

WELCOME

to Pioneer



Today's speaker is Ken Denslow is the Assistant to the President of the North American Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Before assuming this position in 2011, he was the president of the Illinois Conference of Seventhday Adventists. Ken and his wife. Patricia, have two adult children, Michael and Kristin. They take every opportunity they can to visit their children and granddaughters in Texas and Illinois. Ken also enjoys cycling and reading.



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THE FOURTH **WATCH BLOG**

"A Word from Our Sponsor Namesake"

BACCALAUREATE

9:00 & 11:45 AM

SABBATH SCHOOL

"Wise Words for Families"

UNDER THE ROOF

"Serving Students Today Who Will Serve Humanity Tomorrow"

SABBATH VESPERS

8:30 PM

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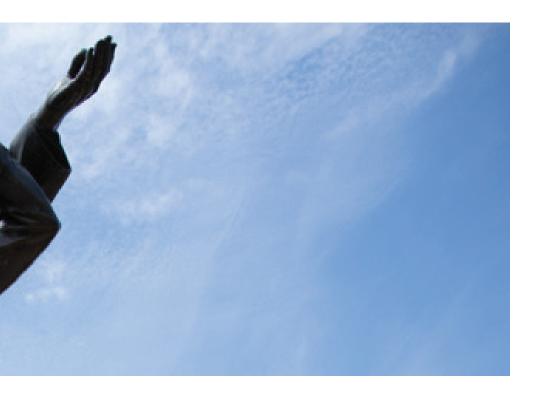


A WORD FROM OUR SPONSOR NAMESAKE

BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

n front of this church where graduation exercises transpire stands a bronze statue of the University namesake, John Nevins Andrews. The skilled work of sculptor Allan Collins, this replica of the Seventh-day Adventist church's first scholar and missionary is shaped with extended arm and hand pointing outward to a world beyond the church.

For years now pinned to the wall of my study is this quotation from J. N. Andrews: "I know of but one way: find a field of labor, ask God to help, take off your coat, and pitch into the work." What is compelling about his personal mission statement is its tacit recognition that most of life (if not all of it) is simply a series of personal choices that reflect opinions and aspirations that are uniquely yours. What someone else considers a fantastic opportunity for career fulfillment or professional advancement might to you seem pedestrian and unappealing. Conversely, an opportunity others might



declare unimaginative or so-dead-end might, in fact, be the high voltage that ignites your imagination and compels you

But where does *God* want me to go? Note carefully the sequence in Andrews' lifework mantra: first, you find a place on earth where a great need matches your life guest; then ask the God who has already gifted you to help you serve Him there (in that village, that city, that wherever).

But is that modus operandi the way God really operates? It is precisely what He promised a new leader on graduation day long ago: "'Have I not commanded you? Be strong and of good courage; do not be afraid, nor be dismayed, for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9 emphasis supplied). When God promises "wherever you go," He means—"you choose, I bless . . . you go, I accompany."

Stunning, isn't it? Andrews was right. l.e., you pick the opportunity, you choose the field-and then asking God to help you, you pitch in to alleviate the human need in front of you. The graduate who spends her days calculating her move and choreographing her future will be of little help in a world so desperately in need right now.

So as you march out of this church for the last time, do yourself and God a favor. Glance one more time at the statue. It still speaks. And its hand is still pointing you to the way. ■

You can follow Pastor Dwight's blog at www.pmchurch.org/blog.

BACCALAUREATE

SEEK. AFFIRM. CHANGE.

Opening Voluntary O Sons and Daughters, Let Us Sing • Healey Willan

Processional Lift High the Cross • Donald Busarow

Hymn of Praise Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! • 27

Congregational Prayer *Anthony Wagener Smith; **Lucile Sabas

Worship in Music What a Friend We Have in Jesus • David Ritter*

Father, Help Your People • Kaestner D. Robertson**

Offering PMC Operating Budget

Dedication Prayer *Michelle Bacchiocchi; **Scott Moncrieff

Offertory Rejoice, Ye Pure in Heart! • Kenneth Logan

*Heather Ferguson; **Grace Chi

Hymn of MeditationBe Thou My Vision • 547

Introduction of Speaker Andrea Luxton

President

Baccalaureate Sermon "Homecoming!" • Kenneth E. Denslow

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Hymn of Commissioning Go Forth, Go Forth With Christ • 377

