



FLETCHER

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Newsletter

September 26, 2024

POTLUCK - There will be a potluck after the worship service this Sabbath, **September 28**. Please bring food to share. We regularly have potlucks after the worship service on the third and last Sabbaths of the month. In October those potlucks will be on the 19th and the 26th.

SDA COMMUNITY SINGLES IN THE PARK - will be having a potluck on Sabbath **October 5** at 12:30 pm in the Fletcher Church Fellowship Hall. Singles please bring a friend and food to share. For more information please call or text Kathy 828-693-9936, singles@fletchersda.org

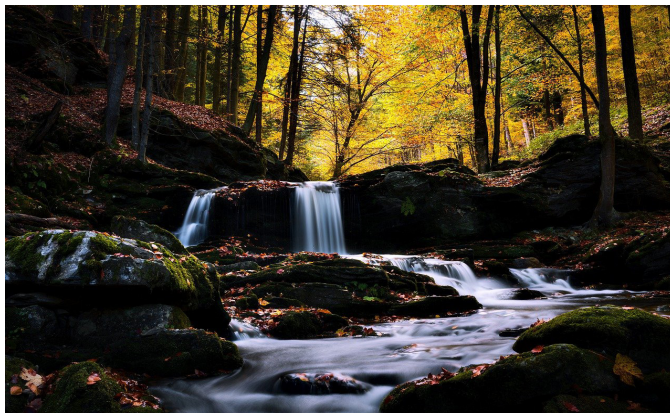
LIVE STREAM - The platform that we have been using for our live stream is no longer available for our use. Because of this update, we will now be streaming our services at: fletchersda.org/livestream



We will continue to stream on [Facebook](#) as usual.

THE HIKE CLUB/GROUP - will meet on the 4th Sabbath, **September 28**, afternoon at 2:15 pm in church parking lot to organize a car pool and plan to walk in DuPont Forest to Bridal Vail Falls or Grassy Creek Falls.

THE TWELVE STEPS FOR CHRISTIANS - Healing is possible. There is new life in Christ. This Twelve Step group is designed for adults raised in addictive or dysfunctional families and meets in the Pathfinder Room of the church on Tuesdays at 6:30 PM. Come check it out!



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

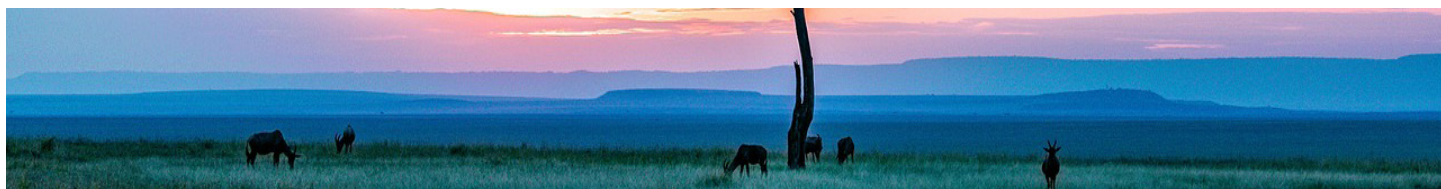
FLETCHER CHURCH SINGLES MINISTRY - are going on a pontoon boat ride. Any single that would like to join us on Wednesday, **October 16** at 11:00 am please RSVP. Kathy 828-693-9936 singles@fletchersda.org

PODCAST - Have you missed a sermon or want to revisit a powerful message from our church? Now you can! Our podcast features recordings of past sermons, allowing you to listen and reflect on inspiring messages from our dedicated pastors anytime, anywhere. Listen on [Spotify](#)!



COMMUNION - We will celebrate the Lord's Supper during the worship service on Sabbath, **October 5**. All who accept the saving work of Christ on their behalf are invited to participate.

FORMS ON THE CHURCH WEBSITE - If you would like to submit a prayer request, transfer your church membership, add an announcement to the newsletter, or request the use of one of the rooms at the church facility, you may now do so online at fletchersda.org/forms. Filling out an online form is the easiest and quickest way for your request to be processed.



2026 KENYA MISSION TRIP - The next Kenya mission trip will be **June 3-15, 2026**. We will be serving the Masai Mara community through cataract surgery, medical and dental clinics, assisting in local elementary and secondary schools, helping with a building project, and providing water filtration buckets and clean water education. Text Laura @ (704) 534-6999 or email laura.ashlock@gmail.com for more information. Start setting aside some money each month towards this incredible service opportunity.

