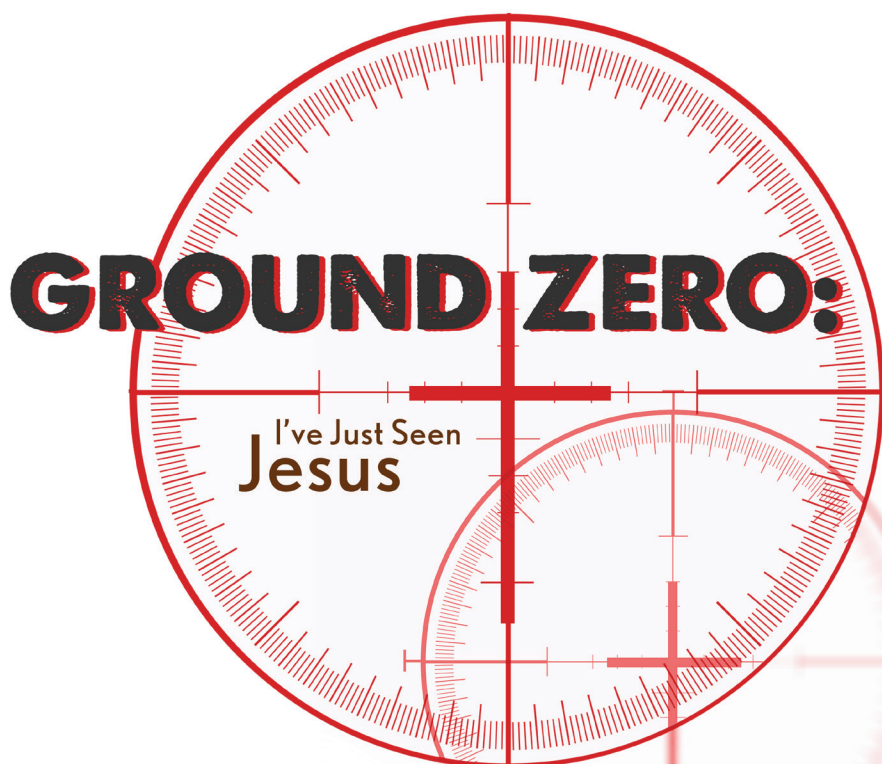


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AUGUST 26, 2017



WELCOME

to Pioneer

Welcome Back! Could you imagine what it must have been like for Joshua? Moses, his long-time mentor—perhaps a parent figure—was no longer there. And now there he was, on the border of Canaan, facing the biggest test of his life; he was charged to lead over a million people into the promised land. Would this young leader be able to rise to the challenge?

Some of you might be feeling just as nervous, scared even. No, you're not leading a million people, but you're away from your parents and families and you're starting as brand-new students at Andrews University. To you, and to those who are returning, I submit the word of the Lord, the same words that God gave to Joshua to encourage him on his mission:

"Be strong and courageous. Do not be terrified; do not be discouraged, for the Lord your God will be with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9).

So move forward. Don't delay. Don't be afraid. God is with you. Oh, and so are all of us, your extended family at Pioneer Memorial Church.

—Rodlie Ortiz



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LIVE LONGER WITH A BFF

BY DWIGHT K. NELSON

"Parents often think teenagers are overly obsessed with their best friends. They should let them be" (<https://qz.com/1059666/having-a-stronger-closer-friendship-as-a-teenager-predicts-less-depression-as-a-young-adult>). That's the conclusion from new research published in the journal *Child Development*. Turns out having a best friend when you're young impacts your life beyond your teenage years.

Rachel K. Narr, a PhD candidate in clinical psychology at the University of Virginia, led the study of 169 adolescents, who were tracked for ten years, from the age of 15 to 25. The youth were diverse racially, socio-economically and ethnically—and were interviewed at 15 or 16 years of age with a follow up interview at 25. "They were asked who their closest friends were, and detailed questions about their friendships in general. The interviewers also asked them about anxiety, social acceptance, self-worth, and symptoms of depression" (ibid). The researchers "triangulated" the teens' responses by making sure the best friends they identified in fact considered them best friends as well. They also corroborated that the teens who claimed to be popular were in fact so." (Studies find two types of popularity—"people who are likable—their peers trust them and want to be with them—and those who seek status, and often try to wield that popularity as power" [ibid].)

