**Upcoming Events**

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| Tuesday, October 15 7 pm | Church Business Meeting - We will be discussing:  
- Church Budget for the coming year  
- Approving the 3 year Master Plan of Evangelism  
- Discuss becoming a Church of Refuge |
| Oct 16 7 pm       | **Prayer Meeting**  
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.  
We are now studying through the 28 Fundamental Beliefs of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.  
**We would like to have as many prayer partners as possible!**  
For details contact David Stratton, 269-635-2321, strattod@andrews.edu |
Oct 18

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Oct 19

Sabbath Speaker: Pastor Ted Toms

**Potluck**

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Oct 25

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Oct 26

Sabbath Speaker: Amy Moreno "How Do We Know?"
Matthew 7:21-23

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October 26
7 pm

Fall Bonfire at Busch Farm
Home and School

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Church Calendar

Have you ever wondered what is going on in our church? What is happening next month or next year? Checkout the Long-Term Church Calendar that is updated weekly.

Click the link at the top of this email newsletter entitled "Long-Term Church Calendar"

School Calendar and Newspaper

See the School Newspaper
See the School Calendar

Sermon Podcasts

Pastor Ted Toms "Navigating Life's Narrow"

Rahel Schafer "Praying for Prosperity"

Pastor Ted Toms "High Times"

Amanda Ramtahal "Where Does Your Fleece Lie?"

Treasurer's Report

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Academy Students   $750   $95

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From Children’s Story $8500 $841

Prayer request and how you can help!

Please continue to pray for Francis and the entire Parker family.
Would you be willing to help? Frances Parker has been struggling with cancer and has begun eating a raw food diet. Would you consider helping by bringing raw fruits and vegetable to church for the next four Sabbaths for Frances? Please continue to pray the entire Parker family including Frances.

### 3 Year Master Plan of Evangelism

This 3-year Master Plan of Evangelism will be discussed at the next church business meeting. It has lots of details. If you have questions or thinks there should be changes, please contact Pastor Ted Toms at tedtoms@comcast.net.

[Download the Eau Claire SDA 3 Year Master Plan of Evangelism](#)

### Special Request from Pastor Toms

Pastor Toms requests as many as possible go to the following web site page:

[http://www.cye.org/cor](http://www.cye.org/cor)

On this page scan down the left hand column of link options to read about becoming a Church of Refuge. Churches of Refuge, among other things, specifically target the social and spiritual needs of those in the decade of their 20's. This is the decade where the highest number of church drop outs occur. Under the link, "resources" Ron Whitehead has written a document about Churches of Refuge from both a research and Spirit of Prophecy perspective. Please read this and be prepared to address the proposal of registering to become a certified Church of Refuge. This proposal will be included in our next church business meeting October 15, 2013 7:00 PM. For further information call or e-mail Pastor Toms at tedtoms@comcast.net.

### Community Happening and Other Announcements
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<td><strong>The 2013 McElmurry ethics and society lectureship</strong> will be held in Garber auditorium on the campus of Andrews University from Oct. 3-5. The theme is &quot;Omnivores or Herbivores: the ethics of eating.&quot; A variety of speakers will explore the dietary choices we make from a number of different angles, all reminding us of the ethical implications of our diets. All presentations are free and open to the public. The specific schedule for this event can be found at <a href="http://www.facebook.com/theethicsofeating">www.facebook.com/theethicsofeating</a>.</td>
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**REACH Int. 40th Anniversary Praise and Thanksgiving Concert**  
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Oct 20

All Walla Walla University alumni and parents are invited to join President John McVay for a dessert buffet, conversation, alumni stories, and a campus update.

Sunday, October 20, at 6:30 p.m.
Whirlpool Room, Chan Shun Hall
Andrews University Campus
Berrien Springs, MI

For more information, visit alumni@wallawalla.edu or call Terri Dickinson Neil, Alumni Director at 800-377-2586.

For more community events see the Andrews Agenda.

