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Happy Holidays!

Senior Adult Ministries

Wishing you peace, joy,
and unconditional love
at Christmas and
always.

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“Feeling gratitude and not
expressing it is like wrap-
ping a present and not giv-
ing it.” William Ward



Greetings Church Family and Friends,

This quarter is one of the most celebrated during the year. Take a look and see: The Photography Class Exhibit, Veterans Day, Thanksgiving day, Election

Day, Christmas, Hannukah, and Rocket City Winter Events.

Happy birthday to each of you who celebrated a birthday this quarter. **Congratulations** to newly weds and those of you who celebrated anniversaries. **Congratulations** to all recently retirees, especially **Ron Pride** from Oakwood University who is a model of excellence.

I'm excited to share a few Rocket City Events you may like. **Galaxy of Lights, Candlelight Christmas at Burritt on the Mountain, Ice Skating in the Park and Tinsel Trail at Big Springs International Park. Visit the website at Huntsville.org/events.**

It's Everybody's Birthday, October 15, 2023 at 3 p.m. at the OUC Family Life Center.

Come and join the celebration!

Does your behavior model Christ? Join us with a smile as an agent of kindness.

It is with great joy and thankfulness that I say, **"thank you" to the many friends and supporters** who assisted in sharing information for the quarterly Senior Newsletter.

To **Oliver Shipe** for his continued teaching the Zoom online photography class and the annual

Photography Class Exhibit at the McKee Technology building on the campus of Oakwood University.

To **Vivian Brown for her time and talent** in designing, organizing articles and information to be printed in the Newsletter.

To **Edmund Alexander** for his professional attitude when requesting the printing of the Newsletter.

To the **church office staff and volunteers** who assisted in the distribution of the Newsletter to you.

Everyone needs a little cheer and a smile in this life. How many smiles have you given today?

As you live and enjoy the breaths you take today and tonight, before you go to sleep in preparation for your life tomorrow, kiss the ones you love, snuggle a little, and never take one second of your life for granted. God is in control.

I'm excited to share with you our **newest church family members on page 15.**

Congratulations to the most recently celebrated Nonagenarians, Elder Lloyd Wilson and Elder Kathy Davis. If you are 90 years old and older, please call the church office and share your information at 256-837-1255

Congratulations to Principal Dent and all the faculty and staff at OAA! Have you heard about all of the excitement? Take a look on page 10. Do you know the name of the new first grade teacher? Take a look on page 7 and learn about her.

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Happy Sabbath Family & Friends,

Wake up each morning and be grateful for the new day ahead. Every 24 hrs is an opportunity to live life more fully and love more deeply. Look at each moment and see the gift it brings. Cherish the present as it unfolds. Then when you go to sleep at night, be thankful for the experiences God gave you...this exemplifies daily a life well-lived! Remember and reflect on Psalms 118:24-"This is the day which the Lord hath made; we will rejoice and be glad in it. GG



Do you Know Robert & Pat McDonald?



Robert and Pat McDonald have been married for almost 46 years. Pat and Robert met on a divine encounter in Philadelphia, PA. They were both looking to start new lives in the "Big City". Robert left Pittsburgh in 1973, Pat attended Tennessee State College, then she later moved to Philly from Kentucky. In 1972, she started working in the corporate world.

Robert was led to start attending the North Philly SDA Church. Robert and Pat were not practicing Adventism at that time, but they both had been introduced to Adventism at an early age. Robert was first baptized at 9 years old at the Ethnan Temple SDA Church in Pittsburgh, PA. Pat began going to church with her grandmother, also at an early age. They both were baptized in the Norristown SDA Church.

After working until eligible for retirement, they decided to move to the Huntsville area in 2006.

They joined the Oakwood University Church in 2008 and have been active members ever since. Serving the Lord and the Church has been their passion.

They are looking forward to celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary and the Second Coming of Jesus Christ.



Irma R. Mitchell

Hello, Dear Readers. My name is Irma Mitchell, and I'd like to thank you for the opportunity to introduce myself to you. I was born in Opelousas, Louisiana in June of 1933. Six months later my family moved to a little town right outside of Beaumont, Texas called China, Texas. This was where I spent my formative years living amongst family and friends. I had 6 siblings, 5 brothers and 1 sister. I took care of my 3 younger brothers while my parents worked outside of the home. My youngest brother and I are the only siblings left as the others have taken their eternal rest. Growing up in a mainly farming community I learned the value of hard work which would follow me all of my life.

