

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 Mizos.

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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 Youth Web: www.sligo youth.com
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Senior Pastor	Ron Halvorsen, Jr.	ext. 121
Discipleship Pastor	Rebecca Brillhart	ext. 123
Interim CUC Chaplain	Terry Johnsson	301-891-4112
Worship Pastor	Debbie Eisele	ext. 127
Youth/Young Adult	Terry Johnsson	ext. 119
Associate Youth Pastor	Pete Garza	ext. 133
Administrative Pastor	Kermit Netteburg	ext. 122
Head Elder	Lloyd Buddoo	301-384-3986
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Church Secretary	Flordeliza Balay	ext. 114
Church Secretary	Theresa J. Leahy	ext. 115
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Sabbath Celebration

DECEMBER 31, 2005

11:15 A.M.

WE GATHER

Prelude

Priere a Notre-Dame from Suite Gothique / Boellmann

Welcome & Church Life Pastor Rebecca Brillhart

***Call to Worship** Pastor Rebecca Brillhart
(See Insert)

***Hymn of Praise**
Come Christians, Join to Sing / No. 10

***Invocation** Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.

Anthem
The Call / Ralph Vaughan Williams

✠ **Call to Prayer**

✠ **Prayer** Pastor Rebecca Brillhart

WE REFLECT

Scripture Zo Renthlei
 Luke 15:17-20

Homily Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.
"The God of New Beginnings"

WE PREPARE

Ordinance of Humility

Women: Fellowship Room A & B
 Men: Youth Room
 Families: Memorial Chapel

WE CELEBRATE

***Communion Hymn**
Bread of the World / No. 398



Sligo Seventh-day Adventist Church

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

Church & Community

Children & Youth

Homeless Feeding, January 7 at 2:30 p.m. We will be meeting in the Church office basement.

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.

Don't forget to sign up for the Wizards game on Jan. 7! This event is open to all high-school youth. Sign up at any youth event. 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 by January 6. 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.

First 3C meeting of the year will be held on January 6, in the youth room at 7 p.m.

Sligo Adventist School

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

Charity Basketball Game at Sligo Adventist School, Saturday, January 7, 7-10:30 p.m. Come see the basketball game and the 2006 Sligo Lions Cheerleader Teams. Refreshments will be available. The admission price is canned food for money to benefit the Adventist Community Service Center of Greater Washington. For more information call 301-434-1417, ext. 216.

Adventist Community Services Center

Campaign for Community touches the hurting in our local community by providing services through ACS: emergency financial and food assistance, community health services and basic educational programs. For more information, call 301-585-6556.

Action In Montgomery (AIM)

In mid January, Sligo Church will host an important meeting between lay clergy, lay leaders, and the Governor's office addressing gang activity. A new website to help parents, educators, and the public will be previewed for input by AIM leaders. For more information on AIM and local issues of concern, contact Pastor Brillhart at: rbrillhart@sligochurch.org



Calendar

January 2, Monday

Church Office closed.
Regeneration, Disciple Room, 7:30 p.m.

January 3, Tuesday

Prayer Gathering, Sanctuary, 7 p.m.

January 4, Wednesday

Sligo School Christmas Program, Sligo School, 7 p.m.

Wednesday Night Out

Hour of Hope (youth), Youth Room, 7 p.m.

Women's Ministry Book Club, Disciple Room, 7 p.m.

January 8, Sunday

Pathfinder Meeting, Pathfinder Room, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Looking Ahead . . .

January 9

First Monday, Fellowship Rooms, 7 p.m.

January 12

Stewardship Committee, Senior Pastor office, 7 p.m.

January 14

Information and Membership Team, Fellowship Room B, 9 a.m.

January 19

Finance Committee, Senior Pastor office, 7 p.m.

January 21 - 22

Sligo Youth Ski Trip. Youth may sign up during Hour of Hope or Sabbath School until January 6.

Worship Schedule

8:45 and 11:15 a.m.

January 2006 - God Starts Fresh

January 7	Pastor Terry Johnsson
January 14	Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.
January 21	Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.
January 28	Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.