So what are some of the conclusions re-

searchers have drawn? Narr's hypotheses include: (1) "Adolescent relationships are critically important because they are the first that teens form outside their families, and come at a time when identity is being formed (as they say, you can pick your friends but not your family); (2) "it's about the skills a teen develops in forming friendships, rather than the friends themselves; (3) [most] kids won't have the same best friend at 25 that they had at 15, but making close friends develops the muscles that can become self-defining characteristics [which] help build self-worth, and give kids confidence that they can build trusting relationships, which is something researchers say bodes well for the next chapter of intimacy in life (romantic relationships)" (ibid).

Mitch Prinstein (not part of Narr's research), a University of North Carolina professor and author of *Popular: The Power of Likability In a Status-Obsessed World*, maintains that "people who seek to be likable tend to end up in healthier, in better relationships, with more fulfilling work, and even live longer" (ibid). And Joseph Allen, co-author in Narr's UV study, observes: "As technology makes it increasingly easy to build a social network of superficial friends, focusing time and attention on cultivating close connections with a few individuals should be a priority" (ibid).

So how are you with your friends?

Turns out the wise King Solomon was right: **"There are friends who pretend**



to be friends, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother" (Proverbs 18:24 RSV). And having a best friend like that truly does add years to your life—which must be why God makes this powerful friendship promise: **"... call upon Me, and I will answer [you]; I will be with [you] in trouble; I will deliver [you] and honor [you]. With long life I will satisfy [you], and show [you] My salvation" (Psalm 91:15, 16 NKJV).**

Did you catch that? A "long life" with your Forever Friend—your truly BFF (best friend forever)—what's not to like about that! As Jesus puts it: **"And here is how to measure it—the greatest love is**

shown when people lay down their lives for their friends. . . . Now you are my friends, since I have told you everything the Father told me" (John 15:13, 15 NLT). Just an old rugged cross, to be sure—but kneel there and gaze up at it morning after morning, and you'll never forget the lengths your BFF went to just to win a friendship with you. And you'll never keep Him a secret either. ■

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



WALKING *with* GOD

BY JUNE PRICE

Welcome to Andrews University. Today you sit in the pews of PMC having traveled various paths to arrive here. Some have come from the West Coast, others from the East. Some have come from Canada or South America. Still others have traveled from diverse countries around the world. Each of you has walked the ground of your native land. You can recall the feel of hometown grass under your feet or sand between your toes. Now, finding yourself on Michigan soil and embarking on a school new year, I invite you to consider the importance of your faith walk.

Where and how you walk makes a difference. Enoch walked with God right off the face of the earth (Genesis 5:24). Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego walked in the flames of the furnace, with the Son of God and not a single hair on their head was singed (Daniel 3:25). Cleopas and another believer walked along the road to Emmaus with the Risen Lord and their hearts burned within them (Luke 24:13-32).

Consider how you want to walk in this new year as you traverse the sidewalks and corridors from Smith Hall to Chan Shun or from Buller to Bell. Will the sum total of your steps equal only geography or will the way you walk make this a better place? Will the steps you take serve others or only yourself? There was a Man who once walked this earth like none before ever have or none after ever will. The sum total of His walk was salvation for every soul and the challenge to us is, "Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave himself up for us" (Ephesians 5:1-2 NIV).

In this new year be certain that God wants to walk with you and through you. At the beginning of scripture we find God seeking to walk with Adam and Eve in the Garden (Genesis 3:8) and at its conclusion we see the Son of God walking among the churches (Revelation 2:1). He too has been seeking to walk with you from the beginning to the end. Please consider walking with Him! Make personal connection with God a priority. Take advantage of opportunities to join Bible studies, service teams, praise teams, and prayer ministries. Contact Campus Ministries (cm@andrews.edu) or Pioneer Memorial Church GROW Groups (growgroups@pmchurch.org) to learn more about how you can be involved.

