

IMPORTANT STUFF

Official News of the Dayton Community Chapel of Seventh-day Adventist Church

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MINISTRY NEEDS FIRST

With fewer than forty active members and an average age of about fifty-eight, our church family has embraced a surprisingly large ministry.

From a community Block Party with about seventy attending, including many neighbors, to **First Thursday Health Seminars, monthly Music/Guitar Sabbaths, and our member-led 26-topic Pentecost 2025 series**, we are working to make our church a place where people can worship, learn, fellowship, and grow.



At the same time, we have been renovating our building for ministry. One restroom for men and one for women simply wasn't enough, and our Fellowship Hall and Kitchen needed significant improvement. For months we have "camped out" in our own building, squeezing in tables and chairs and making the best of what we had.

Now this phase of renovations is nearing completion. Soon we will have **six modern toilets plus two urinals**, greatly increasing our ability to serve larger groups. Our members have faithfully given financially and volunteered countless hours of labor, saving **tens of thousands of dollars** in construction, electrical, and other costs.

Expanding Our Ministry

Our upgraded sound system is being installed and programmed and will support an active music ministry that sometimes includes approximately fifteen musicians. We are especially grateful to **John DePace of Calvary Chapel Dayton**, which worships in our facility on Sundays, and **Luke Schilt**, who have worked together on our sound system and new AV control desk.

Now we need to take the next step: **video and livestreaming ministry**.

With **Pastor David DeRose, M.D., M.P.H., M.A.P.** serving as our pastor, we have an opportunity to reach people far beyond our sanctuary. Adventist media ministries are looking for new content, but producing quality programming requires more than a single camera on a tripod.

We need cameras capable of automatically tracking a speaker, a video switcher, camera controller, livestreaming computer, monitors, cables, and related equipment. Video will also serve people inside our building through monitors in the foyer: Beginners Room, Fellowship Hall, and other Hospitality Areas.



Our Immediate Needs

FLOORING — \$9,900

Commercial glue-down luxury vinyl plank flooring is needed for the Kitchen, Fellowship Hall, Foyer, and Hallways. Completing the flooring will allow us to better use these areas for Sabbath meals, seminars, community programs, and larger gatherings.

VIDEO/LIVESTREAMING EQUIPMENT — Approximately \$17,000

This includes quality auto-tracking cameras, a multi-input video switcher, camera controller, dedicated livestreaming computer, preview monitors, cabling, connectors, and related equipment.

We are shopping carefully and will consider quality used equipment whenever practical. We also need additional large-screen televisions for our Hospitality Areas.

There is more renovation ahead, including improvements to the baptistry, dressing rooms, and platform area. **We will get those things done.**

But right now, our small congregation could use some help.

If the Lord impresses you to come alongside

us, your gift will do much more than improve a building. **It will help us make room for ministry—welcoming larger groups, supporting families, expanding community programs, livestreaming our worship services, and helping get Pastor DeRose back on the air with Christ-centered programming.**

We have worked. We have sacrificed. We have given. And we intend to keep moving forward.



If the Lord invites you to help us carry this ministry forward, we will receive your help with deep gratitude—and rise up and call you BLESSED!



MINISTRY EXPO

Join us **Friday, August 28**, at the **Southern Adventist University gym** to encourage students to partner with us in ministry.

Set-up: 5:00 p.m. | Conclusion: 9:00 p.m.

Contact **Don Johnson** if you can help staff our table. **Your prayers are greatly appreciated!**

TOUGH TIMES — FOOD SCARCITY

Our church has partnered with **We Care Friendly Budget Store on Highway 30** to help those facing food scarcity. Free boxes of groceries are available, and special dietary needs, including vegan options, can be accommodated.

A basket for canned and nonperishable food donations is in the church foyer. **Thank you for helping us care for one another!**

MEMBER ASSISTANCE

The Church Board is developing a process to assist members facing unexpected emergencies, **as funds are available**. Plans include an application process and a **Benevolence Committee** to oversee requests.

More information will be shared soon.