

Our Church in Study

Lesson Study

9:30-10:30 am

Sabbath School Classes

Adult Classes	Sanctuary
Peden	Fellowship Hall
Kirschbaum	East Hallway
Hispanic	Classroom #3
Myers	Classroom #2
20's & 30's	Pastor's Office
Prophecy Class	Classroom #1
Youth (High School)	North Hallway
Junior/Earliteen (Ages 10-14)	West Hallway
Primary (Ages 7-9)	West Hallway
Kindergarten (Age 4-6)	West Hallway
Beginners (Birth-Age 3)	West Hallway

Spirit of the Living God

Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me!
 Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me!
 Break me, melt me, mold me, fill me!
 Spirit of the living God, Fall afresh on me!

As We Come to You in Prayer

Now, Dear Lord, as we pray,
 Take our hearts and minds far away
 From the press of the world all around
 To Your throne where grace does abound.
 May our lives be transformed by Your love,
 May our souls be refreshed from above.
 At this moment, let people everywhere
 Join us now as we come to You in prayer.

Church Mission Statement

“To bring the everlasting gospel of Jesus Christ to life in the church and surrounding communities by nurturing our church families and youth to become active participants in spreading the Word of God.”

Our Church Informed

CHRISTMAS TREE OFFERING: Today we once again take up our Christmas tree offering. Special envelopes for adults and stockings for children have been provided for your monetary gifts to decorate our Christmas tree. These moneys will help us catch up with our church budget needs so that we can end the year in a strong way. Your regular tithes and offerings may be placed in the offering plates by the tree.

PRAYER MEETING: Our weekly Prayer Meeting will resume on Wednesday, January 6. Prayer Meeting is a power packed hour where we study God's word and pray with and for each other. What a privilege it has been to witness God's answers to our prayers. Plan on making prayer a focus of your devotional life as you begin a new year.

COMMUNION: On January 9 we invite you to participate in our Communion Services - God's Banquet of Grace.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- We need four or five drivers to take turns for our Van Ministry. Contact Greg Powers or the Pastor to learn about the particulars.
- Several times a year our sanctuary gets a fresh set of decorations. Lela and Leonard Brown are looking for several men and women who would be willing to work with them in setting up and taking down of these decorations.

CONGRATULATIONS: Chris and Amy Cate are the proud parents of Tyler Christopher, who was born at 12:01 am on December 21. He weighed 6 pounds 7 ounces and was 19.3 inches long! Both mother and son are doing fine. Proud grandparents are Stan and Kathy Cate.

OPERATION SHOEBOX 2009: Through God's grace and your generosity, we successfully assembled and delivered 400 gifts for Stark County inmates in time for Christmas. Please pray that many souls will be brought closer to Christ through these inspirational gifts of love. Thanks for helping us reach local inmates with the love of Christ this holiday season. See you next Christmas!

DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Please have all information and announcements turned in by **Thursday morning** to Akron1stbulletin@yahoo.com or call Marge Benson at 330-753-9866.

ARE YOU A CONTAGIOUS ADVENTIST? Join us for an extraordinary journey where you will hear the call of Christ to share the passion of His heart - to reach a world that desperately needs to have a fuller knowledge of His love and character. Learn how YOU can impact the kingdom of God for eternity. We will begin the journey on January 30. Watch your bulletin for further information.

2010 DEVOTIONAL BOOKS: Special prices end January 31, 2010 for the 2010 devotional books. There are devotions for adults, women, young adults, teens, juniors, primaries, and preschoolers. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Mayfair Christian School Announcements

CALENDAR:

- January 4 School Resumes
- January 15 End of Second Grade Period
- January 18 No School - Martin Luther King Day
- January 25 Parent-Teacher Conferences
- January 30 Church Service at Bethel

OUR CHURCH LEADERS AT YOUR SERVICE

Church	Office	330-773-7757
Pastor	Jerry Chase	330-563-4275
	(local mobile cell)	234-738-3858
Head Elder	Lee Kirschbaum	330-628-2043
Church Clerk	Ruth Voytko	330-784-2772
Church Treasurer	Greg Powers	330-212-6491
Head Deacon	Matt Woods	785-477-0665
Head Deaconess	Sue Kirschbaum	330-628-2043
School Principal	Bryant Herbert	330-896-3184
	www.mayfairchristianschool.org	
Prayer Chain	330-945-8301	330-784-7785

