

The Church at Study

The 10 o'clock hour provides opportunities, throughout the complex, to study God's word in small groups, to reflect on the meaning of faith, and to fellowship with one another.

ADULTS, Sanctuary. *Discipleship for Everyday Believers*: Small classes for Bible Study (lesson), discussion and life application.

Gather around the colored banners for study:

- BLUE** (front right) Evans/Christman Team
- RED** (front left) Brillhart/Candelaria Team
- BROWN** (back right) Wesley Team
- FUSCIA** (back left) Women's Ministries Team "Women & the Word"
- DARK GREEN** (center right back) Satelmajer Team "Wanderers"
- PURPLE** (center left back) Vedamuthu Team
- SILVER** (front center) Battle-Brooks / Johnson Team

BELIEVERS AND DOUBTERS, Balcony Level, Room 44. Currently studying *Meditating on the Psalms* by John Eaton.

BRANSON / ORTNER CLASS, Fellowship Room A. Conversations on Scripture and current issues.

LOGOS COLLEGIATE SABBATH SCHOOL: Richards Hall chapel. An alternative Sabbath experience.

MIZO BIBLE STUDY, Church Office Building. Sabbath School lesson taught in Mizo.

WORDS TO LIVE BY, First Level Conference Room, Church Office Building. Sabbath School lesson study for one hour.

PATHWAYS BIBLE CLASS, Fellowship Room B. Study of Adventist beliefs for new members and people considering membership.

Children's & Youth Sabbath School

Beginners (ages 0-2)	Level 1
Little Friends (ages 3-4)	Level 1
Kindergarten (ages 4-5)	Level 1
Primary I (1st and 2nd graders)	Level 1
Primary II (3rd and 4th graders)	Level 3
Juniors (5th and 6th graders)	Level 3
Earliteens (7th and 8th graders)	Level 1, Memorial Chapel
Youth (high school)	Level 1, Youth Room

Church Directory

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Sabbath Celebration

DECEMBER 17, 2005

11:15 A.M.

Third Week of Advent

Prelude

Welcome & Church Life Pastor Terry Johnson

Celebration of Ministry Pastor Terry Johnson
 New Community Fellowship Outreach

Baby Dedication Pastor Terry Johnson
 Gianni Kevon Evly Davis

Lighting of the Advent Candle Krista Bryd & Gloria Cifuentes
 Genesis 47:1-3
 Luke 2:8-20

***Call to Worship** Pastor Terry Johnson

Leader: Great God of Re-Creation, we come to worship
 You this morning, yearning for a reflection of You,
 seen as through a glass brightly.

All: Like the wise men of old, we follow the Star to see the Light of the World.

Leader: Great God of Re-Creation, shine into the dark
 corners of our lives, reveal Yourself to us in love and
 mercy and grace, that we may know the brightness
 of the Baby.

All: Like the shepherds of old, we look to the Child in the manger to show us God on the throne.

Leader: For unto us a Child was born; unto us a Son still is
 given.

All: Hasten the day when we will meet You face to face in clouds of glory. Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly.



Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church

7700 Carroll Avenue Takoma Park MD 20912
 301-270-6777

Sabbath Celebration

11:15 a.m.

*Hymn of Praise

Angels From the Realms of Glory / No. 119

Invocation

Pastor Kermit Netteburg

Anthem

Of the Father's Love Begotten / Chenoweth

✠ Call to Prayer

O Come, O Come, Immanuel / French

✠ Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Terry Johnson

Invitation to Give

Lloyd Buddoo

Offertory

In the Bleak Midwinter / Darke

Scripture

Ephesians 2:8-10

Steve Chavez

Sermon

Pastor Kermit Netteburg

A Lot of People Confuse Jesus Christ With Santa Claus

*Hymn of Response

O Come, All Ye Faithful / No. 132

*Benediction

Pastor Kermit Netteburg

*Benediction Response

Glory Be to the Father / Mendelssohn

Postlude

A Joyous Christmas / Leavitt

Barry Rowe & Elaine LaBastide, *deacon & deaconess on duty*

Sligo Sanctuary Choir

Marianne Scriven, *director*

Christine Castillo, *soprano*

Elmer Carreno, *tenor*

Joy-Leilani Garbutt, *8:45 service organist*

John Lintner, *11:15 service organist*

* congregation is standing

✠ congregation is kneeling



Sabbath Celebration

8:45 a.m.

