

SERVICES FOR SABBATH 6th April 2013

BIBLE STUDY HOUR – 10:00 am

The theme for this quarter is: “**Major Lessons from Minor Prophets**”
This week’s study is on the topic: “Spiritual Adultery (Hosea)” led by Johnny Addai-Peprah

DIVINE SERVICE

Welcome and Announcements	
Opening Hymn	SDAH# 479 “Be Silent”
Prayer	
Scripture Reading	Romans 1: 1-5.
Special Item	Rosalita family
Tithes & Offerings	
Children’s Story	Matthew Burdette
Hymn	
Sermon	“What is the Gospel?” Mathew Burdette
Closing Hymn	SDAH# 166 “Christ the Lord is Risen Today”
Benediction	

AFTERNOON PROGRAM

Prayer – with Sandra Nel

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THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Ingathering is back and ADRA celebrates 100 years of collecting for people in need!

During the lesson study last Sabbath someone remarked on the importance of translating our theology into practical manifestation. Let me share a story that makes the point clearer: *As the worshipers arrived on a late November morning at the Lutheran Church in White Lake North Dakota, they were met by a rather disturbing sight. An apparently homeless beggar sat on the front steps of the church, wearing tattered clothing, a wool cap pulled down over his eyes, and clutching a bottle in fingerless gloves. They had never seen anything quite like this in White Lake North Dakota. Most worshipers simply walked around the man, or stepped over him, as he sat there. Some muttered words of disapproval, and others suggested that the man move to another doorway before the Sunday School children arrived. One member told the man, in no uncertain terms, that the Salvation Army in Minot was a more appropriate place to sleep it off. At one point, a kind woman brought the man a Styrofoam cup of hot coffee, but not one person asked the man to come in out of the cold, and certainly nobody invited him in to join them in worship. Imagine, then, the people’s surprise during the entrance hymn, when their homeless friend made his way into the pulpit, took off his cap, and the people recognized that it was their pastor! The pastor began his remarks that morning in this way: “I didn’t do this to embarrass you or to poke you in the eye. I did it to remind us that this is a person that Jesus loves, and he has called us to love him, too.” We are again reminded of Jesus’ parable about the sheep and the goats in Matthew 25: 31-46. The sobering conclusion of this parable is a warning to his followers: “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not serve you?’ He will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’*

While we await the new beginning we could very well occupy ourselves and let the world have a taste of what the new beginning is all about. The Book of Revelation describes this new beginning-- there will be no tears, no crying, no pain, no sickness and no death. This year ADRA is celebrating the hundredth anniversary of annual collection in the UK. Through this venture we will have the opportunity in a practical way to provide humanitarian aid to people in need in 120 different countries. ADRA changes lives by protecting the vulnerable, supporting families, providing food and water, establishing livelihoods, promoting health, educating and training people and more importantly, ADRA continues to respond to emergencies.

If you have not read the ADRA Special Edition Messenger please find one and read it. The statistics is striking: 870 million people do not have enough to eat. That means 1 in 8 people go to sleep hungry every night. Take a moment and look into the bins in the kitchen after a Sabbath lunch and see how much we throw away; take another look in your bins at home and see how much you throw away. 3,000 children die each day from preventable diseases. Of these deaths 88% are due to poor drinking water, lack of sanitation and poor hygiene. We have the privilege to see our kids grow up healthily but many others do not share this. Pastor Ian Sweeney’s appeal to us is that “we cannot turn a blind eye and ignore the world we live in.” Let us help to make the difference to the suffering and needs of others. Let us not only talk the talk but walk the walk. This is your opportunity!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

* **Welcome.** The pastor and congregation are delighted to welcome you to Dundee Seventh-day Adventist Church; especially if this is your first visit. May our time together be blessed!

* **Fellowship meal.** We extend a warm invitation to all to join us for a meal immediately after the service.

* A great **thanks** to all who made the events of the past couple of weeks possible: Messy Church, Youth Day of Fellowship and the Newbold College Choir Concert. It is wonderful to see what can be achieved when God's people pull together to make things happen. It is even better when not only do we benefit from it, but our friends, family and the community do too. Many thanks to one and all.

* **Ingathering Annual Appeal 2013** (March 30-14 April): It's that time of the year again - Ingathering in Scotland has begun. The funds collected for the 2013 appeal will support a range of projects in Africa, Asia, and the UK, as well as helping people affected by disasters. With your help Dundee will make a difference to the suffering and needs of others. For further information see Bankole.

* **Baptism:** 13th April - it is with great pleasure that we announce the baptism of Laud Kodji on that day. Let us prepare to join in the celebration of another soul who has decided to accept the Lord Jesus as a real part of his life. The baptismal service will take place during the divine service

* **Family Ministries meeting:** There will be Family Ministries meeting on Saturday the 13th of April 2013. Everyone is invited and the meeting will take place soon after lunch.

* **Social event.** 13th April - Our Filipino friends have kindly accepted to lead out in an evening of games and fun. Everyone is invited to bring along their own supper (around 18:30). We shall close Sabbath together and afterwards participate in a lot of wonderful activities which are meant to relax us all and put lots of smiles on everyone's faces. Please, invite along your family and friends to participate in a memorable evening.

* **Pathfinder & Adventurer Camporee:** 30th Aug - 1st Sept 2013, Venue: Galloway Activity Centre, Cost: £42 per person + food & own transport, Application Form by February 28th, Deposit of £20 by March 30th, Balance by June 30th.

* **A Prayer Team.** Anyone who would like to be part of the prayer team, please see Sandra.

* **Toddler group** meets every Tuesday morning 10-12 noon. Helpers are needed to talk to the parents, play with the children and help prepare the snack. Please come and help if you can!

* **Bible Study/Prayer meeting.** The weekly Bible Study takes place in the church at 6:30 pm every Wednesday. The study currently focuses on Jon Paulien's exposition of book of Revelation.

* **Lost Property:** There are quite a few items that have been left behind in church. Please look in the Lost Property Box on the piano in the Barrie Centre if you have mislaid an item.

Future Preachers:

13th April – Pr. Jimmy Botha
20th April – Brenya Obeng
27th April – Pr. Marcel Ghioalda
4th May – Pr. Marcel Ghioalda
11th May – Tarzan Bhebe
18th May – Anthony Keough
25th May - Johnnie Addai-Peprah

Future Events:

13th April – Baptism of Laud Kodji
13th April – Evening Social.
18th May - Tessera Adventist Quartet (concert in evening)



SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

DUNDEE CHURCH BULLETIN

-- April 6th 2013 --



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*We extend a warm welcome to you and hope you
enjoy worshipping with us today!*

Receiving God's grace in our hearts
Responding to God's grace in worship
Reflecting God's grace to each other
Revealing God's grace in service