

# PIONEER MEMORIAL CHURCH

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for unSimple Times:



AUGUST 18, 2012

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# WELCOME!

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*Welcome freshmen and parents! During this next celebrated week, our students—from first graders to freshmen in the academy and university—will begin a new collection of butterflies (in their stomachs). And so it seems right that, as the home congregation for so many of these first-timers, we say a special prayer for their new year entry and their school year success. If you happen to be one of the anxious students mentioned above, here's a promise from God just for you: "I am about to do a brand new thing. See, I have already begun! Do not be afraid, for I am with you". (Isaiah 43:19, 5 NLT) Welcome to Pioneer!*

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### LONDON 2012: GOING HOME A LOSER?

**W**hile the roar of the Thirtieth Olympiad is still ringing in our ears, may I muse outside the box for a moment? Wouldn't it be nice if somebody could find a way to bring 10,500 of the world's athletically-inclined young to play together in these 26 sports and 39 disciplines *without* (and that's the key word) having to end up with so many who go home with no medal at all? But of course, just to be in the Olympic games is a huge accomplishment worthy of personal satisfaction and collective honor. But still, isn't it only human nature to categorize athletes in the "winners" or "losers" column?

I'm thinking of Morgan Uceny—a hometown girl just a few miles south of us in Plymouth, Indiana. As David Woods of the *Indianapolis Star* put it: "This is the other side of Olympic glory. Half a lifetime of preparation

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# REVIVAL & REFORMATION

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## THE POWER TO MULTIPLY

**A** certain woman of the wives of the sons of the prophets cried out to Elisha, saying, "Your servant my husband is dead, and you know that your servant feared the Lord. And the creditor is coming to take my two sons to be his slaves." So Elisha said to her, "What shall I do for you? Tell me, what do you have in the house?" And she said, "Your maidservant has nothing in the house but a jar of oil." Then he said, "Go, borrow vessels from everywhere, from all your neighbors—empty vessels; do not gather just a few. And when you have come in, you shall shut the door behind you and your sons; then pour it into all those vessels, and set aside the full ones." So she went from him and shut the door behind her and her sons, who brought the vessels to her; and she poured it out. Now it came to pass, when the vessels were full, that she said to her son, "Bring me another vessel." And he said to her, "There is not another vessel." So the oil ceased. Then she came and told the man of God. And he said, "Go, sell the oil and pay your debt; and you and your sons live on the rest." 2 Kings 4:1-7 [NKJV]

One day a man arrived from Baal Shalishah. He brought the man of God twenty loaves of fresh-baked bread from the early harvest, along with a few apples from the orchard. Elisha said, "Pass it around to the people to eat." His servant said, "For

a hundred men? There's not nearly enough!" Elisha said, "Just go ahead and do it. God says there's plenty." And sure enough, there was. He passed around what he had—they not only ate, but had leftovers. 2 Kings 4:42-44 [*The Message*]

What talents and gifts do you have? What can you give to God that He can bless and multiply to further His cause and His kingdom?

### **Please pray:**

- Ask God how your talents can be used in the Small Group initiative.
- Ask God if your talents can be used in the Children's Sabbath Schools.
- Ask God how you can help Andrews University and Pioneer Memorial Church become a more welcoming, friendly, accepting, and tolerant oasis for all who live and work here.
- Pray that your time, resources, and hearts will be generous to those in need around you.



# OPERATING FUND

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## YOUTH MINISTRY / A LABORATORY FOR FAITH

During the summer, PMC sponsors evening activities for the youth called "Sun, Fun and Faith," with the mission of providing fun and a faith to grow. However, often we, as adult leaders, would see young people consumed with other distractions and missing out on growing their faith. With that in mind, we came up with the idea of a backpacking trip in the wilderness – an intentional opportunity to grow in Christ with a group who had similar goals.



The trip proved to be an extreme amount of fun and a laboratory for faith. We had to carry everything we were to use for a week in our backpacks. Every step of the way through the

beautiful Porcupine Wilderness in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan challenged us to grow physically and spiritually. It was intense at times—packing up and hiking miles each day, filtering water from creeks, hanging our food in trees away from the bears, rinsing off in creeks, preparing food and taking on the incorrigible attacks from mosquitoes. It was a beautiful time—resting after a vigorous hike, looking out over the mountains and lakes and having lots of one-on-one time with God.

