

ANNOUNCEMENTS & 2018 CHURCH CALENDAR

Dec 16	Finance and Admin Board Mtgs. 9 AM and 10 AM
Dec 16	Business Meeting 11:30 AM
Dec 22	Christmas Program
Dec 29	COMMUNION
Dec 31	New Year's Service

AYS TODAY 4:00 PM

MORNING WATCH TEXTS FOR DEC 22, 2018

Dec 16	Exodus 15:2	Dec 17	Exodus 16:29, 30
Dec 18	Exodus 17:5	Dec 19	Exodus 18:9
Dec 20	Exodus 19: 5-6a	Dec 21	Exodus 20:2-17
Dec 22	Exodus 21:1		



PATHFINDER CAMPOREE 2019 "CHOSEN"

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Ask our Pathfinder leaders how you can be part of one of the most exciting youth events around the world! VOLUNTEER, DONATE and PRAY! The 2019

"Chosen" International Pathfinder Camporee will be held in Oshkosh, WI, August 12-17, 2019.

SABBATH SCHOOL CORNER

December is a power packed month for SS. Don't miss a Sabbath. We have exciting programs planned and will end the month with a 13th Sabbath program and a report on "The State of the SS." Don't miss out!!

ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL: "Learn From the King in 2018"

Sabbath School: 9:30 AM Lesson Study: 9:50 AM

Fourth Quarter 2018: ONENESS IN CHRIST

This Week's Lesson: "Unity in Worship"

Superintendent: Marva Griffin
Secretary: Cynthia O. White
Pianist: Heston Charles



ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

EPHESUS JUNIOR ACADEMY SPOTLIGHT

Words to Ponder: Is there really any greater joy than knowing that Jesus loves you so much? Jesus came so that you might have hope and joy. He's coming again soon. Keep this joy in your heart and remember, you are His precious child and He loves you with a special love.

EJA is thankful for the opportunity to present "Joy to the World!" during the Worship service today. May your hearts be filled with the love and joy of Jesus. We hope that you will share the good news of "Joy to the World, the Lord has come" with all those that you come in contact with. Love and joy, Renee Humphreys, Principal

ATTENTION ALL EPHESUS MEMBERS! CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING is tomorrow, December 16th at 11:30 AM in the Sanctuary.

ALL EPHESUS MEMBERS 65 and Older, also Widows and Widowers! Please pick up your Holiday Gift, from the church, immediately after Sabbath School or after 11:00 service in the Conference Room.

ANGEL TREE 2018 – It's all about bringing families together for the holidays! Through Angel Tree, you can connect a child with their parent behind bars and offer joy and hope to a prisoner's family. WE HAVE ALREADY RECEIVED 25 NAMES FROM THE NETWORK! To participate contact: Elder Thomas Jefferson, Prison Ministry Leader. 804-663-8085 Email: thalkejeff@hotmail.com

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS: Maxine Bailey, Ethel Baker 598-3942, JoAnne Bradian, Beverly Coleman 308-3831, Shawn Cunningham, Eddie Ellis, Jr. 222-0640, Eddie Ellis, Sr., Deborah Ferguson, Patricia Harris 320-8060, Alto Holt, Doris Jasper, Carolyn Jones 359-9079, Lee Ola Massey, Lucille Nelson, David Pickens 971-7995, Eleanor Robinson 233-5676, US Shields 353-3881, Raymond Thompson, Members serving in the military.

BEREAVEMENT: Our dear Sister Elsie Hall is mourning the passing of her father, Elder Louis Joseph Dadaille. His funeral was held Sunday at Ebenezer SDA Church in Freeport, NY. Please pray for the family. Send condolences to: Elsie Hall, 616 Elgin Terrace, RVA 23225-4228

HEALTH CARE DUTY: Marva Griffin, RN and James Campbell, MD

We Welcome You!

*We're glad you came to worship with us this Holy Sabbath day,
We hope you'll feel God's love, in a new, refreshing way.
You're welcomed in this place, and we hope you'll come again,
To join with us in fellowship and make new eternal friends.*

Seventh-day Adventists Believe

- The **Holy Scripture** is the inspired word of God. *2 Tim. 3:16*
- In the **Trinity:** Father, Son and Holy Spirit. *Heb. 1:1-3; Heb. 7:25*
- In **regeneration and the New Birth** through the **acceptance** of the **Gospel.** *John 3:1-7; 2 Corinthians 5:17*
- In **justification** by faith **through Christ.** *Romans 4:3-5*
- In the literal, personal and **soon coming of Christ.** *John 14:1-3;*
- That **God's law**, the Ten Commandments, **including the Sabbath** command is the rule of life for Christians. *Ex. 20:3-17*
- In **baptism by immersion** and in the Communion of the Lord's Supper preceded by the Ordinance of Cleansing. *Rom. 8:3-5; Mark 1: 9, 10; John 13: 4-17; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26*
- That **man** by nature **is mortal** and **eternal life is a gift of God** through Christ. *Gen. 2: 7; 1 Tim. 8:15; 1 Cor.15: 52-54*
- In the **Gifts of the Holy Spirit.** *Ephesians 4: 8-11*
- That the **dead are sleeping and will be resurrected** when Jesus returns. *Eccl. 9:5-6, 1Thess. 4:13-17; John 5:29*
- In the ultimate **final destruction of sin and the wicked.** *Malachi 4: 1-3*
- In the support of the Gospel through **tithes and offerings.** *Malachi 3: 8-11; Matt. 23:23*
- In **discarding unhealthy practices.** *1 Cor. 3: 16, 17 Deut. 14: 3-20*
- That **Christians will be characterized by modesty in dress, conversation, deportment, and a high standard of social relationships.** *1Tim. 2: 9, 10; James 1:27*

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PRAYER MINISTRY: Call 515-739-1020 access code 854-605, Daily, 6 AM & 7 PM (Prayer), Wednesday, 12 Noon, Conf. Rm.

YAM (Young Adult Ministries) AGES 18-35

Contact: Sydney 804.300.9712 Instagram@RVAYAM

CHURCH WEBSITE: <http://www.ephesusrichmond.com> (Online Giving)

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SUNSET FRIDAY 4:56