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*Seventh-day Adventist Church*  
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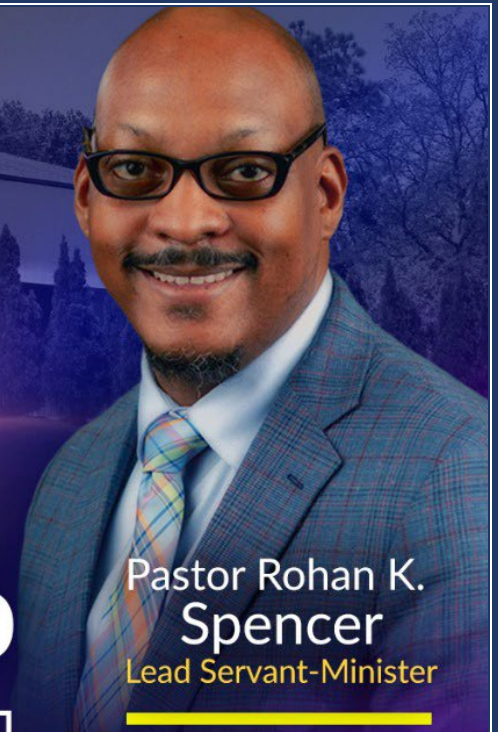
*Invites you to our*



# Hybrid Majestic Worship

**HEALING - HOPE - HAPPINESS**

- ▷ SABBATHS @10:00 AM - **STUDY**
- ▷ SABBATHS @11:30 AM - **WORSHIP**
- ▷ SABBATHS @04:00 PM - **YOUTH**
- ▷ WEDNESDAYS @7:00 PM - **PRAYER**



Pastor Rohan K.  
Spencer  
Lead Servant-Minister



Nita  
Ditele-Bourgeois  
Lead Elder



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## *Pastoral Page*

### **PASTORAL COUNSELING OFFICE HOURS:**

- Sundays @10:00 am – 1:00 pm - Church Ministries Consultation
- Wednesdays @5:30 pm – 7:00 pm - Pre-Marital & Marriage Counseling
- Thursdays @5:30 pm – 8:30 pm - Bible Studies & Individual Counseling

**OUR STEWARDSHIP GOAL:** Every Believer blessed, prospering and returning a **faithful Tithe** of **10%** of gross income, contributing an additional **5%** in **Offering** to support local church mission activities and passionately serving as ministry volunteers using their spiritual gifts & talents to impact individuals for Jesus Christ. Also, to support the **55<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** Capital Development Campaign of **\$55,000** each year for the next three years.

### **SERVICES & MINISTRY PROGRAMS OF CHURCH:**

<b>SATURDAYS</b>		<b>Format</b>
Sabbath School	10:00 am – 11:15 am	Hybrid
Worship Service Experience	11:30 am – 01:30 pm	Hybrid
Adventist Youth Ministry	05:30 pm – 07:00 pm(summer) 0:400 pm – 06:00pm (winter)	In-Person
Adventurers Ministry (Ages 3-9)	02:00 pm – 03:30 pm	In-Person
<b>SUNDAYS</b>		
Pathfinders Ministry (Ages 10-15)	10:00 am – 01:00 pm	In-Person
<b>WEDNESDAYS</b>		
Mid-Week Prayer & Praise Service	07:00 pm – 08:00 pm	Virtual
<b>BAPTISM</b>	Every Fourth Sabbath	In-Person
Fasting & Prayer	First Wednesdays	Remote

### **PREACHING CALENDAR**

#### **SABBATH WORSHIP SERVICE**

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<b>JANUARY</b>	06	Pastor Rohan K Spencer	<b>DANIEL'S DIET</b> <b>21 Days of Prayer</b> January 1-21, 2024
	13	Pastor Rohan K Spencer	
	20	Pastor Rohan K Spencer	
	27	TBA	
<b>FEBRUARY</b>	03	Pastor Michelle Mota	<b>HEART COURAGEOUS</b>
	10	Pastor Ramone Phoenix	<b>AMAZING LOVE</b>
	17	Dr. Warner Richards	<b>BLACK HISTORY</b> Freedom Reign Revival
	24	Pastor Jeff Jefferson	
<b>MARCH</b>	09	Pastor Pretrice A. Wideman	Women's Day of Prayer
	09	TBA	NEC Adventist Academy
	16	Pastor Trevor Stewart	<b>ADVENTIST YOUTH</b> Week of Prayer
	23	Pastor Trevor Stewart	
	30	Pastor Rohan K Spencer	<b>Communion</b>