My mother took us to church for as long as I can remember. This is where my love for the Lord first began. For as long as I can remember I loved to sing, especially to the Lord. This too would follow me into my later life. After graduating high school in the early 50's I moved to Houston, Texas and worked for a while before moving to Los Angeles to stay with my aunt. California is where I would spend roughly the next 50 years of my life.

It was there in San Diego that I would meet the man (William M. Mitchell, Sr.) that the Lord had set aside for me. We were married in June of 1955 and were married for 67 years before my beloved passed in August of 2022.



From this union we were blessed with 3 sons. William, Phillip, and Eric. I feel that raising and nurturing and sharing the Lord with my sons was one of the greatest joys of my life. Taking care of my sons while my husband (it seemed) was always overseas while serving this country was something that strengthened me more than I ever could have imagined. The Lord allowed this so that I could stand out in my own way. In 1962 while living and working in Los Angeles for a short time I was able to successfully petition the L.A. County School Board to mandate that the school aftercare programs be integrated so that my sons would have a safe place to remain until I was able to pick them up after work. I feel so blessed because we were able to see other children of color accepted and cared for in these programs moving forward.

Upon returning to San Diego, I began my own business providing child daycare for other families that were in need just as I had been. I kept that business for about 30 years before transitioning into the Foster Care Services with the counties of San Diego of California, Arapahoe County of Colorado, and Madison County of Alabama. One of my greatest achievements was when the State of California awarded me a Certificate of Accomplishment for not having even one complaint filed against me or either of my businesses throughout the decades of my business life.

Another one of my gifts has been the gift of Hospitality. By God's grace in every city where we lived, we've hosted so many church dinners/gatherings in our home that we have lost count. But the Christian love and fellowship we've experienced from those gatherings have nourished our lives as we marched toward the Kingdom. My husband and I finally retired in 2004 here in Alabama.

After retiring I have really enjoyed my time here in Huntsville in general and the Oakwood University Church community in particular. I pray that I will be able to continue to love this great fellowship as the Lord allows. I love you and God bless you all!!!



***YOU WANT TO LIVE A LIFE THAT
PLEASES GOD AND GIVES HIM GLORY?***

by Katherine Davis, Chaplain

A study of the powerful Word of God will do just that -- 'twill build your faith, will deepen your relationship with God and dramatically impact every area of your life. As we study God's Word, He is speaking to us and we will experience an encounter with Jesus which will

- 1) light our way, giving wisdom so we can clearly see which way to go,
- 2) help us grow in faith and Christ-likeness,
- 3) transform our characters (the only thing we'll take to heaven)
- 4) make us complete and equipped for every good work,
- 5) bring reconciliation,
- 6) keep us from falling for Satan's persuasive lies, and
- 7) reveal to us earth's final events.

Oh how powerful the Word of God is! You can be victorious in your walk with God. Dear ones, you are encouraged and challenged to give God the opportunity to do something amazing in your life.

DON'T WAIT! DO IT TODAY! EMBRACE THE WORD OF GOD!

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JEANNETTE ROGERS DULAN, Ph.D., is a retired professor/ chair of the Department of Education at Washington Adventist University, Takoma Park, MD., 2010. (Formerly Columbia Union College). She recently retired again from full-time service as the Director of the Quality Enhancement at Oakwood University and is currently serving as an Adjunct Professor of Education at the University.



Born in Charlotte, NC, she grew up in the Oakwood community. Jeannette graduated from Oakwood Academy and attended Oakwood College and Union College, graduating from Union College with a B.S. in Elementary Education. She completed a Masters in School Counseling at the University of Tennessee, Chattanooga and a Ph.D. in Education and Human Development/ Special Education emphasis at Vanderbilt University. She was awarded a Post Doctoral Research Fellowship at the University of California, Riverside where she was active as a Research Educationist and funded project director and in that capacity was awarded a NIH grant.

