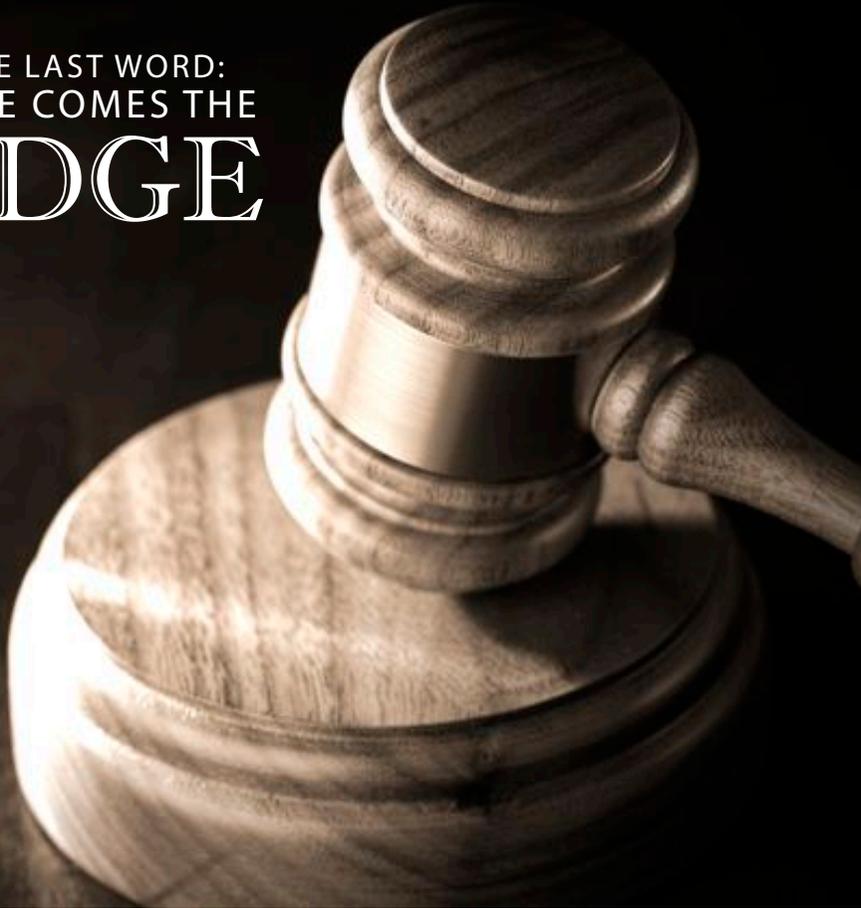


**PIONEER MEMORIAL  
CHURCH**

THE LAST WORD:  
HERE COMES THE  
**JUDGE**



OCTOBER 22, 2011

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# WELCOME!

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*Today we welcome our guests and visitors who have joined us for this Sabbath, let every worshiping heart and mind draw near to the Creator this Day. "Make a joyful shout to the LORD, all you lands! Worship the LORD with gladness. . . . It is He who has made us, and not we ourselves. We are His people and the sheep of His pasture" (Psalm 100).*

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## THE FOURTH WATCH

[WWW.PMCHURCH.TV](http://WWW.PMCHURCH.TV)

### 1027 TO ONE

"Here's a Fourth Watch story for you," emailed one of the readers of this blog. And I agree.

Early Sunday morning, June 25, 2006, Corporal Gilad Shalit, a nineteen year old soldier with the Israel Defense Forces, was kidnapped by Hamas militants on the Israeli side of its border with Gaza. Abducted back into Gaza, Corporal Shalit became the rallying cry of a nation caught between two clashing ideals: never negotiate with terrorists versus never abandon one of your own. Hamas refused International Red Cross requests to visit Shalit on grounds that it would reveal the captured soldier's whereabouts. Over the five years of his captivity "Free Shalit" rallies across Israel increased pressure on the Israeli government to achieve his release.

The news this week that Hamas had agreed to return Corporal Shalit was met with jubilation by Israelis

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# REVIVAL & REFORMATION

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## PASSION IN PRAYER BEFORE SERVICE

“The real depth of my spiritual life and walk with the Lord is reflected by my devotion and love for God and my desire and passion to be in His presence through heart-searching prayer, seeking the Lord wholeheartedly. This passion, to be in His presence with personal passionate prayer, of heart-searching prayer, is really a passion for our Lord Jesus Christ, above and beyond any desire I may have for a cause, a ministry, a mission or even for others. This passion for the Lord, seeking the Lord wholeheartedly, stimulates and energizes my serving the Lord.” Earl Pickard, *Giving Ourselves to Prayer*, 141. Seeking God first in prayer before we do anything to serve Him is the prerequisite for serving God wholeheartedly. Prayer isn't “lost time” it is personal time with the Lord so we may then know how to act and be filled with His Spirit for genuine service to others.



