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APRIL 29, 2017



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to Pioneer

What a high Sabbath this is! Not just because it's the last Sabbath of a long winter to spring semester here at Andrews University . . . or even the last Sabbath of an unforgettable school year. Today is April 29, a Sabbath we've been talking and praying about and planning for ever since the end of March. Because today is the **Great Exchange**—when the New Life Fellowship and Pioneer Worship 2 exchange places during 2nd service—they to this worship house, and we to their worship house (the seminary chapel). Why the exchange? Because our two leadership teams wanted to make a symbolic statement about how important is our shared quest for racial reconciliation on this campus.

So welcome to Pioneer, worshipers and friends of New Life Fellowship. Our House is your House. And we're honored to share this Great Exchange.

And welcome to all who have come today to seek and worship the living Christ. May His Spirit of grace and peace and joy and hope and faith and love fill us all . . . both here and there . . . always.

—Dwight K Nelson

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YOU DON'T HAVE TO FAKE IT

BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

Pacheco Bustamante from Miami was having the time of his life. It was the perfect ruse. He drove an old Ford Crown Victoria (the last time you saw one of those it was a cop car). He found a blue light. And he stuck a BB gun pistol in his belt. Voila—he looked like a real live policeman.

And so driving his Ford on I-95 the other day, he decided he'd play "traffic cop." Spotting a nondescript car ahead of him, Pacheco pulled in behind it, flipped on his flashing blue light and siren, and with BB gun strapped to his side, walked up to the driver pulled over onto the shoulder. But the driver in the unmarked car turned out to be a real police detective, who promptly arrested Bustamante when it became clear he was no officer. OOPS!

The AP press release concludes: "It wasn't immediately clear if Bustamante has found a real lawyer to represent him" (<https://apnews.com/f0096159b18a-4ca6b143987da0e7746d>).

The good news is—you don't have to fake it. If you're a friend of Jesus and a child of God, who needs a BB gun pistol, when you're already armed to the teeth? Ever hear the story about Jonathan and his armor bearer? Two young men take on an entire Philistine garrison of professional



warriors. Jonathan's strategy was simple. The two of them would step out into the open and begin scaling the steep incline up to the garrison. If the pagan warriors commanded the two to wait until soldiers came down, they would hold their ground. But if the Philistines taunted them, "Come on up and we'll teach you a thing or two," then Jonathan whispered, "Climb up after me; the LORD has given them into the hand of Israel" (1 Samuel 14:12).

And that's exactly what happened. Two brave young Israelite men against an



entire enemy garrison—and they end up routing them all! Erwin Raphael McManus comments on that victory: “Somehow Jonathan understood that when you’re moving with God, you must move with an advance mentality. You move forward unless God tells you to stop. You advance unless God tells you to wait” (*Seizing Your Divine Moment* 155).

I love that. Moving forward with an “advance mentality.” Why? Because you are *not* a fake soldier or a fake friend and child of God—you have entrusted your life to the

King—and He will unleash every celestial warrior He has for your protection. **“For He will command His angels concerning you to guard you in all your ways” (Psalm 91:11).**

McManus goes on: “There are certain things that you do not need permission to do. You’ve already been commissioned to do them. There are certain things that you do not need a calling to do. You’ve already been commanded to do them” (ibid).

In the words of Jesus: **“Don’t be afraid; from now on you will fish for people” (Luke 5:10).** Your calling and His command are wrapped up in that simple invitation, “Fish for people”—anyone, anywhere, anytime, anyhow. Don’t need a degree to do it—don’t even have to go to school to do it—don’t need anybody’s permission either. He said GO—so you GO. He says FISH—so you FISH. You can move with an “advance mentality” and inject Jesus into any conversation anytime you wish, and never have to be afraid of what might happen.

Because you’re not a fake fisherman—you’re the real thing. Never mind your track record. No fisherman catches a fish every time she goes fishing. No fisherman gives up after a day of no fish. You just keep fishing, believing and know the day is coming when your net will explode with God’s catch!

