



First Seventh-day Adventist Church of Tulsa

October 17, 2020 | Pathfinder Sabbath
Our mission is helping people experience the love of Jesus

Opportunities

Come Grow with Us!

If you are looking for a change, or for a new church, we invite you to join our growing family. Here at First Tulsa we believe that everyone has something special and unique to add to our diverse congregation. We would love to welcome you into our membership. If this is your desire, please turn in a Connection Card (located in pew rack and on the table at the rear of the church sanctuary) or send a text on the Connect Line. Place it in the offering box at the rear of the church sanctuary.

United Prayer Opportunities

Monday – Friday

● **6:00-6:15 am** ● Prayer Conference Call
Dial 605-468-8026, Access Code: 1013047#

Tuesday

● **6:00-7:00 am** ● Oklahoma Prayer Line
● Dial 605-468-8026, Access Code: 450698#

Wednesday

● **6:30 pm** ● Prayer Meeting in person & call in
● Dial 605-468-8026, Access Code: 1013047#

Friday

● **8:00-9:00 pm** ● Women's Prayer Conference
Call ● 605-468-8026, Access Code: 450698#

Prayer Meeting

Prayer Meeting is in person at the church and also via conference call every **Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm, directed by Pastor Samson Sembeba.** Call 605-468-8026 and use the Access Code: 1013047#.



Prayer Meeting will also be live streamed.

TAA Health Food Store

At this time, the Tulsa Adventist Academy Health Food Store does not have regular business hours. **If you would like to purchase something from the store, please come to the TAA office during school hours and the secretary will assist you.** You can also contact Rowland Knight at 918-381-9708 and set up an appointment. All profits from the store benefit TAA.

Need Offering Envelopes?

If those at home have been mailing your tithes and offerings to the church and need offering envelopes, please send a note (including your mailing address) with your offering saying you are in need of offering envelopes, and the church will mail them to you.

TCSC Food Pantry

The Tulsa Community Service Center Food Pantry at 2015 S. Lakewood is open on **Wednesdays** from **4:00 - 6:00 pm**. Please come by if you need assistance with food. — *Ella Suttle*

Tulsa Face Mask Ordinance

On July 16, 2020 the Mayor of Tulsa signed a face mask ordinance into effect which states that persons over the age of 18 are required to wear a facial covering over their nose and mouth when inside buildings including houses of worship, and outdoors in public areas such as sidewalks, parks, etc. (with certain exceptions). Persons violating this ordinance are subject to warnings and fines. There is a link on the Tulsa City Council Facebook page to view the ordinance.

Worship Service

October 17, 2020

10:45 a.m.



Musical Meditation

Welcome and Announcements

Daniel Duffy

Processional, Pledge of Allegiance, Pathfinder Pledge & Law

Natalie Duffy, Lovi Hingey, Cooper Johnson

Invocation

Isaac Hingey

Songs of Praise

Onward Christian Soldiers, Hymn 612

Come, Now Is the Time to Worship

How Great Is Our God

Children's Feature

Adventurers

Giving Back to God

Local Church Budget

Josh Roberts

Altar Prayer

Ashlyn Bailey, Madeline Duffy, Josh Roberts

Song of Consecration

Step By Step

Sermon

Sermon series: "America's Got Flavor"

Running to? Or running from?

Pastor Samson Sembeba

Song of Benediction

He's Ever Over Me

Benediction

Pastor Samson Sembeba

Recessional

Announcements

Welcome!

A heartfelt welcome is extended to everyone who has joined us for church services today, whether in person or online through live stream. May you receive a special Sabbath blessing as we praise and worship our loving, gracious, merciful Lord together.

Prayer Meeting Live Streamed



Our weekly Wednesday evening Prayer Meetings led by Pastor Sembeba are now held in person and live streamed from the church sanctuary Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. You can also attend via Conference Call by dialing 605-468-8026, and using Access Code: 1013047#.

Pastor's Visit Request

Pastor Samson Sembeba is eager to get to know everyone in our church family! If you would like to visit with him, please fill out the Pastor's Visit Request online form available on our church website at tulsasda.org.

Community Services

Community Services is CLOSED! We will remain closed until we find a safe time to reopen. We will be checking our donation box, but we would appreciate all your prayers for those in need. — *Carma Fox, Director*

Pastor's Vespers at Woodward Park



our Creator at the close of the Sabbath day.

Pastor Samson Sembeba will host a Vespers Service on **October 24 at 6:00 p.m.** outdoors in Tulsa's Woodward Park. Come and join in worshipping

Answers in Prophecy Online Event

It is Written Ministries is presenting an online evangelistic series called *Answers in Prophecy* which began October 9. The meetings will continue to be live streamed on **October 17, 18, 20, 21 at 6:00 p.m. CDT**. Register for this free series of meetings and view them online at answersinprophecy.com.

Pastor Sembeba's Weekly Blog

Pastor Samson Sembeba has a blog on our local church website at tulsasda.org. He plans to add a new blog post each week. Check it out!



Spirit of Prophecy Month at ABC

October is Spirit of Prophecy Month at the Adventist Book Center. Learn more at AdventistBookCenter.com/spiritofprophecy.

Baby Shower

Jason and Ruthie Vargas will be welcoming a new baby girl into their family, and a baby shower is planned for them on **November 8** in the Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!



Prayer Requests

Thelma Cooper
Jackie Griesbaum
Tulsa Adventist Academy
Discover Bible School
Missing Members
COVID-19 pandemic

Lynn Silkey
Pat Wewerka
Church Finances
Native New Day
God's Closet

Special Prayer

For special prayer call Prayer Ministries Leader James Davison at 603-801-7172.

