

Pastor's Corner

To be pardoned in the way that Christ pardons, is not only to be forgiven, but to be renewed in the spirit of our mind. The Lord says, "A new heart will I give unto thee." The image of Christ is to be stamped upon the very mind, heart, and soul. The apostle says, "But we have the mind of Christ" (1 Cor. 2:16). Without the transforming process which can come alone through divine power, the original propensities to sin are left in the heart in all their strength, to forge new chains, to impose a slavery that can never be broken by human power. But men can never enter heaven with their old tastes, inclinations, idols, ideas, and theories. Heaven would be no place of joy to them; for everything would be in collision with their tastes, appetites, and inclinations, and painfully opposed to their natural and cultivated traits of character. Happiness is the result of holiness and conformity to the will of God. Those who would be saints in heaven must first be saints upon the earth; for when we leave this earth, we shall take our character with us, and this will be simply taking with us some of the elements of heaven imparted to us through the righteousness of Christ.

Sobering isn't it. Philippians 2:13 promises that God will change our desires. As I evaluate the fruits of my life, I realize all the more a greater need to immerse myself in the presence of God so that my desires can become transformed. What about yourself? Are there some traits or habits in your life that you have come to live with because you simply have come to believe that you are just that way? Maybe it's nothing terrible or maybe it's actually socially acceptable in our world today but you sense in your heart that such a behavior or characteristic wouldn't fit in the atmosphere of heaven. May God direct each of our hearts and minds this morning so that we might honestly face those areas in our life where He has yet to gain full control; where we have failed to relinquish full control. Review and Herald article, dated Aug. 19, 1890

Pastor Jeremy Arnall



Greeneville Seventh-day Adventist Church

Our Vision

Knowing & experiencing God through active,
Spirit-led relationships, anticipating Jesus' soon
return

Our Mission

Building relationships with Christ, church, and
community through loving, learning, living, & leading

UPCOMING EVENTS

5:00 p.m. AYA
Come and join us at 5 pm, for a live video-interview
with Samuel Freriz, a student missionary currently
serving in Thailand.

Today's Offering: Religious Liberty

Next Week: GC Session Project (WB)

Presiding Elder: Milton Siepmann

Next Week: Ken Mathews

Today's Charge Deacon: Scott Felan

Next Week: Walter Cross, Jr.

AV: R. Dietrich/J. Dietrich

Next Week: D. Wente/M. Wente

Camera: Nick Knecht

Next Week: Josh Dietrich

Tape Ministries: David Vest

Next Week: Rodney Spillman

Receptionists: Deb Turney, Helen Thomas; Ben & Jan Dyer

Next Week: Michael & Jeanne Odell; Joyce Wince, Amanda Crosby

Today's Music Coordinator: Robyn Iuliano; Karin Small

Next Week: Ken Mathews/Leroy Wanamaker

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY Jan. 23

4:00 p.m. Hospital singing

5:00 p.m. AYA

MONDAY Jan 25

7:00 p.m. CHIP

TUESDAY Jan. 26

6:00 p.m. CHIP

WEDNESDAY Jan. 27

10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting (Patriarchs & Prophets)

7:00 p.m. Prayer Meeting

7:00 p.m. The Light & The Lampstand, Youth Room

THURSDAY Jan 28

7:00 a.m. CHIP

FRIDAY Jan. 29

7:00 p.m. Enteraction Small Group

NEXT SABBATH Jan. 30

9:30 a.m. Sabbath School – Eilene Strong

11:00 a.m. Worship Service – Pastor Jeremy, speaker

The celebration of Sabbath ends today at 5:49 p.m.
and begins next Friday at 5:55 p.m.

WELCOME – All are welcome in our worship services! Each one of you is important to God and to us as well. May you find God's grace here and be blessed by this worship service. All guests are invited to a vegetarian lunch in the church fellowship hall following the worship service.

