

# Holland Seventh-day Adventist Church

## NEWSLETTER



### PASTOR'S CORNER

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A few weeks backs, Pastor Dave Gotshall encouraged us in his sermon to carefully consider the words we speak by first asking ourselves three questions: Is it true? Is it necessary? Is it kind? His sermon came to mind this week as I read the following selection by Ellen White, originally published in *The Youth's Instructor*. I was blessed — and challenged — by Mrs. White exhortation, and I think you will be as well.

“Sometimes one who professes to be a follower of Christ is heard saying, ‘You must not be surprised if I am rough, if I speak bluntly, if I manifest temper; it is my way.’

“You ask us not to be surprised! Is not Heaven surprised at such manifestations, since the plan of salvation has been devised, since an infinite sacrifice has been made on Calvary's cross, that you might reflect the image of Jesus? Will ‘your way’ enter heaven? Suppose someone comes up to the pearly gates, and says, ‘I know that I have been rude and unkind, and that it is my disposition to lie and steal; but I want an entrance to the heavenly mansions.’ Will such a disposition find entrance through the portals of the heavenly city? No, no! Only those who keep God's way will enter there.

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“The manifestation of natural and cultivated tendencies to wrongdoing cannot be excused by the plea, 'It is my way.' Christians realize that in order to bring the principles of Christianity into the daily life, they need much of the grace of Christ.

“The youth who cooperate with Christ will find that their way is full of errors needing to be corrected. Brought into the character-building, these errors are as rotten timbers. Let none allow them to remain. Let none plead for the privilege of clinging to their imperfections, excusing themselves by saying, 'It is my way.' Those who please self, refusing to give up their way for Christ's way, will suffer the sure result....

“Are you striving to walk in the way of truth and righteousness? Then be not discouraged by temptation. True, you will be tempted, but remember that temptation is not sin; it is no indication of the Lord's displeasure. He suffers you to be tempted, but He measures the temptation by the power which He imparts to enable you to resist and overcome. It is in the time of temptation and trial that you are to measure the degree of your faith in God, and to estimate the stability of your Christian character.

“Do not say, 'It is impossible for me to overcome.' ... In your own strength you cannot overcome, but help has been laid upon One that is mighty. Breathe the prayer, 'Shew me thy ways, O Lord; teach me thy paths.'” —*Youth's Instructor*, October 2, 1902.

I want to speak, act, and live according to Christ's way. How about you?

*Pastor Sean*

Pastor Sean Reed

### CELEBRATIONS

#### BIRTHDAYS

Theva Kaiyarath	March 1
Von Nanathou	March 1
Trenton Hendrick	March 2
Nicole Phraxayavong	March 3
Bruce Parney	March 4
Terry Slikkers	March 4
Louis Hebert	March 4
Judy Prins	March 4
Ornked Bounthapanya	March 5
Marilyn Slater	March 5
Anne Braun	March 6
Teri Tipton	March 6
Jonathan Hossink(Spence)	March 6
Jeremy Hill	March 7
Levi Moredick	March 8
Kamphou Saenebouttarath	March 8
Rick Hill	March 9
Randy Pifer	March 11
Judy Drooger	March 12
Elijah Hug	March 12
Mary Slikkers	March 13
Katherine Hahn	March 13

Marilyn Hebert	March 15
Sandy Rattanavong	March 15
Jovie Schutt	March 15
Betty Hill	March 19
Kara Wood	March 20
Heather Slikkers	March 20
Bonnie Shiels	March 21
Robert Garcia	March 23
Frank Mihm	March 25
Cierra Johnson	March 25
Lee Redder	March 25
Tim Slikkers	March 29
Peter Cho	March 30
Matt Prins	March 31

#### ANNIVERSARIES

Bob & Debbie Wolters	March 9
Rick & Lauren Ortiz	March 10
Jim & Marilyn Slater	March 12



**HAPPY  
CELEBRATION!**

***If your name  
is missing,  
please call  
or text***

***Allie Bartoli  
(616-446-4361).***

***We want  
to include  
EVERYONE!***



# 2020-2021 SCHOOL NEWS



Winter seems to have finally arrived, but the students have been thrilled with the snow — sledding, building forts and making snow angels. HAA also has been working hard the last few months as we cannot go on field trips or any extra outings. The flipside of that is each grade is moving along in academics and actual-ly has had extra time to dig deeper in subjects.

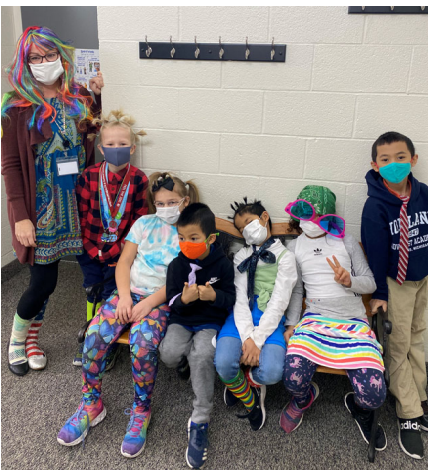
K-2 reached a mile-stone as we celebrated the 100th day of school. Some students came to school dressed as if they were 100 years old! K-2 did a lot of 100-Day activities, and finished with eating “100-Day Soup” which is a guarded K-2 secret.