# Church Monthly Financial Summary

January - December 2023

## November 2023 Giving Summary Totals

**Tithe:** \$37,891.76

*\*Tithe received by the local congregation is sent on to the local conference, overseeing and administering mission in Connecticut, Maine, New Hampshire, New York, Rhode Island, and the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.*

**Offering:** \$13,646.59

*\*Offerings remain at local church for ministry, expenses etc.*

Church Monthly Budget Target (Annual Budget \$252k)	\$21,000.00
Received in November	\$13,646.59
Surplus/Shortfall for November	<b>\$(7,353.41) shortfall to target budget</b> <b>** \$(8,374.41) total month shortfall per actual spend**</b>

*\*School Mortgage totals \$8,746.59/mth addition to BSDA monthly financial commitments (mortgage maturity date: 10/2024; original loan amount: \$1,040,000)*

*\*All Northeastern Conference Churches are to remit monthly to the Conference, two and a half percent (2.5%) from their monthly combined budget (local giving) for Education (voted by the NEC Executive Committee, effective July 1, 2022).*

## Capital Development Fund Campaign (update):

*\*Funds towards physical plant improvements/repairs*

Annual Target (\$55,000)	\$55,000.00
Received to date (*YE 2023)	\$29,475.46
Percent (%) to target (**YE 2023)	53.59%

## Ways to Give:

- Offering Plate
- Give Online: available at <https://adventistgiving.org>
- Adventist Giving App: For easy, secure giving.
- Zelle: [BethesdaTreasury@gmail.com](mailto:BethesdaTreasury@gmail.com)

Remember to label your tithe & offerings on the tithe envelope.

# Sabbath School

January 06, 2024 @ 10:00am – 11:15am

Musical Praise .....  
Superintendent Remarks ..... Sis. Hilleriah Nicholas  
Opening Song ..... **SDA Hymn #537 – “He Leadeth Me”**  
Scripture ..... **Psalm 23** ..... Congregation  
Prayer ..... Elder Samuel Nicholas  
Mission Report .....  
Personal Growth ..... “Where God & and People Meet Heart to Heart”  
Lesson Study ..... **“How to Read the Psalms”** ..... Elder Beverley Small  
Superintendent Remarks ..... Sis. Hilleriah Nicholas  
Musical Praise ..... **SDA Hymn #619 – “Lead On, O King Eternal”**  
Closing Prayer ..... Sis. Hilleriah Nicholas

## Personal Witnessing Highlights:

*“Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, <sup>20</sup> teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”* **Matthew 28:19-20**

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| 1. Be True to who God wants you to Be                        | 4. Begin Where People Are and take them to |
| 2. Begin with a Genuine Concern for people’s Well-being      | 5. Be of genuine Help to Someone           |
| 3. Be Delighted to share your personal experience with Jesus |  |

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## Sabbath Service Transition

11:15am – 11:30am

Foot-washing ..... Pastor Rohan K. Spencer  
Hymn of Separation..... **Hymn #302 – “Deeper Yet”**  
Church Announcements ..... Church Clerk  
Sabbath Departmental Highlights/Emphasis .....

- 1st & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sabbath (Health Dept)
- 4<sup>th</sup> Sabbath (Stewardship Dept)



# Sabbath Worship Experience

January 06, 2024 @ 11:30am – 1:30pm

**“Enter His Gates with Thanksgiving and His Courts with Praise; Give Thanks to Him and Praise His Name.” Psalm 100:4**

Call to Worship & Invocation..... Elder Fitzroy Golding

*“Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow”*

Pastoral Greetings..... Pastor Rohan K. Spencer

Hymn of Praise ..... **Hymn #522 – “My Hope is Built on Nothing Less”**

Scripture Reading..... **1 Corinthians 2:9-16**..... Elder Fitzroy Golding

Kidz Praise.....

