# Mount Gilead Seventh-day Adventist Church

700 Kennedy Road, Scarborough, ON, M1K 2B5

# **Newsletter 41**

October 13, 2023



"Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us." Romans 5:5 (NKJV)



# October Birthdays

Donna Brown-Patterson -1<sup>st</sup>
Wendy Reid – 3<sup>rd</sup>
Marjorie Crawford - 3<sup>rd</sup>
Maria DeLima–Joseph – 7<sup>th</sup>
David Stupecka – 8<sup>th</sup>
Nevera Wilson - 20<sup>th</sup>
Christelle Agboka - 21<sup>st</sup>
Desreen Valentine -21<sup>st</sup>
Roxie Richardson - 25<sup>th</sup>
Ray Patterson - 27<sup>th</sup>
Flo Brown -31<sup>st</sup>

#### **EVENTS FOR SABBATH, October 14, 2023**

# **Day of Prayer and Praise**

• Prayer Session: 9:30 a.m. (Zoom)

• Sabbath School: 10:00 a.m. (Zoom, In-person)

• Midday Service: 11:15 a.m. (In-person, Zoom, YouTube)

• Bible Class: 6:00 p.m. (Zoom)

# **Zoom Meeting information**

https://zoom.us/j/7244241984?pwd=bjF1MU1BMDdheElqb3AzUjBGeGxmUT09

or phone 647-558-0588

**Meeting ID:** 724 424 1984 **Passcode:** 7525333

**Mount Gilead Website:** https://mountgileadadventist.org/

Mount Gilead YouTube link for Live Streaming

https://www.youtube.com/@mountgileadsdascarborough1975/streams

**Mount Gilead Facebook Page** 

https://www.facebook.com/mountgsdatoronto/

# **Sabbath Services for October 14, 2023**

PRAYER SESSION 9:30 a.m.	
Welcome/Opening Prayer	Sis. Monica Seetram
Opening Song "The Savior is Waiting" (289)	
Testimonies (205)	congregation enemater
Devotional Reading "Be Honest with God" "	"From the Heart" by E. G. White
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Prayer	G (G1
Closing Hymn "Day by Day" (532)	
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SABBATH SCHOOL 10:00 a.m.	D E1 1E '
Superintendent/Welcome	
Opening Song	
"Go, Preach My Gospel" (378)	
Opening Prayer	-
Lesson Review	
Closing Remarks	
Special Music	Bro. Robert Francis
Closing Prayer	Bro. Edmond François
Personal Ministry Item.	Sis. Eva Bekkout
MIDDAY WORSHIP SERVICE 11:15 a.m.	
Welcome/Announcements	Elder Ainsworth Hinds
Pastor's notes	Pastor Sil Lindo
Call to Worship	Bro. Daland Laurent
Introit	Pianist/Chorister
"We Have Come into His House	
Invocation	
Opening Song "Mr. Hans Is Built on Nothing Loss"	
"My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less" Prayer Appeal/Chorus	
"God is Here"	Traise ream
Intercessory Prayer	Bro. Edmond François
Children Story	
"Sabbath Test"	
Offertory	
Congregational Scripture	
"2 Corinthians 5:16-17" (NKJV	
Praise Time (518, 109)	
Music of Meditation	•
Sermon "FULL ASSURANCE"	Pastor Sii Lindo
Consecration Song	
"Blessed Assurance, Jesus is Mine!"	
Benediction	
Blessing	Pianist/Chorister
"Till We Meet Again"	
Bible Class: 6:00 p.m. (Zoom)	



Vision Statement: To see every member sharing Christ innovatively, meeting the needs of people, in readiness for His Second Coming.

Mission Statement: To reach people within Toronto and its environs with the Everlasting Gospel of hope and wholeness.



# **Report of Community Breakfast**

On October 7, 2023, for the Thanksgiving Weekend, Mount Gilead Adventist Church served Community Breakfast. The church is grateful to Clintar Commercial Landscaping for the donation of grocery which was distributed to needy families at the breakfast. All donated items were given out.

Mount Gilead's Head Elder, Howard Shaw reported that his coworkers at Clintar Commercial Landscaping are already putting plans in place for a December food drive to support Mount Gilead's Community Service.