Our theme for the week was "When Champions are Few," an invitation to respond to God's call and to be a spiritual leader. Looking back, Melody Collins said, "God gave me a new outlook on life, especially in the area of service and selflessness." Lily Davis thought the trip served its purpose. "I had a lot of fun but the best part of the trip was the beautiful scenery, having fun with everyone and learning more about Jesus." The group ended by hiking out of the woods and leading worship, singing and giving testimonies at a local church.

### PRAY

For our young spiritual leaders

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### OPERATING FUND

#### GIVE TO LINE 2

Goal to-date	\$375,392
Received to-date	\$319,662
(Received to-date 2011)	\$319,494

As of August 11, 2012

# MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM

## FLAG CAMP / CHANGING LIVES



I am convinced more strongly every year I'm involved in Flag Camp that God uses it to change lives.

This year the 4th/5th grade girls group regularly went to the chapel in Buller Hall during their unit time to pray together. This became deeply important to the girls and helped them grow in their relationship with God.

The 4th/5th grade boys became so excited about unity and teamwork that all the counselors would have to say is, *TEAM!* and they would get in line.

The staff was also amazing this year! I was so proud to see them praying for each other and campers, handling tough situations with love

and wisdom, and responsibly caring for their children.

God blessed in every way to grow us all—children and staff. We actually consider this to be our best Flag Camp experience so far.

Thank you, church family, for making Flag Camp possible through your support. Next year's leadership has wonderful plans to further improve Flag Camp, so be "on the lookout" for updates and ways to support.

Thank you, parents, for sharing your children with us this summer. May God richly bless you!

— *Scott Cronin*

### PRAY

That connections made this summer will continue

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### MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM

#### GIVE TO LINE 5

Goal to-date	\$82,464
Received to-date	\$62,290
(Received to-date 2011)	\$81,455

As of August 11, 2012

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

## RMES / SOCIAL & EMOTIONAL LEARNING

**S**ocial and emotional learning are big topics right now in education. Blogs, academic research, educational programs, local and national funding programs, and more are dedicated to this relatively new phenomenon.

What is social and emotional learning (SEL)? According to [www.CASEL.org](http://www.CASEL.org), "SEL is a process for helping children and even adults develop the fundamental skills for life effectiveness. SEL teaches the skills we all need to handle ourselves, our relationships, and our work, effectively and ethically."

No wonder this is such a big deal! We want our students to be able to work effectively with others in all situations. To begin a SEL program at Ruth Murdoch Elementary School would be a huge undertaking and require a hefty amount of time, energy, and funding. How could we ever accomplish such a worthwhile task?

There is good news! RMES has been teaching our students social and emotional intelligence for decades.

Our students learn to be socially aware and show empathy through



the numerous service projects that are a part of each school day. They learn to work effectively with others and to deal with conflict in a loving, productive way through guidance from teachers and peers, as well as through the biblical principle found in Matthew 18. Students learn to be respectful and kind through everyday interactions with teachers, friends, and our Little Buddy/Big Buddy mentoring program. They learn social acceptance by learning about students from other countries and cultures.

Adventist Education is teaching our students valuable, lifelong lessons they may not learn elsewhere. When the Savior gave us the gift of Adventist Education, He did not make a mistake. God is in control of our schools. What a great blessing to give this gift to our children!

### PRAY

A prayer of thanks for the gifts  
God has given you

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### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

#### GIVE TO LINE 3

Goal to-date	\$144,192
Received to-date	\$118,255
(Received to-date 2011)	\$128,807

As of August 11, 2012



[Morgan is 27], of dreaming, shattered in an instant." For years Morgan, Plymouth High School's #1 alumna and a Cornell University graduate, has been training for this single race, the women's 1,500-meter sprint. Last Friday afternoon it seemed the whole town crowded in front of the school auditorium big screen to cheer their favorite young athlete. And Morgan ran in medal-winning time for 1,100 meters. Only 400 meters left to go. The crowd on both sides of the Atlantic roared. But then, according to the *Tribune*, "the back kick of a Russian runner struck the inside of Uceny's left knee," and she went down. Hard. In the final lap. The rest of the young women finished the race, while Morgan still down on her knees sobbed into the track. Her race unfinished, her Olympic hope dashed. Is there a medal for "almost"?

"I've never experienced such a heartbreaking moment," she later said on her Facebook page. . . . 'As soon as it happened I knew it was over, and I couldn't control the emotions'" (*South Bend Tribune* 8-11-12). Who could?

