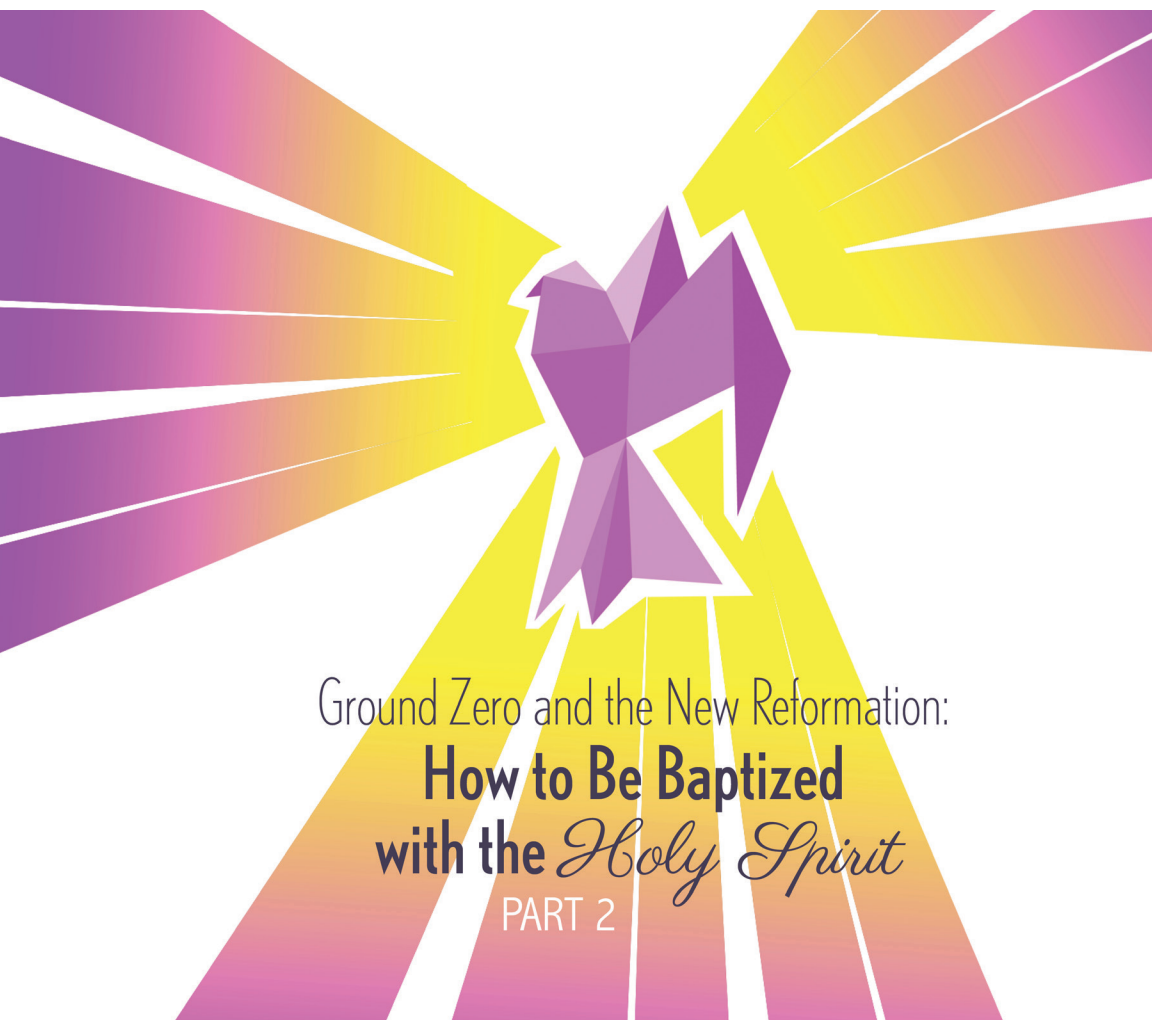


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SEPTEMBER 09, 2017



Ground Zero and the New Reformation:

How to Be Baptized with the *Holy Spirit*

PART 2

WELCOME




to Pioneer

Welcome members and guests to Pioneer Memorial Church. We are delighted that you have chosen our church to join in worship on this special Sabbath day.

