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ROSELINE ETIENNE-CHARLES AND JEANETTE MANONYANE
SHARE TESTIMONIES OF FAITH, RESILIENCE AND GOD'S
HEALING POWER

Hope, Faith & Community

This edition captures the heartbeat of Pinehouse Drive SDA Church as we faithfully pursue our mission to Reach, Relate, Revive, and Restore our community through Jesus Christ. Every story reflects God at work, transforming lives and strengthening faith.

Roseline and Jeanette share inspiring testimonies of God's restoring power through their cancer healing journeys. Their stories—marked by fear, surrender, perseverance, and unwavering trust—remind us that Christ continues to bring hope, peace, and restoration, even in life's greatest trials.

We also celebrate the joy of reaching beyond our walls. What began as a simple conversation grew into a mission opportunity in Honduras, where our youth, built meaningful relationships, and shared the love of Christ across borders. We rejoice in seeing faith nurtured across generations through child dedication, the 2026 Adventurer and Pathfinder Camporee at Camp Whitesands, and ministries designed to grow disciples of every age.

Finally, the Secret Sisters ministry reminds us that lives are often restored through simple acts of kindness, encouragement, and prayer. Together, these stories affirm that every ministry at Pinehouse exists to reach people with the gospel, build authentic relationships, revive faith, and restore lives for God's kingdom.



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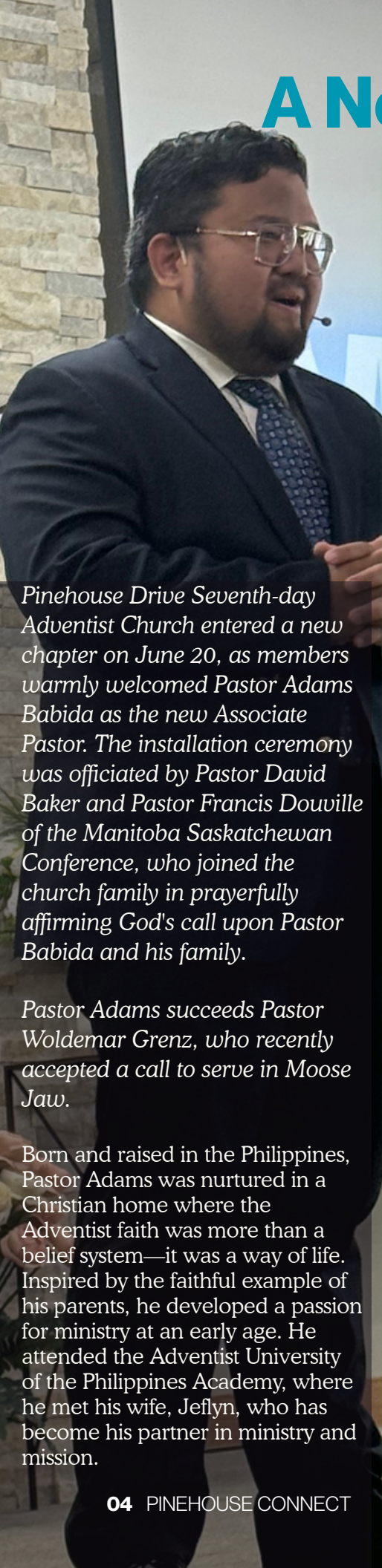
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A New Shepherd Among Us

Pastor Adams Babida Joins Pinehouse Drive Church



Pinehouse Drive Seventh-day Adventist Church entered a new chapter on June 20, as members warmly welcomed Pastor Adams Babida as the new Associate Pastor. The installation ceremony was officiated by Pastor David Baker and Pastor Francis Douville of the Manitoba Saskatchewan Conference, who joined the church family in prayerfully affirming God's call upon Pastor Babida and his family.

Pastor Adams succeeds Pastor Woldemar Grenz, who recently accepted a call to serve in Moose Jaw.

