



FLETCHER

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Newsletter

July 18, 2024

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO JOSEPH - Our current sermon series follows the life of Joseph in Genesis 37-50. The message this week is "Power and Temptation" and is based on Genesis 39:6-20. For a schedule of upcoming sermons please visit fletchersda.org/pastor

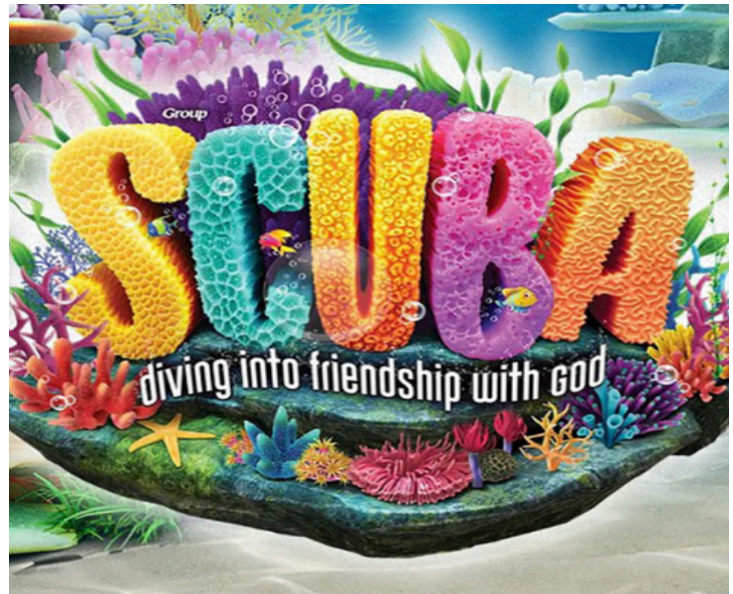


DEACONS' MEETING - July 27 at 1:30pm (after potluck) in the Pathfinder Room (#105). All current deacons are invited to this organizational meeting.

MEMORIAL SERVICE - Barbara Thurlow will be honored on Sabbath, **July 20**, at 3:00pm, at the Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church. She was born on June 10, 1934 in Stoneham, MA, and passed away on March 17, 2024, in Hendersonville, NC. Barbara's nephew is Don Wetmore.

CHURCH AT THE LAKE- **August 3**, 10:30am at Lake James State Park. Come and enjoy a relaxed worship service, potluck lunch, and outdoor activities geared for children and youth in the afternoon. Regular Sabbath services will still take place at the Fletcher Church on August 3.

PEW SHEPHERDS - Beginning Sabbath, **July 20**, our church elders will be serving as pew shepherds, each one responsible for getting to know people and assisting with needs in a particular section of the church. If you would like prayer before or after the service, an elder will be available to pray with you right where you are sitting.



Vacation Bible School - Parents, are you looking for a fun and faith-filled summer activity for your children? Look no further than our Vacation Bible School! This year's theme is "SCUBA," where kids ages 5-12 yrs. will embark on countless undersea adventures. Dates: **July 29 — August 2** 5:30 - 7:30pm. To register go to: https://vbspro.events/p_early/bc4ad6



PLEASE TURN OFF THE LIGHTS - If you use the church for an event, Bible study meeting, etc. please remember to turn off the lights when you are finished, not just in the room you were using, but in hallways and stairwells. Thank you!

WATERFALLS WEEKEND

Sponsored by: SDA Community Singles in the Park

Sabbath, August 3

Potluck at 12:30 pm

Fletcher SDA Church
1141 Howard Gap Rd.
Hendersonville, NC 28792

Following Potluck

Hike in DuPont State Forest*

Singles, mostly ages 18 to 50, from other parts of our state and South Carolina will be attending.

If you live locally and could provide lodging for one or more, please let Kathy know ASAP. Some would need to stay both Friday & Saturday nights.

We certainly look forward to this exciting weekend and seeing all our friends again.