### PLAN TO JOIN UNITED PRAYER FROM 7:00-7:20 NIGHTLY, PRIOR TO NET '11 DOWNLINK

Each night before we watch the Net '11 downlink come and pray for Ron Clouzet, for our church visitors and family, and all those watching the series here and around North America. Meet in back of the Youth Chapel.

## HOUSE OF PRAYER

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During the month of October, House of Prayer is taking a break so we may enjoy the teachings of Ron Clouzet and the Net 2011 meetings. Just because we aren't meeting for “House of Prayer” doesn't mean that we stop praying. Join us each Friday, Saturday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening at 7 PM in the back of the Youth Chapel for a brief prayer time before the meetings.

# MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM

## PROPHECIES DECODED / FINAL WEEK

**P**rophecies Decoded is now in its third week. Just one more to go after this. It officially ends on Saturday, October 29th so you still have time to swing by and be a part if you haven't attended any of the presentations. This past weekend Dr. Clouzet presented clearly on the Sabbath and many made decisions to keep the Sabbath for the first time. This past Saturday night he presented on the importance of being baptized. After making an appeal for people who wanted to be baptized, to come forward, four precious souls came to the front to cement their decision. Nine other people made similar decisions on the cards they turned in.



We're planning on having quite a few baptisms on Saturday, November 5. So if you've never been baptized, or if you feel that you really might need to be re-baptized, please let us know. We'd be happy to connect with you, answer your questions and concerns, and help you to be ready for that special day. Luke 15 makes it clear that there is "joy in heaven" when someone turns from their sin and makes a commitment for Christ. We'd love to help you create that celebration in heaven.

During the final week Dr. Clouzet will be presenting on important topics including *Israel and the Rapture of the Church*, *The United States In Bible Prophecy*, *The Beauty and the Beast of Revelation*, and many others. As a reminder, on Saturday we're having two bonus presentations in addition to the evening meeting. The afternoon meetings go from 3:30-4:30 PM, 4:40-6:00 PM. We then provide dinner to those that have attended the afternoon presentations, and we gather again for the evening meetings.

Hope to see you there!

### PRAY

For the Holy Spirit's anointing on these meetings

### MORE INFO

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### MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM

#### GIVE TO LINE 5

Annual Budget	\$131,000
Goal to-date	\$105,798
Received to-date	\$ 101,307
(Received to-date 2010)	\$ 83,865

As of October 15, 2011



# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## RMES / SHARING STORIES OF SERVICE



To go along with this year's school theme, our all-school assemblies will be spent sharing stories of how we have helped others. Our guest speakers will talk about mission opportunities, and give students and faculty the chance to get involved and use their resources (time, finances, talents), to benefit others.

One of the assemblies highlighted the great work that is done to provide homes for those in need. Harbor Habitat, a local branch of Habitat for Humanity. A video was shown of volunteers pounding nails,

raising walls, and providing keys to grateful needy families in the Benton Harbor area.

At the end of the assembly, a teacher mentioned that his students were ready to "get involved and pound some nails!"

All it takes is someone to share the need, and our amazing students are ready to jump into action and go to work. God is so good, and we cannot wait to see the wonderful opportunities that our students rise up to tackle this year!

### PRAY

That our students will find the joy  
of service to others

### MORE INFO

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### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION GIVE TO LINE 3

Annual Budget	\$220,921
Goal to-date	\$178,416
Received to-date	\$168,320
<i>(Received to-date 2010)</i>	\$161,338

As of October 15, 2011

# OPERATING EXPENSES

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## HOMEBOUND MINISTRY / MEET OUR VOLUNTEERS

For the past nine years, our faithful Homebound Ministry team has lovingly reached out to encourage the homebound in our congregation. Last year this group made over 600 visits, bringing communion to those who can no longer come to church, reading Scripture and praying with them. During the holidays, our volunteers deliver seasonal fresh fruits and baked goods to the homebound. They often help take them to their medical appointments. Homebound members get church bulletins and Sabbath School quarterlies to keep them in touch with their brothers and sisters in Christ.

We encourage everyone to use their spiritual gifts in service for Jesus. PMC has great opportunities to do this. We invite you to get on the band wagon and enjoy the ride towards the soon coming of Jesus. It is for real. Identify your talents and put them to use. There is a spot for you somewhere in PMC ministries. Pray about it. God will lead you, and you will find your life will never be the same.

(Pictured below: Arne Swanson, Esther Hamel, Marian Holder, Robert Johnston, Rebecca Twombly-Whitehead, Steve and Esther Tarangle, Not pictured – Virginia Crouse, Stan and Carolyn Strzykowski).



### PRAY

That we all use our talents in the cause of our Savior, Jesus

### MORE INFO

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### OPERATING EXPENSES GIVE TO LINE 2

Annual Budget	\$585,000
Goal to-date	\$472,500
Received to-date	\$434,743
<i>(Received to-date 2010)</i>	\$415,382

As of October 15, 2011



Celebrate the University connection to this congregation!