New Community Fellowship

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

December 31	New Year's Program <i>A Kind of Christmas</i>
January 7	Peter Garza
January 14	Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.
January 21	Pastor Terry Johnsson

<i>Sunset</i> <i>Tonight:</i> 4:55 <i>January 7:</i> 5:01

Sabbath Celebration

11:15 a.m.

***Litany** Pastor Rebecca Brillhart
(See Insert)

THE LORD'S SUPPER

WE GO TO SERVE

Invitation to Give Leon Bathini

Offertory
One Bread, One Body / arr. Mark Hayes

***Hymn of Response**
Sent Forth By God's Blessing / No. 407

***Benediction** Pastor Ron Halvorsen, Jr.

Postlude
Toccata from Suite Gothique / Boellmann

*An Emergency Aid Offering
will be received by the deacons as you leave.*

Allan Manuel & Doris Lewis, *deacon & deaconess on duty*
Brandon Mowry, *tenor*
Lilya Wagner, *organist*
Zelma Edwards, *pianist*

* congregation is standing
† congregation is kneeling

Footnotes

Zo Renthlei has been a Sligo member for 21 years. He is actively involved in the church serving as an elder

Brandon Mowry grew up and was baptized in Sligo. He moved to Florida to pursue a Master of Music degree and currently teaches music at American Heritage School in Delray Beach, FL.

Leon Bathini has been a Sligo member for 22 years. He is actively involved in the church serving as a deacon and an elder.

Lilya Wagner is an accomplished author, development professional and organist. She and her husband, John, moved from Indiana to this area in 2005.

Serving communion today are local elders Joyce Christman and Premila Pedapudi. Pastors Terry Johnsson and Pete Garza.



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Sabbath School

Discipleship for Everyday Believers
10 a.m.

Song Service Gladys Kelley

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

Prayer Olive Hemmings

Welcome

Musical Selection Shane Kelley

Great Is Your Faithfulness: Testimonies

Bible Study Class Leaders
Ephesians: The Christian Communion and Conduct

Benediction Class Leaders



Welcome to Sligo Church

We welcome our guests and visitors. May the Lord bless you as you worship with us today. The communion service is a joyous celebration of gratitude for Christ's redeeming grace. By washing one another's feet, we re-enact Christ's compassion and the principle of Servant-Leadership upon which His Kingdom is based. We have received an abundance of His subduing grace; therefore may His love compel us to communicate His example to others and to partake of His blessings together. May He wash away our alienation, misunderstandings, and pride. May He prepare our hearts to receive communion.

If I then, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another's feet. For I have given you an example, that you also should do as I have done to you.

John 13:14, 15

Stop by the Membership Booth in the Atrium.

Roland Halstead, a Membership Team representative, will be happy to assist you with changing membership data, transferring in, and exploring ministry opportunities.

Prayer Support: Sangi Vangchhia, Joy Drumheller, and Paulita Hutchinson; the family of George Tatum for comfort, and Justin Kimura for safety in Iraq; 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.

Sunset Calendars for 2006 are available at the reception desks.

PROFILE OF GIVING

Church Giving as of December 24, 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	\$74,528	\$192,912
Church Budget	\$19,453	\$58,663
OSR	\$90,983	\$100,257

Church & Community

The church office will be closed Monday, January 2, for the New Year holiday.

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. Please remember the extra expense for this material in your holiday giving. Large print quarterlies are a special order item. If you signed up for one last quarter, there will be a copy waiting for you at the reception desk on the wheelchair lift side.

Complete Sabbath School lessons with commentary are always available online for your convenience: <http://www.ssnet.org>.

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

These electronic newsletters are free. Send an email to theresa@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.

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

Nominating Report (second reading):

Emergency Aid Committee: Arthur Bergman

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.

Women's Ministry Book Club features "The Professor's House" by Willa Cather. They will be meeting in the Disciple room on January 4 at 7 p.m.

Thank you, Adult Sabbath School groups/members, for the beautiful Christmas gift of 400 NRSV pew Bibles for use in the sanctuary during worship and study.

Continue to pray for the members of the New Life Church, devastated by Katrina in New Orleans. Pray that members of our sister congregation will be able to come home in 2006.

