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*Welcome to*



Ottawa  
Seventh-day Adventist Church

**Sabbath, December 1, 2018**  
***God Invites Us to Study***

9:15 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.

Theme: “**Is Your Lamp Burning?**”

Song Service:

Welcome:

*Pierreline Jean*

Opening Remarks:

*Pierreline Jean*

Hymn of Praise:

*Let Every Lamp Be Burning # 595*

Scripture Reading:

Mark 13:35

*Xavier Jean-Charles*

Opening Prayer:

*Xavier Jean-Charles*

Mission Story:

*Joy Mahingwe*

***Lesson Study***

Closing Remarks:

*Pierreline Jean*

Special Music:

*Jalisa Bernadin*

Closing Prayer:

*Fabian Bonaparte*

***Sabbath School Classes***

***Children & Youth***

		<b><i>Location</i></b>
Infant/Preschool	Cradle Roll	Downstairs
JK/SK	Kindergarten	Basement Classroom
Gr.1-2	Primary	Basement Classroom
Gr.3-4	Discovery Zone	OAS Kindergarten Room
Gr.5-6	Juniors	Loft (upstairs)
Gr. 7-8	Real Time Faith	Loft (upstairs)
Gr.9-12	High School Class	OAS Classroom

***Adult & Collegiate***

		<b><i>Location</i></b>
Class 1 - College Students	Greg Lauder	Front left side
Class 2 - French Class	Patrick Joissaint, Jean-Marie Mondésir	Middle left side
Class 3	Stephen Adubofuor, Felicia Boakye	Back left side
Class 4	Jean Vaughan, Daniel Placide	Front right side
Class 5	Dawn Edwards, Collins Ayoo , Hicks Barrett	Middle right side
Class 6	James Moreau, Smith Louis, Gerry Lowe	Back right side

***New Believers Bible Study Class*** in the Library every Sabbath at 9:40 a.m.

***Baptismal Bible Study*** classes in the fellowship hall every Sabbath at 9:30 a.m.

***Youth Baptismal Class*** with Pastor Daniel Innocent for youth 13 years and older in the pastor's office.

***Revived by His Word*** Let us join our brothers and sisters in the world church reading a chapter of the Bible every day. <http://revivalandreformation.org/>

*Sunset Today: 4:21 p.m.*

# ***God Invites Us to Worship***

10:50 a.m. – 12:50 p.m.  
Reverence My Sanctuary

## ***Preparation***

Pastoral Remarks & Welcome: *Pr. Robert Greaves*  
Welcome Song: “I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”  
Call to Worship: *Eld. Darrell Hardy*  
Doxology: “Holy, Holy, Holy”  
Invocation: (All Stand) *Eld. Gerry Grant*

## ***Celebration***

Hymn of Praise: *Sound the Battle Cry # 614*  
Intercessory Prayer: *Eld. Stephanie Clayton*  
Special Music: *Rennatha Bernadin*  
Offertory Reading: (Local Church Budget) *Copperfield Jean-Louis*  
Offertory Music: *Vincent Amankwah*  
Children’s Story: *Anita Gurley*

## ***Proclamation***

Scripture Reading: I Samuel 17:38-45 *Eld. Stephanie Clayton*  
Introduction of the Speaker:  
Praise & Worship: *Christol Barrett-Kilongozi*  
Sermon: **“Whose Armour Are You Wearing?”** *Eld. Gerry Grant*

## ***Dedication***

Hymn of Dedication: *Soldiers of Christ, Arise # 616*  
Benediction: *Eld. Gerry Grant*  
Benediction Song: *‘Til We Meet Again’*  
Pianist: *Gail Barrett*  
Organist: *Joan Grant*

*Wait to be ushered out by the deacons after Divine Service  
~ Divine Service is streamed live every Sabbath ~*

## *Announcements*

**Visitors please stop by the Green Room** (off the main foyer) directly after divine service for some refreshments and a friendly conversation about what is happening at the Ottawa Adventist Church.

**Attention:** we have been informed that St. Paul's Church will soon have extensive work done on their electrical system. For this, a lot of work will happen in the back parking lot and change the way traffic is being directed. **Please make sure to follow all directions for the safety of all who use their property.**

Please note that the **Cradle Roll Sabbath School class has relocated to a room downstairs.**

A **Deacons Department meeting** is scheduled for **today from 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.** in the boardroom.