FAMILY FUN STAYcation! – Looking for a weekend get-away? Strengthen your family ties by spending a weekend together in nature, worship and play. Come join us February 26-28 at Cohutta Springs Camp. Registration forms are in the church foyer or download one from our website, www.gccsda.com under the section Family Ministries. Questions? Contact Donna Crandall at 800-567-1844, ext. 342, or dcrandall@gccsda.com.

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS: 1ST Reading

IN: William & Jacqueline Boomsliter from Grand Junction, CO; Scott & Leisa Maxwell from Brunswick Me.

GAA FLAMES AND LADY FLAMES will be hosting a fundraiser basketball game, this evening, January 23, at 6:30 p.m. in the GAA gym. Proceeds will go to help with the Southern Adventist University Honors Music Festival expenses (Feb. 17-20) for the 9-11th grade students to attend, and also fund the GAA Basketball Teams. Come have a fun-filled evening of food and basketball!

NEXT SABBATH'S OFFERING is for Adventist Television Ministries. Our television ministries – *Breath of Life, It Is Written and Faith For Today* – sow the seeds over airwaves. We reap the harvest with our friends and neighbors. Please plan a substantial offering for Adventist Television Ministries next week.

GCC HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT – This dynamic and life-changing weekend is at Cohutta Springs Youth Camp on Feb. 5-7, 2010. It is a special and unique Bible Conference for SDA youth, grades 9-12, who are not attending SDA schools. For more information, go to the Youth Ministries page at gccsda.com or contact Alyse at 800-567-1844, ext. 346 or alyse@gccsda.com.

“IGNITING THE FIRE, SPREADING THE FLAME” Prayer Conference will be held at the Cohutta springs Conference Center, from February 19-21, 2010. Speakers are Pastor Jerry and Janet Page from the Central California Conference and Marti Schneider from the North American Division. This event will highlight intercession, prayer and spiritual renewal in the local church. There will also be training for prayer ministry leaders and the special feature for

this year will be the presence of a prayer room that will serve as a model for those churches wanting to have the same in their own buildings. Early bird registration ends January 24, 2010. For registration go to gccsda.com/register or call 1-800-567-1844, ext. 340.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH today is hosted by Harry & Lynda Nelson, Dan & Elaine Sanford, Carolyn Root, Rick & Shawn Dietrich, Ken Neubrandner, Greg & Wendy Barlow, Jim & Sharon Clayburn, Julie Lowry, Philip & Rhonda Malina, Ron & Nancy Bankes.

FELLOWSHIP LUNCH next week is canceled. Due to the lack of leaders for fellowship groups fellowship lunch will be held every other week. If you would be willing to lead a team please contact Elaine in the church office.

THE ABC BOOKMOBILE will be here in the morning Jan. 24 at 9:30 a.m.

ACADEMY DAYS, at Georgia Cumberland Academy March 12, 13. It is a free event and a great way to get acquainted with all that Academy life has to offer.

SAVING LABELS PAYS OFF! The Kindergarten Sabbath School class turned in 2,235 labels for the year 2009! At 5 cents per label, they earned \$111.75 for investment! Thanks to everyone who brought labels to the Kindergarten classroom. (And thanks to Lynda Draper who neatly clipped and sorted them all!)

GUATEMALA MISSION TRIP: If you would like to support this church-building and evangelistic outreach ministry consider donating a free-will offering towards these needs: 1. Church Building: \$10,000. 2). Missionary Expenses: \$900 per person; 3). Church Pews: \$100 per pew (\$3600 total needed) 4). Spanish Bibles for attendees at evangelistic meetings: \$5 per Bible (200+needed) Ask or call Robert Thomas (423-552-1442) for details or place your offering in a tithe envelope marked with the outreach opportunity of your choice.

YOUNG ADULT/LIFE GROUP EXPERIENCE – Feb 5-7, 2010 at Cohutta Springs Youth Camp. This will be a power-packed weekend of getting into God’s word, experiencing Life Group ministry and learning how simple it is to reach out to other young adults. For more information, contact Alyse at 800-567-1844, ext. 346 or alyse@gccsda.com.