Born and raised in the Philippines, Pastor Adams was nurtured in a Christian home where the Adventist faith was more than a belief system—it was a way of life. Inspired by the faithful example of his parents, he developed a passion for ministry at an early age. He attended the Adventist University of the Philippines Academy, where he met his wife, Jeflyn, who has become his partner in ministry and mission.

Pastor Adams later moved to Canada during his teenage years and pursued theological studies at Burman University, then known as Canadian University College, graduating in 2013 with a Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies. Demonstrating a continued commitment to spiritual growth and ministerial excellence, he recently completed a Master of Divinity degree from the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary at Andrews University.

Before entering pastoral ministry, Pastor Adams served the church in several capacities. He spent three years as the Assistant Dean of Men at Kingsway College, helping mentor and guide young people during formative years of their education. He later worked for two and a half years as an Archives Specialist for the Seventh-day Adventist Church in Canada, preserving the rich history and heritage of the Adventist movement.

In December 2019, Pastor Adams and Jeflyn answered God's call to pastoral ministry in Manitoba, serving the churches of Dauphin, Winnipegosis, and Swan River in the Parkland District. Their ministry there was marked by dedication, compassion, and a deep desire to help individuals and families grow in their relationship with Christ.

Pastor Adams, Jeflyn, and their daughter Reia begin a new ministry journey at Pinehouse Drive SDA Church. Their arrival brings renewed energy, diverse experiences, and a shared commitment to serving God's people.

Fittingly, Pastor Adams delivered his first sermon to the Pinehouse congregation immediately following his installation. Titled *Who is God and Why Does It Matter?*, the message challenged worshippers to consider the most fundamental question of faith and invited all present to pursue a deeper understanding of God's character and purpose for their lives.

As a congregation, we extend a heartfelt Pinehouse welcome to Pastor Adams, Jeflyn, and Reia. We look forward to worshipping alongside them, learning from their experiences, and partnering together in the mission of sharing Christ with our community.

We invite every member to keep them in prayer, offer words of encouragement, and seek opportunities to get to know them personally. We believe that the Lord who has called them to Pinehouse will continue to lead and empower them for fruitful service in His vineyard.

Welcome to the Pinehouse family, Pastor Adams, Jeflyn, and Reia. We are delighted that God has brought you here.





United in prayer and kindness

The power of the secret sisters initiative



Kereen Spence and Promise Amadi-Obioma share how the Secret Sisters program at Pinehouse Drive Seventh-day Adventist Church has become a powerful expression of faith in action, uniting women through prayer, encouragement, and intentional acts of kindness.

The initiative was thoughtfully developed to deepen connections among women in the church and to nurture a culture of care and spiritual support. Promise explains that the program was designed to ensure that every woman feels “seen, heard, valued, and loved” within the church family. Through quiet gestures—such as thoughtful gifts, uplifting messages, and committed intercessory prayer—participants are reminded that they are never alone on their spiritual journey.

Kereen shares a similar perspective, noting that the program creates space for fellowship, kindness, and Christian love to flourish. She notes it offers a unique opportunity for women to “connect with one another, show God’s love through acts of kindness, and remind each person that they are valued, prayed for, and cared about.”

Increased engagement and consistency

Since its launch in mid-2025, the program has grown both in participation and impact. While the first phase established a strong foundation, subsequent phases have seen increased engagement, consistency, and enthusiasm. Participants have embraced the program with openness, contributing to a stronger and more connected church community.

One of the most significant outcomes has been the deepening of relationships. Promise observes that women are now engaging beyond routine Sabbath greetings, forming genuine bonds and sharing heartfelt testimonies. Kereen echoes this, emphasizing that the program has strengthened fellowship and fostered a greater sense of belonging among participants.

Equally impactful has been the program’s role in strengthening spiritual support. Knowing that someone is praying for you has brought comfort and encouragement to many. These intentional acts—whether through prayer, notes, or small gifts—have uplifted participants and reinforced a spirit of compassion and care.