As a community member, welcome students to your home for food, fun, and fellowship. As a student, by yourself or with a group of your friends, get to know someone who cares about you.

sign up @

[www.pmchurch.org](http://www.pmchurch.org)

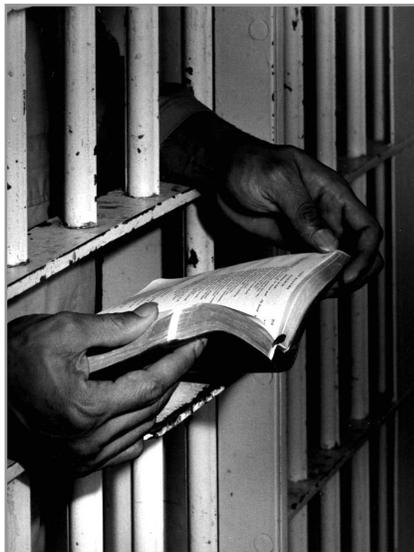
. . . until the negotiated terms of the release were reported. And suddenly the country was divided. How much is one Israeli soldier worth? 1027 convicted Palestinian prisoners? Listen to one Israeli family's reaction: "Embittered father Zeev Rapp, 66, sat at home and watched the television in disgust. In 1992, Amrin [one of the released Palestinian prisoners] stabbed Rapp's daughter Helena, 15, in the heart as she was on her way to school. Now, he was . . . walking free with other smiling prisoners, flashing victory signs and kissing the ground. 'We feel as though our daughter has been murdered all over again'" (*South Bend Tribune* 10-19-11). And Shalit? Egyptian television released the first images of the now freed corporal, "pale, gaunt . . . in a dark baseball cap, exiting a car in Egypt, which mediated the handover" (*ibid*). Ecstasy for his family, mourning for another. How much is one Israeli soldier worth?

So how much is one sinner worth—Israeli, Palestinian, American, Afghan, Chinese, Sudanese, Mexican, Indian? How many earth children would God be willing to pardon and release for the exchange of His own Son? I realize the metaphor shifts and collapses the moment we introduce Calvary. But you do have to wonder, don't you, the prisoner exchange that effected our salvation and release?

The psalmist struggled over the dilemma: "**No one can redeem the life of another or give to God a ransom for them—the ransom for a life is costly, no payment is ever enough**" (Psalm 49:7, 8 NIV). How

true. How could any of us possibly provide the ransom for just one sinner even in a thousand lifetimes? And yet the stunning announcement of the Good News is that God found the ransom for this rebel race within His own circle, within Himself. "**And the LORD has laid on Him the iniquity of us all**" (Isaiah 53:6 NKJV). That's not 1027 to one. Nor is it 7 billion to one. It's every human being in the history of this planet to One—"The Son of Man came to give His life a ransom for many" (Mark 10:45). Very many!

Because God has been into prisoner exchanges for a long time, hasn't He? Take that Friday morning the rabble clamored for a murderer in exchange for the Innocent—and got Barabbas instead of Jesus of Nazareth. But whether it's one for One, or billions for One, the numbers really don't matter, do they? Love's radical prisoner exchange is beyond comprehension.



# PIONEER @ WORSHIP

8:15 AM

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<b>Pioneer Family Life</b>	Esther R. Knott
<b>Voluntary</b>	<i>Be Thou My Vision / John Stamp</i>
<b>Introit</b>	<i>Marvelous Grace / Daniel Towner</i>
<b>Call to Worship</b>	
<b>Doxology</b>	<i>Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow / 695</i>
<b>Invocation</b>	Dwight K. Nelson
<b>Hymn of Praise</b>	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King / 221</i>
<b>Congregational Prayer</b>	Esther R. Knott
Call to Prayer	<i>Great Is Thy Faithfulness / st. 1 of 100</i>
Response	
<b>Worship in Music</b>	<i>A Sacred Suite: II. CONSOLATION III. TRUE HAPPINESS/FOUNDATION / Brant Karrick</i>
<b>Baptism</b>	Louis-Fulbert Elihu Michel with Micheal Goetz
<b>Adopt-a-Student Ministry</b>	José Bourget
<b>Offering</b>	Michigan Advance Partners
Dedication Prayer	Ronald Knott
Offertory	<i>Amazing Grace / Frank Ticheli</i>
<b>Children's Story</b>	
<b>The Word</b>	John 5:19-23 NIV / Jane Thayer
<b>Hymn of Preparation</b>	<i>Jesus, the Very Thought of Thee / 241</i>
<b>Sermon</b>	Dwight K. Nelson "The Last Word: Here Comes the Judge!"
<b>Hymn of Dedication</b>	<i>My Faith Has Found a Resting Place / 523</i>
<b>Benediction</b>	
<b>Postlude</b>	<i>Rejoice, the Lord Is King / John Darwall</i>

PRESIDING PASTOR: Esther R. Knott; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan  
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Andrews Academy Concert Band, Byron Graves, director

## CALL TO WORSHIP

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“Let the sea roar, and all that fills it; the world and those who live in it.”

