

Special Feature

Building a Stronger School Community

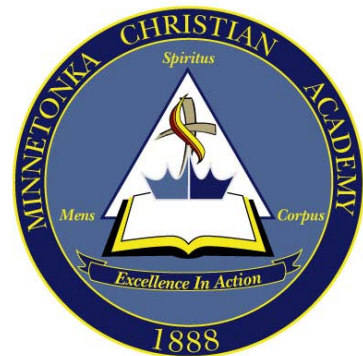
By Curtis Carlson, MCA Senior

Recently I attended a volleyball game at the International School of Minnesota. While I was rooting our Lady Royals on, I took a look at who was in the crowd and I had to think about what I saw because it was a bit surprising. The bleachers were filled with high school teachers (4 to be exact) and many students who are usually too "cool" to come to school events. It surprised me so much because typically nobody, besides parents, go to away games, including me.

A year ago I wouldn't want to go to after school events because if I did go, nobody would be there to talk to and it would be boring. But since then I have seen something remarkable happen in the high school, teachers and students are bonding together, not just inside the classroom, but outside the classroom as well. This increased teacher involvement has had a huge

effect on school spirit. Students want to hang out and see their friends play, sing, or perform after school.

Personally, I think MCA is winning more often because of the support of the bigger and more energetic crowds. More people are coming to all types of school activities this year compared to previous years. This student teacher bonding has also made people happier, which makes the days go faster, something that is always a good thing.



Sabbath, Jan. 30, 2010
Restoring Faith
to Christianity
Pastor Sherman McCormick

Sabbath, Feb. 6, 2010
Restoring Scripture
to Christianity
Pastor Sherman McCormick

Sabbath, Feb. 13, 2010
Restoring Power
to Christianity
Pastor Sherman McCormick

CALENDAR—Minnetonka Seventh-day Adventist Church

SABBATH WORSHIP SERVICE OPTIONS

For MCA Info, please see MCA Bulletin Board Section

- 9:15 a.m. **Morning Psalm** - with organ/instrumental music and hymns
10:15 a.m. **Bible Study Groups**
(See Below)
11:30 a.m. **Gates of Praise**
—with children's story, and a variety of contemporary music

Today, Jan. 23:

- 5:07 p.m. Sabbath rest ends

Wednesday, Jan. 27:

- 10:00 a.m. J.U.L.I.E.T.S. (Ladies Prayer Group)

Friday, Jan. 29:

- 5:16 p.m. Sabbath rest begins

NOTICE

Adventist Book Center
7384 Kirkwood Court
Maple Grove, MN 55369
Ph. 763-424-8531
Hours: Mon-Thurs., 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.
Friday, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.
Sunday, 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.
e-mail: maplegrove.abc@pacificpress.com

The Maple Grove location is now the only location for Minnesota. The store in Hutchinson has been closed.

BIBLE STUDY GROUPS BEGIN AT 10:15 A.M. TODAY

Please feel free to join the class of your choice.

CHILDREN'S CLASSES:

(located in the church)

- *Cradle Roll: Infants -3 years
- *Pre-Kindergarten: Ages 3 - 5 years
- *Kindergarten: Age 5 or K - 1st grade
- *Primary: Grades 2 - 4
- *Juniors: Grades 5 - 6

YOUTH CLASS: (located in the school)

*The Filling is our Jr. High/High School class that meets for breakfast & songs, then splits into classes. Home Economics classroom.

ADULT CLASSES

- *Church Office: Provided especially for those who find it challenging to walk to the school.
- *School 3rd/4th Grade Classroom: Young Adult Sabbath School
- *School 5th/6th Grade Classroom: Women's

Group studying Gospel of Luke. Co-leaders Rita Dedeker, Karen Gilbertson, & Karen Peterson.

*School 7th/8th Grade Classroom: Sabbath School Quarterly. Co-leaders John Nicholson & Ackim Haamankuli.

*School Conference Room: Study/discussion of 2 Peter. Co-leaders Ken Dedeker & Bob Dahl.

*School Art Classroom: Team of teachers teach from the Adult SS Quarterly.