\$365.80 IN LOOSE CHANGE! The Kindergarten Sabbath School class collected dimes last year as an investment project. Throughout the year, the class collected \$365.80 in loose change! Thanks to all the grown-ups who came by our classroom with dime donations. We will continue to collect dimes as our investment project for the year 2010. When you see a dime in your change purse, think ‘INVESTMENT!’ Jesus is coming

soon; and your investment monies help missionaries across the world spread this good news!

IN AN EFFORT to keep a record of those who are in need of prayer we are beginning a prayer journal on the table in the foyer. Please feel free to enter your request to be prayed for during prayer time.

FOR OVER ELEVEN YEARS you walked down the path of caring for my mom with me, and now that she has gone to rest, you have held me up with your warmth, love and care. Thanks for being there and for the cards and loving words spoken. It has comforted me to realize that she, my dad, and one set of grandparents all went to sleep on a Sabbath day. They went to their rest “on the rest day”....and now we wait until Jesus returns and reunites us. Thanks for being there for us through thick and thin... no one could ask for better friends or a better church family. Please know YOU WILL ALWAYS be MY CHURCH FAMILY. With much love we thank you. Erney and Steve Poenitz.

CONGRATULATIONS to Sabrina and Jonathan Kennedy on the birth of Henry on Sunday, January 10.

SABBATH SCHOOL DIRECTORY	
<u>Adult Classes</u>	
Sanctuary, Jan. 23	Dan Wolcott
Sanctuary, Jan. 30	Milton Siepman
Family Room.....	Jim Clayburn
Fellowship Hall	J. R. McKinney
Fellowship Hall.....	Ken Mathews
Fellowship Hall – Young Adult 19-29	Knecht/Cross
Fellowship Hall.....	Michael Odell
Pastor’s Office (Women’s Class).....	Patti Cohen
<u>Children’s and Youth Classes</u>	
Cradle Roll	Ages Birth - 4
Kindergarten	Ages 4 – 1 st Grade
Primary	Grades 2-4
Juniors	Grades 5 & 6
Earliten	Grades 7 & 8
Youth	Grades 9 - 12
<i>For directions, ask someone at the Welcome Center in the foyer for assistance. They’ll be glad to help!</i>	

Give Online at Greenvilleadventist.org

WORSHIP AND PRAISE

January 23, 2010

11:00 A.M.

Prelude Bennie King, Organist

Fellowship, 10:45 a.m.

Welcome Pastor Jeremy Arnall

Ministry Focus Pastor Jeremy

Hymns of Praise

Praise, 11:00 a.m.

Introit *Kneel *Breathe on Me...* See Below

Invocation Pastor Jeremy Arnall

Opening Hymn *Standing on the Promises* 518

*Offering & Sacrifice/**Lamb's Offering Fred Myers
Children's Story Joy Leffers

Child Dedication Zachary Liam Evans

Prayer

Scripture Romans 3:9-12 Harry Nelson
Prayer Harry Nelson

Proclamation

Special Music

Sermon "Excuses:
That's Just the Way I Am" Pastor Jeremy

Closing Hymn

Benediction Pastor Jeremy

Postlude Bennie King, Organist

Garden of Prayer Milton Siepman

*Church budget **Adventist Community Services

Breathe on Me, Breath of God
Breath on breath of God,
Fill me with life anew,
That I may love what Thou dost love,
And do what Thou wouldst do.

CHURCH AT STUDY

9:15 A.M.

Hymns of Praise Rick Dietrich

Opening Hymn *Be Thou My Vision* 547

Welcome Ed Horton

Scripture Kathy Frost

Prayer Bob Frost

Mission Story Ed Horton

Special Music Ken Horton & Friends

In God's Word "The Fruit of the Spirit is Peace"
Sanctuary Class – Dan Wolcott

Pianist Wendy Barlow

*"Can the
Ethiopian change
his skin or the
leopard its
spots?"*

Jer. 13:23a