PIONEER MEMORIAL CHURCH



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WELCOME!

Visitors, newcomers, and friends returning home, we welcome you on this last Sabbath before the new year begins. Today we gather to worship the God of both prescience and peace, who makes an astounding promise: "I will do a new thing" (Isaiah 43:19/44:3). Visitors, come join us after second service in the Commons for a homecooked dinner.



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GUARDIAN ANGELS IN CAIRO

The news bulletins out of Syria this week have cast a desperate pall over the already bleak Middle East. Observers on the ground in Damascus reported that the Syrian government launched a major WMD (weapons of mass destruction) attack on its own hapless citizens in the suburbs of that ancient city. Early rumors placed the nerve gas death toll at over 1300 victims. The Syrian government has denied the charges, with the insinuation that rebel forces themselves instigated a self-inflicted strike in order to arouse global sympathy for their plight. Who can say?

The political situation in Egypt is hardly much better. Muslim Brotherhood loyalists to ousted President Morsi have engaged in street battles with armed soldiers of the military coup that toppled the

"I WILL DO A NEW THING"

CONNECT CARDS VISUALIZED

The following graphic shows the 60 most common words used in the Connect Card prayer requests since January. Your concerns and prayer requests are very much like those of every other church member. May we daily spend time with God.



"And Judah gathered themselves together, to ask help of the Lord: even out of all the cities of Judah they came to seek the Lord." 2 Chronicles 20:4

"Be careful for nothing; but in every thing by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus." Philippians 4:6, 7

OPERATING FUND

KINDERGARTEN II SS / A MISSION FIELD

ne Sabbath many years ago a bored and very imaginative 9-year-old was taken by his father into that father's 5-year-old Sabbath School room. After about two Sabbaths his father gave him the responsibility of being one of the three lesson story teachers, telling the story three times as each group of children rotated through crafts, lesson story, and puppet corner. He soon began using various props to help illustrate the week's lesson. He quickly became the very popular "Teacher Troy," and at only 9 years old had a knack for both keeping the children's attention and keeping order at his table. His stories included Veggie Tale peas wrapped in Ace bandages placed there gently by The Good Samaritan cucumber, real hammers and nails for building an ark, and a construction paper flaming sword to quard the entrance of the Garden of Eden.

Nine successful years have passed and now this young man is leading the Kindergarten II main program every week; from welcoming the children and opening with the song

PRAY

That youth will be trained to serve in our church, community, and around the world

MORE INFO

Julie Furst jfurst@juno.com "Let's Talk About Jesus," to closing an hour later with the concept that we all have to MAKE A CHOICE, and then decide with the song "I Choose Jesus." As we wait for parents, we view his ever-changing Lego table, where we search for Jesus in scenes depicting our everyday activities.



Over the years many eager children have insisted their parents bring them to Sabbath School every week, and many youth have found a mission serving in a Sabbath School. It's a win/ win! For this is, after all, The Mission Field. –Julie Furst

OPERATING FUND

| GIVE TO LINE 2 | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Goal to-date | \$377,586 |
| Received to-date | \$351,455 |
| (Received to-date 2012) | \$333,721 |
| As of August 17, 2013 | |

MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM

FLAG CAMP / BRINGING KIDS TO CHRIST



This summer has been an especially great summer for us at FLAG camp. We had a team of 22 staff members and an excellent group of volunteers. The kids enjoyed many field trips and special events at camp such as Christmas in July and Water day. Every morning we sing songs with the kids. The staff especially enjoys putting on a skit or a puppet show twice a week to illustrate God's love to the kids.

Camp is not only a blessing to kids who attend, but it also ministers to the young people who work there. The staff consists of high school and college students. For me, FLAG camp is where I really developed my personal

PRAY

That FLAG Camp kids will remember the lessons they learned this summer

MORE INFO Chris Davisson / 269.208.7079

www.flag-camp.org

relationship with Christ. I have learned how important it is that we put our focus on Christ. Every morning, the staff comes together to have worship before the kids arrive. Our daily pray is that our kids will see Christ through us. After four summers of working at FLAG camp I have realized that I often see Christ through the loving attitudes of our kids.