And on that day—whether it’s one fish or a hundred—you will experience the most exhilarating joy a human can know—I promise you—the joy of leading a friend or a stranger to the Savior. And you won’t have to fake it! ■

You can follow Pastor Dwight’s blog at www.pmchurch.tv/blog.

TEACHING OUR KIDS TO LOVE GOD

BY GLYNIS BRADFIELD

Here's how we envision the PMC mission, sized for 10-year-old juniors. What ideas might be helpful as you seek ways to help the kids in your life know how to love and serve God more?

CONNECT: growing in relationship with God and the body of Christ

- *During our prayer and praise time at the start of Sabbath School, we share personal experiences to inspire time with God alone daily. We encourage family worship time and demonstrate how to find free study materials online.*
- *Invite families to junior-led worship, including potluck supper, and social activities. In such a large church, our lively gatherings draw in new families. Connected through the joyful energy of 10-year-olds, we are blessed by the stories of each family, as God leads their journeys through this university community.*
- *Facilitate opportunities to 'job shadow' deacons, greeters, children's librarians, helpers in younger Sabbath Schools, as appropriate and interested. Research shows that getting eager pre-teens connected with meaningful ministry opportunities keeps them engaged in the body of Christ. We can all smile, learn the names of kids we see regularly, invite them to serve alongside us (as possible) and eagerly listen to what they choose to share as we journey together, week by week.*

GROW: increasing understanding of God's Word and World

- *By example, inspire kids to read their Bible and pray every day, developing biblical literacy and awareness of the Holy Spirit communicating in various ways. Purchasing Bibles with 3rd-grade reading level and large font greatly encourages Bible learning enjoyment.*
- *Encourage Bible memorization to root God's word deep in memory paths, through learning weekly memory verses, the books of the Bible in order, and key passages such as Psalms 23 and John 14:1-3. Creatively acting out Bible passages is a fun family activity which makes memorization easier and helps the Bible lesson come alive.*
- *Through mission stories and live interviews (in person or online), expand junior's horizons to see Bible and modern-day heroes doing God's work in different ways. Tell stories of God at work in your life and those you know, read books aloud and help your child access media that builds character and a Christian worldview.*

SERVE: acting in response to growing understanding of and relationship with God, His Word and others in His World

- *Prompt and prepare members to apply their Sabbath School lesson in daily living. Real-life scenarios probe for deeper un-*



understanding of the Bible lesson and personal application.

- *Care for our adopted Andrews University student missionaries.* Each year we send encouraging messages and small gifts to current SMs. We're delighted when we can video conference or have them visit our Sabbath School after returning.

- *Participate in family-selected community services.* Parents who selflessly serve at home, in their child's school, and neighborhood, while patiently including children to the extent they are able are nurturing deep roots of spiritual growth in their child.

GO: equipping families to creatively disciple others in their peer groups

- *Encourage families to attend PMC small groups focusing on parenting to help them confidently disciple kids.*

- *Promote Adventurers and other children's ministries in our community.* We enjoy sharing spiritual parenting tools through emails and our blog (pmcjunior1.wordpress.com).

- *Pray for one another.* Pray for the village we are all part of; pray for the 4th-graders we love this year; for the Andrews students we welcome into our Sabbath School staff small group, and for the student missionaries we've adopted, and all those our juniors share in prayer requests. ■

Glynis Bradfield is the leader of Junior I Sabbath School here at PMC.

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WE WORSHIP

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Opening Voluntary

Rejoice, All You Christians • Ernst Pepping

Introit

O Come and Let Us Worship the King • Joshua Goines

Call to Worship

José Bourget

Whoever follows Jesus will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

We follow where you lead, O Lord!

Give us faith, O God, that we may be courageous and strong.

Let us follow the bright beacon Christ provides.

Doxology

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow • 2

Invocation

Dwight K. Nelson

Hymn of Praise

The Name of Jesus: A Hymn Cycle
My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less • st. 1 & 3 of 522
There Is a Name • 248
All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name • st. 1-2, 4 of 229

Congregational Prayer

Don Dronen
Lord, Speak to Me • st. 1 of 541

Worship in Music

On Christ the Solid Rock I Stand • Nolan Williams, Jr.