**“Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy.”**

“The Lord...is coming to judge the earth.”

**He will judge the world with righteousness, and the people with equity.”**

## THE WORD

JOHN 5:19-23 NIV

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Jesus gave them this answer: “Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.

**For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, and he will show him even greater works than these, so that you will be amazed.**

For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son gives life to whom he is pleased to give it.

**Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father, who sent him.**

## MUSIC ALIVE

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### WITH GRACE AND JOY

The graceful, plain, strong melodies of Brant Karrick’s *A Sacred Suite* all found significant use in earlier times in America. Selections from this work are in today’s worship services. The second movement includes a prominent euphonium solo on the graceful melody CONSOLATION, from the songbook *Southern Harmony*. The final movement exudes joy, using the melody TRUE HAPPINESS and the melody of “How Firm a Foundation”,

rhythmically modified. Dr. Karrick, a band director in Kentucky, conducted the premiere of this work in 2006. The work is dedicated to his parents. The composer (b. 1960) says, “My mother has been a church organist since before I was born and I have many fond memories of her opening up the pipes...” His father was a music educator and composer.

# SABBATH STUDY

SANCTUARY 10:00 AM

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<b>Song Service</b>	Elizabeth Wilson
<b>Opening Hymn</b>	<i>Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling</i> / 359
<b>Scripture</b>	Isaiah 42:6,7
<b>Prayer</b>	Jeanie Craig
<b>Welcome</b>	Winston Craig
<b>Special Feature</b>	Reaching Muslims / Petras Bahadur
<b>Offertory</b>	<i>His Strength Is Perfect</i> / Cece Winans
<b>Bible Study</b>	"Justification by Faith Alone" / Classes
<b>Theme Song</b>	<i>Amazing Grace</i> / st. 1 of 108
<b>Benediction</b>	Elizabeth Wilson

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

OFFERTORY: Christa Mitchell, vocalist; Joelle McIntyre, piano

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## **Voluntary**

*Be Thou My Vision*

## **Introit**

*Marvelous Grace*

## **Songs of Praise**

## **Prayer ACTS**

José Bourget

## **Infant Dedication**

Ezekiel Kimmel presented by  
Gordon & Melissa Yeboah-Amoako  
with Esther R. Knott

## **Adopt-a-Student Ministry**

## **Invitation to Give**

*Amazing Grace*

## **Worship in Music**

*A Sacred Suite: II. CONSOLATION  
III. TRUE HAPPINESS/FOUNDATION*

## **Message**

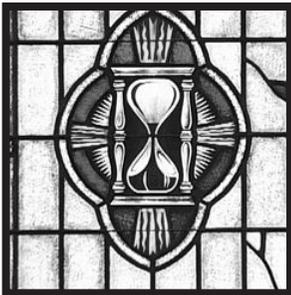
"The Last Word:  
Here Comes the Judge!"  
Dwight K. Nelson

## **Commitment**

*My Faith Has Found a Resting Place /  
523*

## **Postlude**

*Fanfare and Flourishes*



The Kids Library (in the church lobby) loans quiet activities to young families.

WORSHIP LEADER: José Bourget; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Joshua Goines

We invite you to our Facebook page to learn more about today's worship team

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Andrews Academy Concert Band, Byron Graves, director

# PIONEER PEOPLE

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SUNSET TODAY: 6:56

SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY: 6:46

*For more announcements or to submit a request for a new announcement, please email [bulletin@pmchurch.tv](mailto:bulletin@pmchurch.tv).*

## PIONEER FAMILY LIFE

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### **SECOND SERVICE SEATING**

During second service, every other row is reserved for college students. Please observe the signs. Additional seating is available in the youth chapel. Thank you.

### **FELLOWSHIP DINNER**

Visitors and out of town guests are invited to enjoy a home-cooked vegetarian meal following second service in the PMC Commons.

### **MOMMY & ME**

Mothers/female guardians with young children are invited to join us weekly on Tuesdays from 10 - 11:30 AM in the PMC Nursery. Join us for songs, stories, crafts, and exercise. If you would like to occasionally volunteer for this program, please e-mail Christine Wallace at [health@pmchurch.org](mailto:health@pmchurch.org).

### **OPERATION COATS**

Every October, the Women's Service League collects and distributes thousands of free coats to men, women and children living in Berrien County. A coat drop box is set up outside the youth chapel for you to donate gently used coats and jackets of all shapes and sizes. Last year over 3,000 items were distributed. Any questions go to [www.womensserviceleague.org](http://www.womensserviceleague.org).