"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these." If you are looking for a way to serve Christ come join us at FLAG camp next summer! Let's bring our kids to Christ. –Vanna Giddings

MASTER PLAN OF EVANGELISM

| Goal to-date | \$80,586 |
|-------------------------|----------|
| Received to-date | \$64,968 |
| (Received to-date 2012) | \$65,576 |
| As of August 17, 2013 | |

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

RMES / OUR FAITHFUL VOLUNTEERS

Duth Murdoch Elementary School **N**offers many exciting programs for our students. Mrs. Hickerson created a one-on-one reading program her third-grade class where in students and volunteers spend time reading together. We offer trips to various orchards, the Andrews dairy, Greenfield Village, Camp Au Sable, museums in Chicago, and other destinations. Andrews University's Dining Services provides the students with a phenomenal hot lunch program four days a week. We have a full library with hundreds of new titles each vear, classroom teacher assistants, and more.

What do all of these things have in common? They would not be possible without our faithful volunteers!

The individuals who volunteer in our school are simply amazing! They use their talents to fill numerous roles including grading papers, serving over 600 lunches a week, managing an entire library system, creating set props for musical performances, supervising groups of students on field trips and more. Our faithful

PRAY

For our volunteers

MORE INFO David Waller / 471.3225 waller@andrews.edu volunteers sacrifice their time and energy for the good of our teachers and students. What a great reflection of Christ's selfless character!

The Bible says, "As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace" (1 Peter 4:10 *ESV*).



If you would like to join the important work that is Adventist Education, contact RMES for more information on becoming a volunteer. If you know someone who volunteers at RMES, take the time to tell them that they are appreciated and needed.

–Wendy Keough

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

| GIVE TO LINE 3 | |
|-------------------------|-----------|
| Goal to-date | \$137,115 |
| Received to-date | \$118,687 |
| (Received to-date 2012) | \$124,311 |
| As of August 17, 2013 | |

THE FOURTH WATCH

democratically elected government of Egypt. The death toll is still climbing. Whatever happened to the much heralded Arab Spring of two years ago? Yemen, Iran, Iraq, Syria, Egypt—is there no resolution for this desert turmoil?

And in the cross-fire, what of the fledalina Seventh-day Adventist church with its small membership in that sea of Islam? Actually, the news is not all bad. In fact, on the front page of the August 18 edition of El Akbar. one of the main daily newspapers in Cairo, were two pictures of the Cairo Seventh-day Adventist church. The article reported that some 300 unruly demonstrators marched up the street past our Adventist church. But not a stone was thrown, not a flame ignited, as was the recent fate of other church premises. Why? The two front page photographs are of a group of bearded Muslim men, who with clasped hands, are surrounding the church, preventing it from destruction. Muslim friends who stepped forward in that crisis—as one church official noted,"It is these kinds of people that are the hope of Egypt, and we are grateful to them."

"I will do a new thing" is the promise of the Almighty enthroned above this earth. If ever this civilization needed the intervention of its Creator and Redeemer, it couldn't be more needy than right now, could it? All summer long we have been claiming God's promise in Isaiah 43:19/44:3 to "do a new thing" by pouring His Spirit on His people. The recent newspaper front page in Cairo is a reminder that the friends of God are all over the earth, in every communion and every community. Which in turn must become a reminder to us here at Andrews University that the "new thing" we have been calling upon God for isn't only for us-it is truly His promise for all. How relentless is God's love that longs to rescue and save as many of His earth children as He can!

After all, those two newspaper photographs—the object of God's compassion isn't the building in the pictures, is it? The object of God's love has to be those Muslim strangers who stepped forward to protect that little church. Guardian angels indeed. So pray on.



PIONEER ONE

"...and worship him..."