Looking ahead, there is a shared vision to expand and strengthen the program. Promise envisions greater inclusion, particularly of younger women, to cultivate a mentorship culture that bridges generations and deepens spiritual guidance. Kereen, on the other hand, emphasizes the importance of enhancing engagement through clearer communication, regular reminders, and opportunities for feedback, alongside more intentional interactions that preserve the heart of the program.

As the Secret Sisters initiative grows, it stands as a testament to the power of simple acts of kindness and the enduring strength of women united in Christ.

THE MIRACLE OF HEALING

A STORY OF COURAGE, CONVICTION AND RECOVERY

*After life-altering cancer diagnosis, **Roseline Etienne-Charles** chose hope over fear. In this moving feature, she reflects on the strength, surrender, and spiritual conviction that carried her through to healing*

In October 2024, I felt something unusual in my left breast. I asked my husband to check it, and he confirmed it was a lump. In February of the following year, I went for a mammogram, and after further tests, a biopsy confirmed I had breast cancer.

I was in the doctor's office with my husband when we received the news. We looked at each other and smiled, because I had asked God to take control. I was confident that He could heal me if it was His will. I had prayed and said, "Lord, may Your will be done in my life." My husband asked the oncologist if it could be reversed or treated without surgery, chemo, or radiation. The doctor said, "No. You need a mastectomy right away." We told him we would discuss it with family first. I called my children, parents, siblings, and close friends. I asked them for prayers. I also told them I would not undergo surgery, chemo, or radiation. I had chosen holistic treatment, even though it was costly. My family respected and supported my decision. The first step I took was to change my diet completely—eliminating sugar, processed foods, gluten, carbs, flour, and wheat.



"If God did it for me, He can do it for you. Trust Him, obey Him, and believe Him—for with Him, the impossible becomes possible," - Roseline Etienne-Charles

What was the most challenging part of your journey, and how did you find strength during that time?

The moment I decided to go for the Holistic treatment, my trials began, but Romans 8:31 says: "If God is for us, who can be against us?" My husband reached out to an SDA clinic in Mexico, and the doctor invited us for a 10-day treatment. Those 10 days changed my life—spiritually, physically, and mentally. The atmosphere was uplifting, and I returned home to Canada with supplements, a strict diet, and exercise instructions for six months. My husband was my greatest support—he walked with me through every step, so I was never alone.

After six months, the doctor asked me to do blood work and an MRI. The results were not encouraging. I had digestive issues and too much protein in my blood because I could not digest all the supplements. The doctor then recommended surgery. But I refused. I said, "I am confident my God will heal me. He is bigger than this sickness." He then suggested a second treatment: a 40-day water fast. I agreed.

I prayed, "Lord, we don't have the money, but I trust You. You promised that if we test You, You will open the windows of heaven to bless us."

The very next day, my brother in the U.S. called me. He said his Baptist church had prayed for me and sent money to help. I knew then that God was already providing. Praise His name!

How did your faith in God influence or change throughout your illness?

When I returned to Mexico for the 40 days of water treatment, I surrendered all my life to God. I prayed and praised God in a way I've never done before. I relied on God's power and the Holy Spirit.

Can you share your healing experience and what this testimony means for your life and faith today?

I used to say I couldn't go a day without food. Yet prayer and the Holy Spirit strengthened me. It was only by God's power. I prayed three to four times a day, often for two to three hours at a time. When I felt weak, I sang and prayed. Other patients asked me how I kept going—they said I looked radiant, strong, and full of joy. I told them: "It is not me—it is the power of the Holy Spirit." On the 30th day, during my morning walk and prayer, I grew weak and collapsed. I had no signal to call for help, so I cried, "Lord, please save me. I cannot do this alone." At that moment, I regained enough strength to amble back. Two sisters from the clinic saw me, rushed to help, and took me to the doctor. He told me to stop all activities and remain close to the clinic.

That experience reminded me of September 19, 2020, when I nearly drowned in Red Deer. My canoe flipped, and my life jacket came off. I sank, swallowed water, and thought I was going to die. Just before passing out, I cried, "Jesus, please save me." My husband pulled me out from under the canoe. God spared my life then, and He did it again in Mexico. And by God's grace and the power of the Holy Spirit, I completed the 40-day water fast. God restored my health, transformed my life, and made me a new creation.