We would like to encourage you on your faith walk and invite you to join us today at the new student picnic on the lawn after second service. ■

*June Price is the Lead Chaplain
for Andrews University.*

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WE WORSHIP

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Opening Voluntary

Christ Is Alive! His Love Adored • Kenneth Logan

Introit

We Would See Jesus • Anna Warner

Call to Worship

Rodlie Ortiz

Arise, shine, for your light has come;

And the glory of the Lord has risen upon us.

I am the root and the offspring of David, the bright morning star.

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

Let us praise the name of the Lord.

Doxology

Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow • 2

Invocation

Dwight K. Nelson

Hymn of Praise

To God Be the Glory • 341

Congregational Prayer

Rodlie Ortiz
Lord, Speak to Me • st. 1 of 541

Worship in Music

"Blessed Assurance" • Duane Funderburk

Tithes & Offerings

PMC Operating Expense
Kum Ba Yah (Come By Here) • Philip Jones

Children's Story

Scripture

Romans 10:9-13 NIV • Christiane and Dorothea Gallos

If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved.

As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame."

For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Hymn of Preparation

My Song Shall Be of Jesus • 244

Sermon

"Ground Zero: I've Just Seen Jesus" • Dwight K. Nelson

Connect Card

Song of Appeal

I've Just Seen Jesus • D. Daniels / W. Gaither

Benediction

Closing Voluntary

Alleluia • Théodore Dubois

PRESIDING PASTOR: Rodlie Ortiz; ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Carlos Lozano, violin; Analiz Lozano, piano
SONG OF APPEAL: Charles and Julie Reid, vocals; Joshua Goines, piano

MUSIC ALIVE

RESURRECTION AND ADORATION

Today's organ worship music starts and ends with references to Jesus' resurrection. Opening is organ music, often played here, based on elements of hymn no. 182, which starts, "Christ Is Alive." The use of "His love adored" comes from the middle of stanza four, applied to "the end." However, for today's worship services it is applied differently, to refer to the adoration of Christ by Mary Magdalene as He

appeared to her after His resurrection. "Adored," a complex word, seems here to agree with the concept of "deeply cherished." Closing music uses a word traditionally associated with Christ's resurrection, "alleluia," and an associated hymn melody. Words associated with this melody begin, "O sons and daughters, let us sing! The King of heaven, the glorious King, o'er death and hell rose triumphing." ■

WE STUDY

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Song Service	Jimmer Mun
Opening Hymn	<i>Hark! The Voice of Jesus Calling</i> • 359
Welcome	Mordekai Ongo
Scripture	Psalms 96 (selected verses) • Danny Joy and Sheela Joy
Prayer	Danielle Atangana
Special Feature	Mission USA: Story of Restoration
Call for Offering	Opeyemi Ayodeji
Offertory	<i>Deep River</i> • arr. Mark Hayes
Bible Study	"Paul's Pastoral Appeal" • 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	Jimmer Mun
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ORGANIST: Kenneth Logan
OFFERTORY: David Ortiz, tenor; Joshua Goines, piano

WE WORSHIP 2

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As We Begin

Christ Is Alive! His Love Adored • Kenneth Logan

Praise

*To God Be the Glory • He Lives • Lord I Need You
Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus*

Prayer

Rodlie Ortiz

Tithes & Offerings

Kum Ba Yah (Come By Here) • Philip Jones

Children's Story

Worship in Music

Blessed Assurance • Duane Funderburk

Sermon

"Ground Zero: I've Just Seen Jesus" • Dwight K. Nelson

Connect Card

Song of Appeal

I've Just Seen Jesus • D. Daniels / W. Gaither

As We Depart

Alleluia • Théodore Dubois

WORSHIP COORDINATOR: José Bourget; ORGAN: Kenneth Logan
GUITAR: Michael Gibson; BASS: Ryan Jarvis; CAJON: Smerdis Fuentes;
PIANO: Joshua Goines; VIOLIN: Danya Wilson
VOCALS: David Ortiz, Melissa Gibson, Sinegugu Katenga, Vivian Raimundo
WORSHIP IN MUSIC: Carlos Lozano, violin; Analiz Lozano, piano
SONG OF APPEAL: Charles and Julie Reid, vocals; Joshua Goines, piano

