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Ottawa  
Seventh-day Adventist Church

**Sabbath, December 15, 2018**

***God Invites Us to Pray***

9:15 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Theme: “The Joy of Being in the Word of God”**

Welcome:

*Pr. Daniel Innocent*

Song Service:

First Season of Prayer:

In the Word Individually

*Eld. Stephen Adubofuor*

Second Season of Prayer:

In the Word as a Family

*Eld. Gerry Lowe*

Third Season of Prayer:

In the Word as a Church

*Eld. Smith Louis*

Closing Remarks:

*Eld. Smith Louis*

# *God Invites Us to Worship (Divine Service)*

10:15 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.

## *Preparation*

Pastoral Remarks & Welcome:		<i>Pr. Robert Greaves</i>
Welcome Song:	“I’m So Glad Jesus Lifted Me”	
Call to Worship:		<i>Eld. Andrea Spencer</i>
Doxology:	“Holy, Holy, Holy”	
Invocation:	(All Stand)	<i>Pr. Robert Greaves</i>

## *Celebration*

Hymn of Praise:		<i>Break Thou the Bread of Life # 271</i>
Intercessory Prayer:		<i>Eld. Smith Louis</i>
Special Music:		<i>Barbara Maynes</i>
Offertory Reading:	(Local Church Budget)	<i>Frank Amankwah</i>
Offertory Music:		<i>Gail Barrett</i>
Children’s Story:		<i>Marla Mizrahi</i>

## *Proclamation*

Praise & Worship:		<i>Nellie Dieujuste</i>
Scripture Reading:	Luke 24:27-32	<i>Halyssa Louis</i>
Sermon:	“ <b>Hearts On Fire</b> ”	<i>Pr. Robert Greaves</i>

## *Dedication*

Hymn of Dedication:		<i>Words of Life # 286</i>
Benediction:		<i>Pr. Robert Greaves</i>
Benediction Song:		<i>‘Til We Meet Again’</i>
Organist:		<i>Christol Barrett-Kilongozi</i>

# *God Invites Us to Study (Sabbath School)*

11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m.

Theme: “**The Joy of Being in the Word of God**”

Welcome & Opening Remarks: *Pr. Robert Greaves*  
Hymn of Praise: *Give Me the Bible # 272*  
Opening Prayer: *James Moreau*  
In the Word: *The Louis' Family*  
Separation into classes: *Pr. Robert Greaves*

## *Lesson Study*

Closing Remarks: *Natacha Louis*  
Special Music: *Sid-Lize Barrett-Kilongozi*  
Closing Prayer: *Eld. Paulette Terrelong*

## *Sabbath School Classes*

### *Children & Youth*

		<i>Location</i>
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*

		<i>Location</i>
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: 4:20 p.m.*

## *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.

**Sabbath School Focus December 15:** Kindly take note that the general order of service will be different today in order 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. **Please note this change** and continue to support our worship as usual.

### **Church Membership Spiritual Care Groupings By Sabbath School Class and Elder Assignments**

**All members** – Pastor Greaves and Pastor Innocent

Further Breakdown as noted below:

- \* **Youth Class 1** – G. Grant and D. Lalonde
- \* **French Class 2** – M. Desir and W. Bernadin
- \* **Class 3** – S. Adubufuor and A. Spencer
- \* **Class 4** – J. Vaughan and C. Barrett-Kilongozi
- \* **Class 5** – P. Terrelong and L. Ayoo
- \* **Class 6** – G. Lowe and S. Clayton
- \* **Grades 9-12 High School Class** – D. Hardy

Kindly note that all children up to grade 8 will be cared for by the Elder in charge of their parents' Sabbath School Class.

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

**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.**

There will be a **Touch-of-Love program tomorrow, December 16 at 10:00 a.m.**

## *Announcements Continued*

**Music Committee** - Please consider **donating a poinsettia gift to the church** in preparation for the December 22 Christmas program. Your poinsettia gift can be a token gift of thanksgiving for 2018, or a way to remember a loved one who passed away this year. Please leave your poinsettia donation at the front of the church by **Wednesday, December 19 or Friday, December 21**.