Offertory ..... Elder Fitzroy Golding

Season of Musical Praise & Worship ..... Praise Team

Intercessory Prayer..... Elder Fitzroy Golding

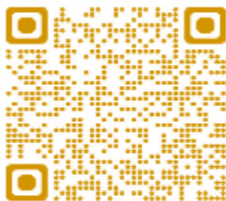
Song of Meditation .....

Spoken Word ..... **“Hope on the Horizon”** ..... Pastor Rohan K Spencer

Altar Hymn & Prayer ..... **Hymn #539 – “I Will Early Seek the Savior”**

Benediction ..... Pastor Rohan K. Spencer

*Thank You for Sharing in Worship*

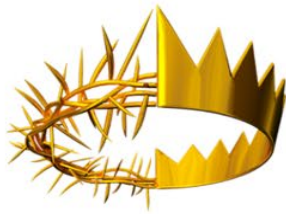


## Personal Response to the Love of God

- ☐ I Desire Baptism through faith in Jesus Christ
- ☐ I Desire Bible Studies Leading to baptism.
- ☐ My Child/Children Desire/s Bible Studies leading to Baptism.
- ☐ I Desire Prayer & Bible Counseling to help me overcome Challenge/s for My Baptism



Adventist Giving



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## Bethesda Seventh-day Adventist Church

76 Parkway Ave Amityville, NY

**GOD FIRST**

### Tithe

Personal Giving Plan recommends: 10% ?

Tithe/Diezmo/Díme

### Local Church

Personal Giving Plan recommends: 3-5% ?

COMBINED BUDGET

SABBATH SCHOOL EXPENSE

BETHESDA JR ACADEMY FUND

BJA MORTGAGE

BJA SCHOLARSHIP FUND

BUILDING FUND/CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

PATHFINDER Donations

Communications Department

Birthday Thank You - Local

ADVENTURER CLUB Donations

[More Offering Categories...](#)

## I PROMISE:



To **SET APART** the first moments of each day to commune with the Lord in **PRAYER**, through the Bible, Spirit of Prophecy and Sabbath School lesson study, and **FAMILY WORSHIP**.



To **IMPROVE** my **RELATIONSHIPS**: growing in faithfulness, forgiveness and loving by principle.



To **ESTABLISH** one new **HEALTHY HABIT**, to better worship the Lord with my mind: \_\_\_\_\_



To **OFFER** one day (or evening) each week to **WORK** for God, spreading the good news to others through Bible Studies, small groups, etc. (TMI).



To **KEEP** the **SABBATH**, preparing for it accordingly on Friday, keeping its limits, right thoughts and activities.



To **FAITHFULLY RETURN** the Lord's **TITHE** (10% of my income).



To **DEDICATE** a regular percentage (\_\_\_\_%) of my income as a free will **OFFERING** to the Lord.

WITH GOD'S HELP: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_



STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES





## Bethesda Church Announcements

### 1. BSDA Pathfinder Club:

- Registration is Open for youngsters starting at age 10 or in the 5<sup>th</sup> grade. Contact Director Faustin at 516-805-0768 for more information.
- Registration for Adventures open ages 4-9. See Director B. Golding for more information.

### 2. AYS: at 4:30 p.m.

### 3. Weekly Bible Study: each Sabbath at 3 p.m. in the Sanctuary.

### 4. Celebrating Birthdays/Anniversaries:

- Last week birthdays: n/a
- This week birthdays: n/a
- Last week anniversaries: n/a

*To have your birthday included in announcements, please send name, month, and date (DO NOT include birth year) to the church clerk, Elder B. Small at [creationbev1@aol.com](mailto:creationbev1@aol.com).*

**Let's continue to pray for each other, for all the sick and shut in, for those who've lost loved ones. Remember in prayer the Adventist Mission, touching lives through medical care, media, education, mission workers, Global Mission pioneers, outreach resources and so much more. Adventist mission is entering new areas. Establishing new congregations. Changing lives.**

