

PIONEER CONNECT

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2016 INTERNATIONAL STUDENT SABBATH

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28 weeks until *Hope Trending*

WELCOME

to Pioneer

Welcome to Pioneer Memorial Church on the campus of Andrews University. Our campus has been ranked 2nd highest in Ethnic Diversity among national universities, according to a *U.S. News and World* report. We host this Sabbath to honor God's intentional and creative work as manifested through the distinctive qualities of the various communities that are here. This morning you will experience a worshipful celebration that is inclusive of some of that diversity. However, today isn't the only time to engage and experience this breadth of culture!

Nearly every Sabbath you have the opportunity for a more immersive cultural worship. While you are on this beautiful campus invest some time to get to know your family from across the globe. Take a few moments each week to listen and learn from one another. Invite the Holy Spirit to see His work in each of the communities available here. And days like today will be that much greater as you will recognize the individuals in our global community.

—José Bourget



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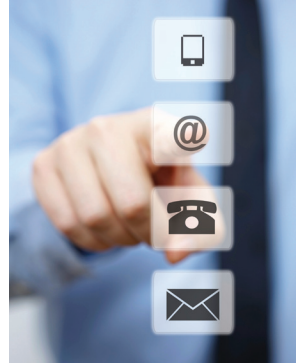
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SABBATH
SCHOOL**

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WHICH PART OF THE “GO”
DON’T WE UNDERSTAND
THE **G** OR THE **O**?



BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

One of our team came hurrying in to breakfast two Tuesdays ago with the news. Thirty-one of us from the seminary at Andrews were wrapping up our evangelistic mission to Santiago de Cuba. We'd just spent our only night (and the last one) in Cuba in a hotel (a change from the generous kindness extended to us by the Cuban families who boarded all of us in their small living quarters during our mission). Lisandro had been watching the news in his hotel room and hurried in with the announcement, "There's been a terrorist bombing in Belgium at the Brussels airport!"

We got back to our rooms and turned on the hotel televisions and CNN Mexico. Sure enough, surreal images of the dust and din aftermath of the twin bombings at the international airport were flashing across the screen. And commentators were reacting in Spanish (at 100 mph). Our Spanish-speaking seminarians began interpreting. And the grim reality of yet another global urban center under attack quickly sank in.

Makes you wonder, doesn't it? Do you suppose Jesus was aware that His command to **"Go into all the world and preach the gospel to all creation"** (Mark 16:15) would have to be obeyed and fulfilled by an endtime generation in the midst of such threatening geo-religio-political conditions? The answer is: Of course He did—just read Matthew 14/Mark 13/Luke 21. This civilization has never been on a trajectory of ascending peace and prosperity. The third law of thermodynamics is proving true socially and geo-politically—civili-

zation is moving from equilibrium (order) to entropy (disorder). Moving, as anyone can see, at an accelerating pace.

Which only makes Christ's command all the more imperative. The nearly 100 flags flying unfurled on our campus mall on this International Student Sabbath are a vivid reminder that this university was raised up "in the beginning" to prepare young minds and lives for global mission. No matter the academic discipline, no matter the nationality, no matter the mother-tongue—we are all under commission by our Lord and Savior to GO on His behalf into every nation, every culture, every city, every village and hamlet and through the practice of our training find access and opportunity to proclaim God's love for this dying world.

And never forget—His is a co-mission—which means we do it "co" or "with" the Master. Nobody has to go alone. No one.

So whichever colorful flag is yours out on the windy mall, the command to all of us is the same: GO. And to those unsure of what Jesus' command means for them there is surely this response from the Spirit: Which part of the GO don't you understand—the G or the O? **"For lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age"** (Matthew 28:19). ■

PS—don't miss our Cuba Mission Team report (with video, pictures and personal testimonies) next Sabbath in both services.

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

PATHFINDERS

A MODEL OF INTENTIONAL DISCIPLESHIP

BY BEN MARTIN

Here at Pioneer Memorial Church we believe in discipleship. Discipleship is at the core of everything we do. It is our goal to engage every member in the discipleship journey.

There is a lot of talk about discipleship, but what is it? It is difficult to define. Some might say that a disciple is a follower, but the Bible is clear that Jesus had followers and disciples. Disciples were followers who engaged in relationships with Jesus that equipped them to go and make more disciples. Discipleship is a relationship that is strengthened with beliefs that lead to service and mission. This is why Pioneer Memorial Church has chosen the words, 'Connect, Grow, Serve, Go' to give meaning to our discipleship model.

