Eau Claire SDA Church News

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Upcoming Events

Friday
May 24

**Eau Claire Church Garage Sale**

It's time for the Eau Claire Church Garage Sale to benefit Children's Ministries projects on May 24 in the fellowship hall.

Sabbath
May 25

**Sabbath School**

*School:* Hayes
*Family:* "Tiny Tots for Jesus!"

*Speaker:* Dr. Richard Davidson
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| **Potluck**  
**Worship Committee after Potluck** |
| **Download the Bulletin** |

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<td>Our Prayer Meeting small group is meeting Wednesday evenings from 7-8 pm at the church. We are praying through any prayer requests members have, and encourage you to add a prayer request in the tithe and offering plate if you want the group to intercede through prayer!</td>
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<td>We are also reading through &quot;<strong>40 Days of Prayer</strong>&quot; by <strong>Dennis Smith</strong> as we continue to fellowship and discuss faith.</td>
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<td><strong>We would like to have as many prayer partners as possible!</strong></td>
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<td>For details contact David Stratton, 269-635-2321, <a href="mailto:strattod@andrews.edu">strattod@andrews.edu</a></td>
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| **May 29**  
**7 pm** |
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*Operation Shortage - Treasurer Report*
Donations for matching -- $9,853
  Spaghetti Dinner -- $1,336
  Alaina's 5k Fund-raiser -- $400
  International Food Fair Fund-raiser -- $415
  Other Donations -- $13,669
  We made it! -- $25,673

Congratulations Church Family, we made it!
Praise God for all His blessings!

Pathfinder Fair 2013
The Pathfinders attended the Pathfinder Fair at Camp Au Sable - See all the pictures!

Nature Nugget
The hot sun was beating down, not a breeze in the air. I stood motionless, watching the cemetery workers hand shovel dirt into my father's grave. The events of the past week swirled in my mind, I wished it was all a dream and I was going to wake up to a different reality. Suddenly, out of the corner of my left eye fluttered an Eastern Bluebird. It landed about 15 feet away from where I was standing and starting singing really loud; so loud it jolted me out of my dismal thoughts and forced me to look at it, take in the radiant and colorful beauty, admire its vibrance of life. This bird continued to sing a few more times, then took off and the quietness returned. The cemetery workers left, I looked for the bird, listened for the bird, I was unable to locate it. My thoughts turned to how God uses nature to show us who He is, to demonstrate that He is alive and well. That He cares for our deepest pain, needs, sorrows and celebrates with us in our joy, is our source of happiness. He is our creator, our salvation, our peace of mind at all times. I knew at that moment, Jesus delivered to me personally a message of peace through the bird singing. I was completely awestruck.

If there is something you are struggling with, a painful situation, feelings of hopelessness, whatever it may be; ask Him today to help you experience Him for who He is, to see and hear His messages of peace and love, to feel hugged by Jesus, to have peace in the storms of life, to have faith that He knows best and has the last word.

The Bible verses about God's creation praising His name came to mind;
Psalm 150:6 Let everything that has breath praise the Lord.
Psalm 145:21 Let every creature praise His holy name.

Bluebird picture
When you have something to submit for nature nugget, email Holly Beckermeyer or Brandon Lubbert. Include all sources.

Sermon Podcasts

May 18 -- I Love You, but You Are Too Heavy To Carry -- Pastor Ted Toms

May 11-- Beatitudes - Sermon by Kevin Moreno

May 4-- I Love You, but I Don't Have Time - Sermon by Pastor Ted Toms

Other Church Announcements

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<td>If you would like to help out and are willing to commit to a one Sabbath per month long term schedule, please contact David Poplewski at 269-684-4514, <a href="mailto:dpopski@comcast.net">dpopski@comcast.net</a> or at church.</td>
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### Pastor Toms Upcoming Sermon Series
In the coming weeks, Pastor Toms will present a series of sermons on the very real challenge of loving people who are difficult to love. The Series title is, "I Love you, But . . ."