At this time of year, we are celebrating the return of all our students to this campus, whether it be to attend the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary, Andrews University, Andrews Academy or the Ruth Murdoch Elementary School. What a privilege we have as a multi-cultural congregation to join as one voice in worship and praise to our Great Creator God.

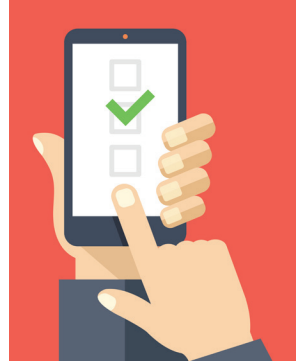
Lord God, Almighty, none is as mighty as you;
in all things You are faithful, O Lord.
How happy are the people,
who worship You with songs,
Who live in the light of your kindness!
(Psalm 89:8, 15 TEV)

–Sharon Terrell

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11:45 AM Service

MAKING **GROUND ZERO** SENSE

BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

Talking about Ground Zero! The world is abuzz over the reported underground detonation of a hydrogen bomb by North Korea this week. Other than state propaganda, information from out of the Hermit Kingdom is hard to come by. But analysts have concluded the 6.3 Richter scale quake in the northern sector of the isolated country on Sunday was triggered by a test nuclear explosion, perhaps North Korea's largest nuclear detonation ever. Photographs of their feared leader Kim Jong Un examining a suitcase size hydrogen bomb only add to the speculation he now has the capacity to arm an intercontinental ballistic missile with a warhead that conceivably could threaten major distant cities in both the Far East and the U.S.

Why even a tabloid in London, playing on the fears of an anxious public, headlined the news, "North Korea nuclear attack threat: What will happen if H-Bomb hits London?": "A North Korea attack on the heart of London would utterly destroy around nine square miles of the city and instantly kill tens of thousands, according to terrifying new data provided by NukeMap. The website shows in horrifying clarity the extent to which an H-bomb attack would impact all corners of the city, which is one of the most obvious European targets for the rogue state" (www.express.co.uk/news/uk/849959/north-korea-news-nuclear-attack-uk-london-world-war-3-hydrogen-bomb). Perhaps a bit of tabloid overkill, to be

sure, but an indicator nonetheless of the fear that continues to drive this hour of uncertainty on Earth.

And given all of this, jammed between two devastating and record-shattering hurricanes in our own hemisphere, on our own shores—one could be excused for more than the usual dose of paranoia over the state of affairs lately. Even the investors on Wall Street have embedded their personal fears into the gyrations of the major indices.

ANY GOOD NEWS IN THE MIDST OF ALL OF THIS?

Any good news in the midst of all of this? Actually there is. Jesus' own prediction of the prevailing mindset at this juncture in history—"people will

faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world" (Luke 21:26)—describes an unrest that plays into His mission to save lost people. Check this out. "Happiness researcher Dan Gilbert has written that 'human beings come into the world with a passion for control, they go out of the world the same way, and research suggests that if they lose their ability to control things at any point between their entrance and their exit, they become unhappy, helpless, hopeless, and depressed.' We want to be able to imagine the future, and we want to be able to prepare for it. Uncertainty makes this awfully hard" (www.unstuck.com/advice/afraid-change-science-uncertainty). Which being translated means times of overwhelming uncertainty drive the human to seek new certainty, new security.



Our default setting is always to try and turn disequilibrium back into equilibrium (homeostasis) as quickly as possible.