BEWARE OF SCAMS - Scammers will impersonate pastors and other church leaders to try to obtain money. If you receive a message claiming to be from one of the pastors, please verify that it is coming from the official phone number or email address of the pastor. If the message seems suspicious please ignore it.

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.



Friday, October 4, 2024

5:30 pm Register at LPC Fitness Center
6:00 pm Reception - Light Supper and Refreshments
7:30 pm - Evening Vespers, Class of 2024

Sabbath, October 5, 2024

9:30 am - Sabbath School, Class of 1999
10:45 am - Worship Service, Class of 1974
12:30 pm - Fellowship Potluck & Class Pictures
1:30 pm - Nursing Alumni & Honor Class Reunions
3:00 pm - FA Music Concert
4:30 pm - Landmark & Campus Tours
6:30 pm - Candlelight Chapel Vespers, Class of 1984
8:00 pm - Alumni Games

Sunday, October 6, 2024

8:30 am - Breakfast & Alumni Business Meeting



The worship services for Fletcher Academy Alumni Homecoming will be held in the Lelia Patterson Center. Regular worship services will take place as usual at the Fletcher Church.

Fletcher Academy's Pioneer Pulse – Sept. 2024

Top Ten List of Things a Volunteer Should Know

- List your dreams and talents. Where do you excel? What have you always dreamed of doing? What do you really enjoy or would like to try? Is there a way to prepare, learn or try it as a volunteer?
- Pick your duration. One size doesn't fit all, just like volunteer opportunities, volunteer projects come in three sizes: on e-time, short term, and "whad'ya doing for the rest of your life?"
- Make a commitment. Sometimes a volunteer project is an acquired taste. Give yourself a chance to have good days, bad days and in-between days. If after 3 months you see no redeeming value, then at least you can feel you gave it a fair chance.
- Watch and learn. Seasoned volunteers can teach you the "ropes" so to speak. Observe them and follow their lead. Have a confidence in the knowledge that you are capable and trainable. Balance that confidence with a dose of humility, also.
- Ability, need and desire. You must have the ability to do the service, there must be a need for the service, and you must have the desire to be of service.
- Unpaid doesn't mean unprofessional. "Anything worth doing is worth doing well." All that we do, we need to do with our most sincere effort. Anything less is a disservice to those we are helping and ultimately to ourselves.
- Balance is key. Priorities add balance. Charity begins at home – keep the priorities straight. Balance out family, work and volunteering. If you become overwhelmed, stress will set in and you won't enjoy doing anything.
- Stand back and admire. Sometimes people forget to say "thank you," so you will need to reward yourself. Be proud of your accomplishments – take the time to smell the roses, hear the raindrops on the pane, feel the snow on your nose, taste the cool clear water.
- Find a home or make a change. Are you stale or still fresh? Are you learning, enthusiastic or approaching burnout? Check yourself periodically and act upon your honest answers.
- Have Fun! Life has enough drudgery; volunteering shouldn't be one of them. Giving of yourself should be uplifting and joyful. We are at our best when we learn, grow, play and serve each other with love and respect.

*Taken From the book: Chicken Soup for the Volunteer's Soul
Written by Donald Patrick Dunn*

Volunteer Hours Logged Month/Year: 2024	Hours Logged
June 2024	119.5
July 2024	158.80
August 2024	93.36



Specific Volunteers Needed Now

Fletcher Academy

Referee during Intramural Games (Evenings 6:30pm to 7:30pm Sunday – Thursday) & Tutoring Grades 9-12 Students
Supervision in Library during lunch (11:45 am to 1pm Mon – Thursday)
Help to run Live Stream, Audio/Visual during Programs

Registrar's Office – Answer phone at certain times as students go on breaks, Filing, understands computers and scanning? Getting vaccine records into scans and uploaded. Approved chaperones, drivers for community Service days.

FA Finance Office

Take payments, answer phones & answer the door for deliveries or visitors. (Willing to train) Mon-Fri 10am-2pm (lunch 12-1pm)

Boys & Girls Dorms

Evening Worship (Sun-Thurs)
Tips for Humanity Workshop (how to tie a tie, change a tire, or do laundry, etc..)