### **SANCTUARY FLOWERS**

The Sanctuary flowers are given today, by Ed Roy, in thankfulness for 90 years of life, in memory of his wife, Barbara, and with thankfulness for their children, Barbara, Debbie and Gary.

### **IT IS WRITTEN**

Join It Is Written Speaker/Director John Bradshaw for an afternoon of spiritual revival on October 22 at the Berrien Springs Village Church (635 St. Joseph Ave.) at 3 PM. His message, *The Great Appointment: Nearing His Return*, will uplift your heart. Music will be provided by It Is Written musician Charles Haugabrooks.

### **SUPER HUDDLE**

If you are a small group leader or small group member join us on Monday, November 14 at 5:30 PM in the PMC Commons. We will help you understand "Four Factors for Group Health." What makes groups thrive and grow? This conversation is important for all group members not just small group leaders. Soup and sandwiches will be served. Call 471-3971 or email [smallgroups@pmchurch.org](mailto:smallgroups@pmchurch.org) to reserve your spot.

## PIONEER FAMILY LIFE [CONT]

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### **HOWARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER**

*For tickets call 269-471-3560*

Today, 8 PM The Andrews University Wind Symphony, under the direction of Alan Mitchell will present a Fall Concert.

Tomorrow, 7 PM Francesca Battistelli, a chart-topping Christian singer, will bring her creative spirit and relatable lyrics to the Howard Performing Arts Center.

On Saturday, Oct. 29 at 8 PM, Claudio Gonzalez and Carlos Flores will perform a faculty recital at the Howard Performing Arts Center. They are combining the rich flavors of Latin music with classically trained musicians.

### **BLOOD DRIVE**

Monday, October 31 and Tuesday, November 1, Pioneer Memorial Church. Mark your calendars for the blood drive!

Monday: 11:15 AM - 5:15 PM

Tuesday: 3 PM - 9:00 PM

For more information contact: Sara Rudolph - rudolphs@andrews.edu

### **COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER**

Andrews University Dining Services will be hosting a Festive Thanksgiving Dinner for the community on Thursday, November 24, with seating at 11:30 AM and 2:00 PM. For reservations, please call 269-471-3161 from 9 AM - 5:30 PM, Monday thru Thursday and 9 AM - 12 noon, Friday.

### **“TWICE UPON A HYMN TUNE: A PIPE ORGAN CELEBRATION”**

Kenneth Logan, PMC & Niles Trinity Episcopal Church's organist, will perform at a pipe organ recital on Oct. 30 at 4 PM. The recital will explore creative organ settings of eight hymn tunes with some emphasis on German-tradition chorale music. Trinity Episcopal Church is located at 9 S. Fourth St. in Niles.

### **WE MOURN**

We mourn with the family of Esperanza Alvarez-Muiz who died tragically on Friday, October 14th. Esperanza was the Assistant Dean of Women. Her funeral will be held today here at 6 PM in the sanctuary. Visitation with the family will be held prior to the service from 5 to 6 PM.

### **ENGAGED ENCOUNTER**

Adventist Engaged Encounter (AEE), an enrichment weekend for engaged and recently married couples, offers couples the insights, tools, and confidence to enrich their relationship and strengthen their love and commitment for one another. For many, attending an AEE weekend is one of the most significant experiences of their courtship or early marriage. The weekend experience is being held on the Andrews University campus on November 11 - 13, 2011 and March 2 - 4, 2012. For registration, contact the AU Undergraduate Leadership Program at aee@andrews.edu or 269-471-6636.



# 2011-2012 Health & Wellness Schedule

## Featured Events

### 'HEALTHY HOLIDAY MEALS'

November 6, 2011, 4:00 PM

Prepare healthy, holiday dishes, and decorate on a budget. The demonstration will also include how to make inexpensive, edible gifts. Free babysitting!

### DE-CLUTTER YOUR LIFE!

Jan. 8, 2012, 2:00 PM

Think: 'Ultimate Home Makeover.' De-clutter your living spaces. The winner of our drawing gets one FREE in-home house-cleaning and reorganization day. Light refreshments. Free babysitting!

### SIMPLE SOLUTIONS

Jan. 12 – Feb. 2 (4 Thursdays), 6:00 PM

Simple Solutions is a four-session, dynamic lifestyle intervention program. Learn how to deal with stress and depression in a more positive way and discover the relationships between biblical and scientific principles of a healthy lifestyle and better coping ability. Presented by Evelyn Kissinger. Free babysitting!

### BACK HEALTH

Jan. 29, 2012, 2:00 PM

This seminar will provide attendees with an easy-to-follow training plan. It will also include demonstrations, fitness plans, and hands-on examples. Free Babysitting!

### 2ND ANNUAL 'SUSHI 101'

February 26, 2012, 4:00 PM

Healthy food doesn't have to be bland food! Learn how to prepare vegetarian sushi. A full Japanese meal is provided. Free babysitting!

