

ANNOUNCEMENTS

IMPORTANT MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCH TREASURER:

Tomorrow, December 31, 2023 is the last day that donations can be accepted as 2023 business. The only exception to this rule is donations that are mailed to the church on or before the 31st and postmarked no later than December 31, 2023. Donations thus postmarked may be accepted as December donations even though they may arrive in January. A check with a December date on it cannot be accepted as a December donation if it was given to the treasurer after December 31, 2023 or is postmarked in January, 2024. **Failure to abide by these IRS requirements could result in loss of the Church's tax deductible status as well as other penalties.**

HEALTH MINISTRIES: The Health Ministries Department is encouraging everyone to read or reread our first "A" list book "Ministry of Healing". This book provides practical instructions for a healthy lifestyle. Pick up a copy today. A donation to offset the cost can be placed in your tithe envelope. Write on memo line: Book-"Ministry of Healing". Please see Heather Floyd or Sonia Baird for more details.

WOMEN'S MINISTRIES: Our Women's Ministries is collecting household tips such as cooking, hygiene and home remedies. If you have any ideas for this you would like to pass along, please contact Lillie Jackson or Mary Fry.

WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY AT 5:00 PM: We are having Bible Studies here at the Leach SDA Fellowship Hall every Wednesday evening beginning at 5:00pm. For further information contact Heather Floyd at 731-415-6968 or Mary Fry at 731-307-1933, if no answer send text message.

CARD MINISTRY: The Leach Seventh-day Adventist Church Greeting Card Ministry provides encouragement to our congregation and community by sending greeting cards to those in need. If you know of someone who needs extra encouragement, please notify Becky McMinn with name and address.

THE LEACH CHURCH FOOD PANTRY: Operates on a monetary donation basis only by marking the amount you want specified for this with "Community Service" on your tithe envelope under the Local Church Budget section. If you know of someone in need, contact Aaron Sirk.

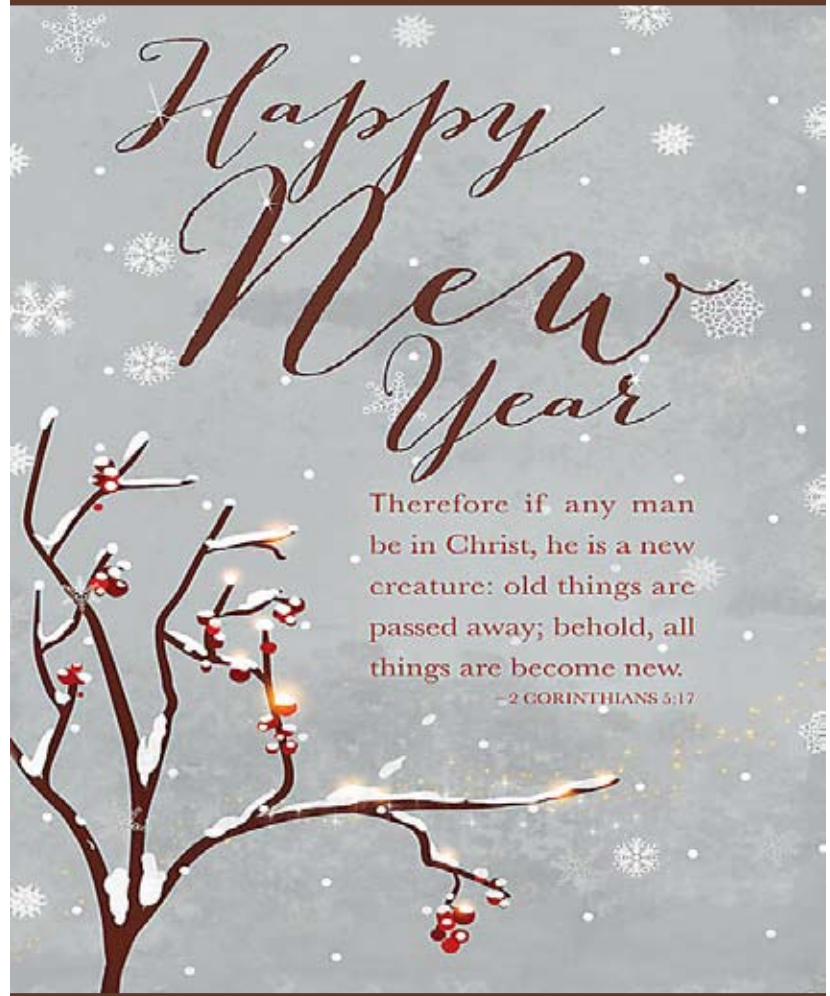
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST BELIEVE . . .