# **Upcoming Events for Mount Gilead Church**

- Bible Study/ Prayer: Sunday, October 15 at 5:00 p.m. Studies on Revelation
- Wednesday Mid-Week Revival: October 18 at 7:00 p.m. Presenter: Elder Melrose Cooley
- Stewardship Sabbath/Community Connect: Oct. 21
- Pathfinder Fund-raising Dinner: Saturday night Oct. 21



- Fall Week of Prayer/ Outreach Series: October 28 -November 4
- Pathfinder Day: Nov. 11
- Community Breakfast/ Community Connect: Nov 18
- Youth Day: Dec. 9
- Community Christmas Dinner: Dec. 17
- Communion: Dec. 30

# **Volunteers Needed**

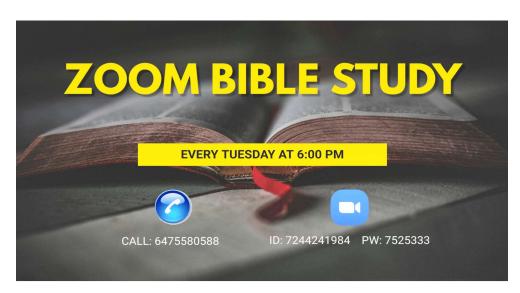
We are looking for volunteers to lead worship on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sabbaths of each month at 2:30 p.m. for the residents of the Craiglee Nursing Home at 102 Craiglee Drive (near Kingston Rd. and Midland Ave.).

Please contact Eva Bekkout (416-697-3736) or a member of Personal Ministries to participate. Blessings!

# **Health Presentations** (Coming Soon on Zoom)

The 4th Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

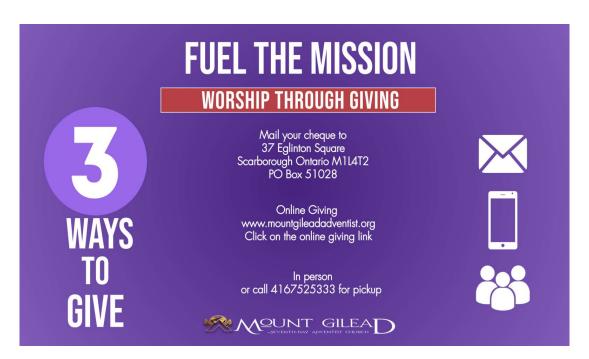
**Bible Study for non-Adventist members** (Starting soon)







Please share these with your family and friends to invite them to church.



# **Emails Addresses to Use for Church Correspondences**

mountgileadadventist@gmail.com (new official church email)
mountgileadelders@gmail.com (to correspond with elders)
mountgileadbulletin@gmail.com (to submit Bulletin and Newsletter information)
mountgileadboard@gmail.com (to submit agenda items for Board Meeting)
Mt.Gileadpathfinders@gmail.com (for Pathfinder Club issues)

#### The Goodness of God

by Janette Johnson

#### Dear friends:

It has been a while since I wrote anything in the Newsletter. Today, I feel impressed to share my thoughts with you as a church family. I was thinking about the goodness of God, and I realized that God is good beyond words. We are part of a great church; I am not talking about the Seventh-day Adventist Church overall. I am talking about The Mount Gilead Seventh-day Adventist Church. We have a great congregation. Our youth are few, but they are great young people. We have a legacy amongst our youth. There is so much talent amongst us that we must recognize. We cannot afford to let our youth fight their struggles on their own. We as a church must be positive and intentional about our people.

I wish we would stop complaining and criticizing, look at the negative things that happen in the church, and start appreciating the positive. God wants us to be positive people. There are stories in the Bible that will help us to understand that being positive is the hope we are looking for. One story that comes to mind is the story of Hosea and Gomer in the book of Hosea. Check out Hosea chapter 1 and learn of the goodness of God. God's ways are not our ways, neither are His thoughts our thoughts, but He has given us the opportunity to be co-partners with Him in saving souls. Remember that we cannot save anyone. It is the work of the Holy Spirit, but we are the vehicles provided for the Holy Spirit to ride in. Having said that, the God of the universe wants us to be consistent in our work as we allow the Holy Spirit to direct us daily.

In the book of Proverbs, the very well-known Chapter 3 verses 5 and 6 admonish us to trust in the Lord and not lean to our own understanding. It is very important that we\_do what the Bible says. When we lean toward our own understanding we go wrong, but when we allow God to teach us, we go right. The songwriter says, "All my life you have been faithful. All my life you have been so, so good. With every breath that I am able, I will sing of the goodness of God." Let us put away negativity and adopt positivity, God has created each of us with a purpose and I am sure we have not fully lived out that purpose with which He has created us. Think positively, live humbly, and pray always not for yourselves but for others. Pour into others some of what God has poured into you and experience the goodness of God. Have a wonderful Sabbath as God leads, I pray that you will follow.



# PRAYER FOR THE SICK Father God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that You would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. In

Jesus' name. Amen.

