Niles Westside plans an outdoor church experience on Sabbath, September 10, at the Adventist Frontier Mission property (10652 Rangeline Road, Berrien Springs).

Our guest speaker is world sought after preacher, Hyveth Williams. We also have a fantastic story teller for all the kids, who recently awed the kids with his stories at Camp Meeting, Stanley Maxwell. The messages, fellowship, and setting promise a very blessed day. We plan to cater for everyone from Cradle Roll to adults! Plan to bring chairs/blanket to sit on and food for the fellowship picnic.

You may want to wear comfortable clothes for the picnic and a nature walk. We plan to start at 9:15 a.m. and can spend the day there. We also have access to a kitchen for warming up food and a fire pit if you wish to use that in the evening. If you would like us to provide a chair or comfortable seating for you, or if you have a specific question, please call Pastor Darrel at 269-605-7895.

The facilities are very welcoming (even if it rains). There will not be any services at the church.
Each of us has a case pending in the court of heaven. We are individually to be judged according to the deeds done in the body. In the typical service, when the work of atonement was performed by the high priest in the most holy place of the earthly sanctuary, the people were required to afflict their souls before God, and confess their sins, that they might be atoned for and blotted out. Will any less be required of us in this antitypical day of atonement, when Christ in the sanctuary above is pleading in behalf of His people, and the final, irrevocable decision is to be pronounced upon every case?

What is our condition in this fearful and solemn time? Alas, what pride is prevailing in the church, what hypocrisy, what deception, what love of dress, frivolity, and amusement, what desire for the supremacy! All these sins have clouded the mind, so that eternal things have not been discerned. Shall we not search the Scriptures, that we may know where we are in this world’s history? Shall we not become intelligent in regard to the work that is being accomplished for us at this time, and the position that we as sinners should occupy while this work of atonement is going forward? If we have any regard for our souls’ salvation, we must make a decided change. We must seek the Lord with true penitence. We must with deep contrition of soul confess our sins, that they may be blotted out.

~ True Revival: The Church’s Greatest Need
by Ellen G. White, pg. 12, 13
Meet Our New Members

Steven & Alma Carlsen
by Gina Meekma with Steven Carlsen

Steve & Alma Carlsen have lived in Dowagiac for about fourteen years. They transferred to Niles Westside from Pioneer Memorial Church in Berrien Springs because their children and grandchildren, Steven II & Jessica, Callie and Pace Carlsen, attend church at Westside. Besides Steven II, they also have two other grown sons.

Alma is a housing coordinator, and Steven is a chemist. They enjoy reading, windmills, camping, cooking, and entertaining.

The Carlsens met at the Dowagiac Adventist Church and have been married for thirty-one years.

Welcome to the Niles Westside Church Family, Carlsen Family!

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Tasty and Healthy - Barbecue Style
Article and Photos by Nathan Sarli

On July 28, 2011, a cooking school was held in a tent outside Dr. Richard Beckermeyer’s dental office in Niles. As guests arrived, the scent of grilling pineapples, corn, and vegetable kabobs filled the air.

Once the program was underway, Sam Hutchinson showed the participants how to grill delicious vegetarian food, and Evelyn Kissenger presented information about nutrition. Afterwards, the approximately fifty participants enjoyed mouth-watering samples. The program was a success and was enjoyed by all.

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...from our missionaries

Update on the King’s Children’s Home in Belmopan, Belize, where Rich & Kris Sutton are volunteering:

August 22, 2011

“Last week someone broke into the safe at the Home and stole a few thousand dollars (which is a lot for them) for the children’s schooling and for food. Also, over the weekend, a tropical storm hit the home and flooded the entire home with eight inches of water. They already greatly struggle for money monthly, for food and clothes, but the money being stolen and the home being flooded is really a huge strain on them.”

If you are able to help, please contact Kris or Rich at ekris33@aol.com or rsuttonmich@yahoo.com. You can donate online using PayPal. Go to www.mexico-missions.org, scroll down to “Belize Mission Click Here.” It will pull up a website with their PayPal right at the top.

Thank you for keeping the Suttons and The King’s Children’s Home in your prayers!
Outdoor Adventure Trip
by Nathan Sarli

Early on Sunday morning August 11, 2011, while most of the town was still dreaming, the Niles Westside church parking lot was illuminated by headlights as eager youth milled around the bus. By 6 a.m., the trailer was loaded, and our Youth Group was underway.