Our Church In Praise & Worship

	10:40 am	
Congregational Praise		Akron First Choristers
	10:50 am	
Welcome & Announcements		Angela Saffles
*Call to Worship: <i>Spirit of the Living God</i>		Congregation
	11:00 am	
*Invocation		Lela Brown
*Hymn of Praise: <i>O Come, All Ye Faithful</i>		#132
Worship in Giving: Local Church Budget		Lela Brown
Offertory		Kaye Bartter
Children's Story/School Offering		Matt Woods
Prayer Song: <i>As We Come to You in Prayer</i>		Congregation
Worship in Prayer		Wilson Benggon
Scripture Reading: Matthew 2:1-12		Charlene Simmons
Special Music		Nolan Keyes
Sermon		Pastor Jerry Chase
		"Tale of Two Gifts"
*Closing Hymn: <i>We Three Kings</i>		#137
*Benediction		Pastor Jerry Chase
*Congregation Stands		
Pianist: Cheryl Calderon		Organist: Kaye Bartter
Deacons: Robert Potts, Patrick Crane, Stan Cate, and Matt Woods		

Our Church In Service

TODAY

- Sunshine Band: We will worship with our friends at University Park Care Center (797 E. Market Street, Akron) at 2:30 pm. Contact Robert or Sharon Chu at 330-289-1210 or at SunshineBandNHM@hotmail.com for more information.
- Bible Study: 3:00 pm to 5:00 pm

NEXT WEEK

- Friday: New Year's Day

NEXT SABBATH

- Breakfast: 9:00 am in the Fellowship Hall
- Offering: Local Church Budget
- Fellowship Dinner
- Bible Study: 3:00 - 5:00 pm

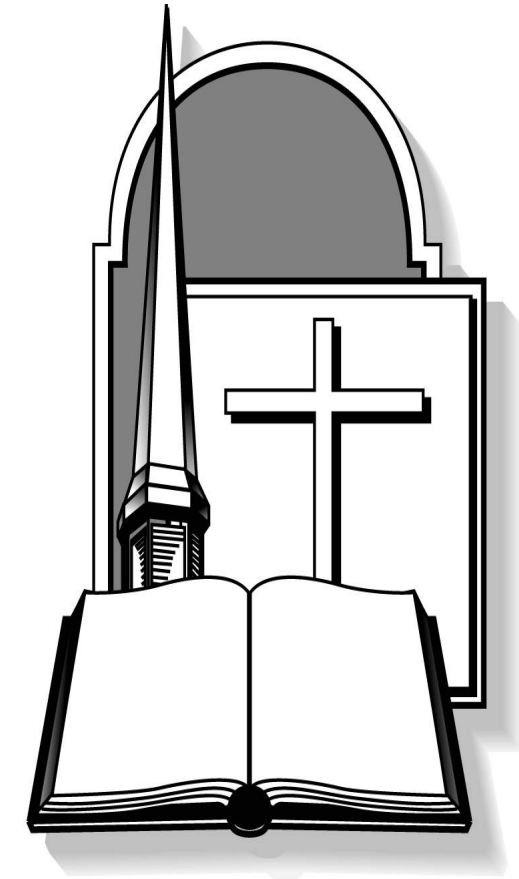
LOOKING AHEAD

January 6: Pathfinders/Adventurers Meetings, 6:30 pm
 January 6: Prayer Meeting, 7:00 pm
 January 9: Communion Service
 January 10: CPR Training, 2:00 pm
 January 12: Church Board, 7:00 pm
 January 19-26: Pastor's Study Leave
 January 27: Goldenaires Lunch, Noon

Closing of God's Sabbath today – 5:02 pm
 Beginning of God's Sabbath next Friday – 5:08 pm

Our Church in Giving			
January 3 - December 19, 2009			
Year-to-date Church Budget		Weekly Church Budget	
Needed to date	\$94,594.70	Needed per week	\$1,854.81
Received to date	<u>-89,171.00</u>	Received last week	<u>\$7,422.26</u>
	\$ 5,423.70		+\$5,567.45

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Sabbath, December 26, 2009