

# Good News for 2020

September



The Lord's Supper is the method Jesus established to keep fresh in our minds His gift of salvation. The symbols of unleavened bread and unfermented wine represent the body and blood of Jesus so freely given.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church practices an "open communion" and all who believe and claim Jesus as their personal Savior are welcome to participate.

Our next Lord's Supper will be on Sabbath, September 19, during the worship service.

All are invited to participate in the Lord's Supper so please plan to join us for this time of spiritual renewal.

## "Men of Praise" Make House Call!

The "Men of Praise," a singing group at our church made up of men of different ages and backgrounds, gave of their time and talents on Sabbath evening, August 22!

Eight members of the "Men of Praise" and a couple of supporting wives, went to the home of Jean Mills, a long time member of the Melrose SDA Church, to sing and witness of God's love and soon coming. Ms. Jean has been housebound for some time and hearing the men sing and witness really lifted her spirits.

Not only did Ms. Jean enjoy the informal outdoor concert, but so did some of her family members, neighbors and even some drivers who stopped to listen!

Thank you, "Men of Praise," for your generous act of kindness and for your willingness to witness!

## Family Lunch! Sabbath, September 5

We will enjoy some yummy favorites at our next Family Lunch! The food will be delicious and you are invited!

Please plan to stay by for lunch after services on Sabbath, September 5, and enjoy a delicious meal made fresh just for you! It will be a time of fellowship with friends and food! Please plan to join us!

## It's Nominating Time!

On Sabbath morning, September 5, our church will begin the nominating process to select ministry leaders for 2021.

The first step will be to select a team of five members and two alternates who will meet together to begin its work of nominating members to fulfill certain responsibilities in our church.

The goal is to have the work of the Nominating Committee completed by late October to avoid the flurry of the holidays. Plus allow time for new or returning leaders to think, plan and pray before taking office in January 2021.

Let's pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit throughout this process!

## CHURCH YARD SALE



### Monday and Tuesday, September 7- 8, 2020 At the Church!

You still have time to clean out your closets and basements and garages and sheds! Baby items and working toys are a favorite of moms at a yard sale. Men seem to love buying tools and sporting equipment. In the fall people might be looking for snow blowers and Christmas decorations!

Couches, chairs and dining room and other furniture is something people look for. They also like to find small appliances in good working condition.

**Would you like to donate a car or boat?** You will be given a tax receipt for the fair market value.

Please see Judy Hodgkin with any questions you may have about our Church Yard Sale. Let's work together to make this a fun and successful fundraising event for our church!

## Men's Prayer Breakfast

The men meet at 7:00 each Thursday morning at the Famous Anthony's Crystal Springs location. They enjoy a time of fellowship, a devotional talk and prayer followed by breakfast together.

They finish up at about 8:00 and go about their plans for the day fortified with a bit of food, fellowship with their brothers and increased faith through prayer.

All men are invited to join the group and your first breakfast is FREE!



**Part Time  
PE Teacher  
Urgently Needed**

**Roanoke Adventist  
Christian School**

**Please contact Carole Smith,  
the school's Head Teacher at  
smith.carole1965@gmail.com**



### **Go to Bed!**

Sometimes when we feel sickness coming on, we may want to find natural remedies that may work and keep pushing ourselves, neglecting sleep.

Rest is one of our "eight laws of health." We can go and go and go, then just want a quick remedy for our incoming illness. While we may use natural remedies, going to bed is also needed. Lack of sleep lowers our immune system. While we sleep, our bodies make more white blood cells that attack viruses and bacteria. Sleep also helps wounds and sore or damaged muscles to heal faster. Let's go to bed earlier to help promote healing.

"And he lighted upon a certain place, and tarried there all night, because the sun was set; and he took of the stones of that place, and put them for his pillows, and lay down in that place to sleep." Genesis 28:11

May God continue to bless and keep us today. God is good ALL the time AND He is coming soon. I can't wait! Are we ready?

*~ Submitted by Oraleatha Clarke  
Health Ministries Leader*

### **Get the RED Out!**

You've heard that slogan used in advertising for moisturizing eye drops, right? We are borrowing the slogan for our fundraising goal chart! We want to get rid of the **red debt** we carry in the form of our mortgage note.

In November 2008, when we moved into this building, the amount of our outstanding balance on the note was \$662,000! We have reduced the outstanding balance as of July 1 to \$205,000!

As of the printing of this newsletter, the outstanding amount of debt had been reduced further to \$202,000 resulting in a little less red on the chart. We want to see the red ribbon, which represents the outstanding debt, disappear more and more each month! And we want it to disappear quickly!

Won't you pray and ask God to show you a way to help us get the **RED** out?

### **School is in Session!**

The school year at Roanoke Adventist Christian School began with eight excited students ready to get back into the groove. "I'm excited to be back" and "why do I have to wear a mask?" were two of the quotes heard!

The staff has worked throughout the summer establishing social distancing protocols and strict sanitization procedures.

In other good news, our school was chosen to receive seven beautifully framed Nathan Greene prints each depicting a day of God's creation. The prints are displayed outside the classroom.

The school is still working with prospective families to enroll at this time. We ask for your prayers for a safe and healthy school year.

### **Who should I call?**

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

Pastor Andrew Raduly, 540-524-0973  
andrewr@pcsd.a.org

Church Office: 540-977-0346

Elder Roy Robinson, 757-870-8201

### **September Birthdays**



*May your days be many  
and your troubles be few.*

*May all God's blessings  
descend upon you!*

### **September**

- 2 Clancy Belcher
- 2 Delories Noell
- 2 Jamie Pruitt
- 4 Sherry Otto
- 7 Peniel Amo-Mensah
- 7 Darkas Mason
- 10 Ashleigh Forrester Austin
- 12 Roy Robinson
- 13 Shirley Pleasants
- 14 Brianna Agee
- 15 Daniel Clarke
- 19 Mariah King
- 22 Blake Booth
- 22 Josiah Clarke
- 22 Audrey Howell
- 27 Elijah Deyerle
- 27 Josh Roth

### **We Are Reading Our Bibles!**

Each Sabbath we are all encouraged to read our Bibles during the coming week. We read ten chapters each week.

On Sabbath mornings near the beginning of our worship service, we have a brief discussion of what we've read and a fun quiz.

Below is the schedule for September. Won't you read with us?

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|-----------------|--------------------|
| Aug 30 - Sept 5 | Ezekiel 23 - 32    |
| Sept 6 - 12     | Ezekiel 33 - 42    |
| Sept 13 - 19    | Ezekiel 43 - Dan 4 |
| Sept 20 - 26    | Daniel 5 - Hosea 2 |
| Sept 27 - Oct 3 | Hosea 3 - 12       |

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