

Good News

April 17, 2020 - Special Edition

Church at Home!

We will be live streaming once again this Sabbath from our sister church, North Valley SDA Church. The Sabbath School Lesson discussion will start at 10:00 with the morning message starting at 11:00.

A little before 10:00 log on to YouTube and search for North Valley SDA Church, then click on the flame image. The program will begin automatically when the team goes live. The services will be broadcast Live on Facebook as well on North Valley SDA's page.

So tune in and let's worship together!

Other items of interest . . .

Our **Church Board, Elders, Worship Committee** and other planning groups continue to virtually meet to make plans for ministry! They are planning for now and in the future! Please lift each of these groups up in your prayers.

Our school children are continuing with the **Distance Learning** under the direction of our head teacher, Carole Smith, and others. Please keep the children, their families and our school staff in your prayers.

Because of COVID-19, the General Conference Session previously scheduled for this summer has been rescheduled for May 20-25, 2021.



Children's Ministries

Our children are connecting each Sabbath morning on **Zoom** for **Sabbath School**.

At 9:30, they get to connect with their friends as they greet one another and their teachers. They sing songs together and hear stories!

The **Teens** will have their Zoom Sabbath School starting at **10:30** each Sabbath as well!

Watch for info each week for the Zoom meeting ID and password so the kids don't miss out!

Another avenue of connection for the children is **Kids' News!** This is a program produced each week by Children's Ministries as well. Be sure to check our church's Facebook page each Wednesday to see Kids' News!

Thank you, **Jennifer Dodge**, for helping our children and families stay connected through this time when we are separated one from another!



You are Invited!

A Facebook live presentation of the **"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"** program will be on Facebook on Sabbath, April 18 starting at 3:00.

Our own **Gregory Gooden**, pictured on the left, will bring a message of love and hope! Please plan to tune in on Facebook on Sabbath afternoon for encouraging words and music. You will be warmly welcomed along with many others!

Health Ministry

It seems like as soon as Health Ministry began, we had to stop coming to church due to the coronavirus pandemic. I pray that our energy to want to learn and share God's health message hasn't ceased.

This is now an excellent time to share **NEW START** with our neighbors and friends. People are more receptive now with coronavirus going around. Our basic knowledge of these eight laws can help people and also make people receptive to hear about us as Adventists.

I recently shared our eight laws of health with my neighbor who told me he didn't believe in God. He was amazed that there is a church that follows the health message. He wants to learn more about what we believe. God is good. Let us educate on God's eight laws of health and share it with others. It is the entering wedge to the reach people for the kingdom.

*~ Submitted by Oraleatha Clarke
Health Ministry Leader*

Happy Birthday this Week! April 17 - 25

Our prayer is that God will bless each of you as you celebrate another year of life and many more to come!

- 17 Jean Minton
- 17 Wanda Mitchell
- 18 Doris Amo-Mensah
- 19 Ethan Muncy
- 21 Deanna Tembo
- 24 Lilah Ratliff
- 24 Lynn Downey
- 24 Josh Allison
- 25 Jeanette Barton

Please call or send a card to our friends who are celebrating their birthdays this week to help brighten their day!



Ladies, don't forget!

As a woman that God created, you are prized, cherished and adored. You are loved beyond all measure. You are cared about more deeply, delighted in more thoroughly, and treasured more highly, than you can even imagine!

As you care for yourself and your family, cook more, shop less, and can't get a pedicure or have your hair done, keep this in mind! It is tough right now, but hopefully it will get easier soon! God loves you!



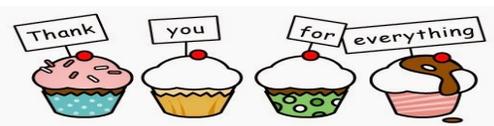
We are making Face Masks

Several ladies are working together, from a distance, to make face masks to share in our community.

Some are collecting fabric, some are cutting the fabric into rectangles. Some are procuring other materials necessary to complete the masks and some are sewing!

We are open to suggestions on where to distribute the masks. Please send your suggestions or offers to help with this project to our church's email: roanokesdachurch@gmail.com

Let's do our best to serve the Lord by serving our community!



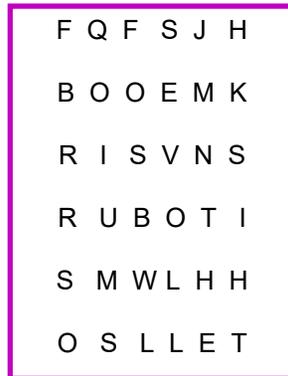
Thank a Human Hero! Super heroes may be great, but our understanding of what a hero is has changed forever.

A hero may be a doctor or a nurse, or med-tech or pharmacy worker, a grocery store worker, a truck driver, a delivery person or a teacher, just to name a few. We all know or encounter heroes most every day and each of them deserves a little extra love and support right now.

Please take a few minutes each day to show your gratitude to those who are putting their own safety aside to provide services and products for each one of us! Thank you, Heroes, for everything you do! We pray God will bless you richly!

A Word Search Puzzle!

Can you find the words to a favorite song in the puzzle below? Kids and adults alike might enjoy searching out the words then singing the song as a little reminder during these days of isolation!



RSDA Texting Group

Join our RSDA Text Group today to receive info from the church regarding your church family, the programs in our church and any urgent notices or requests.!

It is a very simple process! **Text the word "ALERT" to 22300** and you will begin receiving texts from the church.

More items of interest . . .

The **Worship Team** is exploring ways we can celebrate the Lord's Supper and still adhere to the required gathering/social practices mandated by the Commonwealth.

The **Blood Drive** scheduled for May 23 is still on the calendar. The set up and execution may be different. Any changes to the schedule will be shared with our members.

Please pray without ceasing for our members' safety and good health.

Financial Peace University

You may remember that we were going to offer Dave Ramsey's course, Financial Peace University, beginning Tuesday, April 14. Of course, that series of seminars has been postponed until after the pandemic has been resolved and we are able to meet together once again.

Please stay tuned and watch for details regarding the rescheduling of dates for Financial Peace University. For more info about these seminars and the benefits received when taking them, please see John Hodgkin.

Virtual Prayer Meeting

Sign in to Zoom (it's free and you only need an email address and a password) and join us for Virtual Prayer Meeting on Wednesdays at 7:00.

Now is the time for prayer more than ever, so please join us and let's encourage one another.

A meeting link will be sent by text on each Wednesday afternoon.



Staying home and maintaining social distance?

Please make extra efforts to connect with one another, especially with our seniors who may be living alone. We are all feeling somewhat isolated during this time while following the "Stay at Home" order.

You might consider making some telephone calls, sending texts or emails or even mailing a card or note to some of our members. Any of these options would be appreciated and would help us all feel more connected while we are separated from many that we love!

Who should I contact?

Should you need pastoral assistance, you may contact the following:

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