Benediction *Joel L. Raveloharimisy; **Ingrid Slikkers

Recessional Dialogue • Gilbert Martin

Closing Voluntary Guide Me, O Thou Great Jehovah • Kenneth Logan

ORGANIST: Kenneth D. Logan, Adjunct Professor of Music MARSHALS: *Trevor O'Reggio, Professor of Church History

**Darah J. Regal, Assistant Professor of Audiology

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: *Jesse Gray, BS, viola; Colin Fenwick, BA, violin; Warren Garrido, BBA, piano
**Baccalaureate Choir, Giovanni Corrodus, conductor

^{**}Overflow Seating is available in the PMC Youth Chapel

WE STUDY

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Song Service Elizabeth Wilson

Opening HymnLove at Home • 652

Welcome & Prayer Melchizedek Ponniah

Offertory "O Love That Will Not Let Me Go" • arr. David Phelps

Bible Study "Wise Words for Families" • Panel Discussion

Moderator: Glenn Russell; Members: Rodney Palmer, Nancy Kardos-Moldovan, KhaiKhai Cin

Benediction Glenn Russell

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan
OFFERTORY: Men's Ensemble; Joshua Goines, conductor

"Serving Students Today Who Will Serve Humanity Tomorrow"

BY CHUCK PECK AND JOSÉ BOURGET



PIONEER MEMORIAL CHURCH

n the dynamic climate found in Michigan, a roof is a shelter. When leaks started showing up, we knew something had to be done about it. So please excuse our dust it takes about 6

months for nearly an acre of the roof to be laid down. Check out the project www.pm-church.org/renovate.

We are so glad that friends and family join are here this weekend to celebrate the faithfulness of our students to dream it and achieve it! Since this fall we have been sharing stories about the people and

ministry that happen as a consequence of our gathering under the roof—as a house of prayer for all people. Did you know that we really take our mission to serve students quite seriously? Here are things some of the students have said about an important ministry that takes place here:

"Thank you very much for all the assistance that GAP has extended. It was a great blessing receiving the additional groceries tonight. Just this morning I was noticing the pantry and refrigerator are rather empty. The Lord is very faithful in

always providing!"

"Thank you for all GAP does on behalf of the graduate students at AU!

Blessings, Elizabeth"

"I'm very grateful for the opportunity

I have every week to receive groceries from GAP. I moved from another state, adjusting to a new place can be taxing and financially challenging. I was blessed to have been informed about the pantry from a friend who was told by a professor. God bless that professor."

"It's a financial relief knowing that basics like bread, potatoes, and, cereal are provided weekly. I work part-time; however, I praise God for providing help

through GAP. Truly grateful, Helen."

"My name is Sylvana. I am the wife of a seminarian and mother. I am writing to express my deepest gratitude about the service and devotion of the Pantry. We are now finishing our second year at Andrews. At the end of the month, after paying the rent, we barely have a penny left until the next payday. My husband is the only one allowed to work on campus and what he earns as an international non-sponsored student does not help us make it through the month. Therefore, the supplement of food that we get from



the pantry is real 'manna' for us."

"Every Tuesday and Thursday, I start to pray for the GAP volunteers who serve us. They are always on time and always smiling. God gives me what I exactly need in my kitchen because although we are on a low budget, we still want to eat healthily. For example last week, we thought about changing our toothbrushes and God gave us brand new ones on Thursday."

"I want to thank each and everyone who gives his/her money, time, and leadership gifts to serve us. God knows how much blessings you bring to student homes every week. Thank God for this ministry!"

"God has blessed us so abundantly through the ministry of GAP! We are a family of 5 with 3 small children. We have been struggling financially since our arrival at Andrews last summer. Nearly every dollar of our income is delegated to paying bills, with very little (or at times

none) available for monthly groceries. We are thankful for God's Abundant Pantry, which truly does fill a GAP. Grateful Student Family."

It has been our blessing to serve students in need of a food staples safety net during your educational experience. When you generate income consider "Paying it Forward" by becoming a GAP donor to supply supplemental food for next year's 425+ student families that GAP serves. You can donate online at www.pmchurch.org click on "Giving" or use the tithe envelope by noting GAP for your donation. Did you know a \$10 donation generates \$250 worth of food?!

Under the roof, people from all over the world, county, and campus gather together in this space because they share a common heart for God that manifests with an uncommon love for one another. GAP is one of the ways God's heart shows up to serve students today who serve humanity tomorrow.

