

Midland Seventh-day Adventist Church

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Sabbath, December 19, 2009

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

Lesson Study "The Second Generation: Admonitions" Classes

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

Announcements

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

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

Welcome and announcements		Dick Schell
Preparation	"The King Shall Come"	Charles Callahan
Call to Worship	Psalms 52: 8-9 NIV	#850
*Hymn of Praise	"As with Gladness Men of Old"	#123
Family Prayer		Dick Schell
Giving of Gifts	Local Combined Budget	Dick Schell
Lamb's Offering	Tri-City SDA School	
Offertory	"The Angel Gabriel from Heaven Came"	Charles Callahan
Children's Story	The Gift of the Magi	Dorothy Dalton
Scripture-responsive reading	Love of God	Stephanie Lerner
Sermon	"The Perfect Gift"	Dorothy Dalton
*Hymn of Response	"There is a Fountain"	#336
Benediction		Dorothy Dalton
Postlude	"Trumpet Voluntary"	John Travers

*Denotes congregation standing to sing

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Welcome to Worship Today

"Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel." Isaiah 7:14, KJV

Events This Week

Today	Fellowship meal in the Activity Center. Sunset 5:02 pm Vespers 4:00 pm
Sunday	Citrus fruit pick-up 1- 5 pm
Monday	Community Services 9-3 pm Bible Explorers 7-8:30 pm
Tuesday	Candlelight Communion 6 pm
Wednesday	Bulletin material due by 8 pm to Mary Bukowicz at gidgeeballs@localnet.com. Thanks!
Friday	Sunset 5:05 pm
Sabbath	Pastor Bentley Offering Michigan Advance - MAP Vespers 4:00 pm

Future Worship Services and Events

Jan 2	Reid Tait
Jan 7	Depression Seminar
Jan 9	Pastor Bentley
Jan 16	Royce Snyman Church Business Meeting
Jan 23	Pastor Bentley
Jan 30	Mwemba Mwemba

Announcements

First reading for the nomination of Marcus Peters to be Sabbath school teacher for the Earliteen children's class.

We have a **Special Vespers** this Sabbath afternoon at 4PM in the Fellowship Hall. The program will entail a Bible Jeopardy / Trivia with team play. The entire Church is invited.

Bible Explorers will meet Monday evening at 7:00 to continue our study in the Gospel of John. Those participating are gaining wonderful insights into Jesus life and mission. As Chapter 15 begins with Jesus and the disciples leaving the city headed for Gethsemane. The moon is full and bright and along the path they see . . . the basis for the important parable Jesus shares. Robert Marsh will be leading the discussion this week.

Candlelight Communion: On Tuesday, December 22 we will have a candlelight communion service followed by an Agape Feast in the activity center. This will begin at 6:00 p.m. and be in the place of prayer meeting. Please invite your friends and family to come out and fellowship with us that evening. We all will be blessed.

Prayer Meeting: We will resume with study #5 of Spiritual Gifts on Tuesday, December 29th. If you are not currently attending prayer meeting and your schedule allows you to do so I would encourage you to ask yourself, "Why have I not made prayer meeting a priority?" I realize some of you have small children that make it difficult to come out with, but if we have enough families with small children come out we will also provide programming for the children as well. It is my goal as your pastor to make prayer meeting a time that you look forward to each week. I often have people tell me that prayer meeting is a blessing to them and they look forward to it each week. Won't you consider making prayer meeting a priority in the coming year?

Thank you, everyone who participated in the assessment of our church's outreach ministry last Sabbath afternoon. The conclusions reached will be reviewed at

our next church business meeting, Sabbath evening, Jan. 16.
Norman Moll

Depression, Live Without It, our next health outreach begins Thursday January 7 and will continue weekly through the end of February. It's not too soon to be inviting friends to attend. We are planning many live presentations on topics not covered in previous Depression Seminars, including practical help on overcoming bad habits, insights into the prevention of depression and a careful look at the links between stress and depression. We are hoping that many from our church family will not only attend, but bring friends. Poster announcements are available in the lobby.

Please consider a gift to the **Bade Special Project** between now and the end of the year to provide funds for used computers and other equipment to be obtained for the Business Center Elmire and Michee are establishing in Kandi. Not only will this business provide much needed funds for discretionary use, but it also provides a wonderful opportunity for the Bade's to meet students and thought leaders in the community who need computer access. **Gifts should be designated for the "Bade Special Project." Thank You, all those who have already contributed.**

2010 Devotional Books are available now at reduced prices when ordered through the church. These books can be used for family worship and personal devotions, and for gift giving. The books are described on the bulletin board and in the bulletin insert. You may place your order by signing the form that is on the table in the lobby.

Radio/TV Log

Sunday 1:30 pm It Is Written, TBN (Trinity Broadcasting Netw)
Tuesday 7:30 a.m. It Is Written, Charter Channel 69 (Court TV)