The Ottawa East Seventh-day Adventist Church Presents: **Who Am I? - A Homecoming concert experience!** It takes place **today at 5:00 p.m.** at the Ottawa East Adventist Church, 194 Prince Albert Street. The concert will feature a variety of artists like Michelle Lafleur, More than A Song, the Nepean Youth Choir and much more! Admission is free; however, a freewill offering will be collected. We hope to see you there!

There will be a **Touch-of-Love program tomorrow, December 2 at 10:00 a.m.**

There will be an **Elders' meeting on Tuesday, December 4 at 7:00 p.m.**

**Sabbath School Focus December 15.** Kindly take note that the general order of service will be different on this day to place ongoing emphasis on our passion for Bible study and fellowship:

**9.15 a.m. to 10.00 a.m.: *God Invites us to Pray***

**10:15 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.: *God Invites us to Worship***

**11.30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.: *God Invites us to Study.***

Divine Service will come before Sabbath School discussion on this day. **Please note this change** and continue to support our worship as usual. Please invite your friends and visitors.

## *Announcements Continued*

The annual **Seniors' Community Christmas Banquet: "Home for Christmas"** will take place on **December 9 starting at 4:00 p.m. at Ottawa Adventist Church, 2200 Benjamin Avenue.** It is a free event! Come and experience great entertainment, prizes, Christmas carols and more. Please contact Stephanie Clayton at 613-823-3136 to reserve your spot.

The **Community Services Department** is **seeking 18 volunteers** to help at The Shepherds of Good Hope on **December 23.** If you are available, please contact Kathleen Johnson.

AY is pleased to invite you to its **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Winter Gala, "Night Around the World", on January 26, 2019** in support of the Boys and Girls Club of Ottawa. The event will take place at the Museum of Aviation (with exclusive access to the Walkway of Time). The event will begin at 7:30 p.m. (doors open at 6:30 p.m.). Tickets are \$75 until January 4<sup>th</sup> 2019! Come and support the youth, and bring a friend! It's food, music and fun for a good cause. Tickets are available at: [skyisthelimit2019.eventbrite.com](http://skyisthelimit2019.eventbrite.com) or at [ottawaAY@gmail.com](mailto:ottawaAY@gmail.com). If you have questions, please see Devonnice Watson or José Saint-Fleur.

**Elders' Prayer Circle** – The Elders have instituted a prayer circle specifically to pray for those facing significant life challenges (health, bereavement, family difficulties, among other concerns). If you have a specific issue that you would like to have included on the prayer list, please inform Elder Smith Louis, Elder Daniel Placide or any of the elders. You may be invited to join the prayer line.

**Our Members** - Please keep our members in the nursing homes, hospitals and those in need in your thoughts and prayers: Eveline Wynn (Toronto), Dr. Eugene Daniel (Health), Sebert Allen (Health), Ursula Campbell (Health), Sis. Brown (Health), Rosaline Wilson (Health), Barbara Ferdinand (Health), Sonia James (Health) and Regius Brown (Health).

**\*\*The Bulletin information deadline is Tuesday at 7:00 p.m.** Please send all bulletin information, including birthday and anniversary announcements, to [bulletinottawasda@gmail.com](mailto:bulletinottawasda@gmail.com).

# *Calendar of Events*

*Elders on Duty for today: Jean Vaughan & Gerry Lowe*

## **Today:**

2:00 p.m.

Deacons Department Meeting

5:00 p.m.

Ottawa East Church Concert

## **Sunday:**

8:00 a.m.

Prayer Meeting

10:00 a.m.

Touch-of-Love Program

## **Tuesday:**

9:00 a.m.

Prayer Meeting

7:00 p.m.

Elders' Meeting

## **Wednesday:**

7:00 p.m.

Prayer Meeting

## **Friday:**

5:00 p.m.

JP Ministries Practice

## **2018 Church Staff Directory**

Pastor: Robert Greaves	289-404-7747
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## ***Streamed Church Services***

Bookmark the following link for the live stream of the Divine

Service <http://www.ottawasda.org/article/7/media>

OR

The Ottawa Adventist Church has a dedicated ROKU app that allows you to **watch the service directly from your TV** – no computer is needed. If you have any questions, please contact the A/V operators.