If God did it for me, He can do it for you. Trust Him, obey Him, and believe Him—for with Him, the impossible becomes possible.

MY CANCER JOURNEY

A TESTIMONY OF FAITH, FAMILY AND RESILIENCE

Jeanette Mosela Manonyane recounts her journey through cancer, highlighting how her faith sustained her and led her to healing.

In April 2022, I felt a lump in my left breast. After a consultation and a mammogram, I was told the lump was nothing to worry about. I travelled to South Africa, my home country in October 2022 and a doctor who reviewed my case recommended the removal of the lump. I returned to Canada and scheduled for another mammogram. The results led to a biopsy recommendation. I did not get approval to proceed with the procedure because I was on a visitor's visa and had just applied for permanent residency.

Initial reaction

I was scared and devastated, not only by the diagnosis but also because I was denied care. I was not even offered the opportunity to pay for the services out of pocket. My husband, a healthcare professional in Canada who helps others daily, was furious-both that the lump was initially missed and that the system now refused to help his wife.

We travelled to Edmonton in the middle of winter in January 2023. On January 27, 2023, I was diagnosed with invasive ductal carcinoma, triple-negative. My mind was scattered, but we trusted God for guidance. I had two options. Go back to South Africa or challenge the Canadian system. My four-year-old daughter needed her mother.

My faith influenced outcomes

We did not go back to South Africa. My husband sent many emails seeking help, and God showed up. We received a call advising us to apply for health insurance, and someone would contact the Saskatchewan Health Authority to expedite the processing of health card. I received my health card before my permanent residency. After that, my husband's phone rang nonstop for appointments across multiple departments. We opted for a combination cancer therapy, and went for chemotherapy, surgery, immunotherapy, and radiation. The day before treatment began, I shaved my head, ready for battle, believing God was with me.

Overwhelming support

On May 3, 2023, the day before my birthday, I started treatment. Before my surgery, I went to church and found love at home. Aunties and sisters prayed for me and took turns helping my exhausted husband. Pastors called, prayed, and visited. I saw clearly that the Lord was fighting for me. The support was overwhelming. My husband, daughter, and a few friends in Canada stood by me. Loved ones back home prayed constantly. I remember nurses saying, "Jeanette, you look great." God was working in ways I didn't understand. In a remarkable sign of His presence, three of the doctors who took care of me were members of our church. Their familiar faces

and shared faith brought immeasurable comfort during some of my darkest moments.

My daughters' words gave strength. I prayed, "Lord, this is not my time. I want to see my daughter graduate, get married, and hold my grandchildren." One day, exhausted from treatment, she said, "Mommy, if you're tired, look to the other side-you will see something beautiful." I looked, and there she was, as beautiful as ever.

Embracing the journey

Cancer can make you feel broken, as if you've lost a part of yourself. But healing is not about erasing what happened. It is about embracing your journey, finding strength in the cracks, and realizing you are not less because of what you've been through-you are more. Like the Japanese art of Kintsugi, broken pieces of a cup or vase can be pieced back into something beautiful.

It is now 2026. I have been discharged from the cancer clinic. I am truly blessed, broken before, but now restored. I will follow Jesus all the way. I still have yearly check-ups. Through it all, I have learned self-compassion: it is okay if I am not okay. The verse that carried me through was Psalm 116:1-19: God's Mercy Endures Forever.

*"Healing is about embracing your journey, finding strength in the cracks and realizing you are not less because of what you have been through. You are more." - **Jeanette Mosela Manonyane***





Joyful End of Quarter Investiture & New Beginnings

What a truly glorious and joy-filled quarter it has been! Pinehouse Drive SDA Church concluded the second quarter with a vibrant 13th Sabbath Celebration, a day when our Adventurers Club held the Investiture Ceremony. This was a double blessing that made for an unforgettable day of worship, thanksgiving, and celebration.