*School Math Classroom: Study/discussion of Sabbath School Quarterly. Leader: Ruth Haamankuli

*Fellowship Center: Book of Acts—Contemporary views on the Bible. Leaders: Jack Dougan, Ivan Chavez

Rooms For Parents with Little Ones—(During Worship Services Only)

Pastor Elvera Blake's Office—Nursing Mothers
Cradle Roll Room—Quiet Training Room

Requests for Prayer:

1. Pray daily for MCA's teachers and students, and for it's long-term ministry to youth in the Twin Cities.
2. Loved ones doing military service.
3. Couples who are working at getting back together.
4. Anonymous requests for private issues.
5. Those unemployed seeking opportunities for work.
6. For guidance from God while searching for a new senior pastor.

Sermons on CD and Website—If you would like a copy of a sermon that was preached at Minnetonka since July 2006, please write the date or title on the back of the blue "Welcome" card, the quantity and your contact information. Drop the card in the offering plate or give it to a pastor. Please make a donation toward our media ministry of \$3 /CD. You can also listen to past sermons on our website.

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Church Office Hours: Closed Mondays
Tuesday — Friday—8:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon

Our School Minnetonka Christian Academy

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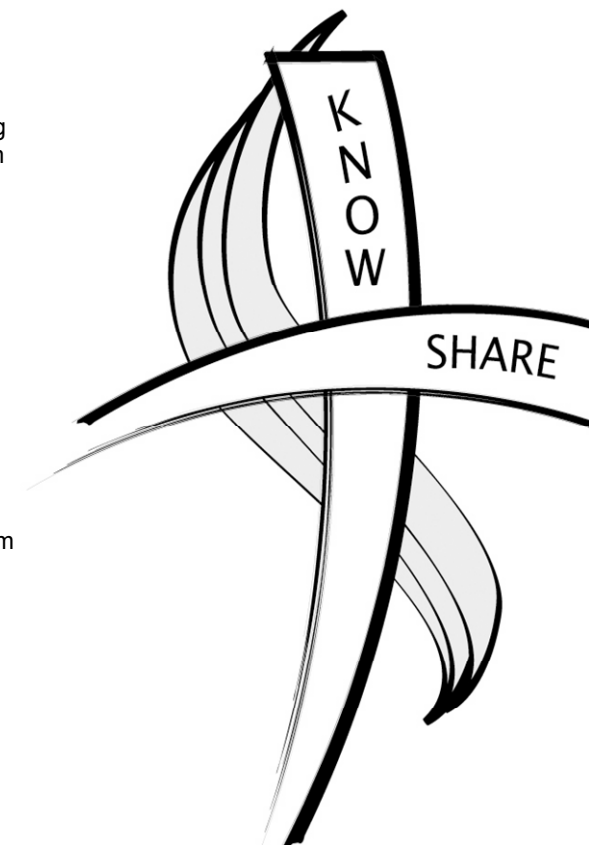
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MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Minnetonka Seventh-day Adventist Church is to passionately KNOW God as our personal friend and intentionally SHARE God as caring disciples.

VISION STATEMENT

Our response to the Gospel of Jesus Christ compels us to become a growing Adventist congregation. We will impact our community through God-directed worship, selfless service, and a culture of active participation by every member.

Morning Psalm

a sacred meeting

January 23, 2010 9:15-10:15 A.M.

Prelude

Call to Worship Jenny Willard
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

Invocation Pastor Sherman McCormick

Worship in Music Jenny Willard
Jesus Is All the World to Me Hymn #185
Love Divine Hymn #191
Crown Him With Many Crowns Hymn #223

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Sherman McCormick

Scripture 1 Corinthians 2:2 NLT
For I decided that while I was with you I would forget everything except Jesus Christ, the one who was crucified.

Bible Message **A Man Called Norm** Pastor Sherman McCormick

Hymn of Response Congregation
All That Thrills My Soul is Jesus Hymn #189

Responding to God's Generosity Karen Gilbertson

Offertory

Benediction Pastor Sherman McCormick

Circle Greeting Congregation

Postlude

Worship Coordinator: Jenny Willard
Lay Pastor: Karen Gilbertson
Deacon-in-charge: David Burley
Greeters: Karen Gilbertson, Dean Roderick, Vickie Roderick

Organ: Alice Simonsen
Sound: Curt Carlson

Gates of Praise

January 23, 2010 11:30 A.M.-12:30 P.M.

"Enter His gates with thanksgiving...His courts with praise..." Psalm 100:4

Welcome Pastor Benji Ferguson

Worship through Music Praise Team and Congregation
Love The Lord
We Bring the Sacrifice of Praise
My Savior, My God
Grace Like Rain

Garden of Prayer Pastor Sherman McCormick
Your Grace is Sufficient for Me
Your strength is made perfect when I am weak
All that I cling to I lay at Your feet
Your grace is sufficient for me.