Tithes & Offerings

Michigan Conference Evangelism
The Lord's My Shepherd • Harold Darke

Children's Story

Scripture

Matthew 4:18-22 NKJV • Terry & Yolande Robertson

And Jesus, walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen.

Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men."

They immediately left their nets and followed Him.

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Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him.

Hymn of Preparation

Christ for the World • 370

Sermon

"Gone Fishin'"—4 • Dwight K. Nelson

Hymn of Commitment

I Will Make You Fishers of Men

Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Built on a Rock, the Church Shall Stand • Gilbert Martin

PRESIDING PASTOR: Don Dronen; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Andrews University Choral Union; Stephen Zork, director
Joshua Goines, piano

MUSIC ALIVE

ARISE! STAND!

Two musical compositions by Andrews University composers invigorate worship today. "O Come and Let Us Worship the King" is by Joshua Goines, who is widely known in this community through his frequent participation in PMC's music at the piano or the organ. His musicality as an arranger often is heard, but today we hear his composition, as distinct from his arrangement. "Arise!" (11:45 service) is by Antoniel Roca, a graduate of Burman

University in Alberta, Canada, and current AU graduate student in music composition. Roca's setting uses mostly a text by Charles Wesley (hymn 616). Sometimes words are straightforward, all voices singing harmony together. Sometimes different words overlap. Sometimes the music moves with short note durations; at other times ponderously-long chords emphasize certain words. In the end, united unison intones, "Soldiers of Christ, arise!" ■

WE STUDY

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Song Service

Jimmer Mun

Welcome & Prayer

Sabine Vatel

Scripture

Psalm 133:1-3

Offertory

How Lovely Are Thy Dwellings • Samuel Liddle

Bible Study

"Living for God" • Classes

Theme Song

Make Me a Blessing

Make me a blessing; make me a blessing.
Out of my life may Jesus shine.
Make me a blessing; O Savior, I pray.
Make me a blessing; to someone today.

"Make Me a Blessing," Ira Bishop Wilson
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Benediction

Sabine Vatel

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan
OFFERTORY: Megan Mocca, soprano; Heidi Ordaz, piano

WE WORSHIP 2

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Seminary Chapel

As We Begin

*Rejoice, All You Christians • Ernst Pepping
O Come and Let Us Worship the King • Joshua Goines*

Praise

Majestic Medley • The Solid Rock • I Exalt Thee

Prayer

Don Dronen

Tithes & Offerings

Andante Moderato • Marcel Dupré

Children's Story

Worship in Music

Arise! • Antoniel Roca

Sermon

"Gone Fishin'"—4 • Dwight K. Nelson

Connect Card

I Will Make You Fishers of Men

As We Depart

Built on a Rock, the Church Shall Stand • Gilbert Martin

WORSHIP COORDINATOR: José Bourget; ORGAN: Kenneth Logan
ACOUSTIC GUITAR: Michael Gibson; BASS GUITAR: Jerry Wasmer; PIANO: Joshua Goines
VOCALS: Sinegugu Katenga, Jamila Sylvester
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Andrews University Choral Union; Stephen Zork, director

SUBMIT announcements by emailing bulletin@pmchurch.org or by going to www.pmchurch.org/announcements/submit. Requests must be received **Monday by 5:00 PM** for consideration.

NEXT WEEK'S OFFERING
World Budget

SUNSET TODAY • 8:40
SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY • 8:48

PIONEER PULPIT

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ALVIN M. KIBBLE
"So, Now What?"
AU Baccalaureate

| 05 • 13 |

DWIGHT K. NELSON
"Nuclear Fishin":
Never Look a Gift Fish in the Mouth"

FINANCIAL FEATURE

MI CONFERENCE EVANGELISM

The Michigan Conference has been stepping out in faith to actively evangelize our territory more than ever before. Unlock Revelation brought great attendance, baptisms were up in 2016, and over 2,500 Bible studies have been requested in Michigan this year. Yet just as local churches need money for evangelism, the conference needs money to offer state-wide support through these ministries. Help continue this conference-wide evangelistic effort by giving to today's loose offering or marking your tithe envelope "Conference Evangelism," either today or in the weeks ahead. And may the Lord bless you!