As Professor of Education at LaSierra University she was again awarded a NIH grant and served as the Principal Investigator. Her professional career spans more than 40 years of teaching and research in elementary grades through university. Her college/ university teaching experience focused on preparing highly qualified K-12 teachers at institutions that include, Oakwood University, University of California Riverside, La Sierra University, St. Mary's College of Maryland and Washington Adventist University. Dr. Dulan earned tenure and rank of full professor at LaSierra University (1998)

Her specialized interest has focused on children and youth that are difficult to teach in the general education classroom. Her research reflects concern for the whole child and includes the cultural context of family well-being and religious connectedness issues related to families with children who have intellectual and developmental disabilities. Her research has been funded by grants from the National Institutes of Health. She has presented her findings in publications, professional conferences, and special interest group meetings.

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Hello, dear readers! My name is ***Carla Drake***, and I am thrilled to share with you a little glimpse into my life as an educator, musician, and devoted mother. I've had the privilege of dedicating over two decades to the field of Adventist education, and now, I find myself embarking on a new adventure in Huntsville, Alabama, as a 1st-grade teacher at Oakwood Adventist Academy.

First and foremost, I am a proud wife and mother. I am blessed to be married and have one wonderful child, who is currently a senior at Oakwood University. Being a wife and mother has provided me with invaluable life experiences and insights that have greatly influenced my teaching philosophy and approach.

My journey in education has been a fulfilling one, and I am passionate about empowering young minds. I hold two Masters Degrees, one in Educational Leadership and another in Early Childhood Education from GCU (Grand Canyon University). These qualifications have equipped me with the knowledge and skills needed to make a lasting impact in the lives of my students.



My commitment to Adventist education spans more than two decades. I have been fortunate to serve in various capacities within the Adventist educational system, and each experience has been a unique and enriching chapter in my life. My journey in education is deeply rooted in faith, and I believe that nurturing the spiritual development of our young learners is just as important as their academic growth.

My teaching career began 24 years ago as a multi-grade elementary teacher at St. Louis Unified School where I later transitioned into the role of being principal/teacher. In September 2021, I had the honor of being featured in the Message Magazine for my work in New Orleans, LA, as the Principal/Teacher at New Orleans Adventist Academy for the past 3 years. This recognition was a humbling experience, and it reinforced my dedication to serving my community and making a difference in the lives of those I teach.

Beyond the classroom, I have a deep passion for music. For 23 years, I had the privilege of playing music at my home church, where I accompanied various groups, choirs, and soloists. Music has been a source of inspiration and joy in my life, and I believe that it can play a significant role in the educational journey of children.

Above all else, my primary goal as an educator is to see children saved in the kingdom. I have a genuine love for children, and I am dedicated to providing them with a nurturing and spiritually enriching environment where they can grow academically, socially, and spiritually. Seeing their growth and development is the greatest reward of my profession.

As I embark on this new chapter in Huntsville, Alabama, I am excited to continue my journey as an educator, musician, and advocate for children. My experiences, qualifications, and passion are all focused on creating a brighter future for the young minds I have the privilege of teaching. Thank you for allowing me to share a piece of my story with you, and I look forward to making a positive impact in the lives of my students and the Huntsville community.

Let's Talk!



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The Art of Communicating with the Creator: Intergenerational Explorations

Johnnye Yates, M.S.

A few years ago, I conducted a successful Week of Prayer where I presented a view of God that sparked children's interest in talking to the Creator of the universe. The presentation included a series of creative workshops entitled "*Let's Talk*": *A Creative Workshop Exploring the Power of Communicating with the Creator* as the activity for a week of spiritual emphasis. The K-8 graders engaged in the workshops with excitement!

Imagine a child communicating with the Creator—the source of all that exists! Some children tend to view life as an adventure! It is an incredible journey on a planet where creative minds explore with complex tools. Technological advances such as the internet, smartphones, iPads, tablets, and computers are keys to interactions with people and an almost inexhaustible source of information. In this communication realm, through social media, young people interact with friends worldwide so that they can see, hear, and talk with through the marvels of technology.¹ Over half of U.S. children use smartphones by age 11, and 84% of teens own smartphones.² Yes, they might have repeatedly heard phrases such as "Jesus loves you," "Jesus died for you," and other phrases that may be incomprehensible to them. However, online interaction is much more engaging than applying those concepts to an unknown God.