Our Adventurers and the Children's Department shone brightly as they confidently presented lessons one through thirteen. With excitement and enthusiasm, the Adventurers and the Children's Department shared their topics, words of the week, memory verses, and songs, reflecting through a season of study and this filled the sanctuary with joy. Their presentations reflected not only what they had memorized but also what they had genuinely learned throughout the quarter. Their confidence, understanding, and heartfelt participation were a source of great pride and gratitude for the entire church family.

The celebration became even more special as we paused to recognize another significant milestone within our congregation - our 2026 graduates. From our high school graduates to those completing university studies, we celebrated their remarkable achievements and acknowledged the dedication, perseverance, and countless hours of hard work that brought them to this important moment.

In a moving moment of worship, the graduates were invited to the front of the church for a special prayer of dedication. Surrounded by the love and support of their church family, pastors and elders laid hands on them, asking God to guide their steps as they begin new chapters in higher education, the workforce, and their careers.

A journey of faith

Seeing Adventurers standing alongside our graduates reflected the journey of faith and growth within our church. It reminded us that every stage of life is an opportunity to learn, grow, and serve God.



From Scripture to Service

Pathfinders Shine in Faith and Skill

The Pathfinder Club at Pinehouse Drive Seventh-day Adventist Church is doing more than organizing youth activities; it is shaping a generation of young ambassadors for Jesus Christ. Through faith-based learning, leadership development, and hands-on experiences, the club is preparing its nearly 50 members to grow into confident, disciplined, and spiritually grounded adults.

At the heart of the club's mission is a deep commitment to biblical knowledge. This year, Pathfinders participated in the Pathfinder Bible Experience, where they immersed themselves in the study of Isaiah, chapters 1 to 36. Through memorization, teamwork, and reflection, members strengthened not only their understanding of Scripture but also their ability to apply its lessons in every day life. Beyond the classroom, the Pathfinders actively engage in initiatives that build responsibility and community spirit.

One activity is their fundraising project - baking and selling fresh loaves of bread to support their participation in the International Pathfinder Camporee in 2029.

Commitment to excellence

Their dedication and discipline were on full display during this year's Camporee at Camp Whitesands. Competing with excellence and determination, the Pinehouse Drive Pathfinders achieved first place in Basic Drilling, Advanced Marching, and Freestyle Marching. These accomplishments reflect countless hours of practice, unity, and a shared commitment to excellence.

A significant milestone for the club this year was the Investiture Ceremony held on June 13, 2026. This special event celebrated the achievements, growth, and spiritual commitment of each Pathfinder, recognizing their progress in both skill development and faith.





“Your word is a
lamp to my feet
and a light to my
path.”
— Psalm 119:105

Growing in Jesus: Faith, Fellowship, and Resilience

By Inonge Mwenda

The 2026 Manitoba-Saskatchewan Adventurer and Pathfinder Camporee, held from May 15–18 at Camp Whitesands in Theodore, Saskatchewan, brought together over 500 Adventurers, Pathfinders, leaders, and families for a weekend of worship, fellowship, and growth. Under the theme “Growing in Jesus,” and with Pastor Armando Miranda Jr., North American Division Club Ministries Director, as keynote speaker, the gathering became a powerful expression of faith in action.

Throughout the weekend, participants were invited to deepen their relationship with Christ through worship, prayer, Bible study, and fellowship. Rooted in the message of John 15, the Camporee emphasized the importance of remaining connected to Jesus—the true Vine—while Psalm 119 reminded attendees of the guiding light found in God’s Word.

Growth through challenge

The experience of “Growing in Jesus” came to life in unexpected ways. Rain-soaked campsites, muddy pathways, and even late-season snowfall tested endurance and adaptability. Yet, rather than diminishing the experience, these challenges became powerful illustrations of spiritual growth.

In the midst of discomfort, young people demonstrated maturity beyond their years—choosing gratitude over complaint and perseverance over discouragement. The rain became a reminder of God’s provision, the snow a lesson in endurance, and the mud a symbol of a faith journey that, while not always easy, is deeply rewarding when Christ leads the way.