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SUNSET NEXT FRIDAY • 8:20

PIONEER PULPIT

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DWIGHT K. NELSON

"Ground Zero and the New Reformation:
How to Be Baptized with the Holy Spirit"—1

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DWIGHT K. NELSON

"Ground Zero and the New Reformation:
How to Be Baptized with the Holy Spirit"—2

FINANCIAL FEATURE

PMC OPERATING EXPENSE

You may notice that as school begins (Ruth Murdoch, Andrews Academy and Andrews University) that we now have more children attending Sabbath School classes. If you want to see a bee-hive of activity just walk the hallways in the basement or the "wings" of the church around 10:30 AM each Sabbath. Your support of PMC operating expense provides resources to these Sabbath School classes, ensuring that each child will feel like they are a valuable member of our church and, more importantly, that they are valuable to Jesus.

New Student Picnic

TODAY • AFTER 2ND SERVICE
BETWEEN PMC AND THE SEMINARY

Help us welcome our new students with a picnic on the lawn immediately following second service.

Family Vespers

TODAY • 8:00 PM
YOUTH CHAPEL

Join us for Scott Ritsema's "Schooled: Part 2", to uncover the intentions and design of American public schooling.

Adventist Forum Meeting

TODAY • 3:30-5 PM

Dr. Herold Weiss, Professor Emeritus, Religious Studies, St. Mary's College, will present "What is to Be Done with Difficult Texts of Scripture" in the Biology Amphitheater today at 3:30-5:00.

House of Prayer

AUGUST 30 • 7AM AND 7PM

On Wednesday, August 30, at 7AM (youth chapel) and again at 7PM (sanctuary) House of Prayer moves into a new season focusing on how to be baptized by the Holy Spirit. Join others in this intercessory prayer experience at the time that fits your week. We will share Helmut Haubeil's powerful appeal (English translation), Steps to Revival: Being Filled with the Holy Spirit. Acts 4:31.

We Morn

It is with sadness that we inform you of the death of Dr. W. Richard Leshner who served as AU president from 1984-1994. A memorial service will be held in Loma Linda, California; Berrien Springs services are pending at this time. With Veda, Eileen, Martha and families we pray, "Come Soon, Lord Jesus."

Memorial Service

SEPT 2 • 4 PM • FIRST SDA CHURCH

A memorial service for Virginia Taber, who passed away on August 9, will be held at the First S.D.A. Church in Flint, MI.

Family Prayer Needs

If you have a prayer request or change to the Family Prayer Needs list, please contact the church clerk, Janna Quetz: clerk@pmchurch.org, or call 471.3133.

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 margueritesamuel@gmail.com or www.facebook.com/margueritesamuel.

Grief Share Support Group

SEPTEMBER 10 • 4:00 TO 6:00 PM
VILLAGE SDA CHURCH

A support group for those mourning the loss of a spouse, family member, or friend is available at the Village SDA Church, Fireside Room. If you have questions, call Shirley Gammon 989.427.5669 or Linda Pellandini 517.243.2767.

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.

Forever Friends Adventurer Club

AUG 27 10-12 PM • PMC BASEMENT
WELCOME LOBBY

The Forever Friends Adventurer Club will be having registration for 2017–2018 tomorrow, Sunday, August 27 from 10:00-12:00 PM in the PMC welcome lobby in the basement. Returning and new members, we are looking forward to seeing you there!

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.

SciFest & ArtFest 2017

SEPTEMBER 21-23 • AU

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

More Announcements

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

PMC Prayer Teams

The PMC Prayer Teams need your participation during 1st or 2nd service. We gather each Sabbath in the Prayer Room (located behind the big glass window on the piano side of the sanctuary) to pray for the indwelling and blessings of the Holy Spirit on each aspect of the church service. We see and hear the whole service and are blessed along with the congregation. If the Holy Spirit impresses you to join us, or you want additional information, please call Katherine Smith at 269.471.1502 (1st service) or call/text Andrea Gibbs at 209.663.9891 (2nd service).

Pathfinder Registration

If you are interested in joining the PMC Evergreen Pathfinder club please come to our second registration night on Wednesday August 30 at the Pathfinder building from 6:30-8 PM. If you can't make it email us at evergreen.pathfinders@gmail.com for further information. We will finalize things at our first meeting on September 6 at 6:30 PM at the Pathfinder Building. We look forward to having another great year!

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