### SICK AND SHUT-IN

*Prayer*

- Bro Joseph & Sis Ruth Meade
- Bro Delroy & Sis Gloria Haughton
- Elder Robinson
- Sis Millicent Pointer
- Sis Bernitha Berty
- Bro. Winston & Sis Patrica Watson
- Sis June Ferrier
- Sis Connis Jones
- Sis Elestine Brown
- Sis. Evelyn Sinclair



- **SMS:** Bethesda church notifications are sent via SMS (text). To sign-up text the word "Bethesda" to 877-821-1701.
- **Follow & Subscribe:**
  - Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/BethesdaSeventhdayAdventistChurch>
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  - Church Website: <https://bethesdany.adventistchurch.org/>



# **7 REASONS WHY WE CAN TRUST GOD**

**1** God has a record of keeping His word.  
What He says, He will do. (1 Kings 8:56)

**2** God's nature is faithfulness.  
Nothing will come in the way of this.  
(2 Timothy 2:13)

**3** God will never leave us or forget us.  
(Isaiah 49:15-16)

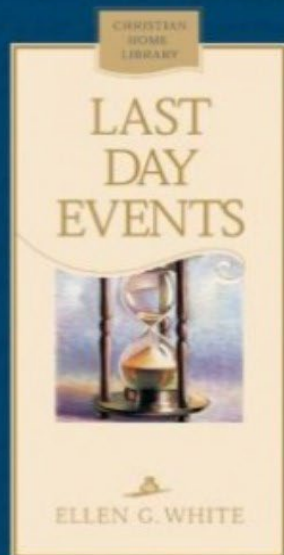
**4** God understands our needs intimately and before they are even known to us.  
(Psalm 139:3)

**5** God's steadfastness surpasses all; a constant anchor in our ever-changing circumstances.  
(Hebrews 1:10-12)

**6** Nothing is too hard for God.  
(Jeremiah 32:17)

**7** God promises consistency. (Hebrews 13:8)





Mid-week prayer meetings  
continues with the new series

## Last Days Events

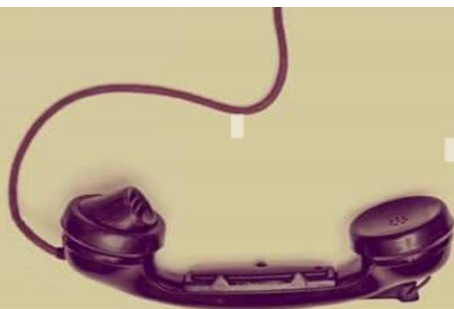
Wednesdays @ 7pm EST

"A knowledge of the truth depends not so much upon strength of intellect as upon pureness of purpose, the simplicity of an earnest, dependent faith."

— Ellen G. White —



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# CALL UPON HIM

*The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth Psalm 145:18 (NIV)*

In need of prayer?  
Have a prayer request?

Bethesda invites you to join the

## Prayer Line

MONDAYS @ 8AM  
TUESDAYS @ 7:15PM  
WEDNESDAYS @ 6:15AM  
THURSDAYS @ 6PM  
FRIDAYS @ 9AM

**Phone: 978-990-5000**  
**Access Code: 336156**



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NORTH AMERICAN DIVISION



BEGINNING 2024 IN THE PRESENCE OF GOD

# 21

REBUILDING  
RESTORING  
RENEWING

## PRAYER & FASTING

### Priority®

FAITH – FAMILY – FITNESS

JANUARY 1-21, 2024

- Morning Praise, Sunday-Fridays @03:30 am
- Mid-Week Prayer Service, Wednesdays @07:00 pm
- Sabbath Worship Service, Saturdays @11:30 am



**PASTOR ROHAN K.  
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NORTHEASTERN CONFERENCE WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

PRESENTS:

# Women On A Mission

2024 TEN DAYS OF PRAYER

January 3-12, 2024

via ZOOM

5AM - Every Morning

Meeting ID: 821 7735 6417

Passcode: WOMEN

Dial In: 646-931-3860

Passcode: 643224

Acts 9:36 - At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas.  
This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did.