A Ministry on the Rise

The Camporee also highlighted significant growth across the Manitoba-Saskatchewan Conference. In just three years, the number of clubs has expanded from approximately seven to 23, reflecting a growing commitment to youth ministry among churches, leaders, and families.

This expansion is not only numerical but also programmatic. Today’s Camporee experience integrates worship, leadership development, mentorship, honors, outdoor education, and recreation, offering a well-rounded environment for young people to grow spiritually, mentally, physically, and socially.

Successes and Future Opportunities

As participation continues to grow, there are opportunities to enhance future Camporees through expanded logistical planning, strengthened weather preparedness, and increased youth-led worship and leadership roles. These steps will help sustain both the scale and spiritual depth of the experience, while also preparing clubs for larger gatherings such as the 2029 International Pathfinder Camporee in Gillette, Wyoming.

For Pinehouse Drive Church, the Camporee was a time of meaningful spiritual renewal and leadership development. Youth returned encouraged in their faith, strengthened in their friendships, and inspired to take on more active roles within the church. The experience reinforced the value of Adventurer and Pathfinder ministries as vital spaces for nurturing faith, discovering gifts, and developing future church leaders. As participants returned to their homes and churches, they carried a renewed commitment to remain rooted in Christ. Like branches connected to the Vine, they are equipped to continue growing in faith, service, leadership, and discipleship.

Looking Ahead

The impact of the 2026 Camporee will extend far beyond a single weekend. Its lessons were not only heard in sermons but seen in shared acts of service, perseverance through challenges, and moments of genuine connection. The prayer moving forward is that the seeds planted during this Camporee will continue to flourish—producing a lasting harvest of faith and transformation across Manitoba and Saskatchewan for years to come



“Abide in Me, and I in you... for without Me you can do nothing.”

— John 15:4–5

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From Vision to Impact:

A Youth-Led Mission to Support Their Peers

Del Chaya shares the inspiring journey of a group of determined young people who turned a simple idea into a life-changing mission. What began as a planning conversation for annual church activities quickly grew into a cross-border initiative rooted in faith, service, and leadership. Guided by a strong sense of purpose, these youth stepped beyond their comfort zones to support their peers in Honduras—demonstrating that when young people are empowered to lead, they can build not only physical structures, but also stronger communities and lasting spiritual connections.

What inspired the youth in your church to initiate this project abroad?

A strong desire among the youth to undertake a mission trip inspired this initiative. This began in early 2025, when the youth and young adults came together to develop their annual activities calendar. As a leader, I value giving young people the opportunity to plan and take ownership of their programs, as this often leads to stronger participation. We organized activities into inreach and outreach categories, and the idea of a mission trip quickly emerged. This interest was partly inspired by a previous mission experience, when our youth choir traveled to Punta Cana and contributed to building a youth classroom. That experience left a lasting impression. The current group was eager for a similar opportunity - to travel, experience a different cultural environment, strengthen relationships with one another, and make a meaningful contribution through community outreach.

Why was this particular location or community chosen?

This opportunity grew out of an existing relationship. Some members of Pinehouse SDA Church had retired and relocated to Honduras, and I had maintained communication with them. During one of our conversations, they shared that their local church needed a youth classroom. Their young people lacked a dedicated worship space, and harsh weather conditions often disrupted services. This presented a timely opportunity for our youth to participate in a mission trip. The existing connection made the initiative both practical and deeply meaningful.

What needs or challenges did you hope to address through this project?

The primary goal was to provide young people with a safe and suitable space for worship. Beyond shelter, the project aimed to create an environment where youth can gather comfortably, grow in faith, and build a sense of community.

What fundraising strategies did you use to support the project?

We organized an apple pie fundraiser as our main fundraising initiative. This involved asking the youth to donate ingredients and actively participate in making and selling the pies.

How did you engage the wider church or community in supporting the initiative?