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

**End-of-Year Service** - Our annual end-of-year Church service will be held on **December 31** from **4:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.** This will be followed by a light reception in the fellowship hall. All members are encouraged to attend. We also encourage you to invite your family and friends.

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 Devonnie 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).

# Calendar of Events



**Elders on Duty for today: Jean Vaughan & Gerry Lowe**  
**First Aiders: Rose Noreska & Celestine Brathwaite**

**Today:** Bible Study and Fellowship Emphasis Day

**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. Church Board 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 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).

# *Pastoral Ministry Assignments*

## **Greaves (Primary Contact). Innocent:(Will be involved in all meetings)**

- Church Board
- Elders
- Finance Committee
- Personal Ministries / Church Evangelism / Interest Coordination
- Prayer Ministry
- Sabbath School
- Worship
- Music Committee / Department
- Stewardship
- Seniors Ministry
- Community Services

## **Pastor Greaves**

- Safety
- School Board / Education
- Treasury
- Church Clerk
- Deacons & Deaconesses
- Building and Maintenance
- Health / Family life / Men's Ministry/ Women's
- Religious Liberty
- Prison Ministry
- Communications: External organization and communication with Civic Groups.
- ADRA
- Catering and Kitchen Staff

## **Pastor Innocent**

- Children's Sabbath School
- Children's Ministry
- Vacation Bible School
- Pathfinders / Adventurers
- Youth / A.Y / Young Adults / Adventist Christian Fellowship (A.C.F.)
- Social Committee
- I.T / A.V / Communications / Streaming / Power Point: As it pertains to day-to-day internet, social media, bulletin, etc.



## *The Pastor's Blog*

I'll address two items in today's blog: Sabbath School Focus Day and our Pastoral Spiritual Care Program for our congregation.

The discussion around the table at the Sabbath School Council meeting was "what can we do to encourage others to enjoy being in the Word together as a community?" To be in the Word individually and as a community are important to church unity. It occurred to us at the meeting that the Sabbath day is holy, not the time slots where we place our service - even though orderliness must be maintained. A fondness can develop around our usual way of doing things, but what particular part of keeping the Sabbath holy is violated if things were moved around from time to time to allow a service in a "spot" where normally it is not - for the sake of emphasis? Think hard about it. How would this be displeasing to God? Except for comfort in the traditions that we have established, I struggle hard to find one.

I thank you for supporting this emphasis and trust that you will have a blessed day. If for some reason this "once in a while change" has left you hopping mad, then once again I ask you to ask yourself the question, how is this change violating the sacredness or holiness of the Sabbath day? Much of the worship we see in the Bible depicts the apostles reasoning in dialogical fashion with the crowds – enjoying the blessing of being in God's word together. *Discipleship is a journey undertaken in community.* (Morgan)

Eldership Care Groups. What are these? These groups are formed around the spiritual nurture and care of our church family, taking into consideration the gifting of our exceptional team of church elders. Churches have tried a number of ways to do this. Some have divided the congregation by postal codes, grouping them by the areas in which members live, while others have done it alphabetically based on last name. However, none of these methods puts the church family who form the groups in regular contact with each other on an ongoing basis. We felt that the best ways to do so were by: (a) encouraging each church member to be in a Sabbath School Class; (b) having an opportunity for those in care groups to be able to meet consistently and bond, which the regular weekly Sabbath School classes permit and (c) providing avenues for these groups to have increased presence in church life. You will see in the 2019 church calendar that every 4<sup>th</sup> Sabbath (communion excepted) these Elders and their care groups will have full control of the church service for the entire day.

Let us welcome this change, which gives all of our members an opportunity for service. Children grade eight and under will be a part of the group where their parents are. Our high schoolers will form a single group under the leadership of Elder Hardy. More to be said on this during Sabbath School opening remarks today.

~ Pr. Robert 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)

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Church Pond: [www.churchpond.com](http://www.churchpond.com)

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Tel: 613-722-3770 / [www.ottawaadventistschool.org](http://www.ottawaadventistschool.org)

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### ***Infusion of Grace Prayer Line***

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