Baptistry Overflows In Greenwich Village Church, as Five Young Professionals Study and Are Led To Continue Their Personal Journey With Christ and Join The Fellowship As Members of Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church in Greenwich Village.
2014 started with a blessing, as five young professionals, continued their walk with Christ, by being baptized into the fellowship of Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church.

A student at one of New York City’s finest art schools, felt called by God to give his life and become a disciple of Jesus Christ. He meets a young woman who was also taking studies at his college, and they begin to speak about the Bible. He visits Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church and begins taking studies with the pastor, who had graduated from the same art school decades before.

Young, pictured on the left, was very motivated to begin his journey as a disciple of Jesus, and after taking studies was baptized into the fellowship of the church. He is a dedicated student not only of art, but is in continual studies to learn more about the teachings of Jesus Christ.

Hana, a soft spoken and friendly person, was a fellow student at the same art school where Young attends. After spending some time in conversation, Hana a frequent visitor to Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church from a sister church in New York City, invited Young to attend Cafe Reach, a young professionals small group ministry sponsored by REACH-NYC, and also to attend worship services with her. It was a joy for Hana to see Young baptized a few months later and join the church. It is amazing what a simple conversation can do to connect people with Jesus.

Kimberely, is another young professional who started studying on her own. Attending a popular Evangelical Church, she began studying about the Sabbath. She asked her pastor at the church she was formally attending, why they did not keep the Seventh-day as the Sabbath. His answer did not satisfy her, and she continued studying on her own. Her journey led her to start to take Bible studies with Heidi, an energetic and dedicated Bible instructor who was giving lessons at the church to a small group, and started giving studies to Kimberely personally.

Kimberley began to consistently start attending worship services on Saturday instead of Sunday, based on what she was studying in her Bible. She was soon baptized along with the other young professionals, who found a deeper walk with Jesus. Kimberley has brought her young nephews and nieces on Friday evenings to Cafe Reach, and now to church each week, where they are learning about Jesus, with their peers with other children in the growing children’s classes.
Seth first walked into Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, visiting with his pastor, who was seeking to rent space for his church group. Seth had been studying on his own for a long time, and was convinced that the Sabbath was a day that God had blessed as a memorial of His Creation.

Although Seth kept attending his church on Sunday, he also began to attend church on Saturday morning’s at the church he once visited just to “rent” space. Seth attended for about eight months and also was a nightly visitor to the Revelation of Hope series that was hosted by the church in June of 2013.

Seth is a true Bible student and took classes being offered in how to give Bible studies, and share his faith. Seth joined the church by Profession of Faith in late January.

Enter Andrew, a Catholic believer who also began to search the scriptures for a deeper understanding of the Bible. One morning, while at work, he began to speak with Daniel, a fellow worker about the Bible. Andrew explained that he was looking for a church to attend, one that kept the Sabbath day, and had heard about the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Daniel sat quietly to listen to Andrew’s story and journey. Then Daniel told Andrew, “I am a Seventh-day Adventist, why don’t you come to church with me?” Andrew agreed, and started to attend Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Daniel who is originally from Romania, and sings in the praise team at the church, began to introduce
Seth who never met a person he didn’t want to give Bible studies to, started to give Andrew studies. Andrew was baptized a few months later and is now a member of the church, as he continues his walk with Jesus.

A few months ago, Lavon, a young man visited the church and started attending every Saturday morning. Lavon was attending a Presbyterian Church in New York City, but as he studied the Bible, there were things he was learning that led him to want to learn more. His frequent visits to Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church continued, having found the church on the Internet. Lavon who studied first on his own, is another serious Bible student and has committed his life to following Jesus wherever it takes him. We are blessed that he has found his way to Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church.

Their names are Kimberley, Young, Lavon, Seth and Andrew. They each have a wonderful story to tell in how God has led them to a deeper study of the Bible and how their individual curiosity and search for a close walk and study of the teaching’s of the Apostles, has led to their remarkable journey in their continual walk with Jesus.

God uses friends, associates, Bible Instructors, and a host of methods to bring people to a better understanding of His Word. Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church has become a place of worship that welcomes visitors to New York City from around the World and across the Nation.

Each Sabbath brings a blessing with people visiting the church from a remarkably diverse community of believers. We welcome each one of them with open arms. The languages they speak vary widely, but their desire to find a home in the City of New York, where they can worship God, brings us many new friends each week. Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church is blessed that many are finding a place they can call home, and we look forward to see how these new members can bring their talents in service to God and to the Greenwich Village community.

May God continually bless you with peace and a calm spirit, and if you are looking for a church home, where Christ is preached each week, we invite you to visit, Historic Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist Church, located at 232 West 11th Street, New York City. The worship service begins at 11:30 a.m. each Saturday morning, and members of all faith traditions are welcomed to attend.
I want to share with you a wonderful passage from Ephesians: 3:14-21

“For this reason I kneel before the Father, from whom his whole family in heaven and on earth derives its name. I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith. And I pray that you, being rooted and established in love, may have power, together with all the saints, to grasp how wide and long and high and deep is the love of Christ, and to know this love that surpasses knowledge—that you may be filled to the measure of all the fullness of God. Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine, according to his power that is at work within us, to him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, for ever and ever! Amen.

God be with you this week.
- Best regards - Tony Romeo, Pastor

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