

## Seventh-day Adventists believe...

- In A personal God. Hebrews 1:1-3
- In Jesus Christ, as the Divine Son of God and our Savior – John 1:1-3, 14; Hebrews 7:25.
- In the Holy Spirit, the divine Comforter, John 15:26
- In regeneration and the new birth, through the acceptance of the gospel, John 3:1-7; 2 Corinthians 5:17.
- That the Bible is the inspired Word of God. – 2 Timothy 3:16-17.
- That the second coming of Christ is very near. That it will be literal, personal, and visible to all. John 14:1-3; Acts 1:11; Matthew 24:30.
- That man by nature is mortal. – Job 4:1-7; 1 Timothy 6:15,16
- That immortality and eternal life are the gifts of God and are received only through Christ. – Romans 6:23
- That the dead are in an unconscious state. – Ecclesiastes 9:5; John 11:11-14
- That there will be a resurrection of the dead – 1 Thessalonians 4:16,17
- That the wicked will not urn eternally, but will be burned up. – Malachi 4:1-3
- That righteousness comes by faith, not by works. – Romans 4:3-5; Ephesians 2:8,9
- That salvation comes as a gift of God and is not received through any merit of the sinner's. – Ephesians 2:8.
- That the law of the Ten Commandments is the standard of righteousness by which all will be judged and which all Christians are commanded to obey. – James 2:10-12, Exodus 20:3-17
- That the original seventh-day Sabbath has never been changed by Divine authority and therefore all Christians are under obligation to keep it holy.- Genesis 2:2,3; Luke 23:54-56.
- In support of the gospel through tithes and offerings.- Leviticus 27:30,32; Malachi 3:8-11; Matthews 23:23
- In baptism by immersion.- Mark 1:9,10; Romans 6:3-5
- In the ordinances of humility and the Lord's Supper – John 13:4-17; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26
- In the gifts of the Spirit, including the Spirit of prophecy.- Ephesians 4:8, 11; Revelation 12:17; Revelation 19:10;
- In discarding unhealthful practices, such as the use of intoxicants, tobacco, unclean meats, etc.- Proverbs 23:29-32; 1 Corinthians 3:16,17; Deuteronomy 14:3-20; Isaiah 66:15-17
- That the followers of Jesus should manifest true Christian modesty in dress and deportment, and should shun all questionable worldly amusements. 1 Timothy 2:9, 10; bac Matthew 24:37-32; 1 Corinthians 3:16,17; Deuteronomy 14:3-20; Isaiah 66:15-17.
- That the foregoing principles are practiced, not from a sense of obligation or to enable the individual to "earn" a place in heaven, but rather come as the result of an experience in which there is a close walk with Christ and are a natural consequence of accepting Him as personal Savior. 1 Timothy 2:9,10; Matthew 24: 37-44; James 1:27

# Seventh-day Adventist Church

## Philadelphia



Pastor- **Glendon G. Cross**  First Elder- **Gordon Williams**

### INFORMATION FOR THE PASTOR AND CHURCH OFFICERS

***The person whose name appears below- Wishes...***

- Is ill at Home     Has a New Address     Have Bible Studies  
 Is ill in the Hospital     Desires a Pastoral Visit     Be Baptized  
 Is a Visitor     Transfer Membership to this Church

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## Divine Worship

Sabbath, January 21, 2017  
11:00 a.m. - Order of Service

### WE ENTER INTO WORSHIP

Introit-----Deacons and Platform Personnel  
Call to Worship----- Deacon Roy Lewis  
Doxology-----“Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow”----- Congregation  
Affirmation of Faith -----Deacon Trevis Baker

3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath – Revelation 14: 6:12

**Song:** #214 – We Have This Hope

Recognition of the Divine Presence ----- Sister Ethel Nicholas

### WE WORSHIP GOD IN MINISTRY & FELLOWSHIP

Welcome ----- Sister Coralie Henry  
Launching Ingathering Campaign ----- Personal Ministry Team  
Praise and Worship ----- Praise Team  
Hymn of Praise----- Deacon Trevis Baker  
#375 – Work, for the Night is coming

Intercessory Prayer ----- Elder Gordon Williams

### WE WORSHIP IN PRAISE AND GIVING

Offertory ----- Deacon Glenn Dickerson  
Offertory Praise & Prayer -----Deaconess Loretta James  
#670 “We Give Thee But Thine Own”

### WE LISTEN AND RESPOND AS GOD SPEAKS

Scripture Reading ----- Nehemiah 1:11, 2:8 ----- Deacon Trevis Baker  
Children's Story ----- #190 – Jesus Loves Me ----- Deacon Michael Francis  
Special Music ----- Deacon Michael Francis  
The Word ----- Sister Ethel Nicholas

**“Let’s Share God’s Blessings”**

### WE DEPART TO SERVE

Hymn of Commitment ----- Deacon Anthony Jolly  
#572 – Give of Your Best to the Master  
Benediction ----- Deacon Anthony Jolly

### *From the Pastor’s Desk:*

With spiritual reinvigorated hearts we welcome you to this time of worship and fellowship. In numerous ways our awesome Father in heaven has been pouring out abundant blessings on us in this congregation. In both the Holy Spirit Emphasis Week and the 10-days of Prayer, God has been bountifully blessings us. We welcome you to the overflowing blessings which He has prepared for us to receive today. As the Health Ministry team leads us in the worship experience we pray that God through them will impart to us that which will enhance your health and better fit you to give Him praise and live lives that will bring Him glory and honor.