For questions or more information please reach out to Kathy Lynch at singles@fletchersda.org or 828.693.9936

**In case of inclement weather, we will continue to enjoy fellowship at the Fletcher SDA Church*

WFHC RADIO STATION - Best volunteer opportunity ever! WFHC Radio Station needs volunteers to chaperone student workers three hour shifts once a week. You can bring a book or hobby - all you need to do is show up and stay for the student's shift. You would be helping WHFC, Fletcher Academy and the student! Please contact Becky Witt (828)779-3992 or beckywitt15@gmail.com

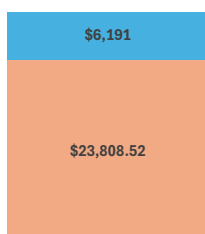
INTERESTED IN SINGING? - The Church Choir, directed by Tim Browning, is looking for all voice parts. Email: music@fletchersda.org with questions.

PLAYGROUND UPDATES - Thank you for continuing to give to the playground fund. The master plan for the use of the land behind the church is being developed in partnership with Fletcher Academy. The Leilia Patterson Center will be expanding with outdoor pickleball courts. We are also prayerfully considering whether it is feasible to relocate our church thrift store to a new building next to the church which would allow us to expand it into a community service center. In order to accommodate this kind of building and growth, a sewer line needs to be moved and adjustments may need to be made to the playground site plan. Stay tuned for more details to come. Please keep all of these projects in prayer.



Pathfinder Camporee
Fundraising Goal

Received: Still Needed:



FLETCHER FALCONS - are headed to the International Pathfinder Camporee! This August, the Fletcher Falcons are thrilled to join Pathfinders from around the globe at the International Pathfinder Camporee in Gillette, Wyoming. Thank you to all those who have donated. If you would still like to contribute, donations can be made through a tithe envelope or [online](#). Our goal is to raise \$30,000 which will cover travel, accommodations, and other expenses, ensuring every Falcon has the chance to soar at this global event. Your support can make a world of difference. Thank you for considering a donation to help our Pathfinders shine on the international stage!





Stop by Fletcher Academy Farm to find your fresh, organically grown produce and eggs. Monday-Friday 8am-3pm this summer.

**15 Academy Farm Trail
Fletcher, NC 28732**

**Call for current availability/more information....(828)
209-6747**

SUMMER 2024 YOUTH EVENTS - There are youth events this summer. These events are happening weekly throughout the summer. To get a schedule of events or if you have any questions, please reach out to [Pastor James](#).

TUITION ASSISTANCE FOR CAPTAIN GILMER CHRISTIAN SCHOOL - Members of the Fletcher Church are eligible to apply to the church for tuition assistance for their children to attend Captain Gilmer Christian School. Families applying for financial aid will need to complete an application and submit the necessary supporting documentation to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment online. There will be a \$45 application fee. The portal for applications for the 2024-2025 school year is open now - <https://online.factsmgt.com/signin/4PV76>

CHURCH DIRECTORY - An online and secure church directory which provides contact information for the church family is available to all church members. If you would like to be included in the directory and/or have access to it, please contact the church office.

GOD'S PERFECT TIMING - A note from Larissa Moon, Leader of our military and First Responder Ministry. This year, some from the Card Making Group, made cards for the Military Ministry to hand out to men and women in uniform. I wrote a short note in a card reading "the Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church is praying for you and your families". I took that and a nice fireman statue to the Fletcher Fire dept in celebration of the 4th of July. Life prevented me from going on the 4th, but I went soon after. I rang the doorbell three times, but no one answered. I called a number I found on Google. A man answered. I told him who I was, who I was representing, and what I was leaving at the front door. He thanked us, and said he and his men had just returned from a terrible call. He mentioned when his men got collected and headed back to the firehouse he would have them look for it. I can't help but think God sent me to them at the exact moment He knew they would need our encouragement and love.

A SAFE PLACE FOR CHILDREN - Parents, please help us keep your children safe. Children should not be allowed to play in the elevator. During potluck and at other times when supervision is not provided for children, please do not let your children roam through the upper floors of the church without you. As much as we want to trust that nothing dangerous or inappropriate would happen, we all have a duty to prevent harm to children. All of our volunteers who work with children must complete training in child safety and pass a background check.

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to be added to our prayer list, please speak with one of the pastors or contact the church office during office hours.