.Technology can help us understand how the dynamics of communication operate. However, in Christian schools and homes, there is a tremendous opportunity to teach a child that though prayer is only one form of communication, it is a science to be studied early in life. It can be creative and interactive, an indispensable skill to learn and develop.

From a sense of urgency, the Christian Grandparenting Network developed a prayer ministry event that coincides with the September 10 National Grandparents' Day.³ Children do not always experience wholesome relationships with seniors. Some elders unwittingly impose unrealistic expectations on "the little people" who may have had little exposure to spiritual rituals. Although Christian grandparents can impact the younger generation in non-traditional ways, they must recognize that there is only a tiny segment of time to connect with them because God's creative works tend to have less significance. After all, secular activities promote excellence in their abilities that may not involve a Biblical worldview.

Let's Talk

While demographic trends indicate “grandparents may play influential roles in the lives of their grandchildren,”⁴ understanding the statistics suggests the optimum opportunity to interface with a grandparent may be before age 10. At this point, their connections with friends become most important.⁵ However, prayer is more than a two-way conversation with a friend, a public performance, or a private ritual. It’s a process of getting to know the Creator Himself. Presenting a fresh concept of prayer to children in ways they can readily understand and accept develops a spiritual relationship vital to their peace of mind and well-being.⁶

Realizing that their children may be concentrating on supplying food, shelter, and education for the child--making a living, observant grandparents functioning as caregivers “with nothing to do” can often provide a grandchild’s vital needs with a knowledge of God, non-verbal forms of communication, closeness, love, understanding, and direction.

The Creator mandates intergenerational communication: “*You shall teach them diligently to your children.*” “*Teach them to your children and their children after them.*” “*Now this is the commandment—the statutes and the rules—that the Lord your God commanded me to teach you, that you may do them in the land to which you are going over, to possess it, that you may fear the Lord your God, you and your son and your son’s son....*”⁷

Grandparents hold the keys to hidden treasures, instilling values and spiritual practices in succeeding generations. Consequently, as we all work together, reflecting the creative nature of God using His methods according to the talents He has given us individually, we will be effectively exploring the art and power of communicating with the Creator.

Footnotes

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Bottle Cap Collection

Just a reminder to save all bottle caps in all sizes. They can be dropped off at the Elementary building during OAA business hours.



Tawnya Plummer Laughinghouse serves as Manager of the NASA Technology Demonstration Missions (TDM) Program, managing over \$400 - \$500M annually for the Agency to accomplish key technology advancements for future science and human exploration missions for the Agency and nation. For the past 5 years, she has managed the TDM advanced technology portfolio from the program office at NASA Marshall Space Flight Center. Under her leadership, the program has successfully developed and demonstrated—in space—over 8 pioneering technology missions, including Deep Space Atomic Clock, Green Propellant Infusion Mission, Laser Communications Relay Demonstration, two TDM investments aboard the Mars Perseverance Rover, the Low Earth Orbit Flight Test of an Inflatable Decelerator (LOFTID), and most recently the Deep Space Optical Communications (DSOC) payload, which will launch from Kennedy Space Center in October 2023.

Prior to joining TDM in 2017 as Deputy Program Manager, Tawnya led technical teams at Marshall's Materials and Processes Laboratory, providing expertise in advanced materials for high temperature applications and thermal protection systems for solid and liquid rocket propulsion systems. Before joining NASA in 2004, she worked as a process chemist and product engineer in the manufacturing industry.

Considering herself a lifelong learner, Ms. Laughinghouse holds a B.S. in Chemistry from Spelman College, B.S. in Chemical Engineering from Georgia Institute of Technology, and a Master of Science in Management (with a concentration in Management of Technology) from the University of Alabama in Huntsville.

She is a product of a Christian home and the Madison County, AL, 1-12 school system, where she proudly and respectfully shared her Seventh-day Adventist faith and beliefs with fellow students and teachers. Those experiences, in her estimation, helped her become intentional about her faith and beliefs at a young age, as she candidly discussed those topics and fielded numerous questions from curious friends and teachers on why she didn't participate in certain activities during her Sabbath hours. She recalls a time her high school counselor called her parents because she dropped out of a regional oratorical competition that was held on the Sabbath. The counselor explained to her Mother that the competition was an opportunity to earn needed scholarship funds for college. Mrs. Plummer calmly explained that Tawnya was firm in her beliefs and sincerely believed that God would find another path for her to earn scholarship awards without compromising her Sabbath observance.