## *The Pastor's Blog*

I ended off last week by saying that *“the plural of disciple is church.”* It was a borrowed phrase. Today, where sound bites matter, we could dismiss this as an attempt at finding a few catchy sounding words. Correctly understood, the originator (Dr. Alison Morgan) is saying that we don't have a church unless we have disciples. How much of a church do we have at Benjamin?

True story. A parent once came to me wanting Bible studies for her child. When we began working out the time, it went like this. How about Monday? No, Pastor that won't work because she has math tutoring. What about Tuesday? I'll come to you so you don't have to travel. No, Pastor she has swimming lessons. And on and on it went, proposing and counter proposing until the parent said to me, “well, we tried; you know what – some other time.”

If according to Alan Hirsh, discipleship is our highest purpose and most satisfying sense of identity, what seeds of purpose and identity have we planted in the mind of this child both as a parent and as a pastor? If we are to create a church culture immersed in worship that translates into persons who are eager to be disciples, then I'm sure that this situation does not lend itself well towards creating such a culture. I'm not at all surprised that the work of several research seminarians concluded that the topic of discipleship is one which scares people away from the church because confronted by such conflicting priorities, exhausted Christians are asking the question, “what do you expect me to do after a day of school or work that is so demanding?” Survival takes up so much of our time.

Maybe Alan Hirsh has the answer in saying that discipleship - following Jesus - is the fulfilment of our destiny. In other words, it is the highest purpose that one can identify with or attain to, but somehow this is seemingly becoming less attractive. Analyzing the responses of children graduating from Adventist academies, one Doctoral candidate identified that 70 % of respondents indicated that their first priority was “becoming rich” compared to 30% who had cited service to others.

If we measured our numbers at Benjamin how would we fare? If we asked the question, what is my highest priority, would it be being a disciple of Christ at all cost? If we asked the potentially church emptying question, how would you prove or demonstrate that to be true - how would you respond? In today's busy culture, many see this question as “being unreasonable” or a prompting of action through guilt. Still, others find it inviting. Where do you stand on this question? ~ Pr. Greaves

## ***We Believe...***

We believe that man's only salvation is by faith in Christ's life and sacrifice as the divine means of grace to us. (Acts 4:12; Ephesians 2:8; Romans 8:3, 4)

We turn to the entire Bible as a revelation of Jesus Christ. (Luke 24:27; 2Timothy 3:16)

We remember that it was through Jesus Christ that God created all things and that by Him they are upheld. (John 1:3; Colossians 1:16, 17; Hebrews 1:3)

We trust the Holy Spirit as Christ's personal representative to guide the human mind in Christian duty. (John 14:16, 17; John 16:13; Romans 8:9)

We look to the heavenly sanctuary as the site of Jesus' ministry for us as our high priest. (Hebrews 8:1, 2; Hebrews 4:15, 16; 1Timothy 2:5)

We have hope in the soon personal return of Jesus Christ. (Titus 2:13; 1Thessalonians 4:16, 17; Matthew 24)

We find in the Ten Commandments Christ's code of conduct and expect that the believer will evidence the indwelling Christ by the demonstration of spiritual fruit. (John 14:15; Matthew 5:17-19; Hebrews 8:10; Galatians 5:22, 23; Philippians 4:13)

We believe that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit and that we should glorify Christ in every habit and practice. (1 Corinthians 10:31)

We understand that there is no intrinsic life in man, and that any life, present or eternal, is by virtue of Jesus Christ, the source of life. (Psalms 104:29; John 15:6; John 11:25)

We enjoy the seventh-day Sabbath as a reminder of Christ's creative power and as evidence of His redemptive power, which is found in the spiritual rest from the burden of sin. (Genesis 2:1-3; Mark 2:27, 28; Ezekiel 20:12; Hebrews 4:4-9)

We believe that the testimony of Jesus, the Spirit of Prophecy, will be manifest in God's remnant church. (Revelation 12:17; Revelation 19:10)

We are confident that the final judgement will be in favor of those who trust in Christ. (1Timothy 5:24; Acts 17:31; Daniel 7:21, 22)

We feel constrained to share the witness of Christ's blessings to all men everywhere. (Romans 1:14-17; Matthew 28:19, 20)

And finally, we anticipate that Christ will share eternal life with all those who accept His plan, and that these redeemed persons will inherit a restored planet from which all sin and selfishness will have been removed. Then, in a society of perfect trust and confidence, they will enjoy, to the full, the wonders of God's universe. (Matthew 5:5; John 14:1-13; Revelation 21:1-8)