DISCIPLESHIP IS AT THE CORE OF EVERYTHING WE DO.

When one thinks about the variety of ministries that we have in the Seventh-day Adventist Church, there are many that are designed to intentionally disciple. One ministry that was clearly developed in a discipleship paradigm is Pathfinders. Pathfinders is a beautiful picture of discipleship for reaching the next generation. It clearly joins together the different el-

ements of discipleship to intentionally bring the next generation into a saving relationship with Jesus Christ.

Pathfinders, through a series of meetings and outings, connects the next generation not only to each other and the church, but also to Jesus. Worships, personal devotions, and in-depth Bible study are all intentionally designed to connect club members to their Creator.

Growth is an integral facet of the Pathfinder curriculum. Each year the club members are instructed at a deeper level, intentionally growing them along the discipleship journey. They grow not only by studying the Bible, but they are also taken into nature to learn as much as possible about the Creator by being introduced to God's second book.

Service is also a key part of the Pathfinder experience. Raking leaves, giving food to those in need, and many other acts of service, both large and small, have been integrated into the Pathfinder experience.

The Pathfinder journey does not end with graduation or at a certain age, but rather it is intentionally preparing each of the club members for a lifetime of mission and service. Training in areas of leadership to equip and empower the club members to become active members of the Body of Christ is found throughout the Pathfinder curriculum.



It is clear that Pathfinders fits into the DNA of what we are trying to do here at Pioneer Memorial Church. This intentional discipleship program is a vital part of what youth ministry is about.

So how can you be involved in Pathfinders? If you have children of Pathfinder age, we encourage you to get them plugged into our club. Another way that anyone, regardless of age or stage of life, can be involved is by helping out financially. When one thinks about all of the costs that are involved in a ministry with the scope of Pathfinders, it is clear that this is always a need. Another area of need is in leadership. The Pathfinder club needs help from committed volunteers and people who are excited about discipling the next generation. Finally the PMC Evergreen

Pathfinder club is looking for a new director for the upcoming year. So we ask you to prayerfully lift up this club and the church as we discover whom God has been preparing for this vital role in the discipleship mission of Pioneer Memorial Church. ■

Ben Martin is the pastor of Youth Ministries here at Pioneer Memorial Church.

SUPPORT THIS MINISTRY

Please indicate
"Pathfinders"
on your tithe envelope.

WE WORSHIP

CONNECT • GROW • SERVE • GO

Opening Voluntary

Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather
Isao Koizumi / Philip Jones

Procession of Flags

From Many Nations: A Processional • Kenneth Logan
International Students

Hymn of Praise

Jesus Shall Reign • 227
Girlye Aguilar (Philippines)
Charlotte Drumi (Russia)

Welcome & Prayer

Silmara Ferreira (Brazil)
Verlyn Benson (USA)

Faces (Video) & Diversity of AU

Niels-Erik Andreasen (Denmark)
President, Andrews University

Congregational Prayer

Julius Mbwambo (Tanzania)

Worship in Music

Angklung (Indonesian)

Tithes & Offerings

PMC Operating Expense • José Bourget
& Special Offering for International Students

The Word

Romans 15:7-13 NKJV • Yusuf Timothy (Nigeria)
Jomante langa (Guinea-Bissau)

Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God. Now I say that Jesus Christ has become a servant to the circumcision for the truth of God, to confirm the promises *made* to the fathers, and that the Gentiles might glorify God for *His* mercy, as it is written: "For this reason I will confess to You among the Gentiles, and sing to Your name." And again he says: "Rejoice, O Gentiles, with His people!" And again: "Praise the Lord, all you Gentiles! Laud Him, all you peoples!" And again, Isaiah says: "There shall be a root of Jesse; And He who shall rise to reign over the Gentiles, in Him the Gentiles shall hope." Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Worship in Music

Korean Choir

Introduction of the Speaker

Robert Benjamin (Malaysia)

Sermon

"Celebrating Diversity"
G.T. Ng, Executive Secretary GC (Singapore)

Hymn of Commitment

Until Then • 632

Benediction

G.T. Ng

Closing Voluntary

I Believe in One God • Wolfgang Mozart

PRESIDING PASTOR: José Bourget (Dominican Rep./USA); ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan (USA)