...in seeking

| Opening Voluntary | Come, Thou Fount of Ev′ry Blessing / Gilbert Martin |
|-------------------|---|
| Introit | Be Thou My Vision / Irish Melody |
| Invocation | Dwight K. Nelson |

...in praising & praying

| Hymn of Praise | The Lord Is My Light / st. 1-2, 4 of 515 |
|-----------------------|---|
| Congregational Prayer | Don Dronen |
| Worship in Music | l Waited for the Lord / Felix Mendelssohn |

...in learning

| Offering | Michigan Advance Partners / Duane Covrig | |
|----------|--|--|
| | Come, God, Creator, Holy Spirit / Traditional Melody / Martin Luther | |

| Children's Story | |
|---------------------|---|
| The Word | Matthew 20:29-34 NIV / Duane & Lori Covrig |
| Hymn of Preparation | Be Thou My Vision / 547 |
| Sermon | "I Will Do a New Thing: The Circle Maker"—2 Dwight K. Nelson |

...in committing

Hymn of Commitment

Showers of Blessings / 195

...in going

Benediction

Closing Voluntary

My Jesus Leads Me / Johannes Brahms

PRESIDING PASTOR: Don Dronen; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Lizette Ochoa, soprano, and Ashlee Dollar, mezzo-soprano As Jesus and his disciples were leaving Jericho, a large crowd followed him.

Two blind men were sitting by the roadside, and when they heard that Jesus was going by, they shouted, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!"

The crowd rebuked them and told them to be quiet, but they shouted all the louder, "Lord, Son of David, have mercy on us!"

Jesus stopped and called them. "What do you want me to do for you?" he asked.

"Lord," they answered, "we want our sight."

Jesus had compassion on them and touched their eyes. Immediately they received their sight and followed him.

MUSIC ALIVE

BLESSED TO BLESS

"Showers of Blessing" is a hymn War major, who suffered serious war injury. Hospitalized, he began to read a New Testament. Convicted, but unwilling to surrender to God, it is said that he was awakened one night. An orderly assumed Whittle was a Christian, having seen him reading scripture. Another soldier was dying, and the orderly asked Whittle to pray for that soldier. Whittle said, "I dropped on my knees . . . [beside the soldier] and I confessed my sins and asked Christ to forgive me . . . I believed . . . that He did forgive me. I then prayed earnestly for the boy. He became quiet and pressed my hand as I prayed and pleaded God's promises. When I arose . . . he was dead. A look of peace had come over his troubled face . . . "



SABBATH STUDY

SANCTUARY 10:30 AM

| Song Service | Christina Carroll |
|--------------------|---|
| Opening Hymn | 'Tis Love That Makes Us Happy / 579 |
| Welcome | Philip Giddings III |
| Scripture & Prayer | Psalm 119:159-160 / Elkid Alvarez |
| Introduction | Kyle Emile |
| Special Feature | Free Intelligent Conversation / A group effort |
| Offertory | You Raise Me Up / Rolf Lovland & Brendan Graham |
| Bible Study | "Discernment: The Safeguard of Revival" / 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 ©1924, Renewed 1952 Word Music, LLC; Used by Permission. CCLI License #392652

Benediction

Christina Carroll

ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan OFFERTORY: Dominique Tan-Ng, violin; Rita Turambi, piano

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

HEALTH AND WELLNESS EVENTS

Running Club and Walking Club

Sun. • 8 AM • PMC parking lot There are several pace groups, so you're sure to find the one that fits you. Beginners welcome!

Group Exercise Class

Mon. & Thurs. • 6-7 PM • PMC Commons Work on strength, balance, and flexibility with free weights and light balls. Half the time is working out while standing and the other half while lying on a mat.

Exercise classes are taught by a certified Group Fitness Instructor.

PIONEER TWO

"That all of them may be One...May they also be in Us so the world may believe"—Jesus (John 17:21)



As We Begin Come, Thou Fount of Ev'ry Blessing / Gilbert Martin

We Pray Jose Bourget

We Praise

We Kneel Don Dronen



We Give Michigan Advance Partners Come, God, Creator, Holy Spirit / Traditional Melody / Martin Luther

We Share Children's Story

We Glorify I Waited for the Lord / Felix Mendelssohn



We Proclaim "I Will Do a New Thing: The Circle Maker"–2 Dwight K. Nelson

We Commit Showers of Blessings / 195

As We Depart My Jesus Leads Me / Johannes Brahms

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PIONEER PEOPLE

SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY: 8:23

SUNSET TODAY: 8:35

To submit a request to have an announcement printed in Pioneer Family Life, please email <u>bulletin@pmchurch.tv</u>. Requests must be received Monday by 5 PM for consideration.

