Greetings!

I'm sure you have discovered that there are times in the Christian's life when strange and unexplainable things occur. Those moments in life that completely catch you off guard. Sometimes it may be the loss of a loved one, or it could be that moment when you feel as though your life's dream is beginning to crumble right before your eyes and there is little you can do to stop it.

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In Acts 16:16 - 26, we are told of a *midnight experience*. Here we have Paul and Silas being severely beaten and placed into prison simply because they had the courage to stand tall for the gospel of Jesus Christ. What is surprising is not the fact that they were imprisoned, but rather how these men responded to their circumstances. One would expect that after having been badly beaten, the sounds coming from that prison cell would be of anguish and groaning, but instead sounds of singing were heard. I'm sure that the guards as well as the other prisoners must have thought Paul and Silas' behavior was peculiar. But as I said earlier, strange and unusual things happen at *midnight*. But wait, the best was yet to come.

Luke 16:26 says, "And suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken: and immediately all the doors were opened, and everyone's bands were loosed." Although the word "midnight" is associated with being the darkest hour, it can also be a perfect opportunity for God to reveal His faithfulness in our lives. Just as He showed up for Paul and Silas in the confines of a lonely prison cell, He can do the same for you, regardless of how dark your situation may appear.

Pastor Charles A. Tapp
Senior Pastor

The Three Looks
This Sabbath we will be celebrating the most sacred and symbolic ceremony in the Christian church, the Holy Communion. This has become a special time here in the life of the Sligo family and we look forward to sitting at the table that Jesus, through His sacrifice has prepared for each of us. In light of this being Communion Sabbath, I have titled my message, *The Three Looks.*
Family Matters Weekend
Whether good or bad, all relationships have their moments. And on April 2, you'll learn how to turn the issues you face into opportunities for your relationships to grow.

On Saturday, April 2, you and the family are invited to Sligo's Family Matter's Weekend, featuring Willie & Elaine Oliver, directors of the Department of Family Ministries for the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists.

Whether you're thinking of marriage, or you've already been through several seasons with your mate, you'll learn how to better communicate during the "Communicating With Grace" afternoon workshop.

Enjoy worship and an inspiring message by Willie Oliver at 8:45 & 11:15 and a potluck lunch is provided.

Please invite a friend or co-worker to join you for this special day.

Click the banner above for more details and to let us know you plan to be there.

- The Best Wine In Marriage (8:45 & 11:15a)
- FREE lunch provided (12:30-2:00pm)
- Communicating With Grace (afternoon workshop)

Hope to see you there!
Karla & Friends in concert

Enjoy a world-class concert of inspiring music this Saturday evening at 6pm with acclaimed soprano, Karla Rivera Bucklew. She will be joined by baritone Matt Osifchin, soprano Meghan McCall, Preston Hawes on the violin and pianist Mark DiPinto.

Karla is a graduate of Columbia Union College (2000) and last April, she made her opera debut at Carnegie Hall performing the role of Older Mary in the world premiere of Oh My Son, an opera about the birth and passion of Christ written by Spanish composer, Marcos Galvany.

Karla has toured throughout the world as soprano soloist with the New England Symphonic Ensemble, Pro Musica and Columbia Collegiate Chorale, all of Washington Adventist University.

The concert is free and open to all. A free-will offering will be accepted.

When: March 19th
Time: 6:00pm
Where: Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church sanctuary

We hope you found this weeks' e-weekend newsletter helpful. If there is anything else you would like to see included, we appreciate your feedback. Just email us to sligo@sligochurch.org. We will continue to send this out on a weekly basis. Remember, you may choose to unsubscribe for any reason at any time, though, we hope you won’t!

May God continue to richly bless you!