

Camp Blue Ridge is a resident camp that offers a variety of weekly sessions tailored to meet the needs and interests of varying age groups.

The Camp's location in the Blue Ridge Mountains is perfect for direct contact with nature, as well as opportunities for adventure and relaxation. Each week is filled with a wide range of fun and exciting activities, new learning experiences, excellent accommodations and delicious food.

Camp Blue Ridge offers everything needed for a summer full of memories. Camps are available for ages 7 to 17 and for families of all ages, too! Our Children's Ministries is offering to pay half of each camper's fee up to \$150 per child, so be sure to let Jennifer Dodge know that your child would like to take advantage of that opportunity!

Applications are already being accepted for this summer! You can register online at [www.campblueridge.org](http://www.campblueridge.org).

### Pizza Hut Fundraiser for Roanoke Adventist Preparatory School

Do you like pizza? Our school is selling special cards that will entitle the holder to 13 FREE pizzas until May 2019 all for the cost of \$10 per card! For each card purchased the school will realize \$6 profit.

This is a great deal for families, ministries and gifts for neighbors and friends. If you are interested in buying one of these cards, please see Crystal Melius or contact her by email at [rapsprep@gmail.com](mailto:rapsprep@gmail.com).

Please consider purchasing several cards. They will be available for purchase through the end of May.



Share Your Story.

The Hope Channel is celebrating 15 years of changed lives! It is broadcast locally on DirecTV, channel 368.

Has your life been impacted, changed, or improved since watching Hope Channel? Share your Hope Channel story at [www.hopetv.org/yourstory](http://www.hopetv.org/yourstory) or by calling 1-888-446-7388.

### R A P S

Roanoke Adventist Preparatory School ("RAPS") is now accepting Registration Fees for students who are enrolling in grades Kindergarten through eighth grade for the next school year. Classes will begin before you know it in August.

The Registration Fee for the next school year is \$425 per student but a reduced rate of \$340 per student is available until June 1.

The base tuition for next school year has also been established at \$3,600; however, families who have paid the Registration Fee in full by the June 1 deadline can lock in a lower base tuition of \$3,250!

Please contact Crystal Melius by calling 540-798-6061 or send her an email to [rapsprep@gmail.com](mailto:rapsprep@gmail.com) to set up a Kindergarten Readiness Evaluation or an Educational Success Consultation for your child.

May 7 - 11



We have several friends and members of our church family who are teachers or who work in schools with children! We appreciate them ALL!

### Please Save Those Labels ... And Bring Them In!

Do you buy Worthington and Loma Linda foods? If so, please cut off the labels and bring them to the church and place them in the slots provided by the church mailboxes.

Our school will benefit twenty-five cents per label that we turn in by the end of July!

The funds raised with these labels will help keep the cost of education affordable for those families that enroll their children in our school.

Thanks for helping collect these labels!



### SUNSHINE MAKERS

Children Reaching Their Community

A new feature of our Children's Ministry is a group called *Sunshine Makers*. This part of Children's Ministries will focus on helping our children become disciples of Jesus.

Plans are underway to help our *Sunshine Makers* learn more about the needs of various groups in our community, how those needs can be met and inviting others to know Jesus. Among the ideas being worked on, are the following:

- ⇒ We'll tour the Family Services division of the Rescue Mission to learn more about how the needs of homeless families are addressed in our community. We'll collect flip flops of all sizes during May for the *Sunshine Makers* to take to the facility when they visit.
- ⇒ Distribution of VBS invitations to the community on July 7 during Sabbath School time.
- ⇒ We'll visit with the residents at North Roanoke Assisted Living to bring some sunshine into the lives of the people who live there. The *Sunshine Makers* will make cards for the residents and even take them a sweet treat along with a smile!

Please help encourage our little *Sunshine Makers* as they learn to serve Jesus by serving others!

**Infinity Youth!**  
presents  
**Mother's Day Picnic**  
and



**Kickball Tournament**  
May 13, Noon to 3:00

Infinity Youth will honor all mothers by hosting a potluck style picnic for the entire church at the Bonsack Elementary Park, located at 5437 Crumpacker Drive, Roanoke.