**Additional topics conclude this series:**
- I love you, but you scare me
- I love you, but you drive me crazy

### School Pre-registration
The school is preregistering students for the 2013-2014 school year. If you are interested for your children or know of any families who would be interested in registering early please contact either Jim Gray, Principal, 269-449-2227; Ashley Johnson, Teacher, 517-416-2435; Betsy Schooler, School Board Chairperson, 269-363-9778; or go to our website [www.eauclaireschool.org](http://www.eauclaireschool.org).

Financial Information for 2013-2014:
- Registration fee is $180 per student.
- Tuition:
  - 1 student $3320/year
  - 2 students $6142/year
  - 3 students $8134/year
  - 4 students $9462/year

### Home and School
Several ways you can show support for our Church School:
- Save your box tops and labels for Education.
- Purchase 2013 calendars (they make nice gifts) from a student
- Save your pop cans - give to student
- Contribute a food item to school functions
- Attend school functions
- Most important pray for our teachers and students

### Community Happening and Other Announcements
| August 4-9 | **2013 Natural Remedies and Hydrotherapy Workshop** |
This year's Natural Remedies and Hydrotherapy Workshop is scheduled for August 4-August 9 and is sponsored by the Andrews University Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary. The focus will be on the skillful use of natural remedies, water and nutrition in times of illness and health. The workshop is limited to 60 participants so early registration is encouraged. Registration closes July 24.

This five day workshop involves 30 hours of lectures and demonstrations along with hands-on labs. All participants who successfully complete the workshop will receive a certificate of achievement. Graduate credit (1-4 credit hours) is available for MA, MDiv, MAPMin students.

The lectures and labs will include topics such as how to treat the common cold or fever; charcoal therapy; use of garlic and other medicinal herbs; treating sprains and strains; hydrotherapy and the immune system; and much more. For more information, visit www.andrews.edu/go/nrhw/ or e-mail fran@andrews.edu.

For more community events see the Andrews Agenda.
Sabbath School

Song Service ~ 9:15-9:30 a.m.
Opening Prayer
Sabbath School Message:
   “Hayes Family: Tiny Tots for Jesus!”

Sabbath School Lesson Study ~ 9:50-10:40 a.m.
Adult Sabbath School classes meet to study the Word of God together in the following locations:
- Back of Sanctuary
- Fellowship Hall
- Fountain Classroom
- School

The Church at Worship
10:50 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements Joel Almeida
Worshipping God Kevin and Amy Moreno
Praise and Prayer Joel Almeida
Opening Song Hymn 36
   “O Thou in Whose Presence”
Scripture Reading Isaiah 53:4-12
Tithes and Offerings Joel Almeida
   Michigan Advance Partners
Special Music Eau Claire Vocal Ensemble
   “The Cost of One Soul”
Children’s Story Amy Moreno
Sermon Richard Davidson
   “Christ’s Mission to Planet Earth”
Closing Song Hymn 431
   “Over Yonder”
Benediction Richard Davidson
Pianist ~ Kayla Parker Organist ~ Rahel Schafer

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Today ~ Potluck after church
June 9 ~ Elders meeting 9 a.m.
June 9 ~ Pathfinders 10 a.m.
June 24-29 ~ Vacation Bible School

Upcoming Speakers
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Sermon on the Mount "Salt and Light"

Treasurer's Report April 30, 2013

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Worthy Student Needs 2012-13

| Elementary Students | $5,520 | $3,275 |
| Academy Students | $750 | $357 |

School Operating Needs 2012-13 $25,000

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Matching Funds for School Operation Needs --

Matching: Dollar for dollar with no ceiling cap.
Time Length: Nov. 24, 2012 thru end of school year.
Limitations: Other fundraisers excluded.
Special thanks for this very generous family.

Our church emphasizes these values:

- Bible based
- Family focused
- Lay leadership
- Evangelistic outreach

Church Leadership

Pastor ~ Ted Toms 269-657-2390
Head Elder ~ Tom Shepherd 269-471-3889
Head Deacon ~ Andy Lubbert 269-463-5156
Head Deaconess ~ Cindy Beckermeyer 269-683-8817
Worship Chair ~ Joel Almeida 269-282-8407
Treasurer ~ Lance Mack 269-461-6605
Church Clerk ~ Myrna Lemon 269-757-7640
School Principal ~ Jim Gray 269-944-4132

Eau Claire
Seventh-day Adventist Church
May 25, 2013