PIONEER FAMILY LIFE

PMC FAMILY VESPERS

Vespers tonight at 7:30 PM in the Youth Chapel will include a video of David Ring's sermon, *I Have Cerebral Palsy—What's Your Problem?* David Ring "is one of America's most powerful evangelists. His story will cause you to look at your own circumstances in a new light and with hope."

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

The flowers today are given in special memory of John Weakley from his loving wife and family.

BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

Leona Running is celebrating her 97th birthday today. If you would like to send her a card, she now lives at Jenny's Place, 661 Erlwood Path, Berrien Springs, MI 49103.

MICHIGAN MEN OF FAITH

Michigan Men of Faith will be held September 28 at Great Lakes Adventist Academy. The featured speaker will be Neil Nedley. You can register online at <u>www.campausable.org</u>.

MOMMY & ME

Mommy and Me is looking for a coleader, Tuesdays, during the school year from 10-11:30 AM. Contact Rosemary Bailey if interested at <u>mommyandme@pmchurch.org</u>.

60TH ANNIVERSARY

Jan and Ed Higgins are celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary with a celebration tomorrow from 2 to 5 PM. Stop by their anniversary tent at 4660 E. Hillcrest Dr., Berrien Springs. Light refreshments will be served. No gifts or cards.

KNITTING HEARTS TOGETHER

The Knitting Hearts Together (shawl ministry) will meet again on Tuesday, August 27, at the MacCarty home at 4541 Timberland Drive (third house on the left if coming from campus). We'll meet from 7 PM to about 8:30 PM. For more information, call Alice Williams at 471.3373 (o) or 461.6815. In September, we will resume meeting on the 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month.

HERITAGE SINGERS

The Heritage Singers are coming to the Howard Performing Arts Center on Saturday, September 7, at 8:30 PM. Touring with them is their special guest, Pete McLeod, a Christian comedian. This American gospel vocal group of eight, including founder, Max Mace, sings traditional gospel music, hymns, contemporary Christian music, and more. Tickets are available by calling 888.467.6442. Groups of 12 or more are eligible for a discount.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Second Reading: Diane Ford— F/O Deacon(ness) Allen Freed— F/O Deacon Mark Howard— F/O Deacon Lauri Wood— F/O Deacon(ness) Birgit Sherwin— F/O Deacon(ness) Tim Sherwin— F/O Deacon

THANK YOU

Thank you, Pioneer Memorial members, for your kind assistance during my recent surgery. I appreciate the plant sent to revitalize our home, the pastoral visit to strengthen us spiritually, the numerous cards with your well wishes, and your unceasing prayers on our behalf. It is a great blessing to belong to such a remarkable church family. *–Erno Gyeresi*

MOTHER/DAUGHTER RETREAT AT CAMP AU SABLE

The 2013 Mother/Daughter Retreat is on October 11-13. Online registration is available at <u>www.misda.org</u> under the Women's Ministries Department home page. Paper registration forms are also available at the Welcome Centers. For info, or if you have any questions, feel free to call 517.316.1565.

KIDS LIBRARY OPEN BOTH SERVICES

The Kids Library is open during 1st and 2nd service each Sabbath. Parents can check out Bible and nature activities for young children from the Kids Library in the church lobby. If you have questions, or would like to volunteer contact <u>glynisb@andrews.edu</u>.

GOOD NEWS ANNOUNCEMENTS

We want to not only acknowledge the sad times but also the happy times. If you have recently celebrated an anniversary, significant birthday or birth or adoption of a child, we would love to announce it in the bulletin and on the big screen. Please email the information to <u>bulletin@pmchurch.tv</u>.