Tulsa Adventist Academy News

Dear Church Family,

We are happy to have two new students this week, bringing our student body to 77. We have made it through the first quarter and at the end of October we will celebrate a week of spiritual emphasis, capped by TAA Sabbath. This is a time for our students to shine, so we hope that we will have school and church board members present, along with our wonderful families. There are many families in our school and churches going through hardships, so we pray we are encouraging to them, and that TAA will be a beacon to anyone in need. Please let us know if you have a community service need that we can assist with!



TAA CALENDAR

- Oct. 19-20:** Parent-teacher conferences
- Oct. 26-30:** Week of Prayer with Pastor Russ Laughlin
- Oct. 31:** TAA Sabbath at TAA (alumni + everyone welcome)
- Oct. 31:** TAA hayride at home of McGehee family

Caroline A. Fisher, MA
TAA English Instructor | Development Director

October Birthdays and Anniversaries

- 21 Michael Gerstner
- 22 Rose Swayze
- 23 David Miller; Matthew Williams
- 24 Lilly Childress; Richard Frazier

Sept. Local Church Budget Report



- **THANK YOU** for your donations to our Local Church Budget! Please continue your support so that vital church expenses and ministries can be funded and maintained.
- Your contributions to our Local Church Budget also help reduce the amounts owed to the Oklahoma Conference (\$2,031) and to our Local Church Funds (\$37,426).

Calendar

Today, October 17

Sabbath School	9:30 am	Offering	Local Church Budget
Worship Service	10:45 am	Elder	Daniel Duffy
Sunset	6:46 pm	Deacon	TBA



Two Weeks at a Glance - October 18–31, 2020

18	19	20	21 ●Prayer Meeting 6:30p	22	23 Sunset 6:38p	24 (see below) Sunset 6:37p
25	26	27	28 ●Prayer Meeting 6:30p	29	30 Sunset 6:30p	31 Sunset 6:29p

Next Sabbath, October 24

Sabbath School	9:30 am
Worship Service	10:45 am
Vespers at Woodward Park	6:00 pm
Sunset	6:37 pm

Offering	Onward Oklahoma 2%
Elder	David Miller
Deacon	TBA

Events

October 24
Vespers at Woodward Park, 6:00 pm

October 31
TAA Sabbath at TAA (everyone welcome)
TAA Hayride (everyone welcome)

November 8
Vargas Baby Shower

Church Music Notes

Welcome Young People

This Sabbath our Adventurer and Pathfinder Clubs will be leading out in our music and the service in general. They invite you to join with them in coming before God with worship in our hearts.

Praise team today will be: Brianna Reid, Alex Velasquez, Abby Duffy.

Songs of Praise

Onward Christian Soldiers, Hymn 613 was written in 1865 by Sabine Baring-Gould, who was the pastor of a parish in Yorkshire county in the north of England. The words call to mind that Paul commands Timothy to “*share in suffering as a good soldier of Jesus Christ*” (2 Timothy 2:3), and that he instructs the church to “*put on the whole armor of God*”

because we wrestle against the spiritual forces of evil (Ephesians 6). The words of the hymn make it clear that the focus is on this spiritual battle—that our foe is Satan, not men, and that our



King and Commander in Chief is the eternal, omnipotent Christ, whose kingdom cannot fail. Sometime after writing the words, Mr. Baring-Gould said, This song “*was written in a very simple fashion. . . for a school festival. . . . it was arranged that our school should join its forces with that of a neighboring village. I wanted the*

children to sing when marching from one village to the other, but couldn't think of anything quite suitable, so I sat up at night resolved to write something myself. Onward, Christian Soldiers was the result. *It was written in great haste, . . . certainly nothing has surprised me more than its great popularity.”* In 1871 Arthur Sullivan of Gilbert & Sullivan fame, wrote the tune “St. Gertrude” for the hymn, which further popularized the hymn and has ever since been its standard melody.



Come, Now is the Time to Worship was written by Brian Doerksen, He relates: “*This song began during one of my morning prayer and exercise walks while living in London, England. This song is the way I express a 'call to worship.'* I believe God wants us to come and worship just the way we are. *But when true worship happens, we don't stay the way we are. When we make that choice, we experience the pleasure of worship, the treasure of being with God.”* As the words of the song remind us: “*Come just as you are before your God, Come. One day every tongue will confess You are God, One day every knee will bow, Still the greatest treasure remains for those, Who gladly choose You now.”*”

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Tulsa Adventist Academy

(Pre-K — Grade 12)
Peggy Fisher, Principal
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School Office (918) 834-1107

TAA Health Food Store

Offering canned & frozen vegetarian foods
To purchase foods, come to the TAA office during school hours or contact Rowland Knight at 918-381-9708 and make an appointment.

Sabbath School Program

- Spanish Adult Sabbath School is in the Chapel.
- Classes for children and youth age 0 - teen are held in south hall classrooms at 9:30 a.m.

Adult Sabbath School

October 17 • 9:30 a.m.

Welcome & Opening Song

Like Jesus, Hymn 492

Mission Video

A House for the Blind Man

Sabbath School Lesson Discussion

The Law as Teacher

Don Williams - moderator, Paula Davison,
David Miller, Samson Sembeba

Church Bulletin Information

The deadline for receiving announcements to be printed in the bulletin is **11:00 a.m. on Wednesday**. Text your announcements to the bulletin secretary at 918-640-6540 or email announcements to this email address: **bruce.carrico@gmail.com**. Email preferred.



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