After eating, all those interested in a little fun can join in a kickball game for all ages.



Plan now to share a day together! Friends, family and neighbors are all welcome!



**End Time Events**  
May 19 @ 7:00

Elder Ian Jerome, speaker for Ready Scribe Ministry, will present a program focusing on end time events on Saturday evening, May 19, starting at 7:00, at our church.

Elder Jerome works with his wife, Dr. Patricia Richardson Jerome, to train individuals and church groups to minister to their local communities and to draw souls to God using small group ministry, prophecy seminars and medical missionary work including health screenings, community health fairs and various health presentations.

Please join us for his presentation on May 19 and invite your friends and families to come with you.



**Special Memorial Day Program**

Sabbath, May 26, 9:30

A special program honoring all our military veterans will be presented during Sabbath School time on Sabbath, May 26.

The program is being planned by Jeanette Barton and promises to be a very moving, respectful and patriotic acknowledgement of the sacrifice of so many we know and love to keep freedom in this world!

Please be sure to come early so you will get a seat as many have been invited to this special program and you won't want to miss a single part of it!

Thank you, Jeanette, for your time and attention to this important aspect of our history in America, our God-given freedoms and the men and women who have valiantly served!

**Thank You!**

*Thank you to all who have been so kind in their prayers, cards, thoughts, visits, hugs, donations and phone calls during my son's illness, his turn for the worse and death. Please know your caring has meant so very much to each of us.*

*The Pleasants Family: Shirley, Blaine, Deborah, John, Suzanne, Elizabeth and each of our respective family members. Thank you!*

**Kids Fun!**

Children's Ministries will be planning some upcoming social events geared specifically for children and centered on Christian growth. The goal is for the children to have a good time and leave each event having learned something valuable about Jesus!

The plan is to have 3 to 4 events for ages birth through 12 planned for the rest of the year so stay tuned for some fun things for the children in your family! Children will be encouraged to bring their friends, cousins and neighbors!

**New Contact Info For Your Directory**

Near the end of 2017, a new directory of church members and friends were prepared and distributed beginning in January 2018. From time to time updated info will be provided to you to include in your directory or to update info already in your directory.

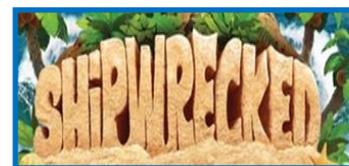
If you did not receive a directory when they were distributed for one reason or another, please let one of the elders know and one will be provided to you.

Please make the following additions or changes to your directory:

GOODEN, Gregory and Novia Jaden  
3029 Ashwood Circle, Apt 211  
Roanoke VA 24012  
540-520-5285 Gregory  
540-354-6269 Novia

MERVIL, Schneider and Louna Raphael  
1412 Craig Robertson Road, SE  
Roanoke VA 24014  
540-819-3715 Schneider  
540-397-7358 Louna

RADULY, Andrew and Judit Christopher, Maximilian, Sophie  
3338 Glade Creek Blvd., #5  
Roanoke, VA 24012  
406-320-1794 Andrew  
406-320-1795 Judit



**Vacation Bible School**

July 16 - 20, 6:00 to 8:30  
Shipwrecked

Kids! Get ready for an adventure to an uncharted island where kids are rescued by Jesus!

Our Vacation Bible School Team is planning a VBS experience where kids are anchored in the truth that Jesus will carry them through life's storms.

Our VBS will be Monday through Friday, July 16 - 20 starting at 6:30 each evening and lasting until 8:30. As a convenience for all workers and their families, a meal will be served each evening from 5:00 to about 5:30.

The closing VBS program will be on Sabbath, July 21, with the children sharing songs, stories and more!

# ELDER'S CORNER

**Belief #18  
of Seventh-day  
Adventists**

## The Law of God

The great principles of God's law are embodied in the Ten Commandments and exemplified in the life of Christ.

They express God's love, will and purposes concerning human conduct and relationships and are binding upon all people in every age. These precepts are the basis of God's covenant with His people and the standard in God's judgment.

Through the Holy Spirit they point out sin and awaken a sense of need for a Savior.