I doubt there's a way to eliminate winners and losers in any athletic

game—it's what makes the game a game. **"Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize [wins]?"** But then Paul offers a stunning word of hope for the "loser" in me: **"But we do it to get a crown that will last forever"** (2 Corinthians 9:24, 25 NIV). Timeout! Did you catch that "we"? Plural. Because in life's race to the Kingdom there is more than one winner. Many, many, many more! Nobody *has* to lose!

The secret? **"Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us, fixing our eyes on Jesus, the pioneer and perfecter of faith"** (Hebrews 12:1-2). You're a new freshman on campus—fix your eyes on Jesus (we'll help you do that here at Pioneer every Sabbath)—and you'll finish the race. You're a longtime runner in this marathon of life—same secret—keep your eyes on Jesus—and you, too, will finish the race. No matter our disastrous spills, if we want Him, the only perfect Runner will race beside us until we cross the finish line, too. Thanks to Him, Morgan and you and I can go home a winner.

# SABBATH STUDY

SANCTUARY 10:00 AM

**Song Service**

Christina Carroll

**Opening Hymn**

*O, How I Love Jesus* / 248

**Prayer & Welcome**

Elizabeth Wilson

**Special Feature**

Mission DVD

**Offertory**

*Be Thou My Vision* / arr. Catherine McMichael

**Bible Study**

"Living Holy Lives" / 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**

Christina Carroll

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

OFFERTORY: Mariela Escobedo, piano; Jenny Rivera, violin; Tom Shepherd, cello

**[see page 14/15 for Sabbath School directory & map]**





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# PIONEER @ WORSHIP

\*8:15 AM & \*\*11:20 AM

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**Pioneer Family Life**

Don Dronen

**Voluntary**

*Christ We Shall Praise Well / Johann Sebastian Bach*

**Introit**

*Love Divine, All Loves Excelling / John Zundel*

**Call to Worship**

**Doxology**

*Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow / 695*

**Invocation**

Dwight K. Nelson

**Hymn of Praise**

*Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun / 227*

**Congregational Prayer**

Don Dronen

Call to Prayer

*We Would See Jesus / st. 1 of 494*

Response

**Panama Youth Evangelism**

Micheal Goetz

**Worship in Music**

*The Church Has One Foundation / Samuel Wesley*

**Children's Story**

Children's Offering

*Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee / Ludwig van Beethoven*

**The Word**

Hebrews 10:23-25, 37 NIV / \*Appiah & Grace Kwarteng

\*\*JoAnn Siagian & Jessica Yoong

**Hymn of Preparation**

*When the Roll Is Called Up Yonder / 216*

**Sermon**

Dwight K. Nelson

"Simple Church for unSimple Times: Connect!"

**Tithes, Offerings, Connect Card**

PMC Operating Expense

**Commitment**

*Only Trust Him / 279*

**Benediction**

**Postlude**

*We All Believe in One God / Wolfgang Mozart*

PRESIDING PASTOR: Don Dronen; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Joshua Goines, piano

## CALL TO WORSHIP

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We seek to live in Christ that we may die in Christ,

**To be one people, of one mind and one spirit,**

To be the gospel, alive in the world,

**To be good news to those who need good news.**

We come together so that we may be sent out

**To bring joy to the oppressed, to bring hope to the fearful.**

## THE WORD

HEBREWS 10:23-25, 37 *NIV*

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Let us hold unswervingly to the hope we profess, for he who promised is faithful.

**And let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds, not giving up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging one another —and all the more as you see the Day approaching.**

For, “In just a little while, he who is coming will come and will not delay.”

## MUSIC ALIVE

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### GATHERING AND CONNECTING

The people gathered in the South Sea Islands numbered in the thousands. The year was 1862, and the event? The king was establishing a Christian constitution for the people. Words sung on that occasion were from Isaac Watts’ “Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun”. Commentator Kenneth Osbeck observes, “When this stirring hymn was written . . . the evangelical missionary movement that we

know . . . had scarcely begun . . . Isaac Watts was certainly quite prophetic when he paraphrased this text from Psalm 72. It is still considered one of the finest missionary hymns ever written and has been sung in countless native tongues.” Watts’ original included additional stanzas. The stanzas here set a context in which to ponder how to connect our souls through praising God as a community.