Seven hours later, after pitching tents and arranging the cooking area at Devil’s Lake State Park in Baraboo, WI, we began to hike the steep trail toward the climbing area. We were quickly rewarded with beautiful vistas of the shimmering lake below us, and we pressed onto the rock faces. Some of the more experienced climbers assisted Youth leader, Fred Boothby, in anchoring a carabiner to the rugged boulders at the top of the cliff. Several of us donned harnesses and tied into the rope that would be our lifeline. “On belay?” the climber would ask.

“Belay on,” responded the belayer.

“Climbing?” the climber queried.

With the words, “Climb on!” the ascent began. The climber would feel for hand holds and move his feet onto footholds. Before long, most climbers would exclaim, “There are no holds!” Often the next hold would require jumping or stretching, and only those with complete confidence in the rope and total trust in the belayer could succeed. Once the climber reached the top of the cliff, he could take a moment to savor his victory and drink in the panoramic scenery. Coming down was for some the most challenging part because one has to entirely relinquish his support on the rock and lean back into the harness before pushing off from the wall as the belayer lets him down.

After the climbing was completed for the day, we scampered down the trail to supper and worship. The next day and a half were spent climbing and swimming in the lake. On the way back home, the hitch on the bus failed, and the trailer was being dragged along by the safety chains, with the trailer tongue scraping the highway behind us. Thankfully, Youth leaders, Dan and Carol Minter, were following us in their truck and were able to warn us of the danger and pull the trailer home.

We brought back good memories and new skills and are looking forward to next year.

Congratulations!

Britney Melissa Bell (daughter of Lynda & Gus Bell, sister of Chad) and Kendall Blair Hopkins were married on July 31, 2011, by Pastor Michael Paradise, at Morris Estates, in Niles, Michigan.

The couple is making their home in Bloomington, Indiana. Britney is enrolled in the Speech-Language Pathology, Masters Program, at IU (Indiana University), and Kendall is employed as a Computer Programmer for SimpleUpdates.com, Inc., of Berrien Springs, MI.

“Spread love everywhere you go; to show love for God and our neighbor we need not do great things. It is how much love we put in doing that makes our offering something beautiful to God.”
—Mother Teresa
The staff and TLTs (Teen Leadership Training participants) recently got back from a workshop at Camp Au Sable. Classes that were taken at the workshop were Braiding, TLT Level 1, Creativity/Resource, Child Youth Evangelism, Canoeing, Electricity, How to get Investiture Achievement (IA - grade level classes such as Friend, Companion, etc.) class work done, IA, and Fancy March & Drill. We are all excited and ready for this year with twelve Pathfinders. We started the Pinewood Derby Honor on August 31. If anyone has a special talent and would like to teach an honor to the Pathfinders, we are looking for Honors this year. Also if anyone would like to teach an IA class (see www.investitureachievement.com for more information) this year, we are looking for one more to teach the Voyager class of two students. You would only need to come to 2-3 meeting a month to teach. We meet on Wednesdays from 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. If you are interested, please let me know.

The Niles Four Flags Pathfinder Club wants to thank those who donated items for the rummage sale. It was greatly appreciated. We made a total of just over $1,100, which will be used to purchase the tickets for the Lake Union Pathfinder Camporee in September.

The Pathfinder Camporee is coming up September 15-18 at the Youth Fairgrounds in Berrien Springs. We are short-staffed and will need help with preparing meals. We need to devote our time to watching the Pathfinders, and since our camp cook will not be there most of the time, we are asking for others to help us out. Suggestions are to either prepare the meal and bring it to us, or come to our camp and prepare it there, whatever you feel comfortable doing. The menu will already be planned for you to choose. The list is on the table in the hallway at church for you to sign up. We really appreciate your help! Any questions, please contact me (text or call 269-240-0182 or e-mail salthutch@yahoo.com).

Pathfinder Induction will be on Sabbath, September 24, at 6:30 p.m. at the church.