Eau Claire SDA Church
6562 Naomi Road
Eau Claire, MI 49111
269-944-1721

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The Church at Worship
10:50 a.m.

Welcome & Announcements  Tom Shepherd
Praise & Prayer  Ryan & Suzi Hayes
Scripture Reading  Richard Lechleitner
Matthew 7:15-20
Tithes and Offerings  Tom Shepherd
World Budget
Special Music  “Glory”
Francie Reents and Leah Stratton
Accompaniment by David Stratton
Children’s Story  Ryan Hayes
Sermon  “Good and Bad Trees”
David Stratton
Closing Hymn  #264
“O for That Flame of Living Fire”
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Pianist ~ Holly Beckermeyer

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Oct 26 ~ Fall bonfire at Busch Farm 7 p.m.
http://www.eauclairesda.com/newsletter/Calendar.pdf

Upcoming Speakers
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Oct 26 ~ Amy Moreno "How Do We Know?" Matt 7:21-23
Nov 2 ~ Pastor Ted Toms "The Solid Rock" Matt 7:24-27
Nov 9 ~ Richard Davidson “Give Me the Bible”

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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
Community Service ~ Cloice Lemon 269-757-7640
Food Bank ~ Cloice Lemon 269-757-7640
Eau Claire Elementary School 269-944-4132
School Principal ~ Ashley Johnson 269-944-5233

Bulletin/Announcement Contact Person
Francie Reents 269-757-1985 or franciereents@gmail.com
*Please note the change in email address!

~ Sunset in Eau Claire~
Tonight ~ 7:10 p.m. October 18 ~ 7:00 p.m.

Eau Claire Seventh-day Adventist Church
October 12, 2013

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Phone: 269-944-1721
www.eauclairesda.com
www.facebook.com/eauclairesda
This plan is to be completed by all churches and returned to Chelli Ringstaff by October 25, 2013.

Church’s Name: Eau Claire
Pastor’s Name: Ted Toms
Pastor’s Cell Phone: 269-317-2296
Date Voted by Board:

Instructions for filling out the Master Plan of Evangelism with your Church Board:

1. Fill out the review page.
2. Fill out the questionnaire describing how your church plans to fulfill the 8 Mission Essentials.
4. Fill out request for funding if applicable.
5. E-mail completed MPE to Chelli Ringstaff at cringstaff@misda.org by October 25, 2012.
Review

Number of Baptisms/Professions of Faith in 2012 _______4_________

Number of Rebaptisms in 2012 _______0_________

Number of Baptisms/Professions of Faith in 2013 (year-to-date) _______4_________

Number of Rebaptisms in 2013 (year-to-date) _______0_________

Number of currently active Bible studies _______2_________

List outreach and training events for 2013 (include those already held as well as upcoming):

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Mission Essentials
For Every Church in the Michigan Conference of SDA’s

Our Mission: The mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is to make disciples of all people (Matthew 28:18–20), communicating the everlasting gospel in the context of the three angels' messages of Revelation 14:6–12, leading them to accept Jesus as personal Savior and unite with His remnant Church, discipling them to serve Him as Lord and preparing them for His soon return.

“Every church should be a training school for Christian workers.”
Christian Service, p. 59

1. Every church is a healing community that nurtures love for God, love for one another, and love for the lost.

2. Every church has a soul-winning and discipleship strategy and plan.

3. The priority of every church board is planning soul-winning and discipleship in all of its phases.

4. Every department of the local church fosters and actively participates in soul-winning and discipleship.

5. Every church provides resources and training for truth-sharing personal ministry.

6. Every member is nurtured into active participation in truth-sharing personal ministry.

7. Every new member discipleship experience includes:
   a. Personal spiritual growth
   b. Doctrinal understandings
   c. Church integration
   d. Personal witnessing
   e. Church ministries

8. Every church has a regular and timely process of review, evaluation, and reporting.
Fulfilling the Mission Essentials

1. How will your church be a loving and caring environment for all who attend? (ex. hospitality to church visitors, grief support group, prayer chain to lift up congregation’s needs, regular visitation of members, etc.)

