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WHO IS A COWARD?

Sabbath January 18, 2025

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**NEW HERE?
WELCOME!**

Welcome and come visit us
again and again!

1st Service: 9:00AM

Sabbath School: 10:15AM

2nd Service: 11:30AM



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Church

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live via our YouTube**

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WELCOME

Pastor's Message

Faith is an act of courage. It calls on us to look beyond the visible concerns and fears to an invisible hope and promise that God has provided. When Job was sick and under attack, his sorrow and anguish were visible. Faith meant believing beyond the visible anguish. Sometimes our concerns grow because we can't see far enough. It's no surprise that the prophet Elisha advised Gehazi, a fearful servant, to see past their enemies. God opened his eyes, and he was able to see the heavenly armies that were present beyond his worldly adversaries.

As we continue on our journey of faith and prayer, may we develop the ability to see beyond the unseen. May we be courageous in the face of fear.

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WORSHIP SERVICE

9:00AM

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Roger Harrison

Gathering Song

SDA Hymnal # 508 ~ Anywhere with Jesus

Responsive Reading

Psalm 147:1-12 NKJV

Prayer of Intercession

Roger Harrison

Song Response

Hear Our Prayer O Lord

Scripture Reading

~ Revelation 21:8 NKJV

Sermon

Richard Mageto ~ Who Is A Coward?

Closing Hymn

SDA Hymnal #610 ~ Stand Like the Brave

Worship in Giving

Roger Harrison

Closing Remarks

Roger Harrison

Charge & Benedictory Reading

~ Joshua 1:9

10:15AM ~ SABBATH SCHOOL

Lesson 3

To Be Pleasing to God

(Quarterly - The God of Love and Justice)

11:30AM

Welcome & Opening Prayer

Abigail Ouko

Opening Songs

SDA Hymnal #s 625, 508, 600

Little Lambs Offering & Kid's Story

Scripture Reading

Maria Agard ~ Revelation 21:8 NKJV

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Charge & Benedictory Reading

~ Joshua 1:9

Chorister: Lornah Misati

Pianist: Roger Harrison

AV: Thank you AV team!

CALENDAR

JANUARY 2025

- 19 MLK Pathfinders Pancake Breakfast
- 24 Children's Vespers

FEBRUARY 2025

- 1 AY (Adventist Youth) at 3pm
- 15 Community Service and Food Distribution (2:30 pm)
- 21-23 Generation NOW Retreat at Mt. Aetna (open to all High School Students)
- 22 Family Fun Night at 5pm (WJA)
- 28 Children's Vespers

MARCH 2025

- 1 AY (Adventist Youth) at 3pm
- 8 Women's Sabbath
- 15 Community Service and Food Distribution (2:30 pm)
- 22 Pathfinder Sabbath
- 22 Family Fun Night at 6pm (WJA)
- 28 Children's Vespers



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **COMMUNITY OUTREACH CANCELED:** Our community outreach scheduled for January 18th is canceled. Please consider supporting community activities for MLK Day on January 20, 2025.
- **SOCIAL MEDIA VOLUNTEER:** If you enjoy working with social media, we invite you to join our team. Our goal is to improve engagement with our community by expanding our social media presence. We currently use the following platforms: Instagram, Facebook and YouTube. Volunteers will work with a social media team to create original text and video content, scheduling posts, and engaging with our followers. If interested, please contact Shannon at shannonulyse@gmail.com.

- **TEACHING OPPORTUNITY AT WJA:**

The Wilmington Junior Academy (WJA) Childcare center is now hiring teachers.

The WJA family exists to show children Jesus, nurture their love for Him and others, teach them to think, and empower them to serve. We strive to create a safe environment where children are loved and cared for.

If you are interested in exploring a teaching position with us, please email Cynthia Allsop at cynthy50@aol.com or Mike Marinkovic at mike.marinkovic@wjasda.org or call 302-998-0530

Wilmington Junior Academy
(WJA)

We Are Hiring!

Open Position:
Teachers

- Are you looking for the opportunity to make a difference?
- Do you enjoy working with children in a fun, loving, friendly, and supportive environment?

If so, we'd love you to consider joining our team.

Email: Cynthia Allsop at cynthy50@aol.com
or Mike Marinkovic at mike.marinkovic@wjasda.org
or call 302-998-0530

- **BABY DEDICATION REQUEST:** If you would like to have your baby/child dedicated at West Wilmington Seventh-day Adventist Church, please fill out a form at the foyer or scan QR code to submit one request per child. Please be advised that your requested Baby Dedication date is not confirmed until you have received confirmation from Pastor Elvis.