# PIONEER PEOPLE

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SUNSET TODAY: 8:40

SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY: 8:29

*To submit a request to have an announcement printed in Pioneer Family Life, please email [bulletin@pmchurch.tv](mailto:bulletin@pmchurch.tv). Requests must be received Monday by 5 PM for consideration.*

## PIONEER FAMILY LIFE

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### FELLOWSHIP DINNER

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

### PMC FAMILY VESPERS

PMC Family Vespers will be today, at 5 PM in the Youth Chapel. The program will include a video featuring Bruce Marchiano playing the role of Jesus in a modern-day parable. Both parents and young people will enjoy this program.

### THE LOVE THAT KEEPS ON KEEPING ON

If you were married in 1962 or before, we invite you to celebrate your 50 years or more of marriage with us tomorrow at 11 AM in the Lincoln Room, AU Terrace Cafe. The only cost is your meal which is payable at the door. To let us know you are coming or for more information, call 471.4308 or email [dudleym@andrews.edu](mailto:dudleym@andrews.edu). What a joy it will be to meet together over brunch, share memories, and thank God for His precious gift of marriage.

—Sponsored by the Family Life Committee.

### PATHFINDER/ADVENTURER REGISTRATION

PMC Adventurer and Evergreen Pathfinder club registration is tomorrow from 4-6 PM in the PMC Commons. Want to join but don't have the finances? We will work with you. Please bring your medical insurance cards. Follow our Pathfinders on Facebook, Google+, and Twitter. You can also find Adventurers on Facebook.

### VOCAL/PIANO CONCERT

Arts Bridge proudly presents special guest artist Joan Marie Peitscher, mezzo soprano from New York, NY, and Marcelo Caceres, piano, at the First Presbyterian Church, 475 Green Avenue on Morton Hill, Benton Harbor, Michigan, tomorrow at 4 PM. Free Admission (donations accepted). For more info call 269.925.7075 or visit Facebook: First Presbyterian in Benton Harbor.

### PRIMARY SABBATH SCHOOL NEEDS YOUR HELP

Primary Sabbath School is looking for an assistant leader to plan and lead the program one or two Sabbaths a month. Program helpers are available. Class teachers to teach weekly are also needed. Have questions or to sign up, contact director, Barb Krantz at 471.5621 or email [barbkrantz1976@gmail.com](mailto:barbkrantz1976@gmail.com).

## PIONEER FAMILY LIFE [CONT]

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### THANK YOU

Dear Friends and Neighbors, 2012 has been all ups and downs with Jim's health. Thank you for your cards and your prayers. We pray God will help him surpass his four week record of being home.

*– James Clough and family*

Thank you so much, church family, for all your help with the beautiful funeral meal and service arrangements for our dear Ron Ballast. We appreciate all you did to prepare, set up, and clean up afterwards! The lovely plant you provided is also much appreciated and we will enjoy it for years to come. Our family is thankful for all the prayers, cards, visits, food brought to our home, and other special ways that were shown to Ron and our family during the past few years of his illness. We are looking forward to Christ's soon return when we can be together again and he will be feeling great! God bless you all.

*– Joanne, Rachel, Julie, and Laura*

### RMES REGISTRATION

An Adventist education *does* make a difference! Ruth Murdoch Elementary School is now enrolling students in Kindergarten through 8th grade. We offer an enriched curriculum including: several foreign languages, various music programs, full and half-day kindergarten, and more in a loving, family-friendly, Christ-centered school. Want to know more? Contact Cyndi at 269.471.3225 or visit our website at [www.myRMES.org](http://www.myRMES.org).

### WE MOURN

Today we reach out in sympathy to Keith and Enoch Stokes on the death of their wife and mother, Trudy, on Tuesday, August 7. Her funeral service was held on Thursday here at Pioneer. We also mourn with Robin Morrison on the death of her brother, Mark Dwight Carr on June 28 and her father, Shelby Donald Carr on July 30. Services were conducted on August 6 in Flint, Michigan. Fred Herford, long time deacon at PMC, died on Friday, August 10. A memorial service was held on Friday, August 17, here at PMC. And we sympathize with Ann Anderson on the death of her son, Michael, on Saturday, August 11 in Kansas following a long illness. Services were held there this week. With each of these hurting families, we are looking forward to the soon return of our Lord. "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