Fletcher Academy Café

Check Students in going through Dinner Serving Lines.
Help on Sabbaths 12pm to 1pm (August through May)

Plant Services

Masonry Repair / Experienced Painter /Assistant to help to Manage and keep up with Inventory

Grounds

Supervisor needed for freshman students working grounds 2:20-4:30 pm M-F
Plant & Maintain Flower Beds (all supplies provided), Maintain Wooded Trails

Fletcher Academy Farm

"Adopt-a-garden" - Songbird garden, Pollinator garden, Rain garden & Herb Border. This would involve a weekly (or as needed) visit, weeding, trimming, etc. Training provided

Fill-in "caregiver" for chickens over occasional weekends and breaks

Fletcher Park Inn

Sabbath Lunch - Help Serving & Clean up 11:30am to 3:00pm (Meal Provided)
Sabbath at our front desk/dining room area to be lunch time hostess 11:30am to 1:30pm (Meal Provided)

LPC Fitness & Aquatic Center

Childcare Assistant / Front Desk Associate Assistant. needs to be good with children and be able to handle multitasking at the front desk, Some computer skills are a plus, customer service skills a must & would be needed Mon-Fri 9am-4pm (flexible). Help to Set up & Tear down with occasional Special Events- PRN/Flexible Schedule, Disinfecting Equipment (1:00pm to 6:30pm (Mon - Thurs) - Length of time varies on efficiency of volunteer

Captain Gilmer Christian School

Tutoring K-8 Students in Math & Reading, Lunch Supervision (11:00 am to 1:00pm Monday – Friday), In Spring...Landscaping (Weed Flower beds, Watering plants, etc..), Dependable Substitute Teacher (PRN as needed), Individual to work with Agricultural Curriculum with the CGCS students, Retired Teacher to work with small groups

There are other ministries needing help on campus

Contact Rosellen, our Volunteer Coordinator, **828-209-6706**, to learn more or get information on current opportunities to Serve with Purpose!

Keep up with current volunteer needs and information [Pioneers Volunteer](http://PioneersVolunteer.org)

Website: **FAI Volunteer Opportunities: Fletcheracademy.org/serve**

Check out: FAI Employment Opportunities: Fletcheracademy.org/Career



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
 - Carolyn Albarelli
 - Charlene Jenks Russ, cancer & chemotherapy
 - Cheri Matthews recovery from surgery, her step-father (cancer) & mother
 - Claudia Fleming
 - Clifton Redden
 - Colton Summey
 - Dave Pendleton's friends
 - Debbie Shaw's friend
 - Elaine Myers
 - Elizabeth Culver
 - Ellen Herman, Maria Nudd's mother
 - Esther Novak
 - Gene Wilkie
 - Anne Krishingner
 - Hulon, Betty & Gary Wayne Sanders (family of Sharon McGraw)
 - Janis Moore's cousin Debi, brain tumor
 - John Campbell
 - Julie C. with kidney failure, and her family for strength & comfort
 - Kathy Sterner's sister-in-law, heart
 - Laurell Peterson
 - 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)
 - 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
 - The family of Bernice and Jean Mason
 - Velda Capps



Carolina Adventist
Christian Book Center

Fall 2024 Bookmobile Delivery

The ACBC will deliver prepaid orders at:

Fletcher SDA Church
Sunday, October 6
11:30 – 11:40 am

Order deadline is
Noon One Week Before
Delivery Date

To order by phone call:
1-800-366-1844 or 704-599-0699

There is a \$5.00 delivery fee for each order.

Please be on time
If you cannot be there, please arrange ahead of time
for someone to pick up your order.

*Dates, times, and locations are subject to change.
Visit our website for current information.

Food price lists and an online order form are available at:

www.CarolinaACBC.com

Click on ACBC Events/Sales

A listing of books we carry can be found at:

www.AdventistBookCenter.com



OTHER NEWS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY

Unfolding


Unexpected blessings on the horizon...

Hope

Women's Retreat 2024
Nosoca Pines Ranch • Liberty Hill, SC
October 4-6



Featured Speaker
Lizbeth Pule
Associate Pastor at College Heights
Seventh-day Adventist Church.