And when we try, guess Who's standing at the door knocking? **"Turn to Me and be saved, all you ends of the earth; for I am God, and there is no other" (Isaiah 45:22).** Because crisis and change are a valuable catalyst to urge the human mind to turn towards the possibility of the divine. You've tried everything else—and the anxiety and fear remain undiminished—so why not turn to Me now? **"Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest" (Matthew 11:28).**

While we wouldn't wish bad news on anyone, the fact remains that times of

uncertainty and change are powerful opportunities to point those we know, those we love to the unchanging love of our changeless Lord—Whose impassioned appeal will remain unchanged to the very end: **"Come to Me now."**

PS—Why not pick up some printed invitations to Unlock Revelation (September 25 @ Pioneer) in the literature rack? Let God make His invitation through you. It's the right time, wouldn't you say? ■

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



#HIMPOSSIBLE: MISSION USA

BY MAUREEN RAJ

On July 6, a team of 10 Pathfinders with two sponsors traveled by train from Union Station, Chicago, to Syracuse, New York. The ride was 16 hours long and little did we know what awaited us at the Union Springs Academy (USA). Late last year the school had experienced a fire and the Evergreen team was on their way to help. Union Springs, a small town, is an hour away from the Syracuse train station. On our way to USA, looking at the endless cornfields, one of the teen leaders in training questioned if we were in Buchanan, MI, or in New York. When we reached USA, a small academy on top of a hill, and saw the amount of construction work to be done, my first thought as the club Director was, “God, is this possible for us?” When the Maranatha Project Coordinator met the Evergreens,

she thought, “God, how much can these Pathfinders accomplish?”

On July 9 we started our work. Four of us were working on the church roof, four were working on sanding old furniture in the dorms, three worked on floors and walls in the dorms, and one was stationed at the kitchen helping with meal preparation. The day was long and hard. That evening during worship, the NAD Maranatha Project Director, David Woods, announced that Ian Ochieng (1st year TLT) had already finished flooring an entire room. As Woods continued to praise the Pathfinders for joining the Mission project, my eyes were welling with tears of gratitude to our dear heavenly Father who had granted success and made it possible for a 14-year-old with no construction skills to finish a 9-x-11-foot room! I was reminded



of the verse in Zechariah, “Not by might, nor by power, but by My spirit, says the Lord of Hosts.” #Himpossible

Mission USA is very much reflective of the work our Lord has assigned to our church. The work is immense! It takes the effort of many selfless and committed volunteers for the completion of the work.

If you are wondering why Pathfinders is so important, consider the Barna 2016 study which showed that the youth seek more than weekly church attendance. Furthermore, it mentioned that an effective youth ministry involves immersive programs, such as mission trips, weekly gatherings, camping trips, and conferences. Evergreen Pathfinders is a ministry that offers more opportunities for families to connect and to grow together. Pathfinder ministry is a strategic and intentional way to equip and prepare our youth.

The PMC Evergreen Pathfinder program for the past 65 years has been dedicated to discipleship and relationship. Through various avenues like PBE, Fancy Drill, TLT Leadership, camping trips, weekly meetings, community outreach,

and learning different honors we try to teach our Pathfinders to build “friendship, starting with Jesus, for all eternity.” So we begin the 65th Pathfinder year with His blessings and the continued support of our church. #Himpossible

As a youth ministry, the Evergreen Club relies on the faithful support of volunteers and donors to fulfill our mission. A way you can help this year is to commit to volunteering to help for 4 hours a month—that's only .005% of the 744 hours you have in a month! Or find out how to sponsor a Pathfinder by emailing pathfinders@pmchurch.org. But the biggest way you can help is to continue to pray for our ministry. ■

Maureen Raj is the director of our Evergreen Pathfinder Club.

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Opening Voluntary

Jesus, Guide Our Way • Paul Manz

Introit

Spirit of God! Descend Upon My Heart • Frederick Atkinson

Call to Worship

Sharon Terrell

We come to be filled with the Holy Spirit

So that we can be healed of our unhealthiness.

We come to be filled with the Holy Spirit

So that we can proclaim the good news.

We come to be filled with the Holy Spirit

So that we can be the living Body of Christ.

