Greetings!

I am writing this edition of eWeekend from the campus of Shenandoah Valley Academy in New Market, VA where the Potomac Conference is holding its annual camp meeting. As you know, camp meetings in the Adventist church go back to the early days of the Millerite movement before our church was officially established. Camp meeting was then, and continues to be today a source of revival and renewal for many of our members across the globe.

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Follow the Leader ...

The theme for this year's encampment is simply "Follow Me." These simple, but yet challenging words of Jesus, although spoken originally to the disciples of old, continue to speak to the hearts of every disciple today. And the reason that I say that these words are challenging is because inherent in the call to follow Jesus is always the call to cease from following those things that oppose the very thing to which we are being called. You see, a call to follow Christ is a call to turn away from anything or anyone that opposes the values for which Jesus and His kingdom stand.

The words "follow me" are at the heart of what it means to be a true disciple of Jesus Christ. When I was a child one of the games that we would love to play was follow the leader. Now you must
remember that this was during a time that preceded all the
electronic games that hold much of this current generation
hostage. When I was growing up the only thing that was needed to
play many of the games we participated in were people. In
essence, we were the game. Well the goal in the game of follow
the leader was that after a leader was chosen, those that remained
would simply line up behind that individual and then it was their job
to mimic whatever he or she would do. If the leader stood on one
leg then it meant that we were to do the same, that is if we wanted
to remain in the game.

And herein lies the challenge for all who desire to be a disciple and
that it is the fight to remain in the game. We must never forget that
the enemies’ objective is to distract us from the call to follow our
leader to ultimately him becoming our leader. My prayer is that we
will learn a lesson from that simple game that we played as
children; to follow our leader to do whatever and to go wherever He
leads.

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Senior Pastor

Project Top Grade
At the Church Business Meeting on Tuesday,
May 3, Sligo Church voted for Sligo Adventist
School (SAS) and Sligo Seventh-day
Adventist Church to partner with the
Commonweal Foundation and the Potomac
Conference in donating funds to update Sligo
School's physical facilities and improve the
overall educational experience. As a result of
the generous gifts of over a million dollars
from Commonweal Foundation and the
Potomac Conference, funds will be made
available for a new HVAC, fire alarm system,
fire doors, new windows and other needed
repairs, plus provide professional
development for teachers and special
tutoring for students. Our part is to provide scholarships for needy
students. SAS and Sligo Church will be expected to raise $350,000 to be
placed in a special scholarship fund for students who otherwise would not
be able to afford a Christian education.

We invite you to be a part of this investment in our children by placing
your funds in the Giving Envelope, and marking it Project "TOP GRADE,"
which stands for Project Takoma Park: Guaranteeing Revitalized
Adventist Education. For more information about this project, please call
Principal Larry Rich at (240) 464-7054.
Sligo Homecoming Weekend
Save the date! Sligo's Homecoming Weekend will be back again this summer August 5 & 6 with another opportunity to catch up with old friends and find inspiration for the future.

Dr. Benjamin Carson, M.D., Chief of Pediatric Neurosurgery at Johns Hopkins University, will be our guest speaker on Sabbath, August 6.

Invite a friend to join you, or if you haven't been to Sligo in awhile, we hope you can make plans to be here for this exciting weekend!

More details coming soon!

Vacation Bible School is coming back!
Summer is for kids—and Vacation Bible School is the time kids get to have fun learning about God's love.

This year, be ready for a wild celebration of God's unconditional love! At PandaMania VBS, kids will discover that God has a purpose and a plan for everyone and that he crafted each of us with His own loving hands.

PandaMania VBS
July 17-22
6:00pm
Sligo 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!
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