Welcome & Church Life

Pastor Rebecca Brillhart

Baby Dedication

Ferenc Bekefi Brown

Pastor Kermit Netteburg

*Call to Worship

Pastor Rebecca Brillhart

*Hymn of Praise

Angels From the Realms of Glory / No. 119

Lighting of the Advent Candle

Genesis 47:1-3

Krista Byrd &

Gloria Cifuentes

While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks / No. 139

Luke 2:8 - 20

Silent Night, Holy Night / No. 143

✠ Pastoral Prayer

Pastor Rebecca Brillhart

Invitation to Give

Lloyd Buddoo

Offertory

Scripture

Ephesians 2:8-10

Steve Chavez

Sermon

Pastor Kermit Netteburg

A Lot of People Confuse Jesus Christ With Santa Claus

*Hymn of Response

O Come, All Ye Faithful / No. 132

*Benediction

Pastor Kermit Netteburg

*Benediction Response

Sabbath School

Discipleship for Everyday Believers

10 a.m.

Song Service

Judith Pino

Theme Song

In Christ There Is No East nor West / No. 587

Prayer

Welcome

Clarence Dunbebin

Musical Selection

Away in a Manger

Judith Pino

Mission Focus

Tell the World

Bible Study

Ephesians: The Christian Warfare

Class Leaders

Benediction

Class Leaders

Zelma Edwards, *pianist*



Church & Community

Children & Youth

Earliteens Sabbath School will be making a special Christmas Eve visit to our homeless friends downtown to distribute clothing and food items. Meet at the church by 3 p.m. and plan to return by 6 p.m.

Do you need a spiritual revival in the middle of the week? Join us for Hour of Hope each Wednesday at 7 p.m. in Memorial Chapel. This week will be a special Christmas Hour of Hope. Heurglon Julien will give his testimony.

Today is an outreach and social day for the youth. There will be a coffee and food drive during which youth will give the warm socks you donated! Afterwards, the youth will go to the ESPN Zone for food, fellowship, and fun.

Don't forget that next Sabbath the youth will have a special Christmas Sabbath School. Invite a friend. Youth Room, 10 a.m.

The Sligo Youth Choir will sing in a special New Community Fellowship Christmas Concert next Sabbath, 6 p.m. Plan to be there!

Don't forget to sign up for the Wizards game on January 7! This event is open to all high-school youth. Sign up at any youth event until January 7. If you have any questions call 301-270-6777 ext. 133.

Youth Ski Trip, January 21-22. Come for a fun-filled weekend. Sign up at Hour of Hope or Sabbath School. If you have any questions call 301-270-6777 ext. 133

If you are not receiving the youth calendar each month, call the youth office, 301-270-6777 ext. 133.

Sligo Adventist School

Fruit Order Deadline: January 20. Honeybell Tangelos and Ruby Red Grapefruit will be available. Email fruit@sligoadventistschool.org or call 301-434-1417.

Sligo School's Christmas Program which was to be Thursday has been postponed until January 4 due to weather.

Shopping for the Holidays? Shop online and help Sligo School. Log on to www.schoolmall.com. This website will link you to many popular retailers. If you access your shopping needs through SchoolMall, the retailer will donate a percentage of your purchase to Sligo School. The school zip code is 20912 and the school code is 124486.



Calendar

December 18, Sunday

Adult Sabbath School Leader Holiday Brunch, Fellowship Hall, 10 a.m. - noon
Pathfinder Christmas Party, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

December 19, Monday

Regeneration, Disciple Room, 7:30 p.m.

December 20, Tuesday

Prayer Gathering, Sanctuary, 7 p.m.

December 21, Wednesday

Wednesday Night Out
Hour of Hope (youth), Youth Room, 7 p.m.
Sligo Church Bells, Sligo Adventist School, 7 - 8 p.m.

December 26, Monday

Church Office closed

Looking Ahead ...

December 31

New Community Fellowship presents *A Kind of Christmas.* This Christmas play relates Christmas in the stable to Christmas in the 21st century. Sanctuary, 6 p.m.

January 4

Sligo Adventist School Belated Christmas Program

January 21 - 22

Sligo Youth Ski Trip. Youth may sign up during Hour of Hope or Sabbath School.