FULLNESS OF
Joy

Carolina Conference Presents

FAMILY to FAMILY

Be a Lighthouse in Your Neighborhood

Empowering families to transform their homes into centers of
friendship evangelism, sharing the gospel in their communities.

October 13
2:00-3:30 P.M.
Virtual Meeting



Scan to Sign Up or visit
www.carolinasda.org



Eric Bates
Director of Family Ministries

MEMORIAL SERVICE - We will be honoring the life of James Syfert on Saturday, **September 28**, at 2pm at the Upward SDA Church, located at 961 Upward Rd. Flat Rock, NC 28731. Fellowship meal for family and friends will take place before the memorial service, starting around 12:30pm after the 11:00am church service. In memory of Jim's dedication to providing for his family and caring for his community, donations can be made to the Upward Church Roof Fund instead of sending flowers.

MEMORIAL SERVICE - A Celebration of Life Service for Dr. David E. Love will be held at Arden Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sabbath, **October 12**, at 3:00 pm with Pastor Jim Hakes officiating. Visitation with Nita Love and family will begin at 2:00. Please join us to honor David's life of service and love for God. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations to Arden FLAG (Fun Learning About God) Camp at ArdenAdventist.com under the Online Giving tab.

JOB OPENING - The Carolina Conference is looking for a bright, creative, and motivated individual to fill an opening for a 1st-4th grade teacher position at Five Oaks Adventist Christian School in Durham, NC. A Bachelor's degree is required, and state or NAD Certification is preferred. The applicant must have the legal right to work and reside in the US. Please contact Rick Anderson at 704-574-5792 or randerson@carolinasda.org

FIRST RESPONDERS DAY OF THANKS

- Join the Henderson County community in thanking our First Responders on **October 2**, 2024. The event will be held at the Emergency Management Building located on Asheville Hwy. For more information and to sign up to volunteer please visit: [Volunteer Sign-Up](#)



Pentecost 2025
Pray Initiative Training

Nosoca Pines Ranch
October 25-27, 2024

Join us for a transformative prayer retreat as part of the Pentecost 2025 initiative! This is an opportunity to deepen your faith, connect with others, and prepare your heart for the global outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Experience powerful moments of worship, reflection, and spiritual renewal as we come together to seek God's presence and guidance. Don't miss this chance to be part of a global movement that's igniting hearts and changing lives. All are welcome!

Featured Speaker
Ivan & Elvera Blake

Scan here or visit www.carolinasda.org to register

PENTECOST 2025
let it rain

CANCELLED MEN'S RETREAT - The Carolina Conference Men's Retreat which was scheduled for **September 27-29** at Nosoca Pines Ranch has been cancelled because of weather conditions.

TRIAD MEGA HEALTH CLINIC - Volunteers needed **October 25-28**, 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.

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
- Dry Pasta
- Canned Beans
- Canned Soup
- Canned Diced Tomatoes
- 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



THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, September 27	7:30 am 7:17 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, September 28	9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 2:15 pm 7:17 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Potluck, Fellowship Hall, Workman/McGraw Team Hiking Club Sunset
Sunday, September 29	7:30 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332#
Monday, September 30	5:00 pm 7:00 pm	Thrift Store Appreciation Dinner, Fellowshipsn Hall Bible Study-The Power of Prayer, Conference Room, Mary Alice White
Tuesday, October 1	9:00am-1:00 pm 6:30 pm	Thrift Store, Doelger Drive, Gerald Moretz 12 Steps for Christians Bible Study, Pathfinder Room, Buskes
Wednesday, October 2	11:00 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Faithlift Women's Bible Study, Matthew's Take on Jesus, Room #311, Elvera Blake Mid-week Prayer Service, Sanctuary Bible Study, Room #212, Mitchell Nicholaides
Thursday, October 3	6:45 am 7:00 pm	Men's Bible Study, Conference Room, Pastor Ivan Blake Women's Bible Study, Room 212, Jessica Stout
Friday, October 4	7:30 am 7:07 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, October 5	8:15 am 9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 7:07 pm	Elders Meeting, Conference Room Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock SDA Community Singles Potluck Sunset

CHURCH BUDGET JULY 2024 - JUNE 2025

YTD through August:

Needed: 69,150.00

Received: 63,718.56

September:

Needed: 34,577.00

Received: 10,502.24

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

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