



Did You Know?



Ministry leaders can email raleighsdabulletin@gmail.com with upcoming events? Simply submit your announcement and future event dates and we will include them in the looking ahead section of the bulletin!



News You Can Use



Today is the second reading of the Nominating Committee Report.

The Executive Committee of the Carolina Conference has chosen a President for the Conference, Elder Leslie D. Louis was named this week. For more details you can log on to www.carolinasda.org.

Pastor Bob will be on vacation this week.

The Wednesday night prayer group will resume after the holidays.

Our ministry team that works at the local men's shelter is seeking monetary donations to buy hats, gloves and socks to be given away at the shelter's Christmas Eve Dinner. Please see Sheila Haywood or Lisa Burbank or mark your tithe envelope "Shelter Christmas Eve Supper" to donate.

Today we will take up a special offering toward the church budget. The greeters have a special decorative envelope, to place your marked Tithe Envelope in, which will also function as an ornament for the Church Christmas tree. Members are invited to place a special gift toward the church budget in the envelope. During the service the Pastor will invite the congregation forward to share their gift by hanging their envelope on the tree. This has become an annual tradition in our church that has been a blessing to many.

The Raleigh SDA American Red Cross Blood Drive was held this past Tuesday and it was a great success! We had 40 participants! Thank you to all who came out. Your donation will help save a life! Keep an eye out for our next drive in April. Remember you can also donate any time by contacting your local Red Cross branch.

The new church pictorial directories have arrived. If you and/or your family were photographed please see Sherry Armstrong to get your **free** copy. If you would like a copy but were **not** photographed, we must ask for a \$5 donation (Olan Mills' charge) for each copy. The donation can either be given to Sherry or placed in an offering envelope marked "pictorial directory".

One of our church members picture is inadvertently omitted from the new directory due to a clerical error. If you have already received your directory, please see Sherry Armstrong to receive this additional picture that can be added to your copy.

Attention all singers and musicians: Sherry Armstrong is our 2012 special music coordinator and would love to schedule **you** on the worship calendar. Please see her today or contact her at 859-6909....we are waiting for you.

News You Can Use Cont'd

Pathfinder News: Next meeting will be held on Sunday Jan 8, 2012 9A-12P at the little school. Please order uniforms as soon as possible. Parent/staff meeting Sabbath Jan 7, 2012 immediately following church service, in basement. Complete all registration forms. Ski Trip Jan 28-29. Details to come. Contact Phillip and Mandisa McIver if any questions 914-552-7250. See church website for Pathfinder Calendar.

We are looking for bass guitar players for our praise ministry. If you have that talent and are interested please contact Rick Armstrong...rickied057@gmail.com or 919-859-6909.

Health Ministry- It's time to count down to the new year and to the beginning of our Health Revolution! Our health challenge for the month of January will be "Eat More Fruits and Veggies!" No matter what your health goals are - eating less meat, becoming a vegetarian or vegan, etc. - this challenge is for YOU!!! Visit our Health Revolution blog at www.RaleighSDAHealthRevolution.blogspot.com for more information.

Our first support group meeting for the year will be on Tuesday, January 3rd at 6:30 pm. Come gain useful information and tips to help you get started with the January challenge. We will meet in the ARC Resource Room.

There will be an important quarterly Health Ministries Team meeting on Sabbath, January 7 during potluck. If you're interested in working with Health Ministries in 2012, please plan to attend and bring your ideas.

An Adventist family from Croatia is moving to the area and will arrive in the country January 24th. It is a young couple with a 2 year old baby. The father will be working/studying at Duke University. They are in need of household furniture and other household items. Please contact Pastor Bob if you have items you could share. Dinette set and bedroom furniture are the most pressing items.

ACA News

Isaiah 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called **Wonderful, Counselor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.**

During this holiday season, it is an honor to remember the Savior whose birth we commemorate at this time of year. It is our prayer that one day soon, our Prince of Peace, will return to take us to Heaven. It is of great hope and comfort to all of us to know that He is now preparing a place for us to live in Heaven with Him.

John 14: 1-3 promises:

Let not your heart be troubled: ye believe in God, believe also in me.

In my Father's house are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. I go to prepare a place for you. And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come again, and receive you unto myself; that where I am, there ye may be also.

OUR PRAYER IS "EVEN SO, COME LORD JESUS! (Rev 22:20)