- . . . In a personal God. *(Hebrews 1:1-3)*
- . . . In Jesus Christ as the divine Son of God and as our Savior. *(John 1:1-3; Hebrews 7:25)*
- . . . In the Holy Spirit, the divine Comforter. *(John 15:26)*
- . . . In regeneration and the new birth through the acceptance of the gospel. *(John 3:16,17; 2 Corinthians 5:17)*
- . . . That the Bible is the inspired Word of God. *(2 Timothy 3:16,17)*
- . . . That the second coming of Christ is very near. That it will be literal, personal, and visible to all. *(John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11; Matthew 24:30)*
- . . . That man by nature is mortal. *(Job 4:17; 1 Timothy 6:16,18).*
- . . . That immortality and eternal life are the gifts of God and are received only through Christ. *(Romans 6:23)*
- . . . That the dead are in an unconscious state. *(Ecclesiastes 9:6; John 11:11-14)*
- . . . That there will be a resurrection of the dead. *(1 Thessalonians 4:16,17)*
- . . . That the wicked will not burn eternally, but will be burned up. *(Malachi 4:1-3)*
- . . . That righteousness comes by faith, not by works. *(Romans 4:3-5; Ephesians 2:8,9)*
- . . . That salvation comes as a gift of God and is not received through any merit of the sinner's. *(Ephesians 2:8; 1 John 5:11-13)*
- . . . That the law of Ten Commandments is the standard of righteousness by which all will be judged, and which all Christians are commanded to obey. *(James 2:10-12; Exodus 20:3-17)*
- . . . That the original seventh-day Sabbath has never been changed by Divine authority; therefore all Christians are under obligation to keep it holy. *(Genesis 2:2-3; Luke 23:54-56)*
- . . . In the support of the gospel through tithes and offerings. *(Leviticus 27:30,32; Malachi 3:8-11; Matthew 23:23)*
- . . . In baptism by immersion. *(Mark 1:9,10; Romans 6:3-6)*
- . . . In the ordinances of humility and the Lord's Supper. *(John 13:4-17; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26)*
- . . . In the gifts of the Spirit, including the Spirit of prophecy. *(Ephesians 4:8,11; Revelation 12:17; Revelation 19:10)*
- . . . In discarding unhealthful practices, such as the use of drugs, alcohol, tobacco, unclean meats, etc. *(Proverbs 23:29-32; 1 Corinthians 3:16,17; Deuteronomy 14:3-20; Isaiah 66:16,17).*
- . . . That the followers of Jesus Christ should manifest true Christian modesty in dress and deportment and should shun all questionable worldly amusements. *(1 Timothy 2:9,10; Matthew 24:37-44; James 1:27).*
- . . . That the foregoing principles are practiced, not from a sense of obligation or to enable the individual to "earn" a place in heaven, but rather come as the result of an experience in which there is a close walk with Christ and are a natural consequence of accepting Him as a personal Savior.

The Mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is to proclaim to all people the everlasting gospel in the context of the three angels' messages of Revelation 14:6-12, leading them to accept Jesus as their personal Savior and to unite with His church, and to nurture them in preparation for His soon return.



Leach Seventh-day
Adventist Church



9575 Highway 70 • Cedar Grove, TN 38321
Worship and Sabbath School classes every Saturday morning:

- 9:15-9:30—Sabbath School Song Service
- 9:30-9:40—Sabbath School Mission Spotlight
- 9:40-10:30—Sabbath School classes
- 10:40-11:00—Health Spotlight, Song Service, Announcements, etc...
- 11:00—Worship Service Begins

Pastor: **Tim Osborn 518-802-8451**
Head Elder: **Aaron Sirk 731-614-6543**



ORDER OF WORSHIP ~ DECEMBER 30, 2023



Welcome!

to our visitors and members who are worshipping with us today. *This is the day that the Lord hath made! Let us rejoice and be glad in it!* We welcome you in Christian fellowship and hope you will return to worship with us again. We give thanks to God for your presence and prayer. As we rejoice together, He fills us with renewed strength to face another week.

Gathering For Worship

- Song Service & Announcements, 10:40 a.m. & Health Spotlight Bonnie Love
- Worship Service Begins 11:00 a.m.
- Prelude Elders Enter
- Introit *Congregation: Please Stand*
"Amazing Grace" (#108 in Hymnal)
- Invocation *(Please Remain Standing)*

Praising Our God With Music

- Opening Hymn No. 647
"Mine Eyes Have Seen the Glory"

Worship in Tithes & Offerings

- Offertory *Congregation: Please Be Seated*
(All Loose Offering goes to: Small School Enrichment Fund)
- Doxology *Congregation: Please Stand*
Praise God from Whom all blessings flow;
Praise Him, all creatures here below;
Praise Him above, ye heavenly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. A-men.