### PIONEER RUNNERS SPRING

#### RUN-OFF

April 1, 2012, 9:00 AM. Events include 5km run/walk, and proceeds go to "Harbor of Hope."

### 3RD ANNUAL 'PIZZA 101'

April 8, 2012, 4:00 PM

We will demonstrate how to prepare traditional, healthy, and delicious pizza. A full pizza and salad meal is provided. The cost is \$5 per adult, and \$3 for students. Free babysitting!

## Ongoing Programs

September 2011 - April 2012

### WEEKLY EXERCISE CLASSES

Mondays and Wednesdays from 6-7 PM.

FREE group exercise classes at PMC.

Classes are instructed by certified personal trainers. All fitness levels are welcome to join. We provide dumbbells and exercise mats—all you need is appropriate clothing and shoes.

### WALKING CLUB

Sunday, 9:00 AM

FREE Sunday morning walking club walks for 30-60 minutes outdoors (or indoors when the weather is poor). All Fitness levels are welcome!

### RUNNING CLUB

Sunday, 9:00 AM

FREE Sunday morning running club meets every week, unless travelling to a running event. Suitable for beginners and athletes, with different pace groups.

### S.T.E.P. WALKING CLUB

Monday, 8:00 AM

Just for moms. Come join STEP (Spend Time in Exercise & Prayer) on Monday mornings during the school year as we spend time walking and praying for our children. No cost.

For more information, please contact:

Ryan and Christine Wallace

E-mail: [health@pmchurch.org](mailto:health@pmchurch.org)

Web: <http://www.pmchurch.org/health>

# ADVENTIST GIVING

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**A**dventistGiving is now accessible through the PMC website. To begin using this convenient and secure technology,

- go to [www.pmchurch.org](http://www.pmchurch.org) and
- click on AdventistGiving in the upper right-hand corner.
- Follow the directions provided for setting up your user account.
- You may then log in to your account and complete your donation.

**However, before you begin,** we encourage you to read **Frequently Asked Questions** in the first time users section. If you have a question that is not answered, click on **Contact Us** on the left side of the page, and you will be directed to [help@adventistgiving.org](mailto:help@adventistgiving.org).

# BAPTISMAL CLASSES

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**B**aptismal classes will be held at Pioneer this Fall/Winter for young people. Even if the young person is not sure about baptism yet, they are welcome to join and to grow in that direction.

Each class will meet weekly for one hour. Please choose as many class time options as work (this allows us flexibility in setting up the classes).

\_\_\_\_\_ Monday, 4:30 PM      \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday, 4:30 PM      \_\_\_\_\_ Thursday, 4:30 PM  
\_\_\_\_\_ Monday, 6 PM      \_\_\_\_\_ Tuesday, 5:30 PM      \_\_\_\_\_ Friday, 1 PM

**Name (of young person):** \_\_\_\_\_

**Parent/Guardian:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

Put this form in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

For more information or questions:

Contact Pastor Goetz: [goetz@andrews.edu](mailto:goetz@andrews.edu)/471.6176

# SPIRITUAL PARENTING

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## GIMME, GIMME, GIMME



It was Halloween, and the doorbell had been ringing steadily for almost an hour. This time it was three little goblins. "Twick or tweet!" lisped the tiniest one,

and all three expectantly held out their bags. I smiled and put some treats in each bag. But evidently the proffered treats weren't to their liking, for the biggest goblin directed, "We want candy!" in response to the apple, popcorn, and children's magazine I had dropped in each bag.

"I'm sorry. I don't have any candy. This is what I have for you." The biggest one scowled, and the two littler goblins began to whine, "Candy, candy!"

Suddenly the biggest goblin stomped his foot, jerked the apple and popcorn out of the bag, and threw them on the front step. The smaller goblins, of course, mimicked, and all three sulked off in search of candy.

The next group to ring the bell was teenagers who snarled "Trick or treat!" in voices which made me wonder what they would do in response to the apple and popcorn. There was no mistaking their intent - give us a treat or we will do something nasty! Fortunately, they accepted the treats I offered and went on in search of more, but they left me wondering about Halloween and Christian boys and girls. Do they belong together?

According to the Encyclopaedia

Brittanica Halloween originated as a pagan holiday closely associated with the worship of Satan. As one of the most important witches' sabbaths, it is alleged that witches flew in on broomsticks accompanied by black cats. Pranks, mischief, and even vandalism, were common on Halloween in Ireland and England and later in the United States. In recent years, Halloween has become one of the largest spending holidays of the year, celebrated by adults as well as by children.

I wonder, with the current revival of Satan worship, if our celebration of Halloween places us on the devil's ground?