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Dwight K. Nelson

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B. Leech / W. Gaither*

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Come, Holy Ghost, Our Souls Inspire • Alec Wyton

Children's Story

Ben Martin

Scripture

Revelation 3:14-15, 20-21 NIV
Julie Logan and Joan Banks Register

"To the angel of the church in Laodicea write: These are the words of the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the ruler of God's creation.

I know your deeds, that you are neither cold nor hot. I wish you were either one or the other!

Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.

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To the one who is victorious, I will give the right to sit with me on my throne, just as I was victorious and sat down with my Father on his throne.

Hymn of Preparation

Come, Holy Spirit • 269

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Dwight K. Nelson

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Hymn of Commitment

Holy Spirit, Light Divine • 268

Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Go Forth, Go Forth With Christ • John Darwall

PRESIDING PASTOR: Sharon Terrell; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Girls of Mercy; Josephine Katenga, director; Sinegugu Katenga, piano

MUSIC ALIVE

THE HOLY SPIRIT AS...

The text of the main sections of today's Worship in Music is a moving expression of the character of the Holy Spirit, as Dove, Wind, Rain and Fire. The author, Bryan Leech (1931-2015), was born in England, although he spent more than half of his lifetime in the United States. His songs, anthems, hymns and cantatas number more than 500. Leech wrote both the words and the music for a portion of what Girls of

Mercy sing today. Interesting, whereas choruses (or "refrains") often are quite long, the refrain in this hymn is just five words in length: "Spirit, now live in me." It occurs at the end of each stanza. The text is found as hymn 270, with Leech's melody. And the concluding music uses a striding melody (hymn 377) sometimes associated with the text, "Go Forth, Go Forth With Christ." ■

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Song Service

Vladimir Slavujevic

Opening Hymn

Welcome & Prayer

Mateja Horonic

Special Feature

"We Have Found Messiah" • Josip Horonic

Offertory

Bible Study

"Freedom in Christ" • 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

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WE WORSHIP 2

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As We Begin

Jesus, Guide Our Way • Paul Manz

Praise

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As We Depart

Go Forth, Go Forth With Christ • John Darwall

WORSHIP COORDINATOR: José Bourget; ORGAN: Kenneth Logan
BASS GUITAR: Jerry Wasmer; PERCUSSION: Smerdis Fuentes; PIANO: Joshua Goines;
VOCALS: Emma Magbanua, Jamila Sylvester, Michelle Odinma, Vivian Raimundo
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Girls of Mercy; Josephine Katenga, director; Sinegugu Katenga, piano

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How to Be Baptized with the Holy Spirit"—3

FINANCIAL FEATURE

PMC OPERATING EXPENSE

The Genesis story of Cain and Abel reveals much about the fallen nature of humanity. Yet, the story of Abel gives believers the first lesson of faithful giving. He was faithful to God's command by bringing an acceptable offering to God, a lamb. Stewardship is making obedience to God the priority as you manage your time, talents and resources. Like Abel, may you choose today in your local church to be a faithful steward of God's grace.

Family Vespers

TODAY • 7:30 PM
YOUTH CHAPEL

Join us this evening as we close the Sabbath with a video on education.

Change Day

SEPT. 14 • 8 AM TO 2:30 PM

Andrews University will be hosting a campus-wide Change Day. Classes between 8:00 AM and 2:00 PM will be canceled, as we form community-service teams that respond to the needs of our community. This is our way of giving back, as well as recognizing and supporting the efforts of local organizations. Our students, faculty, staff, and friends will be volunteering to serve in more than 50 projects in Berrien Springs, Niles, Benton Harbor and surrounding districts. For the full list of projects and more details, visit our website: www.andrews.edu/changehub.

Health Tent Report

More than 5,200 fairgoers visited the Tent this year! That's almost double the number of visitors in previous years. A big thank you to the 107 volunteers who made the Health Tent happen, and to all of you who kept the ministry of the Tent in prayer. Check out the Health Tent's Facebook page for photos, and the website www.HealthTent.org for a current listing of health events in our area.