Niles Caterpillars Adventurer Club
by Laurel Gaudin, Director

It is a common misconception that Adventurers is just a miniature version of Pathfinders. While they do curriculum work and earn awards like the Pathfinders earn honors, the focus is completely different. Pathfinders are learning to be independent and relate to their community. Adventurers are learning to relate to their family and be a part of the family unit. Pathfinders is a Youth Ministry, and Adventurers is a Family Ministry. We strive to assist parents in training their children for Christ. We appreciate all the support we get for our families from the church family and look forward to your support of Adventurers as well.

We kicked off our first Adventurer year with fun and games on Monday, August 29. The kids were able to spend some time getting acquainted with both the whole club and their class leaders. We are privileged to have three Busy Bees (1st grade), four Sunbeams (2nd grade), five Builders (3rd grade), and one Helping Hand (4th grade). We are still accepting new Adventurers, so please contact me (269-683-6368 or lagaudin@yahoo.com) if you would like to register your child or know a child that would be interested.

Our next event will be the Adventurer Family Camp up at Camp Au Sable from September 9-11. The weekend is packed with family activities and events, including everything from a nature craft on Sabbath to paper airplane contests, and tug of war on Sunday.

On Friday, September 30, at 7 p.m., we will begin our Family Network Meetings with a Family Blessing Service. This is a beautiful service where the parents place a special blessing on each of their children. We would like to invite our church family to witness this and bless our families with your presence. Then on Sabbath, October 8, we invite the whole church to join us for the induction service of our entire club. It will be held during the church service, and we hope to see you all there to support our families in this ministry.

Something unique to Adventurers is the Family Network Meetings. Once a month during a regular meeting, the Adventurers will have the opportunity to earn an award while their parents get a break and enjoy fellowship and discussion on topics and issues that affect us, our kids and our parenting. We will be inviting guest speakers at times and have interactive activities as well. It will be a fun time to learn and grow together, and a wonderful support system, knowing that we are not alone in our struggles as parents, as well as providing us with other ideas to implement. If you do not have children in Adventurers, but are still interested in the Family Networks meetings, please contact me. We are also looking for people to teach different awards during the meetings, as well as assisting the instructor. Most awards can be completed in 1 – 2 meetings. Please contact me with an interest or hobby you have that you would like to share with the Adventurers, and I will get you the requirements for an award to match them.

Thank you all again for your faithful support of our children and families!
Welcome New Members!
Sydni Huff was baptized on July 30.

Gil & Colleen Bell from PMC, Berrien Springs, MI

Harold & Donna Wamsher from Monticello Adventist Church, Monticello, IN

Farewell to our Friends!
Bob Coe to Village Adventist Church, Berrien Springs, MI
Mary Rudlaff to Colorado Springs Central Adventist Church, CO
Rick & Christina Loenser to Highland Adventist Church, Portland, TN

In September, Midweek Manna will begin meeting on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. They start with a prayer session and are reading through Prophets and Kings.

Prayer Meeting Starts in September: Prayer Meeting will resume on Wednesdays at 7 p.m. in September, and we plan to complement the general theme of Pastor Darrel’s sermons, Ripples of Love!

September’s fellowship lunch will be part of Outdoor Church on Sabbath, September 10, at the Adventist Frontier Mission facility on Rangeline Road in Berrien Springs. Please bring extra food and join us!

Congratulations to Ryan and Alyssa Edwards, who were married on August 5, 2011! Ryan is the son of Melody Edwards.
Everyone is invited to a wedding reception/shower for Ryan & Alyssa on Sunday, September 11, between 5 and 7 p.m. at the home of Walt & Carol Williams (120 Bridle Path, Niles). They are registered at Kohl’s.

Women’s Night Out: Thursday, September 15, at 5:30 p.m. at Papa Vino’s (Mishawaka). Contact Kathy Dockerty to RSVP (269-782-8567 or kadockerty@yahoo.com).

Randy Nims has accepted a call to the ministry in Pennsylvania, and will be preaching on his last Sabbath, September 17. Come embrace Randy and Amy as they prepare for ministry. The moving trailer will be at his house to load up on Monday, September 26, at 8:30 a.m. Any help would be greatly appreciated! Call 574-273-0810 for directions.

Communion: Sabbath, September 24, 11 a.m. There will only be one service that day.

Ice Cream Social: Saturday, September 24, at 7:30 p.m. in the gym. Come join us for an evening of fun! Bring your own toppings.