Worship Schedule

8:45 and 11:15 a.m.

December 24 Lessons & Carols
December 31 Communion
Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.

New Community Fellowship

Services held in the Sligo Church Sanctuary, 6 p.m.

December 17 Ismael Gama
December 24 Special Christmas Concert
In Praise of the Baby
December 31 New Year's Program
A Kind of Christmas

Sunset
Tonight: 4:48
December 23: 4:51

Welcome to Sligo Church

The manger on the rostrum this morning reminds us that Christ's birth was humble. His life led to the cross that we have symbolized in the choir loft. As we contemplate the baby in Bethlehem, we also worship the Lord of Lords today.

The Sligo Sanctuary Choir is singing again today, after a hiatus of more than six months. Thank you for blessing us with your music again.

May the Lord bless you as you worship with us today. We welcome our guests and visitors. To write the pastors a note, to make a prayer request, or to join Sligo Church, please use a purple card from the hymnal rack.

Stop by the Membership Booth in the Atrium. A Membership Team representative, will be happy to assist you with changing membership data, transferring in, and exploring ministry opportunities.

Thank you to those who shared their gifts last night at Sligo's "International Christmas Festival," both the gifts of music and reading during the program and the gifts of food during the reception.

Prayer Support: Sangi Vangchhia, Joy Drumheller, and Paulita Hutchinson; requests brought to Prayer Gathering Tuesday evening.

Prayer Gathering meets every Tuesday evening, 7 - 8 p.m., in the Sanctuary. Come, bring your family and friends, and experience God's loving embrace.

Visitors are invited to join a Fellowship Lunch in Fellowship Hall A following the 11:15 worship service.

PROFILE OF GIVING Church Giving as of December 10, 2005

December is the month when churches traditionally catch up with their budget. Sligo Church needs to receive \$100,000 or more this month for church budget. We call this special emphasis the "Budget Booster." Can you give an extra amount this month? If you can, let the pastors know that it's your special gift by putting it on the Budget Booster line on the tithe envelope. We also need to receive more than \$16,000 each month for the Organ and Sanctuary Restoration project. Where we stand to date:

	Last Week	This Month
Tithe	\$50,578	\$118,384
Church Budget	\$6,921	\$17,604
OSR	\$2,668	\$4,996

Church & Community

Adult Sabbath School quarterlies for January-March 2006, *Families in the Family of God*, are available at the reception desks. A small supply of quarterlies will also be available at the Church Office. Large print quarterlies are a special order item. If you signed up for one last quarter, there will be a copy waiting for you. Please remember the extra expense for this material in your holiday giving. Remember, complete SS lessons with commentary are *always* available online for your convenience: <http://www.ssnet.org>.

The church office will be closed Monday, December 26, for the Christmas holiday, and Monday, January 2, for the New Year's holiday

Do you get *Sligo eWeekend* and *Sligo eVents*?

These electronic newsletters are free. Send an email to postmaster@sligochurch.org to get your name added to the list. Know what's happening at your church.

Special devices to help those with hearing deficits are available from the Audio-Visual booth in the balcony. If you have a hard time getting up to the balcony, please contact a deacon.

A room is provided at the back of the Sanctuary for parents with young children.

Walk Through Bethlehem: *Jesus is our Hope*, an interactive Christmas play, will be at the General Conference tonight and tomorrow. Tours begin at 6 - 8:30 p.m. For more information call 301-680-6122 or visit www.BethlehemWalk.info. Reserve tickets by phone or purchase at the door.

Membership Transfers (first reading):

Joining Sligo: Lian Chhing Khuma, Karim Salim, Rebecca Salim, and Carol Silva

Joining elsewhere: Chikwendu Anyatonwu, Festa Anyatonwu, and Jacqueline McFarland.

Nominating Report (first reading):

Milca Pabon, Emergency Aid Committee

Hymnals in the church are for use in the church. If you need a hymnal at home, please contact the Adventist Book Center.

To sponsor flowers for future worship services contact Flor Balay at the church office, 301-270-6777 ext. 114 or florbalay@sligochurch.org.

Bulletin Information Deadline: Monday evening. Email bulletin information to theresa@sligochurch.org, or fax it to the church office.