Collective participation from the broader church was key to the project's success. Members contributed their time by preparing the pies on November 30 and December 1, 2025, and also supported the initiative by purchasing them.

When did the class construction project begin, and what did the first phase look like?

The project officially began on January 19, 2026. The initial phase focused on laying the groundwork for construction and mobilizing local resources.

What have been some key milestones achieved so far?

The building is now approximately 95 percent complete, and the youth and young adults have already begun using the space. This marks a significant milestone in the project's progress.

What impact do you expect this project to have on the community it serves?

This project will provide more than just a physical space for worship. It will serve as a hub where young people can build relationships, engage in activities, and grow both spiritually and socially. Having a dedicated space of their own opens up new opportunities for programming and community building.

What has been the most rewarding part of this journey?

The most rewarding aspect has been witnessing the youth and young adults recognize the impact of their efforts. Through their sacrifice of time and energy, they have made a tangible difference in the lives of others, which has been both humbling and inspiring.



“Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others, faithfully administering God’s grace in its various forms.”

— 1 Peter 4:10

DEL CHAYA is the Youth Ministries leader who blends love for the young adults with passion, sacrifice.



Child Dedication

Planting Seeds of Faith for the Future

By Innocent Minega

One of the beautiful traditions of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is the dedication of children to God. Unlike infant baptism, which Adventists do not practice, child dedication is a special service in which parents publicly acknowledge that their children are gifts from God and commit themselves to raising them according to biblical principles. The practice is firmly rooted in Scripture. Hannah dedicated young Samuel to the Lord, recognizing that the child she had prayed for ultimately belonged to God (1 Samuel 1:27-28). In the New Testament, Mary and Joseph presented the infant Jesus before the Lord at the temple (Luke 2:22).

Through child dedication, parents follow these biblical examples by seeking God's blessing, guidance, and protection for their children while committing themselves to nurturing their spiritual growth.

A meaningful Pinehouse tradition

At Pinehouse Drive SDA Church, child dedication carries an additional tradition that has become deeply meaningful to our congregation. Families whose children are dedicated receive a tree sapling as a gift from the church. While simple in appearance, this gift carries profound spiritual symbolism.

Just as a young tree requires fertile soil, sunlight, water, protection, and patient care to grow strong and healthy, children also need love, guidance, discipline, encouragement, and spiritual nurture to develop into faithful followers of Christ. The tree serves as a living reminder that growth does not happen overnight. It requires consistency, commitment, and faith.

A strong foundation

As parents plant the tree and watch it grow over the years, they are reminded of their responsibility to cultivate the spiritual life of their child. The roots symbolize the importance of establishing a strong foundation in God's Word. The trunk represents character and resilience developed through faith. The branches remind us of the influence a child will one day have on others, while the fruit points to the Christian virtues that God desires to see in every believer's life.

The symbolism is especially meaningful because trees often outlive generations. Long after the dedication service has ended, the growing tree continues to tell

a story—a story of a family's commitment to God and a church's promise to support them through prayer, encouragement, and fellowship.

A shared commitment

The tree-gifting tradition also echoes a beautiful practice found in ancient Jewish culture. The tradition holds that a cedar tree was planted at the birth of a boy and a cypress tree at the birth of a girl. These trees symbolized the parents' hopes for their children's growth, character, and future role within the covenant community. The cedar represented strength, stability, nobility, and spiritual leadership, while the cypress symbolized beauty, faithfulness, endurance, and fruitfulness. As the children matured, branches from these trees were sometimes incorporated into their wedding canopy, signifying that their lives had been nurtured and cultivated toward covenant commitment, family life, and service to God.

In much the same way, the tree presented during a child dedication at Pinehouse serves as a reminder that children are gifts from God who should be deeply rooted in faith, carefully nurtured over time, and encouraged to reflect God's character through lives of strength, faithfulness, and purpose.

During the months of April through June, Pinehouse Drive SDA Church had the privilege of celebrating the dedication of two precious children: Baby Jonathan Murray and Baby Nathan Nunes. These special moments brought joy to the congregation and reminded us that every child is a gift from God and a testimony of His faithfulness.

