

Church Family

James 4:1-3 (NIV)

¹ What causes fights and quarrels among you? Don't they come from your desires that battle within you?

² You want something but don't get it. You kill and covet, but you cannot have what you want. You quarrel and fight. You do not have, because you do not ask God.

³ When you ask, you do not receive, because you ask with wrong motives, that you may spend what you get on your pleasures.

What causes conflict among us? What causes us to treat each other the way we do? James says it is because we are controlled by our selfish desires. Do we see this in our world? Do we see it in the political world, with the Democrats and Republican? Do you see it where you work? Do we see it in our relationships with family and friends? Do we see it in the church family?

What is the solution to our problems? James gives a two-part answer. We need to ask God and we need to we need to have right motives. We are in the 10 Days of Prayer and I hope you are participating in it. The first step is to ask God. We need to pray. We do not have because we do not ask God. Why do we refuse to ask God? Is it because we know what we desire is not in harmony with His will? Are we controlled by our desires? Are we controlled by selfishness? Are our lives motivated by wrong motives?

Psalm 40:8

I delight to do Your will, O my God, And Your law is within my heart.

Do we delight to do God's will? Is His law written in our heart? We will always have a problem with ours prayers when it is about our will instead of God's will.

Matthew 6:10

Your kingdom come. Your will be done On earth as it is in heaven.

Matthew 26:42

Again, a second time, He went away and prayed, saying, "O My Father, if this cup cannot pass away from Me unless I drink it, Your will be done."

Jesus' life was motivated by one desire, to do God's will. The only way our lives will have the right motivation is if Jesus is living out His life in us. We need to be filled with His Spirit. How do we get His Spirit? We ask in His name.

Luke 11:13

If you then, being evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will your heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask Him!"

Father we ask that you would change our heart our desires, that you would fill us with your Spirit, that you would make us like Jesus.

The Lord's Supper

Next Sabbath January 15th we will celebrate the Lord's Supper.

Vernon Purdey Memorial Service

The memorial service will be virtual on Zoom. Here is the Zoom link:

Vernon Purdey Memorial Service
Jan 8, 2022 03:00 PM Arizona

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81290349060?pwd=MWVXeTAyc1VSUWxvcjd5bDZrcGxjZz09>

Meeting ID: 812 9034 9060
Passcode: 097668

Dial by your location

1 346 248 7799

1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 812 9034 9060

Passcode: 097668

Tendaysofprayer.org

January 5-15 have been set aside as a time for all the world church to spend time in prayer. I would encourage you to visit tendaysofprayer.org and plan to participate in this special time of prayer.

The Pacific Union Conference is having a different conference president or college president present the topic for each night during the ten days of prayer. We will have posted the information on the church website.

Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92054973512>

Meeting ID: 920 5497 3512

Prayer Requests

Please note the change in contact information for your prayers requests while Ro is ill.

If you have prayer requests or wish to be a part of our prayer ministry team contact Twila at ajprayerchain@yahoo.com or 619-997-1947. Please continue to remember Ro in your prayers

Adobe Adventist Christian School

Please remember our students, families, and staff in your prayers

Your Prayer List

Who are you praying for each day?

Mask Policy

The church board voted the following:

The church board voted to strongly recommend vaccinated and unvaccinated wear mask inside due to the recommendation of the CDC regarding the delta variant.

Church Life

We will be doing a bulletin with announcements and church business each week. It will be on the website and added to this email or attached. If you have announcements send them to: ajchurchbulletin@gmail.com or call Twila, 619-997-1947 Deadline is 9 pm Wednesday

In Person Zoom Sabbath School Class

This Sabbath we resume the sanctuary Sabbath school class for all who can attend in person. We will also be having children's Sabbath school classes.

We will also have a Zoom class for those who cannot attend in person. It will be hosted by Steven Wirsz and Diane Muff.

Zoom Sabbath School link

Sabbath School Illuminations

A Bible-based Zoom Sabbath School class that makes sense of the Seventh-day Adventist lesson quarterly

An alternative for those unable to meet in-person.

We meet via Zoom on Sabbath mornings 10am Arizona time.

All are welcome!

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82599875170?pwd=VmNGNnBJTk1JUmJtTTg1Qnc4TnRUdz09>

Dial by phone

1 669 900 6833

Meeting ID: 825 9987 5170

Passcode: 868245

Prayer Meeting

Prayer meeting will be the 10 days of prayer at 8pm Arizona time. The Zoom link is here.

Zoom link:

<https://zoom.us/j/92054973512>

Meeting ID: 920 5497 3512

From-the-Top Bible Study via ZOOM. 8pm local time

From-The-Top will meet next week **Tue Jan. 11** for a special presentation and resume our reading the following week on **Tue Jan. 18** starting in **Lev. 6:1**.