Condolences to: Sis. Harriett Bynoe on the loss of a family member this week

# **Special Prayer for:**

- Pastor Lindo's sister (sick in hospital)
- Sis. Yvonne's son Oshane (Bell's Palsy to this face but recovering well)
- Sis. Tammy's family especially her husband David (with addictions)
- Josephine Johnson's son in hospital
- Jehan DeAlwis (in wheelchair, prayer for healing)
- Janette Johnson's nieces Sheryne & Victoria (ill)
- Janette's cousins Julle, (cancer), Sheila (pain) & Evelyn (eyes, swollen feet)
- Melanie Walters, Melanie's mother (sick)
- Gemma King (in chronic pain; pray for God to keep her faithful)
- Monica's sister Ruth, brother Clarence, sister-in-law Peggy (conversion & healing)
- Maria De Lima (insomnia, seeking job); brother Clemente (in CAMH hospital)
- Ena Jones's sister (sick with stroke)
- Osbourne Burnett (recuperating)
- Winifred (career choice, healing for autistic son & sister's Canada visa application)
- **Sharon** (Monica's co-worker who is asking for prayer)
- Youth of our church to remain devoted to God
- Those suffering natural disasters world-wide

# **Continuous Prayers for the shut-ins and sick members:**

Jean Barclay, Flo Brown, Paulette Burnett, Floretta Calendar, Roslyn Connaught, Carolyn Hinds, Melviner Hinds, Janette Johnson, Rudolph and Myrna Lewis, Clorine McNeish-Weir, Dionne Mitchell, Suthlyn Pinnock, Amanda Reid, Remaline Shakes, Pauline Thompson, Peter Toppin



# **Announcements from Across Ontario Conference**

# **Ontario Conference: Believe in Burman Special Offering**

The Burman University is scheduled to call for the **Believe in Burman Annual Fund Offering on October 28, 2023.** Therefore, on behalf of our President, Pastor Jakov
Bibulovic, I write to request and encourage you to directly promote this special and needed offering in your congregation on the date listed above.

The university will be mailing the promotional material to you and your members. Kindly make it a priority to inform the church, as the offering will be for a worthy cause – to benefit students in their education and training.

Thank you for your continued commitment and support to this cause.

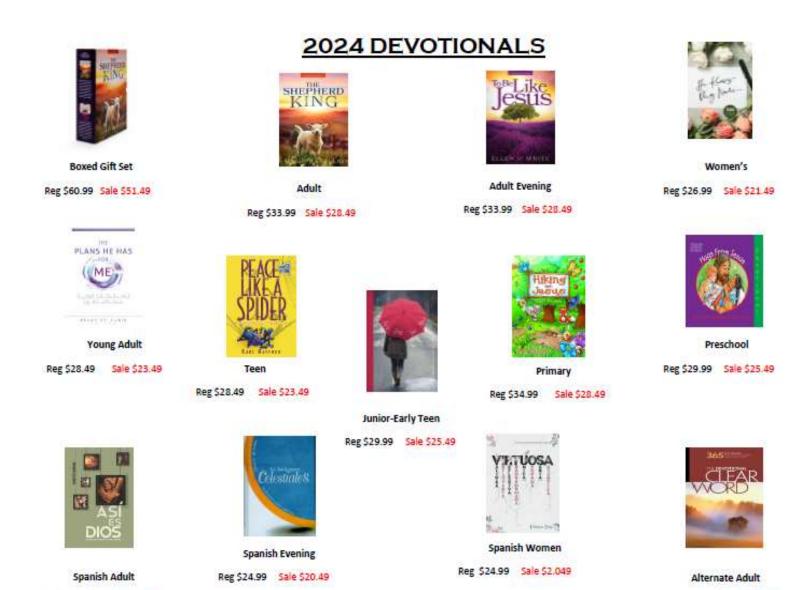
God bless,

In Christ

#### Anthony Reid, DMin.

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# **Ontario Conference Ministries Convention - March 23, 2024**



The Ontario Conference Ministries Convention is back, and it's happening March 22-23, 2024! Get ready to immerse yourself in valuable training, inspiration, and networking.

The Conference is working to craft a program and workshops that will empower your ministry. Whether you're an experienced ministry leader or someone eager to take their first step, this convention is tailored for you.

There will also be special group discounts to encourage your church ministry teams or groups of friends to attend.

Many more details are to come, so stay tuned and be sure to place March 22-23, 2024, on your calendar for the Ontario Conference Ministries Convention.

Pastor Shawn Ellis
Director of Communications and Media

Reminder: All Mount Gilead Ministries are encouraged to share plans and upcoming events as well as report on past activities, by sending an email to mountgileadbulletin@gmail.com, which we will then upload to the Bulletin or Newsletter. We welcome your news reports, poems, inspirational thoughts, prayer requests, testimonies, birthdays, anniversaries etc.

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