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#### **Prayer Requests:**

1. Thanks to God for having granted safe travel to those who traveled during the holidays.
2. Those of our brethren who are hospitalized, locally and overseas, as well as those who are home bound due to chronic illness or advanced age.
3. Those of our brethren who have recently lost loved ones to death.
4. For the continued growth and development of our brethren who are relatively new to the Adventist family.
5. That this wonderful time of spiritual renewal we have been enjoying thus far this New Year will produce in us God’s intended revival and reformation.

## Upcoming Events

**A Leadership Workshop** continues...

- Sabbath, January 21: 4:00 - 6:00 p.m.
- Sunday, January 22: 09:30 - 11:55 a.m.

### Health Ministry

All are invited to our 1<sup>st</sup> Health Seminar of 2017! Our emphasis will be on the book "Ministry of Healing".

Date: February 5, 2017.

Place: Philadelphia Seventh-day Adventist Church Fellowship Hall

Presentations based on the Ministry of Healing.

More details to follow! Sign up now with any member of the Health Ministry Team.

## Education Department

**The North Caribbean Conference**  
**Education Department**

Invites YOU to its

**Junior Chef Expo**

**When:** Monday 23 January, 2017  
**Where:** St Thomas/St John SDA School




**Participating Schools:**  
BVI SDA, St Croix SDA & St Thomas/St John SDA Schools

Come witness and savor our students' **Creative Cooking** as they display their culinary skills.

**Closing Ceremony will be at 1 PM**

Exhibits will be available for viewing & tasting from 2:30-3:30 PM

Come and be a part of this exciting Educational Event!!!



## Public Affairs & Religious Liberty Department

Liberty **vs** Liability

When the quest for  
Religious Freedom  
goes too far.

January 28th, 2017

Philadelphia  
Seventh-day Adventist Church

4:30 p.m. sharp!

## **Announcements**

### **Women's Ministry**

**1.** Visitors, new converts, and persons who live alone are invited to a fellowship lunch downstairs today.

**2.** Women's Ministries consecration/commitment service and launch of Big -Sister/Little -Sister Mentorship program will be held on Sunday evening January 22nd. The entire church is invited to join the ladies at 6:30 p.m. sharp

**3.** Women are reminded of the monthly dues of \$5.00 or \$60.00 per year. This can be submitted to the treasury in your tithe envelopes.

### **Healthy Lifestyle Support Group**

The Healthy Lifestyle Support Group will meet on Sunday, January 29 at 10:00 am downstairs. You are invited to attend and be encouraged as you embark on a healthier lifestyle.

### **Pathfinders**

**1.** There will be Pathfinders today and Ingathering right afterwards. Please come in full uniform. Pick-up is at 9:30pm.

**2.** There will be a meeting right after club next Sabbath, January 28<sup>th</sup> in the Fellowship Hall for those attending Camporee.

### **Eager Beavers**

There will be no Eager Beavers club this Sabbath due to the Leadership training this weekend.

### **Sunday Morning Early Prayer Meeting**

The attendance and everything about last Sunday's session was phenomenal. Tomorrow morning, at 5:30 a.m. we convene another power session. Come experience the power of God in answer to prayers.

### **St. Thomas -St. John SDA School (Read-A-Book Month)**

You are invited to relax and read a book during the month of January when our school's library celebrates Read-A-Book Month.

## **Announcements**

### **Music Ministry**

The Music Ministry department of Philadelphia is inviting all young people between the ages 13 – 35 and all young adults ages 36 and up, who are interested in uplifting the music of the church to meet this evening after AY at 6:45p.m. We will discuss your involvement in a choir of your choice, *Altor Choir* or *Sanctuary Choir*. Lend your voice, musical talents and abilities to the upliftment of glorified music in Philadelphia. Without your participation we cannot achieve this. We look forward to seeing you there.

### **Personal Ministry**

**1.** Continued prayer for the Ingathering and soul winning Campaigning.

**2.** Thanks to the Evangelism Action Committee members for their presence at Sunday's meeting.

**3.** Training and study continues on Tuesdays.  
Study topics

- The Visions of the Spirit of Prophecy.
- Spirit Prophecy to the End Time church.
- Who is the 144, 000?
- The border of Red, the discolored garments, why a silver trumpet?

### **SDA School HASA**

A Meeting of the Chefs/Cooks fundraising activity will be held on

Sunday, January 22, 2017, from 12:00 Noon to 2:00 pm at the Fort Christian Parking Lot. Come out to experience culinary expertise from various top chefs/cooks from all the Seventh-day Adventist churches on St. Thomas. It promises to be a food sale in a class above all others.

Tickets can be purchased from the following: Parents of Students from the SDA School, 12th Grade Students and the Seventh-day Adventist School. Ticket: \$12. You don't want to miss this extraordinary event. Pastries and local drinks will also be on sale.