- **MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER REQUEST:** We thank God that you would like to join our West Wilmington Church Family. Please fill out this transfer request for you and all members of your household that will transfer their memberships. You can scan the QR code to access the form or obtain a copy at the church foyer. Our Church Clerk, Sandra Caddell, will then initiate the membership transfer process. Sandra can be reached at thecaddells@att.net. Please note that if you are transferring from a church outside of the USA, the transfer may require more time for processing. Welcome to West Wilmington SDA Church!



- **WEST WILMINGTON PATHFINDER PANCAKE BREAKFAST:** Join us for our annual MLK Pathfinder Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser at the WJA Gym (3003 Millcreek Road), on Sunday January 19, 2025. You can stop by anytime between 9am-1pm. The menu will include pancakes, hash browns, fruit, and hot chocolate bar. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

Cost: \$12 for anyone over 12 years old / \$7 for children 4-11 years old. Proceeds will benefit the Pathfinder Club

Questions? Email sheridan.wells.sw@gmail.com

- **WOMEN'S MINISTRY UPDATES:**

Women's Mass Choir: In preparation for our Women's Sabbath on March 8, we are inviting all women to join the mass choir for the day. If interested, please see Keziah or email her at kkallsop1@gmail.com.

Women's Ministry WhatsApp Group: To help connect us as West Wilmington women, we invite all women (of any age) to join our WhatsApp group. If interested, please send an email with the number you'd like added to wwsda.women@gmail.com. You may also give this information to Cynthia Allsop, Women's Ministry Leader. Thank you for your interest.

CHILDREN & YOUTH CORNER

- CHILDREN'S SABBATH SCHOOL (10:15AM - 11:15AM)

Please bring your children for Sabbath school at 10:15am every Sabbath. It's an excellent opportunity for them to learn about God, enjoy the Sabbath and make new friends.

Bible Pathway Adventures

BIBLE QUIZ



THE TABERNACLE

Match the question with the answer on the right.

Questions

- ___ Who was the first High Priest?
- ___ What was the purpose of the Tabernacle?
- ___ Where was the mercy seat located?
- ___ What was the mercy seat made out of?
- ___ The priests were chosen from which tribe of Israel?
- ___ Who did Yah (God) choose to be in charge of building the Tabernacle?
- ___ In the Torah, where are instructions for building the Tabernacle found?
- ___ What was to be used to keep the lamp in the Tabernacle burning?
- ___ The Menorah inside the Tabernacle had its cups carved in the likeness of which plant?
- ___ Which three tribes camped on the northern side of the Tabernacle?

Answers

1. Pure gold
2. Bezaleel and Aholiab
3. Exodus
4. Olive oil
5. Almond blossom
6. Tribe of Levi
7. Aaron
8. For Yah (God) to dwell among His people
9. Dan, Asher, Naphtali
10. On top of the Ark of the Covenant.

PENTECOST 2025

PENTECOST 2025 ~ Come, Holy Spirit

"Pentecost 2025 is a movement inviting Seventh-day Adventists in North America to collectively hold 3,000 or more proclamation events throughout the year 2025. The North American Division is making efforts to equip our members and leaders with the tools, knowledge, and resources necessary to perform effective evangelism."

More to come on how we will participate in Pentecost 2025 as the West Wilmington community. If interested in supporting the Evangelism Ministry, please contact Michael at maa12sr77@gmail.com.

"HOW TO GIVE A BIBLE STUDY" PENTECOST 2025

"How To Give A Bible Study" is part of the series of webinars for the Pentecost 2025 Virtual Training hosted by the North American Division on January 24, 2025, at 8:00 pm ET.

In Acts 2, one can see how Pentecost dramatically impacted the early church. It marked the fulfillment of Jesus Christ's promise to send the Holy Spirit to empower and guide His disciples. On that day, as the Holy Spirit filled Christ's followers, the church multiplied in number from 120 to 3,000 believers.

The Pentecost serves as a reminder today of the call to engage in mission and evangelism. All of us church leaders and members, play a pivotal role in mobilizing for evangelism. Pentecost 2025 is for all Seventh-day Adventist churches across the North American Division. Every member, pastor, teacher, young adult, student, and children is encouraged to participate.. Scan QR code to register or visit www.adventsource.org/events



HOSPITALITY MINISTRY

"The most valuable earthly possession a person can have is a warm, supportive friendship. Relationships arise from our innermost needs, grounded in our God-given ability to love and care for others. **A growing, healthy church nurtures healthy relationships. In all cultures, friendships are developed through hospitality.** True hospitality is a spiritual ministry. In today's busy world, a counterfeit hospitality often undermines our desire to meet this basic human need. People think, "I'd really like to have someone over, but..." Fear of being inadequate in time, skills, or a suitably furnished home creates in many Christians a reluctance to undertake hospitality.

