

Pastor's Corner

Have you ever watched chickens? They are some of the ugliest creatures ever. They seem pretty dumb too. Growing up, I was around chickens quite a bit. There were some that lived on the farm around our house. And, there were quite a few at

Jim and Varena Kennedy's house. Jim and I spent many hours building the coop that they live in. Chickens are really quite funny. They spend their days clucking and pecking at little pebbles, dirt and the occasional kernel. But chickens have been labeled for something. They are known for their system of hierarchy that you can't help but notice if you watch a flock for very long. They seem to know who the big chic is, and if they ever forget, she is right there to peck them back into order. The term "Pecking Order" comes from them. They seem to create different levels or classes amongst each other. What is funny about this pecking order is that so many times it looks like each chicken thinks **they** should be at the top! There are fights between chickens all the time as they try to prove that they are better. I wonder how many more eggs would be produced if they just put their mind to the task at hand instead of trying to make it up the "chicken coop ladder."

In many ways, people are just like chickens. No, people aren't *usually* some of the ugliest creatures ever. But do we create pecking orders? Do we spend our days searching for little bits and pieces of trouble to peck at? Do we think that we should be at the top? Do we cause fights and bickering over little differences? I wonder how many more Christians and disciples of Jesus we could produce if we put our minds to the task instead of trying to make it up on our pecking order.

Today's sermon is one that should reach across stereotypes and prejudices. This message is one that hits all people, no matter what race, age or any other classification you find yourself in. This applies to EVERYONE.

May the Lord bless us as we open our hearts to His Holy Spirit as He speaks to us.

Pastor Matt Smith



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

*Vespers - 7:30 p.m.
Come this evening as we explored Battle
Creek Sanitarium and treatments of Mrs.
White's day.*

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

TODAY May 22

6:30 p.m. Hospital singing
7:30 p.m. AYA

TUESDAY, May 25

6:30 p.m. GAA School Board

WEDNESDAY May 26

10:30 a.m. Prayer Meeting (Patriarchs & Prophets)
7:00 p.m. Dave Ramsey's Financial Peace
7:00 p.m. Study on the book of Revelation, Junior Room
7:00 p.m. Sweet Hour of Prayer in Earliteen room

FRIDAY May 28

7:00 p.m. Enteraction Small Group

NEXT SABBATH May 29

9:30 a.m. Sabbath School – Sue Barrett
11:00 a.m. Worship Service, Pastor Jeremy, speaker

The celebration of Sabbath ends today at 8:36 p.m.
and begins next Friday at 8:41 p.m.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

ABC BOOKMOBILE will be here tomorrow morning from **9:30 – 11:00am.**

MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS: 2nd Reading

OUT: Ashleigh Walton to Killeen, TX.

CAMPMEETING RESERVATION FORMS are available on the table in the foyer.

COHUTTA SPRINGS YOUTH CAMP – Before long, school will be out, summer will be under way and Cohutta Springs Youth Camp will be in all its glory, with 90 amazing staff whole-heartedly ministering to young people! For information or to register, got to cs-yc.com, or contact their office at 800-567-1844, ext. 346.

SOFTBALL GAME, road rally, swimming, water slide, putt-putt, at Kinser Park, June 6 from 2 till 8p.m. Come and enjoy fun, fellowship, food. There will be a potluck supper at 5pm. Put this on your calendar please. Sponsored by your social committee.

IF YOU WOULD like to donate machine screws, nuts, washers, bolts, wood screws, hinges, hooks, etc. to Jonathan Dietrich in Chad, please contact Shawn or Rick Dietrich.

IF YOU HAVE YET TO RECEIVE your picture disc from your portrait session at the church, please pick it up in the foyer today. If by chance your disc isn't there and you had your picture taken, contact the pastor.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR V.B.S.! Vacation Bible School will be held during the week of **July 12-16** from 9-12 o'clock in the morning. Ages 4 through 6th grade are invited. (Three year olds may attend **ONLY** if their grown-up stays with them for the entire program). Pastor Matt will be leading a special "Summer Fries" program at the same time for the "Imitators" (grades 7 – high school). Volunteers (**MUST be 18 OR OLDER** - NO exceptions) are appreciated, and you may contact Angela Emde if you have any questions or would like to volunteer.