   • hospitality diners
   • prayer chain
   • regular visitation
   • elder’s council organizes, works with church members for spiritual ministry

2. Is your church using the event worksheets and department ministry planning worksheets provided by the ministerial department for soul-winning planning purposes? If not, please describe your process of planning for soul-winning events and department ministries. Electronically attach any related forms.

   Our two major soul winning efforts as a group are the VBS and the DVD Bible school

   Individual Bible studies are also planned and supervised

3. Give examples of how five different departments plan to foster and actively participate in soul-winning and discipleship.

   • Pathfinders have several Pathfinder Sabbaths to train in worship leading
   • Sabbath School class adult– has a beginner’s class for seekers/new members
• Community services – provides rides for house bound individuals to attend church
• Education – church school has weekly discipleship classes conducted by the teacher, the AU ministerial students, and the pastor
• Personal Ministries – Bible school, literature distribution

4. On average, how much time does your church board spend on soul-winning and discipleship planning per meeting? 10 minutes
5. How often does your church board review the status of key interests?

___ Every time we meet ___ Quarterly ___ Annually ___ Never
The board of Elders reviews these on a monthly basis.

6. How often does your church board set aside time to review special needs, be they physical or spiritual, among the church membership? (ex. members who have stopped attending, have been hospitalized, etc.)

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The elders’ council does this on a monthly basis and shares quite regularly with the church board.

7. How much do you budget annually to buy resources for personal witnessing for your members? (ex. sharing literature, prophecy seminar DVD’s, etc.)
varies, __________________________

8. Give examples of personal witnessing resources you are making available and how members can obtain these resources.
we stock SC and GC for giveaway. We make Bible study materials available to members. We currently have a DVD lending library for the DIVD Bible school.

9. What activities do you currently have planned to reach every home in your church’s outreach territory?
• We have created maps of the villages and divide the territory for literature distribution
• We need to expand this to include all of the rural addresses

10. List other plans you have to involve every member in personal truth-sharing witnessing.

11. Is your church using the Michigan Conference New Member Discipleship Plan? ___ Yes ___ No

   If no, please describe how you are discipling new members in the following areas:
   a. Personal spiritual growth
   b. Doctrinal understandings
   c. Church integration
   d. Personal witnessing
   e. Church ministries
Areas A–C are addressed in the new member SS class. D and E are areas we are studying to improve our discipleship program.

12. How many new members are actively participating in a systematic discipleship process? 8
# Calendar of Events

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Funding Request

Instructions: Please fill out the following information to request conference evangelism funds for the next year. If you are requesting funds, please be sure to complete the table that follows question #3.

1. Are you requesting conference evangelism funds for 2014?

   **YES**  (If “yes”, continue to answer questions 2 & 3 AND fill in the table on the bottom of the page)
   
   **NO**  (If “no”, then you are finished completing your MPE – go NO further)

2. Is your church contributing a minimum of 10% of the total cost of the evangelism activity(ies) for which you are requesting funding?

   **YES**  **NO**

   NOTE: The local church is expected to provide a minimum of 10% of the total cost of any event. If your church absolutely cannot meet this requirement, please contact the conference evangelism coordinator for further instructions.

3. Are you listing any event(s) that are NOT public evangelistic meetings?

   **YES**  (If “yes” you are requesting funds for an event(s) other than full public reaping meetings.
   
   Please note that due to limited conference funds these events are usually not funded. Exceptions are made on a case by case basis in consultation with the conference evangelism coordinator.)

   **NO**

TABLE INSTRUCTIONS: Please enter only events for which you will be requesting funds from the EZone and remember that funds for most seed sowing and cultivating events remain the responsibility of the local church as part of its annual Personal Ministries/Evangelism budget.
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