## Midland Church Announcements

**Welcome:** The Midland Church Family would like to extend a very warm welcome to all of our guests who have joined us for the **2012** District **6** Festival of Faith. We would also like to extend a very warm welcome to our special guest speaker, Elder Steve Vail. Our prayer is that each guest and member senses the presence of the Holy Spirit and receives a genuine blessing from our service today.

**Special Music Service:** This morning our worship service will begin with the singing of selected Early Second Advent Hymns, hymns sung by the pioneers of the Advent Movement, whose passion was the imminent return of Christ in the clouds. We join their chorus as we rejoice in the promise that "Jesus is Coming Again!" As we are reminded of that flame of hope which has burned down through the long ages, may our hearts be ignited with that fire of love and the zeal to share the good news that He *is* Coming and He's Coming Soon!

**Membership Transfer:** Today we will have the second reading and vote on the transfer of membership for Vincent Ongori to the Midland SDA Church.

Adult Sabbath School Lesson Study will be held from 8:30am to 9:20am in the library due to Festival of Faith.

**Children Sabbath School Divisions** will meet from 9:30am to 11:00am today due to Festival of Faith.

**Vegetarian Fellowship Meals:** There will be an Italian themed lunch served immediately following the morning service. We encourage everyone to stay and enjoy good food and fellowship. A light supper will also be provided for those staying for the afternoon services.

Vespers Tonight will be our Pathfinder Induction Service at 5:30pm in the sanctuary.

**Elders' Meeting** will take place on Thursday, December 6<sup>th</sup>, at 6pm.

**Church Business Meeting:** Thursday, December  $6^{th}$ , there will be a business meeting at 7pm. The Church Board is recommending that needed maintenance on our pipe organ be scheduled for next spring. The business meeting will consider the proposal and funding options. Please mark your calendar and plan to attend now.

## Announcements Cont...

**Sharing Tree Tags:** There are still several names left on our sharing tree. We encourage you to take one or more as you are able and return the gifts next week. If you have any questions, you may contact Reid Tait.

**December Newsletter:** There are printed copies available on the table in the foyer. If you did not receive or do not have e-mail let Reid Tait know and take one of the hard copies. \*Newsletter Correction: The speaker for the International Sabbath will be Pastor Herthel instead of Ron DuPreez.\*

**Vegan Supper Club:** Will meet for their December potluck at 5:30pm on Wednesday December 5, 2012 in the activity center. Bring a vegan dish and enjoy the conversation with other health-minded friends.

**The Special Offering on December 8<sup>th</sup>** will help Adventist Community Services continue serving communities across North America. ACS fulfills Christ's mission to reach people by coordinating education and services for senior citizens, equipping youth for helping others through Youth Empowered to Serve (YES!), and more. Learn more, or donate at www.communityservices.org

**Annual Juletide Concert** will be presented on Saturday night, December 8<sup>th</sup>, at 7pm in the Staples Family Concert Hall in the music building at CMU. Admission is Free.

**Baby Shower:** On Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, the church family is invited to a baby shower in honor of Yasmin and Pedro Osorio. Brunch will be served. They are registered at Target. Please contact Andrea Peters for more information.



Sunset Tonight: 5:01pm Sunset Next Friday: 5:00pm