Join Zoom Meeting:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82367981105?pwd=Yyt0ZDdvNmdOR1lmU1RkRHNseTUxdz09>

Meeting ID: 823 6798 1105

Passcode: 222945

Join by Phone

253 215 8782

669 900 6833

Worship Service

The church worship service will be on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDCJX487YNyhPQGk5Z0PxxwQ/videos> This Sabbath's sermon title is "The Right Motive" and will be based on Matthew 6:1-15

Please remember Adobe Adventist Christian School in your prayers each day. I would also encourage you to support the school with the Fry's VIP program by linking your card to our school and using the Arizona tax credit to support our school.

Thank you for your support of our school and church financial needs. You can return your tithes and offering by mailing them to P.O. Box 3250 Apache Junction, AZ 85117 or by online giving thru the church website apachejunction.adventistfaith.org

May we pray without ceasing and always remember one another in our prayers.

God Bless

Pastor Van

Church Life

To Our Visitors and Church Family — Thank you for sharing this day with us!

Mask Policy Change: The church board voted to strongly recommend vaccinated and unvaccinated to wear mask inside due to the recommendation of the CDC.

IMVO/Bags of Love: We will meet 9am – noon on Monday, January 10, 2022. We will be packing Bags of Love along with pinning quilts and working plastic for the mats for the homeless. Come enjoy the fellowship with one another!!

Receipts for 2021 may be picked up from the rack in the hallway near the office. Thank you all for your generosity.

Ten Days of Prayer: January 5-15 have been set aside as a time for all the world church to spend time in prayer. I would encourage you to visit www.tendaysofprayer.org and participate in this special time of prayer.

Grief Share is Sunday 4: -5:30 pm. **Divorce Care** is 11-12:30pm, Sabbath in the Seminar Room from now until the end of May 2022. Text Duane Andersen at 480-276-1689.

Investment for 2022: will be for Good News TV. Please mark your tithe envelopes **Investment:** Phoenix Good News TV.

Women's Ministry Leadership Day: there is still time to register for this special program on Grief and Loss with Karen Nicola. Registration forms and information on the bulletin board in the lobby or contact Nancy Andersen at 480-254-1878

Prayer Ministry Team: Contact Twila Perucci at ajprayerchain@yahoo.com or call her at 619-997-1947.

Church Bulletin Information — Deadline is 9 pm Wednesday. E-mail: ajchurchbulletin@gmail.com or call Twila, 619-997-1947.

Please check the information on our bulletin boards.

Community Services:

1. We're collecting through January warm blankets and sleeping bags for the homeless. New, easy-to-carry blankets/sleeping bags are best. Drop off outside the Juniors classroom. Monetary donations are also welcome; mark your donation "Community Services blankets". Contact Pamela Davis if any questions.

2. Year-round we continue to collect used prescription eyeglasses for the needy. The donated eyeglasses collected can help improve the quality of life for children and adults living in low- and middle-income communities around the world. Many will experience corrected vision for the first time, enabling them to lead productive working lives, support their families, attend school, and advance their education. Drop off your used eyeglasses in the plastic bin with the blue top in the church lobby.

3. Adventist Tornado Disaster Relief: If you wish to help by donating, see links below:
 1. **Kentucky-Tennessee Conference** – <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTIII/envelope/start>
Select '**community services**'. (You can find this option by clicking "*more offering categories*" under "*Conference/Union*")
 2. **South Central Conference** – <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANTPPP/envelope/sta>

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Under Conference/union – choose ‘**more offering categories**’ and select ACS – Disaster Response

3. **Arkansas-Louisiana**

Conference – <https://adventistgiving.org/#/org/ANW444/envelope/sta>

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You can choose ‘**Disaster Relief**’ for either Louisiana or Arkansas.

Joyfully We Return To God

2022 Church Budget Report:

Our AJ Church and school are totally dependent on your kind, liberal, and consistent financial support. Thank you for honoring God in giving to our church budget which pays for maintenance of our facilities, utilities, supplies, etc.

All loose offering will go to the designated offering of the day per the Conference schedule. To donate to local church budget, use a tithe envelope to designate your offering.

Apache Junction SDA Church 2022 Local Church Budget \$60,000.00		
Monthly Budget	Given in January	Still Needed January
\$5,000.00	\$504.00	\$4,496.00
Adobe Adventist Christian School 2022		
Received 7/1- 1/5/22	Spent To Date	
\$72,625.50	\$56,652.85	

Would you like to make an eternal difference in the life of a child? — Consider making a donation to the Adobe Adventist Christian School Worthy Student Fund. You can mark your tithe envelope accordingly.

Want to help a child receive a Christian education but don't have \$1,000 to send to the tax credit program? Look at your pay-stub, if you have AZ withholding, you could divert those dollars to a child's education. Ask Denise how to do so.

Online Giving — <http://apachejunction.adventistfaith.org> and click on the ONLINE GIVING link.

Sermons are available on DVD, contact the people in the sound booth.

Sermons are also available on YouTube. Follow the link from the Apache Junction SDA Church website.

Sabbath Rest — Continues until 5:38 pm tonight.
Next Sabbath's welcome is Friday at 5:43 pm.