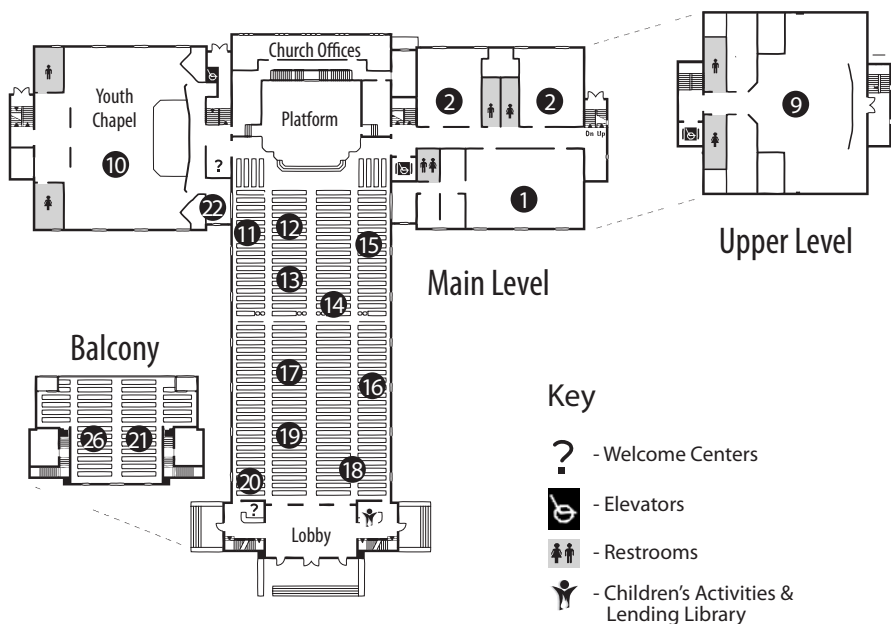
### VOLUNTEER AT NEIGHBOR TO NEIGHBOR

We need volunteers - men and women. Join our Neighbor To Neighbor family and make a difference.

### VOLUNTEER VAN DRIVER

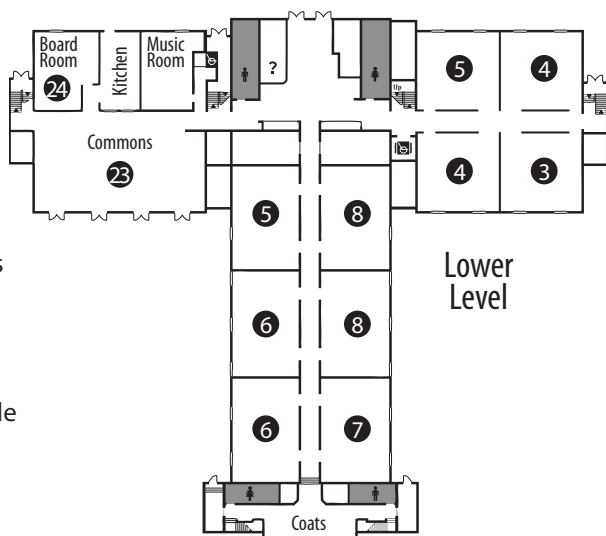
The Niles branch of Volunteers for America, Michigan (A transitional living program for homeless veterans in Michigan) is in need of a volunteer van driver to transport homeless veterans from our facility to the Battle Creek, VA. It is an all day trip on Tuesdays and Thursdays of each week, and we will be providing the van. Anyone interested can feel free to contact Donald Bishop at 517.763.1930.

