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Good afternoon from New York City: Thursday, 2:27 p.m. / Greenwich Village, NY

Last night the community room of Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church was filled with participants who enjoyed the remarkable and fact filled seminar that was given by Pastor Richard Elofer, Hebrew Scholar, who is visiting New York City from Paris, France.

Elofer's first seminar, that will continue this evening, Thursday, Dec. 5 at 7:00 p.m. at Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, 232 West 11th Street, NYC, introduced facts that dispelled the notion, unfortunately held by many Christians on first-century Jewish believer's that certainly were followers of Jesus Christ, and totally cleared up many misunderstood notions of scripture that are misinterpreted and misleading.

It was certainly made clear that there is a historical reason why many hold concepts based on false interpretations and limited knowledge. If you enjoy clear thinking, and scholarly research, based on The Word,
you will want to join those who are finding new insights, via the seminars that Richard Elofer is sharing.

The seminars will be held tonight at 7:00 pm., Friday evening, Dec. 6 at 7:00 p.m. and on Saturday, Dec. 7 at 11:30 a.m., and the final seminar will be given later in the afternoon at 2:30 p.m. To learn more about Richard Elofer please scroll down.

**Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church opens its doors to the community.**

I am sitting in my office at the moment, listening to the laughing and activity coming from the large community room located just inside Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church. Currently, the church is hosting a community group located in Greenwich Village, that has a home schooling program. The large community room is filled with over 200 families and children, who are having their annual crafts fair in our church.

Behind this enjoyable activity, where community families are gathered for the event, is another nursery school that was displaced by a pipe that burst in the regular facility that they have used for the past 40 years. A few nights ago, on a Sunday, we received a call from this neighborhood school, that they were in need of a space as an emergency location due to the problem they were having at their normal location. We welcome The Downing Street Play Group to Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Within a matter of one hour, the church board acted to offer this community school use of the space normally used by our own children for their study on Saturday morning's. The group has now been meeting at the church for the past 5 days, and are beyond grateful for the offer to have them meet here.

It is amazing how opening up Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church has suddenly made this church into a welcoming place that is becoming a hub for the Greenwich Village community. It is my hope to ever expand the programs here that will make our church a welcome place for a variety of community events.

Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church is now home to five AA groups that meet on Sunday - Thursday evenings. The friendly and unique relationship we now have with these groups is a blessing to both the church and those who run this impressive addiction program. We consider the AA groups as part of the ministry outreach to our community.

Along with the space we share with various groups, REACH-NYC has sponsored Vegetarian Plant Based Seminars and Cooking Classes for the past few years. Each class is full, as healthy eating concepts are shared with those who attend. Well over 450 people have attended these classes this year alone.

If you would like to be part of our church community and share your talents with those who could use your talents, we are always seeking physicians, nutrition specialists, tutors, computer specialists, etc. to help us in our outreach efforts.

We also ask for your financial support to help us bring essential outreach efforts to our community. We are currently working on starting a "Cafe Church" and are designing this effort with some of our young professionals who attend our Friday night Cafe Reach small group discussions.

Have an idea for ministry? Let us know and stop by for a chat. Want to help us with a financial donation? Please scroll down and click on our "Make a Donation" button below. Or send your tax deductible donation made out to "REACH-NYC" and mail it to: REACH-NYC, P.O. Box 651, North Salem, NY 10560.

We thank you in advance for your prayers and support.

May God bless you with a calm spirit and peace. It is clear that more than a few of our friends are in need of healing and relief from a variety of medical issues, and I want you to know that you are in our prayers and thoughts.

Best regards - Tony Romeo / REACH-NYC
Hebrew Scholar, Richard Elofer from Paris, France to be featured speaker on Saturday, December 7, at 11:30 a.m. / 2:30 p.m., and on Thursday, Friday, December 5-6, at 7:00 p.m.

An outstanding Biblical presentations will be made by Hebrew Scholar, Richard Elofer in a series of seminars that continue, Thursday, Friday evenings (Dec. 5 - 6) at 7:00 p.m., and on Saturday morning, Dec. 7, 2013 at 11:30 a.m. and in an afternoon seminar that same day at 2:30 p.m.

This REACH-NYC special presentation will be held at Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, 232 West 11th Street, NYC, just 1.5 blocks west of Seventh Ave. South, in the West Village of New York City. Be sure to plan to attend this important Biblical series to get a Hebrew Scholars insight into the Bible.

Invite your Jewish friends to each of these important and fact filled seminars. Everyone from all faith traditions will enjoy these series of meetings that Richard Elofer will be having. Be sure to be there, and place these dates on your calendar.

Here is a short Bio of Richard Elofer:

Richard Elofer was born in Casablanca, Morocco, from a Jewish family. He was raised in the Jewish faith and was proud of his heritage. Richard Elofer's family decided to immigrate to France when he was 8 year old. His father contributed to establish the synagogue of the town of Villejuif, in the suburb of Paris. This "synagogue planting" action of his father demonstrates the degree of involvement of his family in Judaism. Richard Elofer became Bar-Mitsva when he was twelve in father's synagogue, it is also there that he received his course of Talmud Torah in order to be prepared for the Bar-Mitzva, and it is also there that he received his first rabbinical Bible course.

It is a custom to offer a Rabbinical Bible for the Bar Mitsva, thus receiving his first full rabbinical Bible, he started to read it intensively. This reading and some encounters changed radically his life and at the age of nineteen decided to accept in his heart Yeshua (Jesus) as the Messiah of Israel and his Savior and joined the Seventh-day Adventist Church of Paris.

When he was twenty he decided to work as a pastor and went to study at the "Adventiste Université du Salève" in France earn his first theological degree and started to work as a pastor. His first seventeen years of ministry (1979-1996) led him to various ministries in France. Then he received a call to be the President of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Israel. He worked in Israel for fifteen years (1997-2012). While working in Israel, the General Conference of the Seventh-day Adventists, asked Richard Elofer, in 2000 to be part time director of the World Jewish Adventist Friendship Center, a Global Mission Center dedicated to train ministers and leaders for Jewish ministry, and also to plant Jewish-Adventist congregations among Jews. In 2012 Richard Elofer moved back to France and became the full time director of the World Jewish Adventist Friendship Center. He completed his education earning a MA in Global Leadership (MAGL) (2008) and a Doctorate of Intercultural Studies (D.I.S.) at Fuller Seminary (2012).

Richard Elofer is married to Liliane, they have three children: Rachel, accountant in England, Raphael currently engineer in computer science in Edinburgh, Scotland, and Johann, dentist in Paris.
Pastor Ted Wilson to speak at Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, on Saturday, December 14, 2013, at 11:30 a.m.

Pastor Ted Wilson returns to New York City and the pulpit of Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, in a special program featuring special musical guests, who will be sharing the Gospel with all those in attendance.

Pastor Ted Wilson, who serves as president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists, has a special place for New York City in his heart, and has explored the importance of sharing the loving message of Jesus Christ with those living in large metropolitan areas of the world. Recently returning from trips around the globe, Pastor Wilson is making this special Christmas visit to New York City, and is making a special stop at Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, 232 West 11th Street, NYC, located just 1.5 blocks west of Seventh Ave. South.

Make plans to join us on Saturday, December 14, and be sure to arrive early for a good seat.

Cafe Reach will resume this Friday night, Dec. 6, at 7:00 p.m. with Hebrew Scholar Richard Elofer as our guest speaker.

A thoughtful discussion for young professionals and thinkers of all ages, who want to think out of the box and out of the pew. Join us at 7:00 p.m.
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