The very idea of going around demanding that people give you "treats" or you will give them a "trick" seems completely contrary to God's way. Loving people, helping them, and giving are His way. Grabbing for self seems out of place - a long way, indeed, from "love one another" (John 13:34). My little Halloween visitors all seemed to have gotten the message - gimme, gimme, gimme. Is that what we want our children to learn?

The stores at the mall, already ablaze with Christmas items, remind me that Christmas is another gimme, gimme, gimme time for many kids. How can we make it different for our kids this year?

Jesus himself gave us an important guideline for Halloween and Christmas, and all of life: "It is more blessed to give than to receive (Acts

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20:35)." As The Message says, "You're far happier giving than getting."

Start your mental wheels turning right away. What can I do this holiday season - Halloween and Christmas - to help my children experience the joy of giving? It will take planning and some creative thinking. You need to start right away because gifts to be shipped internationally have early deadlines. Locally, join the Adventurers or Pathfinders, your child's Sabbath school or the local Shoebox project in their giving-to-others activities.

Get your children started thinking about what they can give to other members of the family and their friends. Help them with a plan to make a gift or earn the money to buy one. You'll be amazed at the sparkle in their eyes as they eagerly

anticipate the opening of the gift they have made, and experience the joy of giving.

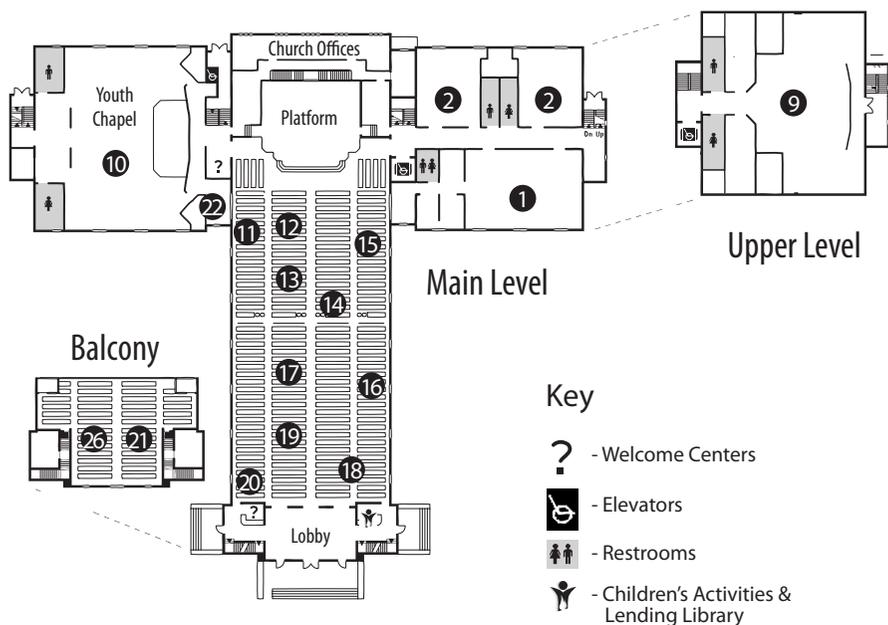
For Halloween you could visit your neighbors with a special treat for them "because we like you." Or you could plan a "Round-the-World" party for your children and their friends, with everyone dressed as a person from another country. Or try a "Zoo" party with everyone dressed as a creature from a zoo. Your kids could make gifts for their guests.

Whatever you do, have fun with your children and help them experience the joy of giving.

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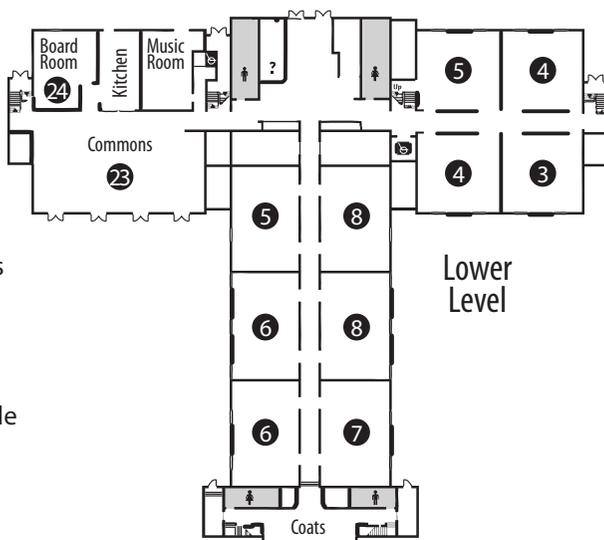


# SABBATH SCHOOL DIRECTORY



[children]

- ① Birth - 18 months
- ② 18-36 months
- ③ 3 yr olds
- ④ 4 - 5 yr olds
- ⑤ 6 yr old - 1st grade
- ⑥ 2nd/3rd grade
- ⑦ 4th grade
- ⑧ 5th/6th grade
- ⑨ Earliteen: 7th/8th grade
- ⑩ Youth: 9th-12th grade