Come and Be A Part of the

MISSION







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HEALTH MINISTRIES DEPARTMENT



**JUMP START  
2024**

# HEALTH & FITNESS

Empower your body, Energize  
your life. We are Made to Move

**JANUARY 7  
10:00 AM**

JOIN FITNESS PROFESSIONALS

**NIGEL STODDART  
MAUREEN KELLMAN  
KYRAN JOHN**



zoom

**Meeting ID: 846 4732 2225**

**Passcode: 218383**

Health Ministries Director  
Dr. Joshua Deonarine

Admin. Assistant  
Avery Dawson

nechealth.org

**10** DAYS OF  
PRAYER

# PRIORITIES OF FAITH

January 10–20, 2024

“He has told you, O man, what is good;  
and what does the Lord require of you  
but to do justice, and to love kindness,  
and to walk humbly with your God?”

MICAH 6:8, ESV

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double occupancy

Per Person

**\$4,709**

single occupancy

Per Person

**\$2,812.50**

children 12 & under

## The Health Connection Newsletter

This free quarterly newsletter provided by the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist Health Ministries will keep you current on valuable health topics and health ministry developments around the globe. Enjoy news, articles, health ministry ideas, event invitations, and more. You can subscribe via email and download past newsletters via: <https://www.healthministries.com/newsletters/>



### SAMPLE WALKING PROGRAM

- **Walking** is low impact, can tone your muscles, relax your mind, & strengthen your back.
- **Pass the talk test.** If you can't talk while walking, you are exercising too hard. Slow down.
- **Wear bright clothing.** Strive to be seen, not part of an accident scene.
- **Walk up hills** if you need to increase the intensity of your walking program

	Warm Up	Target HR Zone	Cool Down	Total Time
Week 1	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 5 min.	Walk 5 min.	15 min.
Week 2	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 7 min.	Walk 5 min.	17 min.
Week 3	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 9 min.	Walk 5 min.	19 min.
Week 4	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 11 min.	Walk 5 min.	21 min.
Week 5	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 13 min.	Walk 5 min.	23 min.
Week 6	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 15 min.	Walk 5 min.	25 min.
Week 7	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 18 min.	Walk 5 min.	28 min.
Week 8	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 20 min.	Walk 5 min.	30 min.
Week 9	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 23 min.	Walk 5 min.	33 min.
Week 10	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 26 min.	Walk 5 min.	36 min.
Week 11	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 28 min.	Walk 5 min.	38 min.
Week 12	Walk 5 min.	Walk briskly 30 min.	Walk 5 min.	40 min.
Week 13 and on: Check your pulse periodically to see if you are exercising within your target heart rate. As you become more fit, try exercising within the upper range your target. Gradually increase your brisk walking time to 30 – 60 minutes, 3-4 times a week. Remember that your goal is to get the benefits you are seeking and enjoy your activity.				





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## *Seventh-day Adventist Beliefs Summary*

Seventh-day Adventists accept the Bible as the only source of our beliefs. We consider our movement to be the result of the Protestant conviction *Sola Scriptura*—the Bible as the only standard of faith and practice for Christians.

This statement is a condensed summary of the [28 fundamental beliefs](#) held by the Seventh-day Adventist Church.

### **GOD**

**We believe that God loves.** God is love, power, and splendor—and God is a mystery. His ways are far beyond us, but He still reaches out to us. God is infinite yet intimate, three yet one, all-knowing yet all-forgiving.

### **HUMANITY**

**We believe that God creates.** From neurons to nebulae, DNA to distant galaxies, we are surrounded by wonder. Yet the beauty is broken.

### **SALVATION**

**We believe that God redeems.** Love. Harmony. Perfection. Once, all creation sang the same glorious song.

### **CHURCH**

**We believe that God inhabits.** Jesus left His followers with an epic mission: tell the world of His love and His promise to return. Also, they should love people the way He loved them.

### **LIVING**

**We believe that God transforms.** God's law in the Ten Commandments show us how to live and make clear our need for Jesus. Though the law shows us the path to follow and convicts us of sin, it's about far more than just toeing the line.

### **APOCALYPSE**

**We believe that God triumphs.** From the Garden of Eden to the Tower of Babel, the destruction of Sodom to the Exodus from Egypt, God has always investigated before taking action.