AU Department of Music Faculty Composition Recital

SUNDAY, SEPT. 10 • 4:00 PM

The Department of Music at Andrews University presents an evening of performances, showcasing original compositions by Max Keller, Kenneth Logan, Adriana Perera and Stephen Zork.

Adventurers Registration Extension

SUNDAY, SEPT. 10 • 10:00 TO 11:00 AM
PMC BASEMENT WELCOME LOBBY

If you missed our registration on Sunday, August 27, we are having a second registration on Sunday, September 10, from 10:00 to 11:00 AM at the PMC welcome lobby located on the lower floor in the church. Our first meeting will be on Sunday, September 17, at 10:00 AM.

Sanctuary Choir

WEDNESDAYS • 7:00 TO 8:30 PM
PMC TEEN LOFT

We are beginning a new season of music-making with the PMC Sanctuary Choir. We would love for you to join us at our weekly rehearsals on Wednesday nights starting on September 6. Contact: Marguerite Samuel at margueritemsamuel@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/margueritesamuel.

Mission, Refugees & Immigrants Conference

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13

How can the church best respond to the challenges and opportunities for mission among refugees and immigrants? This conference offers practical, Bible-based training. Find information at www.nadei.org/ and register at www.adventsource.org. Registration free with AU ID.

Paper Crafting Together

SEPT. 17 • 11:00 AM TO 5:00 PM
PMC COMMONS

Bring your card-making or scrapbooking supplies and spend time preserving your memories and making new ones. We provide chocolate and prizes. You bring your favorite snack to share. If you have questions, please email sherrie.davis@lakeunion.org.

PMC Primary Sabbath School Volunteers

Your Primary Sabbath school is looking for table teachers and program leaders to volunteer for the coming year. To help please contact Deborah at 574.210.0909 or email drpark@andrews.edu.

Girls of Mercy Auditions

TODAY • 7:00 PM • YOUTH CHAPEL

Girls ages 8 to 14 who desire to serve Christ through singing are welcome to come audition.

Knitting Hearts Together

SEPT. 12 • 7:00 TO 8:30 PM
MACCARTY RESIDENCE

Consider joining this ministry to the bereaved and seriously ill. We need people to create and to deliver. Contact Alice Williams 461-6815 or alicew@andrews.edu.

SciFest & ArtFest 2017

SEPT. 21-23 • AU

Register for the annual STEM weekend offering high-school students a unique college experience. Explore the 7 STEM departments at Andrews with this year's theme, "Cells." ArtFest will run concurrently on campus with the theme, "Building Blocks." For SciFest information email stemconnect@andrews.edu; for ArtFest information email commdept@andrews.edu.

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On September 9, 2017, churches across the North American Division of the Seventh-day Adventist Church will collect a special offering to support the relief efforts of Adventist Community Services (ACS) after millions in Texas and Louisiana were impacted by the catastrophic effects of Hurricane Harvey.

PLEASE
GIVE TO THE
VICTIMS OF HURRICANE



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HURRICANE HARVEY

Hurricane-force winds and rain and resulting floods displaced thousands of people from their homes and damaged or destroyed countless buildings when the record-setting storm made landfall on Aug. 26. ACS, along with its partner, the Adventist Development and Relief Agency (ADRA), is responding to the needs of those affected by this once-in-a-lifetime storm. ACS is providing clothing, personal care kits, cleaning supplies, and emotional and spiritual care as an immediate response. ADRA is providing funding to ACS as they work directly with local partners responding to the needs in their communities. Through this combined effort, the Seventh-day Adventist Church is serving as the hands and feet of Jesus to the communities of southwestern Texas and Louisiana.

On **Sabbath, Sept. 9**, church members can take part in this special offering by marking their donations for the **“ACS Hurricane Relief”** fund. Most of these funds will go to benefit the work of Adventist Community Services, serving devastated communities without regard to religion, race, or ideology — emulating the ministry of Jesus. The remainder of the offering will help Adventist churches and schools impacted by the storm.

We urge you to pray for the people of Texas and Louisiana, and give to this special offering that will help them rebuild their lives and recover their shattered dreams.



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