Family Vespers

There will be no vespers program tonight due to the Koinonia Day events.

The National Christian Choir Concert

TODAY • 7:00 PM
HOWARD PERFORMING ARTS CENTER

The National Christian Choir, an inter-denominational choir based in the Washington, DC, area will present an evening of musical worship! Free admission.

Scrapbooking Together

TOMORROW • 11:00 AM TO 6:00 PM
PMC COMMONS

Enjoy time with friends while preserving memories! Bring your projects and a snack. We provide prizes and chocolate. For questions, email sherrie.davis@lakeunion.org.

We Mourn

Today we mourn with Connie Schaffer on the death of her mother, Marie Schaffer, who died on April 21. We also grieve with the Weithers Family on the death of Geoffry & Debbie Weithers' mother, Claudia Mercedes Alford Weithers, who died on April 21. Funeral arrangements are pending for both. With both of these families we look forward to the resurrection morning. "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

Soup for Students

On May 2 let's give some bowls of love to students during finals week. We need commitments for 25 pots of soup and some cookies. We also need volunteers to help clean up after the event. Call Lailane Legoh at 269.471.3543 by May 1 if you can help.

Health Personnel Needed for Honduras Mission Trip

During May 2017 the Department of Religion and PMC Youth Missions are partnering together for an evangelistic mission trip to Honduras. The team of around 20 students and 2 faculty will be conducting evangelistic meetings in 10 locations near Santa Barbara, Honduras. There is a great need for health screening and health education. If you are a qualified doctor, nurse, or MLS specialist, you are needed to complete the team. Spanish is a bonus—but if not, translation will be provided. For more information, contact Glenn Russell (glenn@andrews.edu).

Adventist Retirees of Michiana

MAY 21 • 1:00 PM
VILLAGE SDA CHURCH

Come hear guest musician Kenneth Logan at the monthly ARM potluck. Scott Schalk, Financial Advisor, will be presenting "Qualified Charitable Giving and Tax Strategies." Bring your food and enjoy the program and fellowship. For more information contact Ralph Wood (rcwood90@gmail.com).

Nominating Committee

SECOND READING

Finance Committee Chairperson:

Sharyl Turon

Teacher Appreciation Week

Teacher Appreciation Week is in May, and we hope you won't forget the many volunteers who give of their time each week to prepare wonderful lessons for each child to learn about Jesus and His love. Take a moment to show your appreciation for their dedication. PMC is truly blessed with its excellent volunteers.

Electronics Recycling Event

MAY 10 • 3:00 TO 7:00 PM
TRANSPORTATION BUILDING

Recycle your unwanted electronic items! Accepted items include computers, laptops, smart phones, monitors, TVs, telephones, cameras, DVD players, cords/cables, printers, toner cartridges, cell phones, refrigerators, air conditioners, appliances, and any other electronic items or items with a cord. A hazardous waste fee will be collected for ALL monitors and TVs. All other items are recycled free of charge.

Volunteers Needed

Volunteers are needed for the Michigan Community Services for the Blind Tandem Bikers Ride (July 31-August 6). We need consolors, bike captains, van drivers, sighted guides, janitors, and helpers in the kitchen. If you can help, contact Larry Hubbell (248.459.3165 or 248.634.4379). We also need a couple of drivers to help us drive blind campers to Wakonda Blind Camp in Wisconsin from June 28 to July 2-2017. If you can't volunteer and would like to help by giving a donation, make out your check to Michigan Conference and put it in a tithe envelope, marked Blind Camp. Send it to Michigan Conference Blind Camp, 812 Academy Rd., Holly, MI 48442.

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