** will be meeting at 7 p.m. Monday evening in the Activity Center to study lesson 13 in the *Quarterly*, "Atonement and Universal Harmony" Everyone is welcome.

Midland FM Radio Station: The Church received a statement from our FCC attorney for preparing and filing a defense of our application for the Midland FM Radio Station. Although there was no money in this account, the bill for \$2,847.50 has been paid, in order to avoid further interest charges. Please use Acct. # 400 Midland FM Radio Station for your donations. Thank you.

College Fund Support: We will have a continuing need this year for college fund support. Please place this fund on your list to support our youth while they are at school.

Hope for Humanity: The Midland Church goal for 2008 is \$20 per member -- \$2,720. Last year our total was \$608.25. This year-to-date we have received \$340. Our local Adventist Community Service Center benefits from this fund. You can use Acct. # 81.26 on the tithe envelope for your donation.

Computers for Education: Tri-city SDA school is in need of computers. The current ones are severely antiquated and must be replaced. So far we have about **\$2,300** out of the **\$3,300** that we need. If you can assist with the remaining **\$1,000** of the project please do so soon. You can make your tax deductible donation for 2008 directly to the school. Mail your check to 10505 S Graham Rd, Saint Charles, MI 48655 payable to the Tri-city SDA School. Thank you for helping our young people have the technology that they need to be successful.

Radio/TV Log

Tuesday 7:30 a.m. It Is Written, Charter Channel 69 (Court TV)