MUSIC ALIVE

ACROSS CULTURES

Thirteen years after World War II ended, "Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather" appeared in 1958 for a World Council of Christian Education Convention in Tokyo, Japan. Tokuo Yamaguchi wrote the text (Everett Stowe, translator) that relates closely to John 14:6: "I am the way, the truth, and the life . . ." Isao Koizumi wrote the melody, apparently founding it on a Japanese traditional melody. It uses a

"gapped" scale of G-B flat-C-D-F. Gapped scales are common in music of many diverse cultures on multiple continents of the world. Composer Philip Jones has arranged this melody for organ solo, bringing out thereby many interpretive aspects that, while perhaps not directly intended to be "Japanese" in character, still enhance an Asian flavor. ■

WE STUDY

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Song Service	Christina Carroll
Opening Hymn	<i>This Little Light of Mine</i> • 580
Welcome	Judy Aitken
Prayer	Jason Clark
Scripture Reading	Elinor Clark
Special Feature	"When God Gives You a Mission, Age Doesn't Matter" Willyta Ruiz Wamack
Offertory	Luz Ruiz Tenorio & Willyta Ruiz Wamack
Bible Study	"Son of David" • Classes
Theme Song	<i>Make Me a Blessing</i>

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
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ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan

WE PRAISE

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Opening Voluntary *Here, O Lord, Your Servants Gather* • Isao Koizumi/Philip Jones

Procession of Flags *From Many Nations: A Processional* • Kenneth Logan

Introit *Ka Jesu Chleste, ni tabile chwale* • Indigenous Melody, Barotseland

Hymn of Praise *Jesus Shall Reign* • 227 | Jacqueline Yates (Canada/USA)

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The Word Romans 15:7-13 NKJV • Tun, Naw Z. (Myanmar)
Yvonne Yong (Hong Kong)

Worship in Music Chapter X

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Closing Voluntary *I Believe in One God* • Wolfgang Mozart

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WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Andrews University Chorale; Stephen Zork, director; Miel Jang, piano

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 Mission Budget

SUNSET TODAY • 8:10
SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY • 8:18

PIONEER PULPIT

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DWIGHT K. NELSON
"Chasing Hope: To An Empty World"
Cuba Mission Report

| 04 • 16 |

DWIGHT K. NELSON
"Chasing Hope: With An Empty Bank"

FINANCIAL FEATURE

PMC OPERATING BUDGET

Today's offering is for PMC Operating. Why does God instruct us through His word to support His church with our tithes and offerings? He has limitless resources, and we do not! In fact, it is often hard to meet all our financial responsibilities. God requires this of us because He wants us to grow spiritually, and one of the best ways for this to happen is to ask us to trust Him with our material goods and to focus on needs other than our own. Those who test Him in this way can confidently say that He has never failed them!

Sanctuary Flowers

Today's flowers are given in celebration of Arnold and Dollis Bowman's 58th Wedding Anniversary. They wish God's blessing to each member and look forward to Christ's soon coming.

Family Vespers

TODAY • 7:00 PM
YOUTH CHAPEL

Come join us in sharing and singing your favorite hymns as we close the Sabbath.

Game Night/Nacho Feed

TODAY • 8:00 PM
PMC COMMONS

Help us meet the # 1 student need as revealed through the survey—a desire for community on campus. Join us and bring one of the following: cheese sauce, refried beans, tortilla chips, or salsa. Bring your favorite game and enjoy time with "family."

International Food Fair

TOMORROW • 12:00 TO 7:00 PM
JOHNSON GYM

The Office of International Student Services would like to invite you to join us at this year's International Food Fair. Please plan to come and enjoy the international variety of food that is sold by almost 20 plus clubs.

Exploring the Composition of the Pentateuch

APRIL 3-5 • SEMINARY CHAPEL

The Horn Lectureship Series presents a historic event! We believe that Moses wrote the first five books of the Bible but how can this be supported in scholarship? Adventist voices will be added to those of conservative experts from around the world. The conference begins at 5 PM tomorrow and concludes at 3 PM on Tuesday. Space is limited but registration is free at <https://goo.gl/effGcv>.

RMES Kindergarten Countdown

Join us for an exciting program to help prepare your children for Kindergarten. Join us for Parent Night, Tuesday, April 5, 6:30 to 7:30 PM; School Day, Wednesday, April 6, from 8:15 to 11:30 AM; Registration Picnic, Monday, May 16, at 5:30 PM. Register by calling 269.471.3220.