# 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]

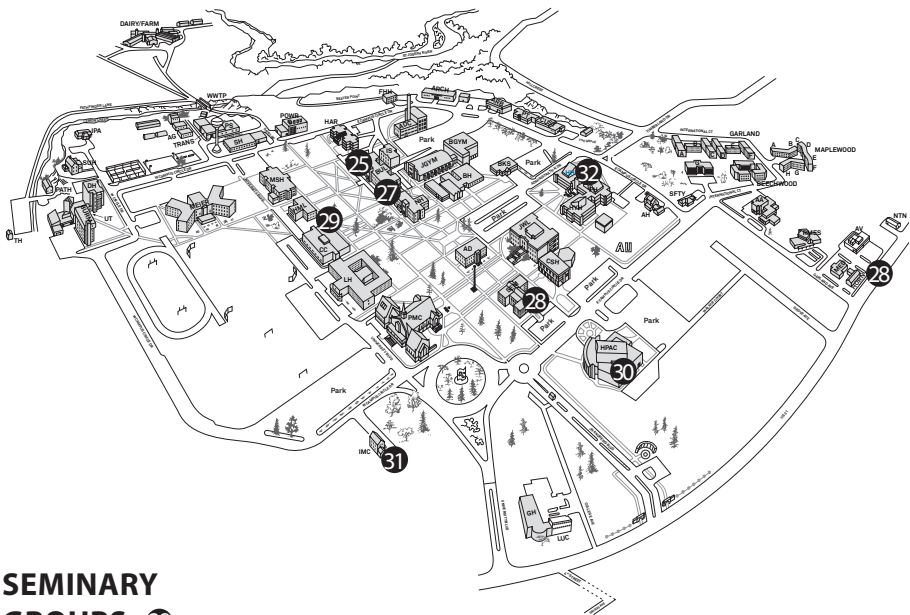
- 23 Something In Common
- 24 Seventh-day Adventist Beliefs

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- 26 People on the Move (PMC)

## YOUNG ADULT

- 27 HAM Horn Museum (downstairs)



## SEMINARY GROUPS 28

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| N108 (Collegiate)            | N310 (Russian)    |
| N110                         | N335 (Spanish)    |
| N120 (New Life Church Choir) | S215 (French)     |
| N150                         | S340 (Upper Room) |
| N211 (Small group)           |                   |
| N235                         |                   |

## ADULT @ AU

- 29 Main Lounge
- 30 Faculty Lounge
- 31 Back to Basics
- 32 Living Word Fellowship

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## PMCHURCH MEDIA

### LIVE VIDEO STREAMING

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

### TELEVISION

WHME TV 46

*Sunday noon & midnight*

SAFE TV, HOPE CHANNEL & 3ABN

*See websites for local listings*

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

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

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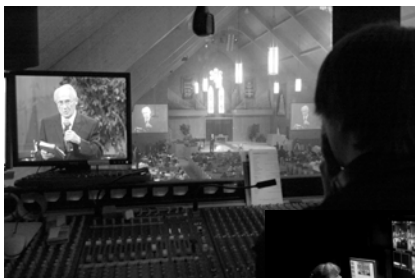
### RADIO

WAUS - 90.7 FM

*Sabbath 11:30 a.m.*

# MINISTER THROUGH TECHNOLOGY

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Can you picture yourself ministering through technology? Electronic media is an important part of worship here at Pioneer. From hearing the speaker via the P.A. system, to seeing images on the screen; technology is at the heart of everything we do. Making this technology work requires a team of dedicated volunteers—15 each week.



This summer, we are looking for new volunteers to join the media team. No experience is needed, but a passion for excellence in ministry is required. If you would like to consider being a camera operator, helping with the audio system, or creating Power Point contact:

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## HEALTH AND WELLNESS MINISTRY EVENTS

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT PAUL & SHELLI MEULEMANS

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

### ONGOING EVENTS:

#### Exercise classes

- Mondays at 6-7 PM
- Wednesdays at 6-7 PM (PMC Commons)

#### Running Club

- Sundays at 8 AM  
(Meet at PMC Parking Lot)

#### Walking Club

- Sundays at 8 AM  
(Meet at PMC Parking Lot)

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

5K/10K Run or Walk & Fitness Expo  
September 30

RMES provides our Jr. High students with a unique mini-course program. Courses include Drama, Ceramics, Bridge Building, Math Challenge, Lego Robotics, Praise Music, Peer-to-Peer Tutoring, Chemistry, Small & Large Animal Care, several foreign languages, Watercolors, Model Rocketry and many more!

Registration is open for 2012/2013.

Classes begin Monday August 20th.



## Rocket Science!

for Kindergarten through 8th grade



**Ruth Murdoch  
Elementary School**

An Andrews University School



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## HOUSE OF PRAYER

WEDNESDAY @ 7 PM, YOUTH CHAPEL

House of Prayer is taking an end of summer break. For the next couple of weeks, meet together in your home and pray for the students, new and returning, that are coming, the faculty and staff as they prepare for the new school year, and the pastoral staff as they finalize the plans for 2012-2013. Pray for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on us all.

## COMING SOON

**08/25**

Dwight K. Nelson  
"Simple Church for unSimple Times:  
Grow!"

**09/01**

Dwight K. Nelson  
"The Dark Night Rises"—1

