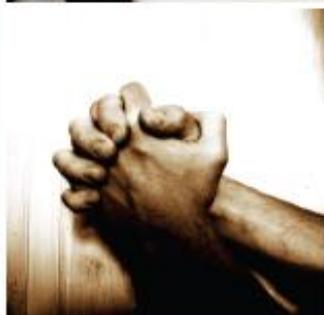


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Welcome to



Ottawa
Seventh-day Adventist Church

Sabbath, December 29, 2018
God Invites Us to Study

9:15 a.m. – 10:40 a.m.

Theme: “United Once Again”

Welcome & Opening Remarks: *Jonathan Hardy*
Opening Hymn: *When the Roll is Called Up Yonder # 216*
Scripture Reading: 1 Thessalonian 4:16-17 *Ayden Lalonde*
Opening Prayer:
Mission Story: *Daniel Ayoo*

Lesson Study

Closing Remarks: *Jonathan Hardy*
Special Music: *Josette St-Sauveur*
Closing Hymn: *Praise Him! Praise Him! # 249*
Closing Prayer: *Cindy Hardy*

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: 4:28 p.m.

God Invites Us to Worship

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

Communion Service

Preparation

Pastoral Remarks &

Welcome: *Pr. Robert Greaves*

Welcome Song: "I'm So Glad Jesus Lifted Me"

Call to Worship: *Eld. Smith Louis*

Doxology: "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Invocation: (All Stand) *Pr. Robert Greaves*

Celebration

Hymn of Praise: *Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone # 328*

Intercessory Prayer: *Pr. Daniel Innocent*

Special Music: *DEEP*

Offertory Reading: (Canadian Evangelism) *Eld. Gerry Lowe*

Offertory Music: *Jean-Baptiste Bernadin*

Break out for Service of Humility

Children's Story: (During the Service of Humility) *Kandall Koyanagi*

Proclamation

Testimonies: *Congregation*

Scripture Reading: Mark 8:34-38 *Eld. Smith Louis*

Sermon: "Take Up Your Cross" *Pr. Robert Greaves*

The Lord's Supper

Dedication

Hymn of Dedication: *Take My Life and Let It Be # 330*

Benediction: *Pr. Robert Greaves*

Benediction Song: 'Til We Meet Again'

Organist: *Joan Grant*

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.**

Membership Transfers Out – Second Reading

- 1) Benjamin Amoah to Church in the Valley- Langley, BC
- 2) Sharon Roberts to Kanata Adventist Church
- 3) Andrea Baptiste to Kanata Adventist Church
- 4) Sheridan Baptiste to Kanata Adventist Church
- 5) Valerie Jardine to Kanata Adventist Church
- 6) Zilpha Lewis to Kanata Adventist Church

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.

There will not be a Touch of Love Program tomorrow.

Birthday celebration: Jayden Hamilton on December 26th.

AY is pleased to invite you to its **3rd 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 4th 2019! Come and support the youth, and bring a friend! It's food, music and fun for a good cause. Tickets are available at: skysthelimit2019.eventbrite.com or at ottawaAY@gmail.com. If you have questions, please see Devonnie Watson or José Saint-Fleur.

Announcements Continued

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. **Kindly note that the Elders' Prayer Circle will resume on January 20, 2019.**

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.

Calendar of Events



Elders on Duty for today: Jean Vaughan & Gerry Lowe
First Aiders on Duty: Irena Parker and Celestine Brathwaite

Today:	Communion Service
Sunday: 8:00 a.m.	Prayer Meeting
Monday: 4:00 p.m.	End-of-Year Service
Tuesday: 9:00 a.m.	Prayer Meeting
Wednesday: 7:00 p.m.	Prayer Meeting
Friday: 5:00 p.m.	JP Ministries Practice

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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

Last week you caught me as I made a way too early reference to 2019 during the pastoral remarks – but finally here we are, on the last Sabbath of 2018, and on fittingly so, we are celebrating communion. As we do, I want to set us up for our theme in 2019 **Discipleship: Following in the Footsteps of Jesus**.

The premise of this theme should cause us to ask is it possible? – *following in the footsteps of Jesus!* That's a very tall order to use a colloquium. If you haven't thought of this tagline in these terms before I invite you to now. It's a premise that takes us back into church history as early Christians looked at Christ's ministry both from a human and divine perspective often getting it wrong, erring either towards mysticism or legalism. I'll address mysticism today. Legalism next week.

At a time when the apostle John was the only remaining person who had contact with Christ, the composition of the church was gradually shifting from those who had literally walked with Jesus to those who had only heard of Him through the testimony of others. Heresies were springing up left, right and center, and among these was the heresy of Docetism, which claimed that anything "human" captured in the nature of Christ was only an appearance. According to reason, if Jesus was God, how could He be "afflicted by any human circumstance? Thus, Jesus' pain and suffering on the cross, His passion in remarks like "I thirst" were only an **appearance** of humanity. Thus, the realm of "divinity" was outside of the scope of human endeavour. Docetism, arising from the Greek verb *dokeo* (*doh-k-oh*) which means to "seem or to appear," provided an answer – all be it incorrect to their walk and religious piety. There was in their minds a clear delineation and separation between divinity and humanity, and the coexistence of these traits. The hypostatic nature of the person of Christ and His relation to the Father gave way too many arguments. Why do I raise this historical perspective in providing an answer to the question "is it possible to following in the footsteps of Jesus, and if so how?"

Simply – in approaching such an endeavour we don't have to downplay our humanity by asking who could expect us to do what God did. At times I hear good meaning Christians fall back into modern Docetism when they say "well you can't expect that from us because we're talking about Jesus." Yet still he was human seeking to do the will of His father. Neither does this question require us subscribing to a perfectionist version of our Christian faith by becoming a part of the 1970's if not earlier W.W.J.D movement. What it requires in 2019 is the same that was required 2000 years ago. A yearning to be filled with the Holy Spirit. As we embark on this theme, I ask that we renew our covenant – a spirit filled covenant with God. This will be the focus of our preaching and teaching in January. January is **Covenant Month**. May God bless you as we enter a new year.

~Pastor 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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