Adventist congregations face some real challenges in becoming caring churches. These include a reluctance to get too friendly with secular people which results in few friendships with non-Christians. Adventist standards for leisure activity may pose a problem. And many homemakers work outside the home, resulting in very little time to prepare for "entertaining." **In order for the gospel commission to be realized, the Adventist church needs a renewed spirit of Christian hospitality.**

The Bible suggests several attributes found in a ministry of hospitality.

- A focus on the needs of others rather than on one's own is exemplified in the stories of Abraham and the three visitors (Genesis 18), the Shunammite woman (II Kings 4:8- 37), and the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37).
- A willingness to share whatever one has, even if it is meager, is demonstrated in the widow of Zarephath (I Kings 17), the little boy with a lunch (John 6:9), and the disciples from Emmaus (Luke 24:13- 32).
- A loving heart seeking relationship is exemplified by Mary (Luke 10:38) and in Simon's home (Luke 7:36-50). Courage to risk developing relationships is seen in Abigail (I Samuel 25) and in Rahab (Joshua 2).

Duties of the Hospitality Team at West Wilmington

1. **Study and preparation:** It is important to spend time in spiritual nurture through Bible study and prayer in order to be able to really love and care for others well.
2. **Taking care of visitors and church members:** Assist with hospitality functions which usually includes Potluck and providing meals when needed. This function may also include the greeter activities on Sabbaths.
3. **Caring for new members:** This may take many forms and may overlap to some extent with other activities in your congregation.
4. **Coordination:** Promote and cooperate with efforts to encourage social fellowship among church members as a whole." (Adventsource.org)

At West Wilmington, we usually host Potluck every first and third Sabbaths of the month. If interested in supporting our Hospitality Ministry, please contact Carol Mogoi at mogoi.carolyn@yahoo.com.

PRAISE & PRAYER REQUESTS

PRAISES:

- **January Birthdays:** We are grateful for all those born in January.
- **Aaron Irving:** We thank God for his surgery. Please keep him in prayer during his recovery.

PRAYER REQUESTS:

- **Ken Nyabwari:** We continue to pray for God's healing miracle. Kindly allow the family a couple of days without visitation to give Elder Ken time to regain his energy.
- **Wildfires in Los Angeles County:** Please let us keep praying for the families affected by the wildfires in LA and for the protection of the firefighters and those helping to contain the situation.
- **Sandy Sniegowski:** She was scheduled for surgery yesterday. Please remember her in your prayers.
- **Dorothy Foster:** Please pray for her quick recovery
- **Odalis Mendez:** Please keep her in prayer during her recovery.
- **Russell Shaffer:** He is the nephew to Anita who is undergoing chemo treatment. Please pray for him.
- **Daniel Brumbaugh:** He is in need of healing and guidance during his recovery. Please keep him in prayer.
- **Joyce Mongina:** She recently lost her mother and traveled to Kenya for the funeral. Please keep her and the family in prayer.
- **Valerie Bucknor's mom:** Please continue to pray for her recovery.
- **Unspoken Requests:** We have various requests that may not be mentioned to us at this time, but God knows the details. We can still trust God for His mercies.
- **Pentecost 2025:** We pray for God's outpouring of His Holy Spirit in our ministry during 2025.

STEWARDSHIP

Thank you!

JANUARY 2025 FINANCIAL UPDATE JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025

MONTHLY BUDGET

TOTAL RECEIVED
\$831.55

MONTHLY GOAL
\$11,370

ANNUAL BUDGET

TOTAL RECEIVED
\$82,193.77

ANNUAL GOAL
\$136,440

MONTHLY SCHOLARSHIP

\$10.00

ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP

\$9,130.94

Figures as of 1/4/25

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving. You can return your tithes and offerings in 3 ways:

- **In-person:** Drop it off on Sabbath
- **Mail:** 3003 Millcreek Road, Wilmington DE 19808
- **Online:** via Adventistgiving.org



**WEST WILMINGTON
PATHFINDERS
MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.
DAY BREAKFAST**

Come support our West Wilmington Wolverines

The menu will include:

- Pancakes
- Hash Browns
- Fruit
- Hot Chocolate Bar

**\$7 - CHILDREN
(4-11 YRS)
\$12 - 12+**

SUNDAY - JANUARY 19, 25 (9AM-1PM)
WJA GYM
3003 MILL CREEK ROAD,
WILMINGTON, DE 19808

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