Salvation is all of grace and not of works, and its fruit is obedience to the Commandments.

This obedience develops Christian character and results in a sense of well-being. It is evidence of our love for the Lord and our concern for our fellow human beings.

The obedience of faith demonstrates the power of Christ to transform lives and therefore strengthens Christian witness.

If you would like to know more about this fundamental belief of Seventh-day Adventists, please see Pastor Andrew or any one of the elders.

## Children's Church

Sabbath, May 12 and June 9  
11:40 - 12:30

The next two sessions of Children's Church are scheduled for Sabbath, May 12 and Sabbath, June 9. Children's Church is held in the Fellowship Room for all children ages birth through age twelve.

Children's Church will start after Lamb's Offering and last until the main worship service is concluded.

The theme of Children's Church continues as "The Armor of God."

The entire program, from singing to praying to discussing what they learn, will reinforce putting on the full Armor of God!

Please continue to pray for our children as they are presented with Biblical truths on their level. Pray they will take a stand for Jesus by wearing the "Shoes of Peace!"

## News and Notes From the Church Board Meeting

Our church board met on Monday, evening, April 9, after being "snowed out" on March 12. Several items were addressed during the meeting and below are some of the highlights:

- RAPS' Pizza Hut fundraiser in May
- Biography Night, April 26 at 6:00
- Mother's Day Picnic and Kickball on May 13, 12:00 to 3:00
- Water Balloon Party for Youth, June 10 at 5:00
- Youth Roller Skating, July 12 at 6:00
- Kings Dominion Trip for Youth, August 12, all day
- Children's Ministries sponsor children wanting to go to Camp Blue Ridge
- RAPS will collect Worthington labels
- Ice Cream Social, June 24 at 5:00
- Community Cook Out, September 2 at 4:00
- Christmas Party, December 9 at 4:00
- Next Blood Drive on June 23

All church members are welcome to attend board meetings to learn first hand what's going on in our church.

The next church board meeting is tentatively scheduled for Monday, May 14, at 6:15.

## In the Holy Land ...

are two bodies of water both fed by the Jordan River. In one, fish play and roots find sustenance. In the other, there is no splash of fish, no sound of a bird, no green growing at the shore. The difference is not in the Jordan River, for it empties into both.

In one body of water, the Sea of Galilee, for every drop taken in one goes out. It gives and lives!

In the other, the Dead Sea, nothing flows out. Nothing is shared. And there is nothing growing or living.

Let's share what we have and what we learn and let's praise God for those opportunities!

~ Eric Flickinger  
Weekend Presentation, April 20-21

The June 2018 issue of  
*THE GOOD NEWS LETTER* will be  
distributed beginning  
May 26, 2018  
Please send announcements,  
articles, news and digital pictures to  
[cdoudiken@aol.com](mailto:cdoudiken@aol.com).  
Next Deadline: May 20, 2018



## Welcome to the Family!

Medi Rukera and Elie Muzungu and Big Brother Nelson, welcomed Little Brother Jaden on Sunday, April 1!

Let's keep the parents of this sweet growing family in our prayers as they raise their sons to be Men of God!

Congratulations, Medi and Elie!

## Child Dedication

Sabbath, May 12

Let's celebrate with Robert and Shellie McLennan and their extended family as they dedicate little Adeline as a child of God.

As a church family, let's promise to do all we can to support them as they raise her, and brother RJ, according to Biblical principles and God's will.

## Who to Contact?

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

Pastor: Andrew Raduly, 406-320-1794  
Hd. Elder: Roy Robinson, 757-870-8201  
Elder: Carol Doudiken, 540-580-1589  
Elder: John Hodgkin, 336-817-0260  
Elder: Phil Howell, 540-382-8684

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For other needs, you may contact the following as appropriate:

Head Deacon: Tim Doudiken  
540-580-1590

Head Deaconess: Pam Jannay  
540-355-9803

Safety Officer: Mark Raleigh  
540-797-4021

Treasurer: Bonnie Brooks  
540-420-2215

School: Crystal Melius  
540-798-6061

Websites: Tim/Carol Doudiken  
540-580-1589

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