The dedications of Jonathan Murray and Nathan Nunes have therefore been more than ceremonial moments. They have been declarations of faith, expressions of gratitude, and commitments to the future. They remind us that while we dedicate children to God, we are also dedicating ourselves as a church family to walk alongside them as they grow. Through Sabbath School, Adventurer and Pathfinder ministries, mentorship, friendship, and prayer, the church becomes part of the environment in which these young lives can flourish. As we celebrate these families, let us continue to pray for Jonathan and Nathan. May their lives be firmly rooted in Christ, growing in wisdom, faith, and character. And as the trees planted in their honor continue to grow, may they serve as lasting reminders that God's work in a child's life is a journey of patient cultivation, loving care, and abundant grace.

May the Lord bless these children, strengthen their parents, and help all of us remain faithful in planting seeds of faith that will bear fruit for generations to come.

As a church family, we rejoiced with the Murray family as they publicly committed themselves to raising Jonathan in a Christ-centered home. Their dedication reflects a desire to build a spiritual foundation that will guide him throughout his life.



We also celebrated with the Nunes family as they dedicated Nathan to the Lord. Their commitment serves as an inspiring example of faith and trust in God as they embrace the sacred responsibility of Christian parenting.

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A Public Commitment to a New Life in CHRIST

On 27th June 2026, Pinehouse Drive SDA Church congregation was privileged to witness one of the most meaningful moments in the Christian journey, the baptism of Rosette Deanne Tornado. In a beautiful public declaration of her faith in Jesus Christ, Rosette entered the waters of baptism, committing her life fully to the Lord before her church family. Baptism is a deeply meaningful expression of personal commitment to Jesus Christ, symbolizing spiritual rebirth, transformation, and entry into a life of discipleship.

The atmosphere in the sanctuary was one of overwhelming joy and thanksgiving as the congregation witnessed Rosette's baptism. Smiles lit up faces, heartfelt applause filled the church, and many were visibly moved as they celebrated her decision to dedicate her life to Christ. Family members, friends, and fellow church members surrounded her with warm embraces, words of encouragement, and prayers, welcoming her into the fellowship of believers. It was a powerful reminder that every baptism is not only a personal commitment but also a celebration for the entire church family, as together we rejoice over another life transformed by God's grace.

Rosette's baptism served as a beautiful testimony of God's continuing work in people's lives. It reminded us that every Sabbath offers an opportunity for renewed commitment and that God's invitation to follow Him remains open to all. Her decision encouraged the entire congregation to reflect on their own walk with Christ and to rejoice in heaven's celebration whenever a soul chooses to follow the saviour.



*"Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead... even so we also should walk in newness of life."
— Romans 6:4*

Baptism in the Seventh-day Adventist Church is a sacred and personal step in the Christian journey, symbolizing a believer's commitment to Jesus Christ.

Through full immersion, it represents the death of the old life and the beginning of a new life in Christ. It is not merely a ritual, but a public declaration of faith, made by those who consciously choose to follow Him. Baptism also marks entry into a community of believers, united in purpose and mission. It is both a moment of transformation and the start of a lifelong walk of faith, obedience, and spiritual growth in Christ.

Regular Events

Bible Study:

First Sabbath of the Month 4.00-5.30 pm

Romanian Language

Friday Nights at 8:00 pm

SHIFTING Classes:

Sundays: 8:00 – 9:00 pm

Wednesday Prayer Meeting:

7:00 pm Zoom ID: 965 957 4728

Sunnyside Adventist Care Centre:

Every 3rd Sabbath of the Month 3.00 pm

Pathfinders Club: *Registration ongoing*

Adventurers Club: *Registration ongoing*

Upcoming Events

2026 Manitoba-Saskatchewan Seventh-day Adventist Conference Camp Meeting

July 7-11 at Camp WhiteSands

LET'S MOVE DAY:

August, 23 2026

Annual Corn Roast

September 12th 2026