PMC DONOR NUMBER

PMC donor numbers are used for receipting purposes. If you have lost or forgotten your donor number, please email <u>siagian@pmchurch.org</u> or call 269.471.7656.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If you have recently moved or are planning on moving, please notify the church clerk at <u>bikichky@pmchurch.</u> org. This will assure that you receive the annual receipts for you contributions and other items from the church.

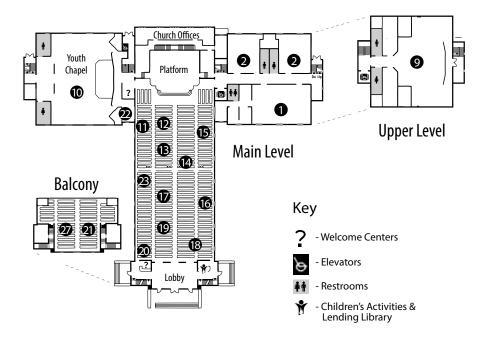
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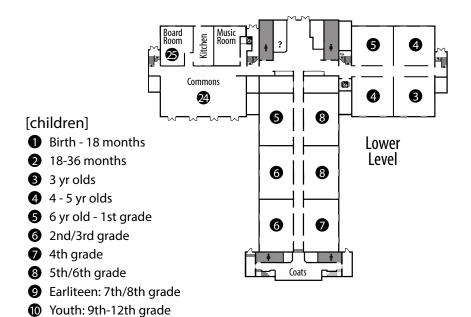
Want to get your favorite "Adventist" books in electronic format? Check out <u>www.adventist-ebooks.com</u>.

SANCTUARY FLOWERS

Do you have a special occasion, wedding, anniversary, or birthday that you would like to celebrate by sponsoring the sanctuary flowers? Please contact Lori Covrig by calling 269.313.3441 to reserve your special date.

SABBATH SCHOOL DIRECTORY





PIONEER CLASSES

[adult sanctuary]

- Group 1
- Group 2 (Portuguese/Brazilian)
- B Group 3
- Group 4 (Yugoslavian)
- Group 5
- 🕼 Group 6
- Group 7
- B Group 8
- Group 9 (Spanish)
- 🛿 Group 10
- Group 11 (Balcony)
- Conference Room
- Indonesian Class

[miscellaneous adult]

Something In Common

Seventh-day Adventist Beliefs

COLLEGIATE

- Back (Hispanic Religion Amphitheater)
- People on the Move (PMC)
- The Well (Buller—238)

YOUNG ADULT

BAM Horn Museum (downstairs)

SEMINARY GROUPS 🕲

N108 (Collegiate)

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

ADULT @ AU

- Main Lounge
- Faculty Lounge
- Back to Basics
- Living Word Fellowship

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Current Events (Buller—135)

Bible Journey (Nethery—143)

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Ruth Murdoch Elementary School

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responsibility emotional intelligence

commitment to excellence OUTPERFORM key learnings expectation of excellence Jr. High mini-courses INTEGRATED LEARNING Hands on learning TECHNOLOGY ENRICHED

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day this summer for God to pour out His Spirit on this campus in preparation for the new year.

COMING SOON

08/31

1 Dwight K. Nelson "The Galilean: Following Jesus in an Iconic World"—1

09/07

7 Dwight K. Nelson "The Galilean: Following Jesus in an Iconic World"—2

"Behold, I will do a new thing, Now it shall spring forth; Shall you not know it? I will even make a road in the wilderness And rivers in the desert. For I will pour water on him who is thirsty, And floods on the dry ground; I will pour My Spirit on your descendants, And My blessing on your offspring."

Isaiah 43:19 / 44:3 NKJV



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NEW SCHOOL YEAR



"I WILL DO A NEW THING"



"Go home. Lock yourself in your room. Kneel down in the middle of the floor, and with a piece of chalk draw a circle around yourself. There, on your knees, pray fervently and brokenly that God would start a revival...within that chalk circle." – *Gypsy Smith*