Well as divine inspiration would have it, during her senior year at Sparkman High School, Tawnya was selected as a NASA Women In Science and Engineering (WISE) scholar, a five-year dual-degree scholarship funded by a partnership between Spelman College and NASA. The WISE scholarship included full tuition, room and board and included summer internships at NASA! But God.

Tawnya has over 19 years of experience at NASA holding various leadership, supervisory, and programmatic positions. Ms. Laughinghouse is a federally certified program and project manager and is a graduate of various NASA and Department of Defense leadership development programs.

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HERE'S HOW
YOU CAN HELP



Join the Bama2Maui effort by donating to Maui families who are unsheltered and not a part of the larger FEMA umbrella. This includes many, many Native Hawaiian ‘Kanaka,’ and Filipino fire evacuees still unsheltered. Donations go directly to the families. Please consider supporting a pop-up supply drive to assist from North Alabama. Drop off your donations at the Gentry Isom VFW Post 2702, Sparkman & North Parkway, 2700 N Memorial Parkway, Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday between 11:00 am and 7:00 pm. Here is the list of needed items

TOP PRIORITY NEEDS:

- Tarps (small and medium size)
- Tents (small and pop up open wall shelter)
- Tent stakes
- Flashlights or head lamps with batteries
- Camping lantern (Solar or battery powered)
- 50-100 ft. nylon ropes

- Towels/washcloths
- Sheets/pillow cases
- Stuffed animals (New- 14 inch or less in size)
- Board shorts (Various sizes)
- Underwear (Various sizes-packaged)
- Flip flops (Various sizes)
- Bandanas

**IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL
ITEMS NEEDED--**

MENTAL HEALTH AND CHILD NEEDS:

Items are needed to help foster coping skills and trauma recovery for children and adults. This list also includes some items the children need for returning to school.

- Coloring books
- Notebooks/journals
- Crayons
- Colored pencils

Continued from page 11 Tanya Laughinghouse

In the community, she has served over 18 years as Treasurer of the Huntsville Area Chapter of the National Alumnae Association of Spelman College, enjoys mentoring, speaking engagements with students and women professionals, STEM outreach, serving as Lead Parent Coordinator with the Oakwood Adventist Academy (OAA) Home and School (HandS) committee, and Assistant Mentor for the OAA Robotics team. She is currently in the Connect-26 cohort for Leadership Greater Huntsville, a community leadership development program, which runs from August 2023 – May 2024.

Tawnya resides in Huntsville, AL, with her husband, Scott, and they will joyfully celebrate their 25th wedding anniversary on December 6, 2023. They are the proud parents of two children: daughter Tai Senait (17), a senior at OAA, and son Scott Alan, II “Scotty” (14), a freshman at OAA. They are active members of the Oakwood University SDA church which has become more than a spiritual home. It was at the (then) Oakwood College (OC) church where Tawnya was raised since the age of 3 when her parents, EJ, Sr., and Linda Plummer, moved to Huntsville from Columbus, OH, in 1975, along with her older brother EJ, Jr., and her younger sister, Tisha. Her parents, both alums of OC, returned to their college town at the encouragement of her dad’s uncle, Violin “Doc” Plummer, who taught at OC and promised the young family an acre of land to build a house from his property on nearby Plummer Road. **The Oakwood College church is where she met Scott, a Huntsville native raised in the Primitive Baptist faith and baptized by the late Pastor Eric Ward. 6 years later in 1998, Tawnya and Scott were joined in matrimony at the Oakwood College Church, and many years later with joyful hearts, witnessed their daughter and son be both dedicated and baptized.** Scott recently ended 10+ years of faithful service as OUC Head Deacon, and Tawnya now serves as a clerk, local Elder and the family collectively supports various ministries.

Tawnya knows she is the fruit of many sacrifices, and gives all glory to God for the profound blessings of faith, family, the Oakwood University church community, and the educational and professional opportunities that remind her every day of God’s amazing Grace.

PHOTO GRAPHY

Exhibit



October 8, 2023

• 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. •

Join us for a captivating journey through the beauty of our upcoming nature photography exhibit, captured by our talented photographers, discovering God's nature through their lenses.