You are welcome to join us in praying for the following people:

- Individuals with private needs.
- AdventHealth
- Captain Gilmer Christian School
- Fletcher Academy Ministries Inc.
- Also:
 - Annette Heller, friend of Greg & Connie Peters, cancer diagnosis;
 - Bob & Joyce Osborne
 - Brad Hansen
 - Brexton Fleming, developmental challenges
 - Brittany (Weis) Kinney
 - Charlene Jenks Russ, cancer & chemotherapy
 - Cheri Matthews recovery from surgery, her step-father (cancer) & mother
 - Clifton Redden
 - Colton Summey
 - Darlene Nash
 - Dave Pendleton's friends
 - Debbie Shaw's friend
 - Dolly Sills, pancreatic cancer, (sister of Don Wetmore)
 - Elaine Myers
 - Elizabeth Culver
 - Ellen Herman, Maria Nudd's mother
 - Esther Novak
 - Gene Wilkie
 - Gene and Anne Krishingner
 - Hayden Brown
 - Janis Moore's cousin Debi, brain tumor
 - Jack McWhirter, friend of Michael Hill (broken back, 3 fractured vertebrae, and some broken ribs after a fall)
 - Jamie Schneider
 - Jim Archer
 - John Campbell
 - Julie C. with kidney failure, and her family for strength & comfort
 - Kathy Sterner's sister-in-law, heart
 - Leroy Brown
 - Lorraine Gang, Cancer Treatment
 - Marilyn (cancer) & Tommy Lee
 - Mike Summey
 - Nancy Merz
 - Noreen Harrison (in hospice care) and her children, Lori & Michael
 - Opie Winston
 - Our home-bound members
 - Paula Saunders
 - Radio Station WFHC
 - Robin Fosler, cancer (sister of Tim Browning)
 - Rodney Johnson, (brother of Sarah Huston)
 - Rolene Hanson
 - Shirley Polivka's friends Christine & Jad Davis
 - Shari & Kyrie Ruiz
 - Sharon Brinson
 - Steven Jones, military service
 - Tara Rains and daughter Emilee, family of Kathy Lynch*
 - Tim Browning
 - Velda Capps

*New

OTHER NEWS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

DINNER AND A MESSAGE WITH LAS VEGAS CHEF MARK ANTHONY - On **August 4th** at 3:00pm at the Arden Seventh-day Adventist Church, Mark Anthony will have a fun cooking session while sharing important topics like weight loss, increase energy, reduce stress, prevent diseases among others. Chef Mark Anthony has already lost 75 pounds. He has been on ABC, NBC, and 3ABN. He also has a program called 'The Whole Message' that airs on LLBN and SmartLifestyle Worldwide Television. He has done these events in every single state in the country. Come discover his secrets to Amazing Health.

TRIAD MEGA HEALTH CLINIC - Volunteers needed **October 25-28, 2024** in the Greensboro Coliseum. Local Seventh-day Adventist Churches in the Triad area are partnering with AMEN ministries and Pathways to Health to bring dental, eye and medical services to the community for FREE. Primary need is for medical and dental providers. Physicians, NPs, PAs, Nurses, EMTs, Dentists, Dental Hygienists, Optometrists, Ophthalmologists, Social Workers, Mental Health Counselors, Speech therapists, Physical therapists. Also needed: Translators, Greeters, Registration, Barbers/Hairstylists, Massage Therapists, Food Coordinators, Pastors/Chaplains, Child Care, Musicians, Data Entry, Security, Audio/Visual. More info available: amenfreeclinic.org, 336-394-3132.

Carolina Conference of Seventh-day Adventists

MEN'S MINISTRY RETREAT

CH. Jorge Torres LTC
English

Pr. Paulino Domingo
Spanish



September 27-29, 2024
Nosoca Pines Ranch

CAROLINA MEN'S RETREAT
2024

Women's Retreat 2024

Nosoca Pines Ranch • Liberty Hill, SC

October 4-6

Unfolding

Unexpected blessings on the horizon...

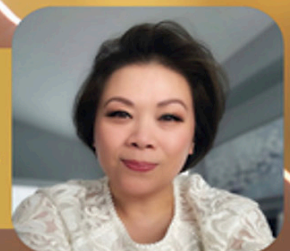
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Featured Speaker

Lizbeth Pule

Associate Pastor at College Heights
Seventh-day Adventist Church.