Children's Story Stephanie Ferguson

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Leading us in worship:

Lay Pastor: Paul Orieny
Praise Team Coordinator: Carmen Burgess
Praise Team: Joanna Blood, Carmen Burgess, Brent Mann, Tiffany Wicklund, Carol Crosby
Piano: Carol Crosby
Deacon-in-charge: Joshua Onserio
Computers/AV/Music: Kevin Mayer, Betsy Morrison

Greeters: Chuck Cox, Donna Cox, Don Learned, Nancy Learned, Carol Crosby

Bulletin Board

- **HAPPY BIRTHDAY** 🎉🎂 to Fran Thorne on celebrating her 102nd birthday (1/22). Florence Ready celebrated her 100th birthday (1/17) in her new home in North Carolina.
- **The Minnetonka church family welcomes Pastor Sherman McCormick.** Pastor Sherman's office hours will be 8:00-12:00 noon, Wednesday through Friday, at the church office. Appointments can be made by telephoning (952) 935-2615 or (218) 349-9871.
- **Beginning Feb. 18—Faith Lift Women's Bible Study:** We will resume our Bible Study on Thurs., Feb. 18, 3:50-5:15, at the home of Gayle Land, 15808 West Oaks, Minnetonka. The study of the joy and fulfillment we find in Jesus through the books of Philippians and Colossians will be facilitated by Gayle. Please contact her at 952-932-9684 or gayle.land@yahoo.com for further information.
- **Nominating Committee Report:** First reading nominating Justin Lyons to the Governing Board.
- **YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU** - For several years many of our MCA teachers have been kindly leading out in our children's Sabbath School Classes. The time has come that they need relief. Some have been approached to lead out in a class once a month, but have declined. We respect personal reasons leading to such a decision. At the same time it is hard to believe that nobody will hear the call to service and step forward. If you are willing to consider leading (with help) once a month in a Kindergarten, Primary, Junior, Youth class, please contact Pastor Benji (612) 481-3843 or Dawn Campanello 612-810-5465.
- **ICA:** Community Services / Minnetonka Church is working with ICA (Intercongregation Communities Assoc.). Please bring peanut butter, jam, macaroni/cheese, etc. to help us support the food shelf. Questions—Please contact Les Morrison at 612-296-2716 or Lehmjr40@gmail.com. ICA website: www.icafoodshelf.org.
- Announcing the **Minnetonka SDA Classifieds.** This free service will offer an opportunity for the church body to network in a local and secure setting. Please contact Goran Pujic at mtkasdaclassifieds@gmail.com for any additional info or to submit a listing.
- **Graduate:** Lisa Ekrem graduated from the University of Minnesota, Duluth, with Bachelor degrees in Communications and Physiology. Parents are Dennis and Shar Erkrem.

Minnetonka Money Matters		
YTD=7/01/09-6/30/10	Light Bar=Income	Dark Bar=Needed
MCA Commitment Campaign	\$107,127	\$62,873
Church Budget YTD	\$141,735	\$172,865
Church Budget - Jan.	\$5,650	\$20,566

Tithe does not pay for operating our church ministries and is separate from Church Budget.
Today's Offering: Religious Liberty— Next Week: GC Session Project
All unmarked offering goes for local church budget.
Your tithe and offerings can be given online at www.knowgodmore.com.

Minnetonka Christian Academy

- **Sat., Jan. 30 from 6:00-9:00 pm:** MCA's Annual Winter Festival. This is the night that the gym is filled with food and game booths. It really is the most fun night of the year for our school as everyone is involved. There is no admission. Tickets to buy food and play games are sold for 25 cents. Questions, call Marie at 612-805-2296.
- **Thurs./Fri., Feb. 4-5:** No School—Teacher's workshops
- **Mon., Feb. 15:** No School—President's Day

Basketball Schedule (Home Games)

- **Thurs. Jan. 28** — Shattuck St. Mary — Girls 5:30 p.m. Guys 7:00 p.m.
- **Sat., Feb. 6** — International — Girls 5:30 p.m. Guys 7:00 p.m.
- **Tues., Feb. 9** — MNSA — Girls 5:30 p.m. Guys 7:00 p.m.