THE NEXT FELLOWSHIP LUNCH will be in two weeks (June 12) hosted by Scott & Karyn Felan, Jesse & Marilyn Felan.

PRAY-ERS NEEDED! If you would like to minister through the ministry of Prayer and Intercession in a specially set up Prayer Room at the General Conference Session that is to be held in Atlanta from June 23 to July 7, then please submit your name, the name of your local church where your membership is held and your telephone number, to PrayerMinistries@gccsda.com. Please also hold up our world church leadership in prayer as we seek His guidance in choosing leaders and discussing important business items of His Church at this time of our earth's history.

FRUIT SALE COORDINATOR – Greeneville Adventist Academy is looking for someone who would be available to coordinate the fruit sales for this coming school year. Please contact Tom Culler if interested.

IT'S TIME!! It is time to get your application in at Georgia Cumberland Academy. All you have to do is go to their website www.gcasda.org, click on "Perspective Student" then click on "Application Process Link" & follow the online instructions. All of your information will go to their registrar, Patti Speer. If you have any questions about our scholarships or financial aid, please contact Dawn Lemaitre, director of enrollment services at 706-625-7148. They look forward to hearing from you soon!!

CHURCH FINANCES AT A GLANCE

Today's Offering: Ga-Cumberland Ministries

Next Week: GC Sessions Project (WB)

Presiding Elder: Dave Sharpe

Next Week: Curtis Robinson

Today's Charge Deacon: Ed Horton

Next Week: Scott Felan

AV: J. Grose/J. Krentz

Next Week: H. Hastings

Tape Ministries: Rodney Spillman

Next Week: Buck Conner

Receptionists: Ed & Virginia Bagwell; Paul & Shirley Walters

Next Week: Michael & Jeanne Odell; Ken & Shirley Fillers

Today's Music Coordinator: Jim Kennedy/Amanda Robinson

Next Week: Ken Mathews/ Leroy Wanamaker

SABBATH SCHOOL DIRECTORY

Adult Classes

Sanctuary, May 22.....Lyndon Gallimore
 Sanctuary, May 29..... Milton Siepman
 Family Room..... Jim Clayburn
 Fellowship HallJ. 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

Children's and Youth Classes

Cradle Roll Ages Birth - 4
 Kindergarten Ages 4 – 1st Grade
 Primary Grades 2-4
 Juniors Grades 5 & 6
 Earliteen Grades 7 & 8
 Youth Grades 9 - 12

For directions, ask someone at the Welcome Center in the foyer for assistance. They'll be glad to help!

WORSHIP AND PRAISE

May 22, 2010

11:00 A.M.

Fellowship, 10:45 a.m.

Prelude Bennie King, Organist

Hymns of Faith Jim Kennedy, Martin Shaw,
Ann Shaw

Ministry Focus Pastor Jeremy

Praise, 11:00 a.m.

Introit *Breathe on Me* See below

Invocation Pastor Matt

Opening Hymn *Jesus, What a Friend of Sinners* 187

Offering
Appeal/Prayer Bucky Knecht
Musical Offertory

Lamb's Offering Greenville Adventist Academy
Children's Story Larry Servoss

Prayer

Scripture Gen. 1:27 Milton Siepman
Prayer Milton Siepman

Proclamation

Special Music Arranged

Sermon "The Pecking Order" Pastor Matt

Closing Song *When Christ was Lifted* 585

Benediction Pastor Matt

Postlude Bennie King, Organist

Garden of Prayer Dave Sharpe

Breathe on Me, Breath of God
Breathe on me, 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 Laura Webb

Opening Hymn *Tell Me the Story* 152

Welcome Ed Horton

Scripture & Prayer Bob & Kathy Frost

Mission Story Ed & Virginia Bagwell

Special Music Ken Horton Ensemble

In God's Word "The Atmosphere of Praise"
Lyndon Gallimore

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*"So God created
human beings in His
own image. In the
image of God He
created them; male
and female He
created them.*

Gen. 1:27