SABBATH VESPERS

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Opening Voluntary

Pièce héroique César Franck Joshua Goines, BA, organ

Child of God Sullivan Dutra Sullivan Dutra, tenor and piano

Scripture & Prayer

Gianni Zanatta, BS

Introduction of the President

Nathon Hilton, BS

Andrea Luxton

Welcome to Parents & Guests

President

Tribute to University (Class Gift Presentation)

Yza Roque, BHS Winter Smith, BS

Musical Selection

Eu Achei • Kurt F. Kaiser

Michaella Sousa, BSM, flute; Ronnie Zanella, piano

Tribute to Students

Barbara Harrison Clinical Associate Professor of Nursing

Praise Him! • Craig Courtney

Jessica Link, MMus, soprano; Ronnie Zanella, baritone; Joshua Goines, BA, piano

Tribute to Faculty

Musical Selection

Prerna Pauliah, BSN

Musical Selection

I Will Go • S. Green D. McKelvey Gillian Jurek, BS, soprano; Seoyoung Kim, BSM, piano

Tribute to Family & Friends

Joseph Mayor, BS; Miriam Negrea, BBA

Benediction

Shekinah Dosunmu, BS

Closing Voluntary

A Mighty Fortress Is Our God • Max Reger

Graduates and their families are invited to a reception hosted by President Andrea Luxton immediately following in the Great Lakes Room of the Campus Center.

| TRANSFERS IN |

ADEOGUN, Joshua ADEOGUN, Margaret DIAZ, Jose DIAZ, Joseph DIAZ, Leticia GAYTAN, Pedro LAWRENCE, David LAWRENCE, Paula PAYNE, Pamela PRATT, Lindsey RISHAUG, Erik

| TRANSFERS OUT |

ARRAIS, Tiago
BYILINGIRO, Nicole
CHOI, Jungmin
CHUAH, Liann
COLWELL, Rachel
KIM, Mintae
RASMUSSEN, Tabita
RASMUSSEN, Thomas
RUBAN, Nilsa
VATEL, Sabine

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Texico Conf. SDA/Corrales, NM Spring Meadows/Sanford, FL Boston Korean/Stoneham, MA Florida Hospital/Orlando, FL East Lansing University SDA Boston Korean/Stoneham, MA Danish SDA Union Church Danish SDA Union Church Village/Berrien Springs, MI Forest Lake SDA/Apopka, FL **SUBMIT** bulletin announcements by visiting our form online at www.pmchurch.org/announcements/submit. Requests must be received Monday by 5:00 PM for consideration.

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING

Disaster and Famine Relief

SUNSET TODAY • 8:46
SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY • 8:54

PIONEER PULPIT

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DWIGHT K. NELSON

"In Exile—Cadences of Home: Bachelorette for a Day"

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DWIGHT K. NELSON

"In Exile—Cadences of Home: Really, Really Faithful under Fire"

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Lest we also forget. When London was being blitzed during World War II, this article appeared in one of the British newspapers:

"We have preferred motor travel to church going. Now there is a shortage of motor fuel."

"We have ignored the ringing of church bells calling us to worship. Now the bells cannot ring, except to warn us of an invasion."

"The money we would not give to the Lord's work, now is taken from us in higher taxes and the high cost of living."

"Nights we would not spend watching unto prayer are now spent anxiously in air raid precautions."

"Blessed is the nation whose God is the Lord."- Ps. 33:12

Family Vespers

This week there is no PMC Family Vespers. We invite you to join the Graduation Vespers at 8:30 PM.

"In Exile: Cadences of Home" Begins Next Sabbath

Because Pioneer is "in exile" from its familiar surroundings and spiritual home for the late spring and summer, our new worship/pulpit theme in the Howard Performing Arts Center will focus on what are called "diasporic morality tales"—dramatic Bible narratives of believers who lived "in exile" among those who did not believe. From these stories both familiar and unfamiliar, what lessons can we draw from their faithful though often conflicted lives? While we're renovating God's House this summer, let's continue to renovate our hearts for Him. Beginning May 11.

Graduation Information

Overflow seating for both the Graduate Baccalaureate service at 9:00 AM and the Undergraduate Baccalaureate service at 11:45 AM is provided in PMC Youth Chapel.

Commencement Services: Please remember that tickets are required for seating at the Andrews University commencement services tomorrow, Sunday, May 5. For guests without tickets, there will be overflow seating provided for all three services in PMC Youth Chapel.

Graduation Livestream and Videos: Select graduation services can be viewed livestream at www.andrews.edu/livestream. Archived videos of graduation can be found at www.andrews.edu/graduation/videos.