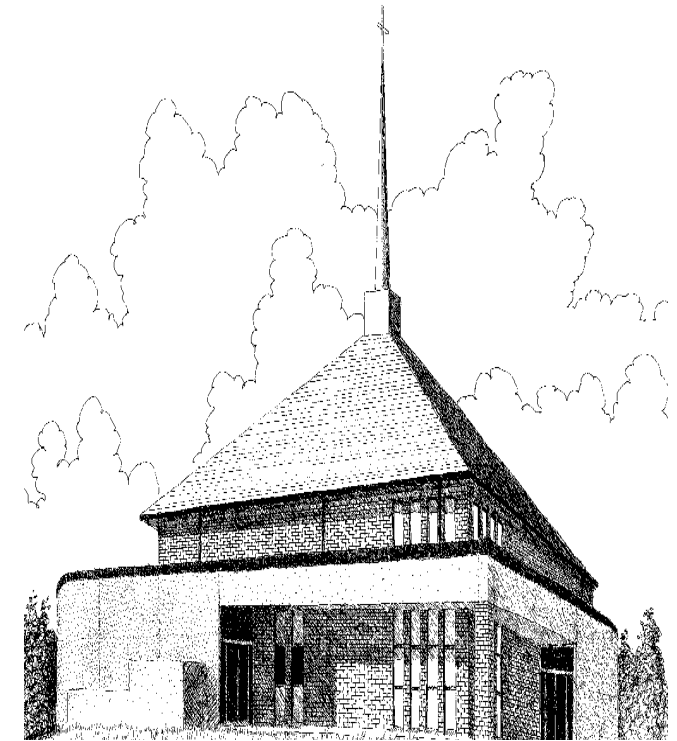
2. The campus of Adventist Christian Academy will be closed from Friday, Dec 16 at noon until Tuesday, January 3. Classes will resume on January 3 at 8:00 am. Aftercare will also resume on January 3rd.

Welcome to the Seventh-day Adventist Church of

Raleigh

Our Mission

*As members of the body of Christ,
the Raleigh Seventh-day Adventist Church is passionately
focused on seeking Christ, living His values daily and
proclaiming His imminent return.*



December 24, 2011

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Welcome to the Seventh-day Adventist Church of
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We are here to serve you!
Please call us if we can be of assistance.

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Pam Fitts- Head Deaconess/Clerk.....553-2595

Church Budget

Through December 6th, 2011

	Month	YTD
Conference Funds		
Tithe	\$39,280.67	\$438,055.44
Local Funds		
Income	\$23,912.78	\$282,392.92
Expense	\$34,694.77	\$348,031.50
Difference	(\$10,781.99) negative	(\$65,638.58) negative
Mortgage Loan Balance	\$1,627,502.21	

"The Church Budget is based on 75% of our annual Tithe. We are suggesting that for every dollar you pay in tithe, give .76 cents to Church Budget so we can reach our goal. Tithe does not fund the church expenses needed each month to operate the church and its ministries. Since tithe is not used to pay for local church expenses, we hope that when you return tithe you will also contribute to the church budget."

Church and Bulletin Information

Deacon & Deaconess of the week
Darrell Meyer

Audio Tech of the Week
Jason Fitts

► Please submit all bulletin items, including prayer requests, to Wendy Gonzalez by **Thursday @11am** to: raleighsdabulletin@gmail.com or call 919-851-1302 and leave a message.

► For announcements on Power Point, email Jason Fitts at: cjasonfitts@yahoo.com by Wednesday @ 7:00pm.

► For church calendar updates email: raleighsdacalendar@gmail.com

First Service 8:30 am

Opening Prayer
Songs of Praise
Offering
Prayer
Sermon
Benediction

First Worship Service- 8:30 am
The Church in Study- 9:35 am

The Church in Worship-10:45am
December 24th, 2011
Musical Christmas Program

Kings Business

Welcome

Praise and Worship

Praise Team

Congregational Prayer

Neide & Willy Sena, Sara King,
Lais Tanaka & Danielle Costa
"Mary Did you Know"

Whitney Andrew

"Fullness of Grace"

Candace Baker & Whitney Andrew

"The First Noel"

Offering

Gabriel Tanaka

"Oh Holy Night"

Jalyn & Nia Rangrej

"Silent Night"

Anjali Rangrej

"Oh Holy Night"

Ferdinand Malangyaon

"Breath of Heaven"

Special Offering

Congregational Hymn

#125

"Joy to the World"

Closing Prayer

Pianist

Whitney Andrew

Week at a Glance

Today

*The joy and blessings of the Sabbath conclude today **5:06**

*And begin again. Next Friday **5:08pm**

Sunday, Dec. 25th

Merry Christmas!

Wednesday, Dec. 28th

Prayer Meeting is cancelled and will resume after the holidays

Next Sabbath's Speaker

Looking Ahead

January 2012

1-Happy New Year

3-ACA Resumes

7-Fellowship Potluck

Health Ministries Team meeting (during potluck)

Pathfinder Parent/Staff meeting

Adventurers, 3:00pm

8-Pathfinder meeting, 9:00am-12:00pm, little school

28-29-Pathfinder Ski Trip

8 Ways to Pressure-Proof Your Holidays

Four do's

- 1. Pray- Pray without ceasing.** 1 Thessalonians 5:17
- 2. Plan- Those who plan peace have joy.** Proverbs 12:20
- 3. Determine realistic expectations and communicate them clearly.** May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed. Psalm 20:4 NIV
- 4. Discuss holiday plans with your spouse.** Without counsel plans fail. Proverbs 15:22

Four don'ts

- 1. Don't forget the reasons for the holiday season.** For to us a child is born, to us a son is given. Isaiah 9:6
- 2. Don't try to please everyone.** For am I now seeking the approval of man, or of God? Galatians 1:10
- 3. Don't overbuy.** For by grace you have been saved through faith...it is the gift of God. Ephesians 2:8
- 4. Don't try to do everything.** Let us know among ourselves what is good. Job 34:4

Prayer Requests

George Morris

To add a name to the prayer request list, please contact raleighsdabulletin@gmail.com or call 919-851-1302. Thank you.