

## Church Life

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July 13, 2024

**Good Morning and Blessed Sabbath to All.** We are glad you came to Apache Junction SDA Church to worship with us today. As your pastor, please don't hesitate to let me know, call or send me a message should there be anything we can do for you, such as pray for you and your loved ones, visit you, or help in some way. I pray you feel the warm fellowship and Jesus' love today! – Pastor Lauran.

**Dedications and Ordination Today:** New officer's dedication, and Deacon and Deaconess ordination during Hour of Worship. Baby dedication of Jabari Abila.

**Fellowship Lunch:** Following the worship service, please join us for fellowship lunch in the social center (Across the parking lot). Come and meet some new friends.

**SPECIAL Fellowship Lunch Desert July 20th:** Please do not bring any desserts on July 20<sup>th</sup>. Ice cream treats (root beer floats, sundaes, banana splits, whatever suits your fancy) will be served, along with birthday cake for Paster Lauren. You may bring bananas, root beer or other toppings you would like to share.

### **First Reading Church Officers:**

Floyd Craig as AYS/Adventist Youth Ministries Director  
Samuel Mutinda as Men's Ministry Associate Leader

### **First Reading Transfers of Membership:**

Transferring from Apache Junction:

- Calvin Davis to DeBarry-Orange City SDA Church (Orange City, FL)
- Sharon Lozano to Golden Feather SDA Church (Yankee Hill, CA)

Transferring into Apache Junction:

- Dorothy Ateka Okello from Ziwani Adventist Church (Kenya)
- Tikeli Fa'aiu from The Dalles SDA Church (The Dalles, OR)
- Malia Fa'aiu from The Dalles SDA Church (The Dalles, OR)

**IMVO/Bags of Love: We will meet Monday, July 16, 2024 from 9:00 – noon.** Come and enjoy fellowship and help the temporarily displaced children of Arizona, Mats for the homeless and pillows for the dogs. **Come look at the many gift ideas and crafts on our craft table.**

**Social Games:** There will be no social this evening, we will resume on October 5<sup>th</sup> when vespers also resumes.

**From the Librarian:** Did you know we have many books in our church's library? Mission stories and books by Doug Bachelor, Sean Boonstra, Bradley Booth, Ellen White and many others. Books that will enlighten and give you something to think about. Check it Out – Happy Reading.

**30th Annual Prison Ministry International Convention, July 24-27:** The 30th Annual Prison Ministry International Convention is taking place in Scottsdale, Arizona July 24-27 at the Sonesta Suites Scottsdale - Gainey Ranch Hotel. To make a reservation go to [www.adventsource.org](http://www.adventsource.org) and click on event registration.

**Family Ministries Couples Retreat, Aug, 23 & 24:** The Arizona Conference Family Ministries Department is hosting a Couples Retreat on August 23 & 24 at the Arizona Conference office. Registration is required but admission is free. A lunch and a banquet will be provided to registered attendees. For more information or to register please call Eunice Lopez at (480) 991-6777 or email at [elopez@azconference.org](mailto:elopez@azconference.org). Registration deadline is August 1.

**Plan Ahead for Upcoming August Events:**

- Annual Water Drive: Month of August
- Lower Division Sabbath School Promotions: August 10th
- Lower Division Pool Outing: August 11<sup>th</sup>

**From Pastor Lauran:** The following are for everyone who would like to join or be a part of. Please contact him for more information.

**Pastoral Baptismal class every Sabbath, 9:30-10:30, Bags of Love Room.**

**Sit-down visits and/or Bible Studies here in the church each Sabbath afternoon between 2:00-4:00pm.**

**For Bible Studies and/or prayers over the phone, please call or text (760) 421-7427.**

**Home and hospital visits: I would love to visit you and your loved ones. Pls let me know when and where and I will make time for you.**

**Other helps or assistance within the confines of pastoral work.**

**Upcoming Sabbaths:**

September 7: Jeff Rogers, the Arizona Conference Communications Director, is going to conduct a Sabbath School Seminar in the afternoon. Everyone involved in Sabbath School work is encouraged to attend.

**United Prayer in the Conference Room:** Every Sabbath from 8:50-9:10am experience prayer in a different way. Open to all.

**Please join our midweek prayer meetings** on Wednesdays starting at 2:45pm. We study the book "Last Day Events".

**Church Bulletin:** Deadline is 9 pm Wednesday. E-mail: [ajchurchbulletin@gmail.com](mailto:ajchurchbulletin@gmail.com) or text/call Denise at 480-540-9917.

**Prayer Ministry Team:** Contact Twila Perucci at [ajprayerchain@yahoo.com](mailto:ajprayerchain@yahoo.com) or call her at 619-997-1947.

**Summer Camp:** To learn how to get a 2/3 discount on camp fees at Camp Yavapines, contact Judy Van Tassel. More information about summer camp is on the bulletin board in the foyer.

**Thunderbird Adventist Academy Registration:** Registration is now open for 2024-2025 school year. Apply at [www.thunderbirdacademy.org](http://www.thunderbirdacademy.org).

**Bible Marking class:** Classes have been discontinued at this time. If you are interested in learning Bible marking, please contact Joyce Chilson.

**See Bulletin Board for more programs and information.**

**Lower Division Sabbath School Classes:**

Kindergarten: Ages 0 through kindergarten

Primary: Grades 1 – 4

Juniors: Grades 5 – 8

Earliteen: Grades 9 – 10

High School: Grades 11 – 12+

**2024 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 2024**

Local Church Budget \$69,200.00

Monthly Budget: \$5,800.00

Given in June: \$4,865.76

Still Needed June: \$934.24

**Adobe Adventist Christian School 2024**

Received as of March, 2024: \$111,195.51

Spent To Date: \$75,692.09

**Investment through June 30, 2024**

\$1,341.00

Would you like to make an eternal difference in the life of a child? — Consider making a donation to the Adobe Adventist Christian School. 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.

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

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

**Sabbath Rest** — Continues until 7:39 pm tonight.

Next Sabbath's welcome is Friday at 7:36 pm.

**Weekly Meetings with Zoom Links**

Zoom Sabbath School Class every week starting at 10 AM, not 9:30 AM.

We are covering the regular Sabbath School lesson on the topic of the Gospel of Mark.

Zoom

link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82599875170?pwd=VmNGNnBJTk1JUUmJtTTg1Qnc4TnRUdz09>

**Tuesday 7 pm - From-the-Top Bible Study**

Next Bible Study Meeting (7pm): Tuesday, July 16

To join the Zoom meeting:

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

**Wednesday evening - Prayer Meeting - will resume mid-September**

**Thursday 7 pm - Conqueror Series and Warpath**

If you would like to have an introduction to the Conqueror series you are welcome to join the introduction meeting each Thursday night on Zoom.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89561551857?pwd=RlN2aGNyanhHSUhcDdxZXhJREQ4Zz09>

Meeting ID: 895 6155 1857 Passcode: 254775

To join by phone call: 669-900-6833 or 253-215-8782

**Worship Service**

The church worship service is live streamed each Sabbath at 11 am on YouTube at this location: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCDCJX487YNyhPQGk5Z0PwQ/videos>