The Seven Last Words of Christ

APRIL 8 • 7:30 PM
PMC SANCTUARY

Andrews Academy Music Department, invites you to attend the presentation of the Easter cantata "The Seven Last Words of Christ," by Theodore Dubois, performed by the AA Chorale & soloists, organ, and drama of the crucifixion scene. One single presentation will be held.

Walking in Johnson Gym

There is free walking in the Johnson gym 5 days a week Monday through Friday from 7:30 to 9:00 AM for all age groups.

Functional Fitness

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS
5:30 TO 6:30 PM • PMC COMMONS

Join us to improve your strength, flexibility, and balance. Call Kathy Koudele at 269.313.8774 if you have questions.

Mommy (and Daddy) & Me

TUESDAYS • 10:00 AM
PMC NURSERY

This is a fun group for kids (0-5 years old) and their parent or caretaker to enjoy friendships and activities together. Each week will include playtime, songs, and crafts. Parents can enjoy time with their children and the chance to be with friends and make new friends. Come join us!

Chaplain Needed

Neighbor To Neighbor is in need of a volunteer chaplain. Recently there have been increasing opportunities for this service. If you are interested please contact Laura Meyer at 269.471.7411.

Neighbor To Neighbor

Neighbor To Neighbor is partnering with Safe Shelter to serve survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault by providing free and confidential services including shelter, case management, counseling, support groups, and much more. If you know anyone who needs these services please call 269.925.1725.

Get Our E-Letter!

Register to receive PMC's e-Letter, Pioneer Mid-week, for weekly updates about church life, events, and more! Subscribe today at www.pmchurch.org/newsletter.

PMC Young Adult Sabbath School

Scripture: Unbiased. Open-Minded. Interactive. This semester investigate Genesis, chapter by chapter. Navigate through its ancient world to find unexpected fresh meaning for today. Reimagine your life. All young adults are welcome. Join us on Sabbaths at 10 AM in the Board Room, with a continental breakfast. Needed: Adults who have a heart for this generation and want to make them feel welcomed and connected, even beyond the Sabbath School time. Also needed: volunteers to drop off food or provide breakfast and help set up. To help, contact Oliver or Oleg via youngadults@pmchurch.org or 269.471.3553.

Nominating Committee

FIRST READING

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Donna Habenicht
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Diana Mitchell
Caprice Mottley
Nilsa Ruban
Gerre St. Claire
Giselle Tchamba
Xiaoming Xu

Deacons:

Letitia Bullard
Claire Covrig
Damian Grant
Bina Herivonjy
Christopher Mwashinga
Pasha Tomenko
Dale Walton

We Mourn

Today we are mourn with Kim Keiser, Dana Wales, and Scott Wales on the death of their father, Dennis Wales, on Monday, March 21. A private family service will be held. We also grieve with Samuel Ruiz and Ruth Benko on the death of their mother, Armandina Ugaz de Ruiz, on Thursday, March 24. A funeral service was held Sunday, March 27, at PMC. We are mourning with June Price on the death of her father, Gary Burk. A funeral service was held on Friday, April 1, in Pikeville, Tennessee. With these families, we look forward to the resurrection morning. "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

2016 Children's Leadership Conference

APRIL 22-24 • ANDREWS UNIVERSITY

Be a part of one of the Lake Union Conference's most extensive training events in Children's Ministries. Anyone with a passion for making Jesus irresistible to children is invited. Our theme this year is: "All God's Children Got Shoes." For more info and to register visit www.cye.org/events/clc.

Thank You

Harbor of Hope would like to thank those of you who came through the open house at 769 Pipestone on Sabbath, March 19. Over 150 members showed up and 100 stayed for the short presentation and prayer session. Thanks again for your continuing support for Harbor of Hope.

More Announcements

For more PMC and community announcements, visit our website at www.pmchurch.org/announcements.

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BRING
YOUR
FAVORITE
GAME!

NACHO FEED GAME NIGHT

TONIGHT • PMC Commons • 8:00 PM



Help us meet the #1 student need
as revealed through PMC's dormitory survey—
a desire for community on campus.

SHOW THE STUDENTS YOU CARE

Join us and bring one of the following:
cheese sauce, refried beans, tortilla chips, or salsa