## PIONEER CLASSES

[adult sanctuary]

- 11 Group 1
- 12 Group 2 (Portuguese/Brazilian)
- 13 Group 3
- 14 Group 4 (Yugoslavian)
- 15 Group 5
- 16 Group 6
- 17 Group 7
- 18 Group 8
- 19 Group 9 (Spanish)
- 20 Group 10
- 21 Group 11 (Balcony)
- 22 Conference Room

[miscellaneous adult]

- 23 Something In Common
- 24 Seventh-day Adventist Beliefs

## COLLEGIATE

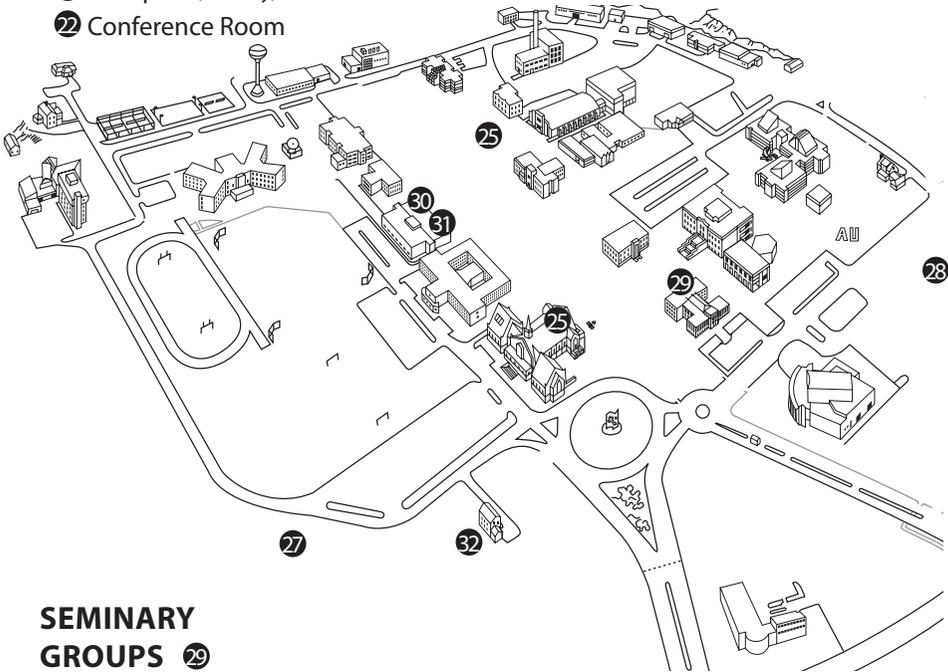
- 25 The Vine (Buller Student Lobby)  
H&M (Hispanic - Religion Amphitheater)

- 26 People on the Move (PMC)

## YOUNG ADULT

- 27 Elements (Fireside Fellowship House)

- 28 HAM Horn Museum (downstairs)



## SEMINARY GROUPS 29

N108 (Collegiate)

N110

N120 (New Life Church Choir)

N135 (Living Word Fellowship)

N150

N211 (Small group)

N235

N310 (Russian)

N335 (Spanish)

S215 (French)

S340 (Upper Room)

## ADULT @ AU

30 Main Lounge

31 Faculty Lounge

32 Back to Basics

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[www.pmchurch.tv](http://www.pmchurch.tv)

### RADIO

WAUS - 90.7 FM  
*Sabbath 11:30 a.m.*

### CMRadio

[www.andrews.edu/cm/cmradio](http://www.andrews.edu/cm/cmradio)  
*Live Stream - 11:30 a.m. service*

### LIVE VIDEO STREAMING

11:30 AM — [www.pmchurch.tv](http://www.pmchurch.tv)

### TELEVISION

WHMETV 46

*Sunday noon & midnight*

SAFE TV, HOPE CHANNEL & 3ABN

*See websites for local listings*

[www.safetv.org](http://www.safetv.org)

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## **“THE LAST WORD”**

### FOR PERSONAL / GROUP STUDY

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#### ***Opening Up:***

1. What is your favorite type of bread?
2. What is the longest you have gone without food? Why?
3. When you are really hungry what do you crave?

***Reading: John 6:1-71***

#### ***Reflecting:***

1. Why did Jesus turn down the invitation to become their king?
2. What storm in your life is Jesus walking on right now, and what is He saying to you?
3. What does it mean to eat His flesh and drink His blood?
4. What keeps you from leaving Jesus like so many did in John 6?

*Reflection / study questions can also be found at [www.pmchurch.tv](http://www.pmchurch.tv)*

## **COMING SOON**

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**10/29**

“The Last Word:  
Starving for Bread When the Pantry Is Full”  
Dwight K. Nelson

**11/05**

“The Last Word:  
Out of Your Belly, Rivers of Water”  
Dwight K. Nelson

