

Welcome to Merrimack Valley Church! Happy Holidays!

Church Events This Coming Week				
Today	1:30 pm	Adventurer Fellowship Lunch		
,		Adventurer Meeting .		
	4:30 pm	Adventurer Staff Meeting		
	5:00 pm	Christmas Party		
Tuesday	7:00 pm	Depression Seminar		
Sabbath	10:00 am	Sabbath School		
	11:30 am	Worship Service – Christmas Cantata		
	2:00 pm	Women's Ministry Bible Study		
	2:30 pm	Men's Ministry Study		
Announcements				

December 8 is the last Women's Ministry of 2007. At that meeting we will be introducing our book for study: "It's All About Him" by Lee Venden. These may be obtained at the ABC or online at their website if you would like to order a copy please let me know by tomorrow, Sunday, December 2. The cost is \$12.99. "This book will move you beyond religious theory into a deeper walk with God...., how to experience Christ's transforming power..., It's not about what you do that counts or what you know, It's whom you know!" Come and begin a study that will transform. Starts right after the reception for the Cantata group. Please remember to pray for our outreach Bible Study at the teahouse starting in January.

"Apology and Forgiveness" is the theme for our 2nd Annual Marriage Seminar Day on January 5, 2008. Watch for registration forms in the bulletin next Sabbath. Come, learn and enjoy time with your spouse The Best is yet to Come!

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church
December 1, 2007

# Worship Celebration

Trusting in Jesus means that you must walk by Faith

Gathering to Worship

Prelude Ingrid Mergenthaler Worship Host's Greetings Steven Dovich Call to Worship

Praising His Name

Praise Songs Benjamin Osei-Mensah

Here I am to Worship
O Come, Let us Adore Him
Turn your Eyes upon Jesus

Congregational Prayer Steven Dovich
Church Alive Joseph & Natalie Connolly
Gifts of Worship Nancy Saxton

Local Church Budget

Offertory Ingrid Mergenthaler

Proclaiming the Word

Children's Corner Dale Jacobson
Scripture Lesson Ingrid & Michael Mergenthaler

Responsive Reading – "The Door"

Worship in Song Chimes
Sabbath Message Michael Casadine

Do you trust Him?

**Dedicating Our Lives** 

Hymn of Dedication see insert

I offer my life to you

Prayer of Dedication Michael Casadine
Worship Host's Benediction Steven Dovich
Postlude Ingrid Mergenthaler

#### **Future Church Events**

Dec 8	A Child is Born- Christmas Cantata
Dec 15	Kids Christmas Musical Presentation
Dec 28	Agape Feast at 6:00 p.m.
Jan 5	2 <sup>nd</sup> Annual Marriage Seminar Day
Feb 9	"Friendship" Sabbath

Please visit our web site for additional calendar information: http://www.mvsda.org/Calendar/

## **Giving Hearts: November Report**

Offerings Church Budget Building Fund	<b>Received</b> \$2,901.00 \$3,661.00	Monthly budget \$3,512.00 \$3,250.00
Special Offerings To-Date Tables and Chairs	<b>Received</b> \$1,639.00	<b>Needed</b> \$606.00

**Bulletin information** should be sent to Vivian Irrgang (e-mail: <a href="mailto:bulletin@mvsda.org">bulletin@mvsda.org</a>; phone: 978/683-1319. Items submitted each week by 7p.m. Tuesday evening will be considered for inclusion in the bulletin.

## Here to Serve

Audio/Visual:	Andreas Goelzer	603/821-1041
Community Services	Karen McClendon	978/658-2893
Deacon:	Gary Patch	978/663-4544
Deaconess:	Juanita Ortiz	978/683-1319
Elder:	Steven Dovich	978/621-4925
Membership Clerk:	Joan Reiss	978/256-1671
Pastor:	Phil Vasseur	603/429-2410
Recording Clerk:	Sue Markin	978/957-6384
Sabbath School:	Alice Jacobson	603/898-4075
Treasurer:	Marge Patch	978/663-4544

Merrimack Valley Seventh-day Adventist Church 408 Broadway Road, Dracut Massachusetts 01826-2707 978/454-9226 \*\*\* http://www.mvsda.org/ A Child is Born—A Christmas Cantata will be presented during the worship service on December 8, 2007 by the combined choirs of Christ Church United and Merrimack Valley. Come celebrate that Jesus' birth offers us hope, peace, light, joy, and love.

**Sing a Song of Christmas**– Invite your friends and family for this celebration of the birth of Jesus during the worship service on December 15, 2007. The children of Merrimack Valley are looking forward to sharing the joy of the Savior's birth through story and song.

Old Chairs \$5 each - Contact Gary Patch 978-663-4544

### **Prayer Request:**

Brenda Bones – Ortiz/Irrgang family member – terminal cancer

**Thought Spot:** "It was the best of times and the worst of times." The holiday season can be like that. For some it's a time of celebration and for others a time of depression. How is it for you? If you're in the depression camp, why not make a preemptive strike. How? Check your thinking! Be aware of any negative self-talk that's bringing you down emotionally. Take the thought captive and bring it to Jesus in prayer. It could help you have a more enjoyable holiday season. *Pastor Phil* 

## **Southern New England Conference Events**

Dec 7-9	SNEC Public School Retreat – Camp Winnekeag
Feb 1-3	AU Collegiate/Young Adults God Encounters
	Weekend Camp Winnekeag. For more information
	contact Dalia Castellanos at (978)368-8333 or email
	decastellanos@atlanticunion.org
Feb 14-17	NAD Leadership Summit for Youth, Pathfinder,
	Adventurer & Camp Staff. For more information go to
	www.adventistyouthministries.org or call
	(800)732-7587
Feb 29- Mar 2	SNEC Teen Prayer Conference in Camp Winnekeag