Summer GROW Groups

Would you like an amazing summer opportunity to grow in your faith and make new friends at the same time? How about leading a GROW group? A GROW group is a small group that's based on interest. Groups consist of 12-15 people and they meet for 10-12 weeks in convenient locations around the area. There are outdoor groups, activity groups, Mom groups, singles groups, Bible study groups—or something else entirely. You choose! In addition, you won't be left on your own. We have a team in place to help coach and support you as you lead.

Natural Museum Open House

MAY 4 • 3:30-5:30 PM

Visit the Natural History Museum and rooftop greenhouse at the Science Complex - Andrews University. See the Prillwitz Mammoth, the most complete woolly mammoth skeleton unearthed in Michigan. The greenhouse features a Desert and Tropical Room. Come see some of God's handiwork, past and present. Please bring your friends and neighbors of all ages for this free activity.

Wellness Center Tour

MAY 5 • 4:00 PM

A tour of the Andreasen Center for Wellness will be available. Meet at the construction trailers wearing comfortable shoes. Hardhats and vests will be provided. Space is limited to 30.

Second Reading

Ryan Keough as Associate Head Deacon.
William and Diane Helbley as Family Life
Co-Directors.

Sabbath School in the HPAC

Although Sabbath School classes will not meet, each class will take turn leading out in the lesson discussion. Several microphones will be available for members' participation and interaction. However, the French, the Portuguese and the Yugoslavian classes will meet in the HPAC lobby. Sabbath School leaders will be in the HPAC lobby to respond to your questions or concerns.

Agriculture Continues at Andrews University

With the closure of the 111-year old Dairy last year, many were concerned that would be the end of Agriculture at Andrews. But there is Good News—the former Dairy facilities are being repurposed into an Agriculture Education Center to continue and improve the education of our students in animal husbandry and horticulture while emphasizing good stewardship of the natural resources our Creator has entrusted to us. To learn more, please check out the website for the Department of Sustainable Agriculture, www.andrews.edu/agriculture.

Papercrafting Together

MAY 19 • 11:00 AM-5:00 PM PMC COMMONS

Bring your papercraft projects along. We supply the chocolate and prizes. You bring your favorite snack. Questions. Sherrie. 269.876.8917.



PIONEER MEMORIAL CHURCH

Renovate Relocation Plan

Closed Areas of the Church Building

For your safety, please observe and respect all posted signage related to closed areas of the church. Effective May 6, these areas will include the Balcony, Narthex, and stairs leading to the Narthex. As construction proceeds, additional areas of the church may be temporarily closed. There will be no access to the ramp at the East side (front) of the church.

Open Areas of the Church Building

Church offices will remain open during business hours throughout most of the project. Bathrooms on both wings and near the lower level Welcome Center will remain open. The Commons, Board Room, and Kitchen areas will likely remain open. Please note that for most special events the Youth Chapel will remain available. During the summer if you have any meetings or special events at the church, please confirm your reservation with Lailane Legoh, Facilities Coordinator at <a href="legoh@packground-color: general-google-color: ge

Temporary Worship Location

Starting May 11, the Sabbath following graduation, we will meet for worship at the Howard Performing Arts Center (HPAC). Children's divisions and all lower level Sabbath Schools will continue to meet at the church. We will continue to meet there until the project is completed at the end of the summer. All worship start times remain the same and we will continue to livestream our 11:45 AM worship service on Facebook and at www.pmchurch.org.

Adult Sabbath School Locations

Most Adult Sabbath School classes will not meet, each class will take a turn leading out in the lesson discussion. However, the French, the Portuguese and the Yugoslavian classes will meet in the HPAC lobby. Several microphones will be available for members' participation and interaction. Sabbath School leaders will be in the HPAC lobby to respond to your questions or concerns.

Graduations

Andrews Academy graduation will take place in the Howard Performing Arts Center. According to the current construction schedule, Andrews University Summer graduation will take place in the Howard Performing Arts Center.

Fellowship Dinners

We will continue to have fellowship dinners scheduled various weeks through the summer.

Exterior Safety and Parking

Please observe and respect all posted signage related to construction areas on the exterior property. Parking lots will remain open near the church as well as at HPAC. Chan Shun Hall, Seminary, and street parking may be used as overflow locations.

We hope this information has been helpful and keeps you safe and informed. For the most updated information regarding construction, safety, and use of the church, please return to this page. If your question isn't answered here, you may also email renovate@pmchurch.org or call the church office at 269.471.3133.

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For with God nothing shall be impossible.

LUKE 1:37