**McKee Business & Technology Bldg.
(on the campus of Oakwood University)
7000 Adventist Blvd.
Huntsville, AL 35896**

*Sponsored by the Senior Adult Ministries Department of
Oakwood University Church*

Meet **Dr. Akunna Iheanacho**, a renowned biotechnology expert and Chief Scientific Officer at Texcell. With a strong track record of accomplishments, Dr. Iheanacho provides technical and scientific direction for programs and business units, ensuring the development of innovative therapies and commercialized products that improve the lives of others.



Dr. Iheanacho's interest in science began at a young age tinkering in her father's garden, where she exercised her natural curiosity for discovering how things work. She is driven by a strong sense of community service and is passionate about STEM outreach. Dr. Iheanacho is a visionary leader, and her commitment to excellence, and exceptional leadership skills have made her a true asset to the industry.

Dr. Iheanacho has extensive experience in biopharmaceutical purification, downstream process development, and cGMP manufacturing of AAV gene therapies, vaccines, and biologics. Her expertise in these areas has been instrumental in establishing critical process parameters and quality attributes for therapeutic products, making her a sought-after thought leader in the field.

During her graduate work at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Dr. Iheanacho used mouse models, molecular endocrinology, and structural biology to study signaling pathways in cancer metabolism, fat metabolism, and type 2 diabetes. Her research involved the structural and functional characterization of a diverse set of proteins, where she employed biochemical and biophysical techniques.

Dr. Iheanacho received her Ph.D. in Cellular and Molecular Physiology from Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, her M.S. in Chemistry from the University of Virginia, and her B.S. in Biology from Oakwood University.

"Prayer is bringing your wishes and worries to God; faith is leaving them there".

Darlene Sala

OAKWOOD UNIVERSITY CHURCH
MEMBERSHIP TRANSFER LIST—MAY-AUGUST 2023

Submitted by Marilyn Lang, Church Clerk

Transfers In:

Adams, Andrienne	Jones-Campbell, Julian	Taylor, Malcolm Jr.
Adams, Anthony	Kennedy, Antiquel	Taylor, Mary
Anderson, Niala	Kleidysz, Adam	Thomas, Chayil
Boykin, Darlicia	Kleidysz, Dejanee	
Deane, Yanique	Lamb, Lee Sr.	
Follette, Joseph (JoJo)	O'Mara, Tatyana	
Gates, Julian	Petty, Shedria	
Gibbons, Andrea	Rolle, Kadian	
Graves, Danielle	Roper, Kenneth	
Grice, Covolus	Ruff, Josiah	
Grice, Donovan	Smith, Kamilah	
Hilaire, Maryse	Smith, Michael	

Baptism-July September

Edmund Alexander II	Tahj-Hughes-Taylor	Brycen Landers
Nia Battle	Tahzi-Hughes-Taylor	Courtney Mullins
Julia Boatright	DiDre Hurt	Camden Spencer Thomas
Amiyah Harris	Zander Johnson	Melody Wright
Judah Hassell	Zoey Johnson	Rebaptism-Joshua Torres

Continued from page 6 **JEANNETTE ROGERS DULAN, Ph.D.**

In addition, to presentations to interest groups and professional conferences within the United States her many international presentations on education assessment and effectiveness reflect the cross cultural applications of her work in venues that include: Ibero-American Teachers Convention Riverplate Adventist University, Parana, Argentina; Inter-American Teachers Convention, Cancun, Mexico; Trans-European Division Teachers' Convention, Rogaska Slatina Slovenia; Southern Asia Division Education Summit, Gujarat, India

Jeannette and her husband Garland have three adult children and eight grandchildren. Their children and grandchildren are a blessing and special God given gifts.



Thank you to Pastor Snell, the Pastoral Team, Media Team, and church family for your services and smiles.

Thank you to the friends who provided the information shared in this issue of the Newsletter for your enjoyment.

Our lives are filled with challenges daily. To those of you who lost loved ones recently, our prayers continue for you to trust in the Lord.

The most important gifts you can give are your love, time, and attention to your family.

Remember to pray for all our sick and shut in members and friends.

Slow down, take time to smile and enjoy your loved ones.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS



In His Service,
Dr. Jessie Godley Bradley,
 Senior Adult Ministries, Leader