Please leave items for Interfaith in the box in the coat closet near the narthex.

FOOD ITEMS

- Fresh Produce
- 1 lb. bags of rice
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Fruit
- Canned Tuna and Chicken
- Canned Corn
- Canned Mixed Vegetables
- Canned Beans
- Canned Soup
- Canned Diced Tomatoes
- Dry Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Low-Sugar Cereal
- Oatmeal
- Applesauce
- Mashed Potatoes
- Crackers, Nuts, Raisins

PERSONAL CARE ITEMS

- Diapers - Sizes 4,5,6 (no pull-ups)
 - Stick Deodorant
 - Shampoo
 - Toothbrushes
 - Razors
 - Baby wipes
- Laundry Detergent

CLOTHING ITEMS

- Towels
- Men's Sneakers and Shoes
- Boys and Girls Bottoms: Size 4-14
- New Underwear sizes 4-14
- New Children's Socks
- Queen and King Blankets
- Boys and Girls Tops: Sizes 4 -14
- Children's Sneakers: Sizes 10-13.5, 1-5, Adults 6-8

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - The need for crisis assistance in Henderson County is greater than ever - and IAM is in critical need of volunteers to help us meet that need. Volunteers are a critical part of IAM's operations. We have several departments and several positions within each department. We also have volunteer opportunities with our IAM Thrift Store. Our volunteers can choose one or more roles within one or more departments.

- Food Assistance Worker: Receive and stock food donations. Assist neighbors shopping in the pantry
- Clothing Assistant Worker: Sort incoming clothing donations. Fill clothing orders for neighbors in need.
- File Manager: Provides files support services to intake interviewers.
- Intake Interviewer: Interview clients to determine their needs and eligibility for assistance. Computer skills required.
- Intake Facilitator: Assist Intake Manager, Intake Interviewers and Client Receptionist.
- Thrift Store Volunteer: Sort donations, price items for sale, serve as store cashier, stock and maintain store shelves/racks.

Most volunteer shifts are four hours in either the morning or afternoon, once a week. But we are flexible and are happy to talk. Tour the IAM Facility to see what we do. For more information or to make an appointment with the Volunteer Manager call 828-697-7029 ext. 224 or email marcia@iam-hc.org

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, July 19	7:30 am 8:42 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, July 20	9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 3:00 pm 8:42 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Potluck, Fellowship Hall Memorial Service for Barbara Thurlow, Sanctuary Sunset
Sunday, July 21	7:00 pm 7:30 pm	AA Meeting, Room #118, Kris Wetmore Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332#
Monday, July 22	7:00 pm	Bible Study, A Journey Through the Book of James, Conference Room, Mary Alice White
Tuesday, July 23	9:00am-1:00 pm	Thrift Store, Doelger Drive, Gerald Moretz
Wednesday, July 24	11:00 am 6:00 pm 6:30 pm After Prayer Service	Faithlift Women's Bible Study, Matthew's Take on Jesus, Room #311, Elvera Blake Youth Night - Contact Pastor James for location information Mid-week Prayer Service, Sanctuary, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Bible Study, Room #212, Mitchell Nicholaides
Thursday, July 25	6:45 am 7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study, Conference Room, Pastor Ivan Blake Women's Bible Study, Room 212, Jessica Stout
Friday, July 26	7:30 am 8:42 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, July 27	9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 1:30 pm 2:15 pm 8:42 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Darryl Bentley Potluck, Fellowship Hall Deacon's Meeting, Pathfinder Room Hiking Club Sunset

CHURCH BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR

JULY 2023 - JUNE 2024

Needed: 402,214.00

Received: 387,992.78

CHURCH BUDGET JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025

July:

Needed: 34,573.00

Received: 9,419.63

You can make contributions online by going to fletchersda.org/give or you can mail your tithe and offering for Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church: 1141 Howard Gap Road, Hendersonville, NC 28792



Note: All appeals for funds are to be approved by the Finance Committee.

Send tax deductible donations for WFHC Radio to: PO Box 153, Naples, NC 28760

A copy of the Church Budget is available at the desk in the narthex.