Rejoicing With God's Little Ones

Congregation: Please Be Seated

- Lamb's Offering Our Children
- Children's Story Lillie Jackson

She will bear a son, and you shall call His name Jesus...

Praising Our God In Prayer

Congregation: All Who Are Able, Please Kneel

- Pastoral Prayer
- Prayer Response

Hear our prayer, Oh Lord; Hear our prayer, Oh Lord;
Incline Thine ear to us, and Grant us Thy peace. ~A-men.

Turning Our Thoughts Heavenward

Congregation: Please Be Seated

- Worship in Special Music
- Scripture Reading *Philippians 3:7-14* Joe Knuutila

[King James Version]

7 But what things were gain to me, those I counted loss for Christ. 8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ, 9 And be found in Him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith: 10 That I may know Him, and the power of His resurrection, and the fellowship of His sufferings, being made conformable unto His death; 11 If by any means I might attain unto the resurrection of the dead. 12 Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended of Christ Jesus. 13 Brethren, I count not myself to have apprehended: but this one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind, and reaching forth unto those things which are before, 14 I press toward the mark for the prize of the high calling of God in Christ Jesus.

Message From God's Word

~ THE UPWARD CALLING ~

ELDER RICHARD PARENT

Congregation: Please Stand

Responding to God's Challenge

- Closing Hymn No. 625
"Higher Ground"

Congregation: Please Remain Standing

Departing with Joy & Peace to Serve

- Benediction Richard Parent

"Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,"

Matthew 28:19



CHURCH AT STUDY

ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL PROGRAM

- Song Service 9:15 a.m.
- Mission Spotlight 9:30 a.m.
- Sabbath School Classes 9:40-10:30 a.m.
- Closing Prayer

PLEASE ACCEPT OUR INVITATION TO JOIN US EACH WEEK IN SABBATH SCHOOL

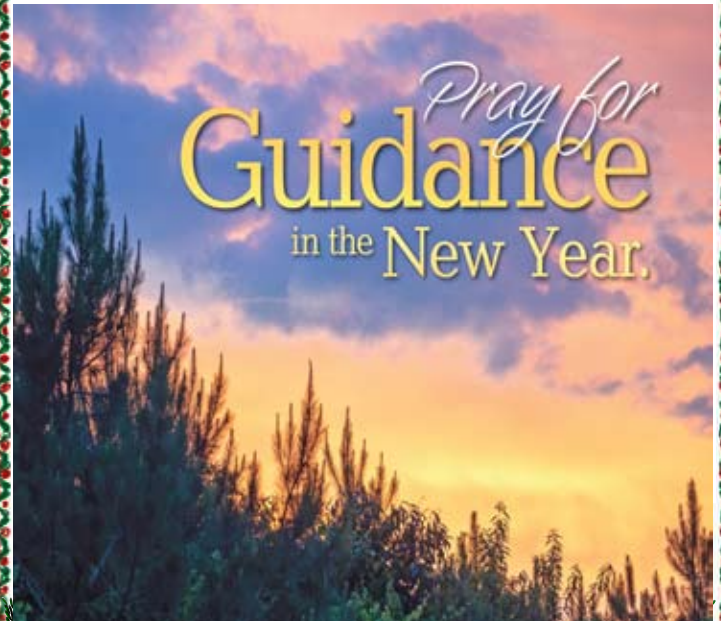
Why Celebrate Sabbath School? - - -

Because God's Work and His Will is Being Done • Because God's Love is Being Shared
Because God's Word is Being Studied and Taught! • Because the Sabbath Day is Being Observed



OUR PRAYER LIST ...PLEASE REMEMBER WITH

SPECIAL PRAYER THIS WEEK: Baumgardners; Joann Bell; James & Tina Boals; Travis Bray; Ronnie Clark Family; Bill Davis; *Jimmie Eubanks*; Marie Fry; Mary Fry; Sandy Gentry; Eddie Haley; Vance Harrington; Kimberly Hartville Family; Glen & June Huey; Cynthia Johnson; Becky McMinn; Montrell Neely Family; Rosalind Powers; Matt Rosenthal Family; Ransel Sirk; Shauna Sirk; Sue Thomsen; Ola Twing; *Andre & Albertha Wilkerson*; Travis Williquette; Carolyn Willis; Our Church Family



GOD'S HOLY SABBATH CONCLUDES AT 4:49 TODAY AND BEGINS AGAIN NEXT FRIDAY AT 4:54

Any information for publication in the bulletin must be submitted *no later than Thursdays at 6:00 pm.* to: rogabert@gmail.com, or by phone/text to: Robert Williquette at 731-358-8152.