

Elmira
Seventh-day Adventist Church
Newsletter
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FROM THE PASTOR'S CORNER

VISION 2020 EACH ONE REACH ONE FOR CHRIST

Greetings,

Have you ever had the joy of leading at least one person to surrender his or her life to Jesus Christ and they get baptized as a part of that process?

As an overarching theme going forward, we have struck up our "Vision 2020: Each One Reach One for Christ."

Earth's night is far spent. The Judgment Day of the living and professed believers in God is coming and none knows how soon.

There are dozens, scores, hundreds, even thousands of people right around you who have no just conception of what God offers and requires. There are millions, I dare say, billions of people all over the world, who are in that lost salvific state.

Christ did not ask you to reach all those billions and millions in distant places. Jesus is simply asking you to reach your unchurched family members, relatives, friends, and your own neighbors.

Over the next 15 months, will you wrestle with God, pleading for Him to use you to lead at least one person to surrender their lives to Jesus Christ?

That is intended when we say, "Vision 2020: Each One Reach One for Christ."

"Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance." Luke 15:7 ESV

Elder Waren Muir

CHURCH NEWS



BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study is held Tuesday evenings, 7:00 PM at the church. We are currently studying the book of Daniel. All are encouraged to come as we study together.



ADVENTIST YOUTH



Adventist Youth Meetings are scheduled for the fourth Sabbath of each month following the luncheon. We plan to go to Woodbrook Assisted Living Residence to visit and sing for the residents. The AY meeting will follow at the church. This is a ministry of the youth and children for the whole church family. Everyone is invited to participate.

ACTIVE SHOOTER CLASS

This is an educational meeting for the safety of church members and visitors in the event of an active shooter situation. Our presenter will be Investigator Lt. DeMuth from the Chemung County Sheriff's Department. Please contact Derek Colaw for more information. This will be held Sunday, October 6, 10:00 AM. Please be there by 9:45.

HEALTH EMPHASIS WEEKEND



Dr. John Clark from Northern Lights Health Education, will be here for a weekend in October. He will be having the sermon October 19, as well as, presenting a health talk October 20 from 1:00-4:00 PM at the church. *The only hope of better things is in the education of the people in right principles. Let physicians teach the people that restorative power is not in drugs, but in nature. Disease is an effort of nature to free the system from conditions that result from a violation of the laws of health. In case of sickness, the cause should be ascertained. Unhealthy conditions should be changed, wrong habits corrected. Then nature is to be assisted in her effort to expel impurities and to re-establish right conditions in the system.* – Ministry of Healing, p. 127

SPIRIT OF PROPHECY STUDY

The first, third, and fifth Sabbaths of the month, we are studying "Last Day Events." This is taught by Elios Pierre. Everyone is invited.



BAPTISMS

It is always a special occasion when we have a baptism. By baptism we acknowledge Christ as Lord and Saviour, become His people, and are received as members into His church. Baptism is a symbol of our union with Christ, the forgiveness of our sins, and our receiving of the Holy Spirit.

Three new members were baptized by Elder Warren Muir this summer. Stachys Pierre was baptized August 24. She has been brought up to follow and serve the Lord by her parents, Elios and Marie Pierre. Valeria Coure was baptized August 24 and Alphanso Barriffe was baptized September 14. Each had studied with our Bible Worker, Kevin Wahl and continued studies with Ginger Miller and Elder Muir. We welcome them into our fellowship. Please keep them in your prayers as they have committed their lives to our Lord and continue to walk according to His will.

CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

There will be a church business meeting Monday, October 7, 6:30 PM to discuss the offer we have for the sale of the school building. All church members are asked to attend.



FELLOWSHIP LUNCHEONS

Luncheons this month will be Soup & Sandwiches on October 12 and a regular luncheon on October 26. Please bring a dish to share. Everyone is invited.

HARVEST DINNER

This year's Harvest Dinner will be Sabbath, November 23 following the worship service. This is a planned meal for our fellowship luncheon. You will be contacted as to what you are to bring. Everyone is invited.



EMERGENCY CONTACT CARD

Cards are available at the greeter's desk to fill out providing a contact person for next of kin and any health information. This is so we can know who to contact in case of an emergency. This is a voluntary request. Please return your filled-in cards to Joan Van Galder.

Check out our church website at www.elmirasda.com
Downloadable sermons are available at this site.



PRAYER LIST

Gary Bennett
Joyce Cmelko
Jim Eldridge
Naomi Reynolds
Earle Stewart
Elius Sylvestre



Harold Washburn, Jr.
Non-attending members
Our shut-ins
Ongoing Bible studies
Outreach in Elmira

*Keep your wants, your joys,
your sorrows, your cares, and your fears before God.
You cannot burden Him; you cannot weary Him.
He who numbers the hairs of your head
is not indifferent to the wants of His children.
Steps to Christ, p. 100*

If you have someone to be added to our prayer list, please let us know.

TEN-FIFTEEN



Remember to spend at least ten minutes praying and fifteen minutes studying God's word each day. "Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path." Psalm 119:105

Prayer is the opening of the heart to God as to a friend. Not that it is necessary in order to make known to God what we are, but in order to enable us to receive Him. Prayer does not bring God down to us, but brings us up to Him. Steps to Christ, p. 93

SABBATH SCHOOL

During the last quarter of 2019, we will be studying *Ezra and Nehemiah*. The themes of these books are God's providence, His faithfulness, and His covenant. "Through His servants, God called His people to revival and reformation. ...As we study this quarter, may the Lord transform our thinking and enable us to daily follow Him faithfully." 3Q 2019 Bible Study Guide, p. 112.



Join us each Sabbath morning. Song service begins at 9:30. Classes are provided for adults and children.

Mission DVDs are normally shown on the third or fourth Sabbath of each month. Stories for this quarter are from the East Central African Division.

RECIPE CORNER

Like Ranch Dressing

Virginia Miller

1 cup vegan mayonnaise
2 Tablespoons fresh lemon juice
1 teaspoon garlic powder
1 teaspoon onion powder
½ teaspoon stevia

1 Tablespoon dried parsley
½ teaspoon salt
1/4 cup water

Put in all ingredients in a pint jar and shake.



NEXT NEWSLETTER DEADLINE – November 20 – CONTACT Sharon and Jim Reynolds at 734-1560 with newsletter information. You may also send your articles to: 813 Maple Avenue, Elmira, NY 14904, or e-mail us at newsletter@elmirasda.com. Please limit your articles to approximately one half to one full page. Please take note of the season, if your article is seasonal. All articles should properly acknowledge the author and include permission to print.



*Make Christ your daily, hourly companion,
and you will not complain that you have no faith,
Contemplate Christ. View His character. Talk of Him.
The less you exalt self, the more you will see in Jesus to exalt.
God has a work for you to do. Keep the Lord ever before you.*

Testimonies for the Church, vol. 5, p. 652



*Cast not away therefore your confidence
which hath great recompense of reward.*

*For ye have need of patience, that,
after ye have done the will of God, ye might receive the promise.*

*For yet a little while,
and He that shall come will come, and will not tarry.*

Hebrews 10:35-37

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