What’s for Dinner? Bring your friends to this free menu-planning workshop on Thursday, September 29, at 7 p.m. at the Niles Community Library. Learn to plan meals that are simple, tasty, and healthful. See simple shortcuts to preparing healthful foods. Design your own menus in class, and take home dozens of menu ideas. Call Dorothea Sarli at 269-684-3590 to register.

Sunday Sunup Runners: Have you ever wanted to start a running program? Or are you a runner who would like to exercise with others? Interested in training for the Niles Thanksgiving Day Run? Bring a friend and join us Sunday mornings at 8 a.m., beginning October 2. All fitness levels welcome. RSVP to Marga Prouty at 269-605-9318 or carrot.tops@gmail.com.

Membership Transfers: Please fill out a white transfer request form and put it in the offering plate at church, or contact Gina Meekma, church secretary, with requests.

Coming Soon to The Lord’s Library at Niles Westside: Life Without Limits by Clifford Goldstein; and Hook, Line, and Sinker by Heather Marie Thompson.

The annual Niles 4 Flags CROP Walk for Hunger will begin on Sunday, September 25, at 2:30 p.m. at the Grace United Methodist Church (corner of Grant & Lincoln Streets). Please consider walking or sponsoring a walker in this most worthy activity. Niles/Buchanan food pantries are the recipients of 25 percent of the CROP Walk funds; 10 percent goes to Church World Service for water filtration machines; and 65 percent can go to ADRA if designated by the contributor. Please contact Esther Jones (269-684-6828 or occesther@gmail.com) if you would like to be a walker or sponsor this year. ~ Matthew 25:35: “For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink....”

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We bring our children to Jesus to be touched by His love, trained for service, and educated for Heaven.

Theme of the Year: Commissioned by God

Verse: As the Father sent Me, I now send you.
~ John 20:21

Song: The Mission by Steve Green (chorus)

Thanks to JB Garrett and his Home & School team, as well as some parent volunteers, the students enjoyed a yummy waffle breakfast on the first day of school.

Photo by Denise Kidder

News Around School

⇒ A big thank you to all who helped at our cleaning bees in August! We appreciate your hard work to get our school ready for the students.

⇒ We currently have 67 students at NAS and are looking forward to a great school year!

⇒ Potluck & Worship at Weko Beach: Friday, September 9, from 6-8 p.m. The church family is also invited to this potluck supper and worship at Weko Beach in Bridgman.

⇒ Volunteers are needed to help with our hot lunch program (2 ½ or so hours in the morning/early afternoon) on Mondays, Tuesdays, and/or Thursdays. We also need people to pick up pizza at 11:15 and supervise the 8th graders for an hour as they sell it as a fundraiser on Wednesdays at lunch time. Please contact the school if you can help. Thank you!

⇒ Gift Cards from many retailers are available to order from the school. Contact the school, or go to www.glscrip.com for a list of participating businesses. This is a great way to support Home & School (which is raising money to renovate the girls’ bathroom), as well as a student of your choice. Contact Staci Fagal or the school for more information.

Upcoming NAS Events

Parent Night & Open House ~ Thursday, September 1 ~ 6-8 p.m.

Potluck & Worship at Weko Beach ~ Friday, September 9 ~ 6-8 p.m.

Ident-A-Kid ~ Tuesday, September 20 ~ 8:45 a.m.

School Board Meeting ~ Tuesday, September 20 ~ 7 p.m.

Music by Fifth Graders at Niles Westside Church ~ Sabbath, September 24 ~ 11 a.m.

Fall Spirit Week ~ September 26-30

Adopt-A-Highway Bible Lab ~ Wednesday, September 28

Fall Picnic ~ Friday, September 30
## September Calendar of Events

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### September Birthdays

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- Ashley Feener
- Lillian Dockerty 2
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- William Fagal Jr
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- Cheri Stiles
- Steven Simmons
- Nicholas Leon
- Braedon Nims
- Rhonda Peak
- Aidan Salvini
- Jody Villwock
- Ruthann Adams
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- Mary Hall
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- Peggy Duis
- Ajay Hutchinson
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### Services

- **First Worship Service**
  Saturdays, 8:30 a.m.

- **Midweek Manna**
  Tuesdays, 7 p.m.

- **Sabbath School**
  Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.

- **Prayer Meeting**
  Wednesdays, 7 p.m.

- **Second Worship Service**
  Saturdays, 11 a.m.