February was particularly fun as it included Spirit Week. Tuesday was History Day (which was moved to the following Monday due to a snow day) Wednesday, Tropical Day; Thursday, Animal Day; and Friday was Wacky-Tacky and Crazy Hair Day. It is always fun to see the stu-dents come to school dressed in fun costumes!

The coming weeks will be much of the same, but we are looking forward to Sabbath, March 6, as another class will highlight what they are learning about our Savior and Lord.

As always, your prayers and encouragement are sincerely appreciated.



—Nicki  
Grimsley,  
Teacher,  
Gr. K-2

*Photos by HAA staff*



# HOLLAND HUSKIES PATHFINDER CLUB

On Sabbath evening, Feb. 6, the Holland Huskies enjoyed a vespers program as well as the making up of their December party. This date was to be the area Pathfinder Bible Experience challenge but it was cancelled, like so many other things lately, by the COVID-19 pandemic.

Vespers started with a song service, followed by a worship/devotional provided by Cindy Burns and Danien (see picture). Then it was time for games. Ladies, when you're done with those pantyhose, don't throw them away! Try this. How many bottles could you knock down with a pair on your head and a tennis ball to help?

On Sunday, Bob Burns and Josh helped with the devotional thought and then the club worked on AY Investiture requirements, did March and Drill, had some fun outdoors to get the gray matter flowing, and worked on prayer cards. Thanks to Sarah Little for the photos.

Twelve pathfinders and staff attended the meeting on February 18 which featured supper followed by a devotional thought. Leader Kelly Slikkers spoke about the contrast between Satan and his desire to rise above as stated in Isaiah 14:13-15 and Jesus' desire for humility found in Philippians 2:5-8.

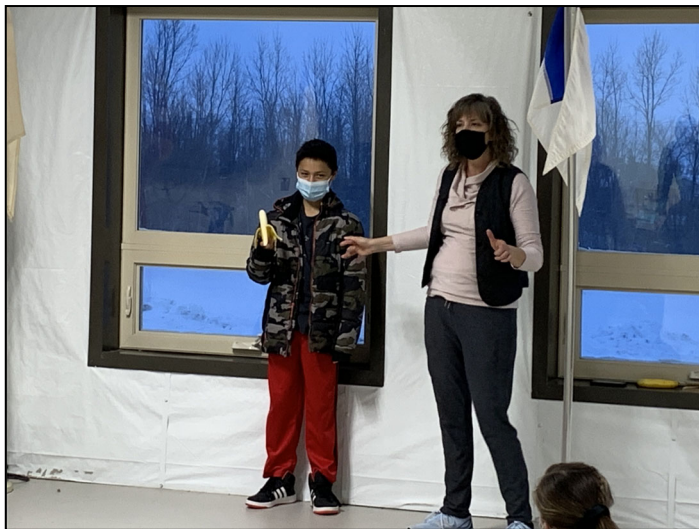
Block Printing was the honor taught for the meeting. Pathfinders used laminate rubber tiles and carved a design on them. Some of the designs you can see in the photos by Cindy Burns. Stephanie, Korinne and Gracie along with Derek, Trenton and Danien show off their

beautiful work. The large work was completed by one of our TLTs, Bob Burns. Great job!

Meetings for the month of March will be held on Sabbath, March 6, and Sunday, March 7.

Thanks for your continued support of the club with your prayers and financial support.

—Ken Stubbs, Reporter





## HOLLAND HIKERS ADVENTURER CLUB

Hey, I hope all is going well with you and your families. We skipped a meeting in February due to scheduling conflicts, but we're getting geared up for March. On Sabbath, March 6, we plan to meet in the parking lot of DeGraaf Nature Center, 600 Graafschap Road, in Holland, at 2:00p for a quick devotional before taking a hike. This is a short and easy trail, but the outing will be weather-dependent (no, if it is raining). Please feel free to bring binoculars, bird books, nature journals, anything to enhance our Sabbath experience.

We would like to invite anyone in the church family to join us. We've had some great church family hikes lately and want to keep this new habit going!

"The LORD bless you and keep you;  
The LORD make His face shine upon you,  
And be gracious to you;  
The LORD lift up His countenance upon you,  
And give you peace."

—Numbers 6:24–26

—Paula Olsen, Director  
(616-836-9162; [Paula.Olsen85@gmail.com](mailto:Paula.Olsen85@gmail.com))

# Women's Ministry

## PLAN NOW TO JOIN US!

**QUILTING GUILD** — Tuesdays, **March 9 and 23, at 9:30a**, in the church board room (stay as long as you like). We continue to make quilts to donate to Resilience (f/k/a Women in Transition) and also keep some quilts to give to church members with serious medical issues. We welcome anyone willing to help with this outreach project.

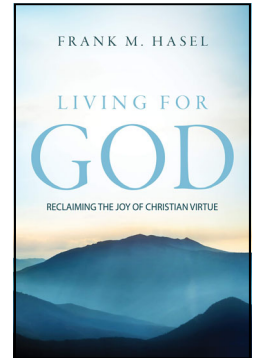


**NOTE** — Due to COVID-19, our plans can quickly change. If you have any questions about this outreach or whether we are meeting on XX date, please call Bev Grimes ([616-928-4320](tel:616-928-4320)).



## PACIFIC PRESS AMBASSADOR

Whether we realize it or not, we deeply crave the joy of Christian virtue. We are created in the image of God and we are designed to love like He does. *Living for God* explores the beauty of simple biblical virtues, such as gratitude, courage, patience, humility, contentment, and more.



This book, written by theologian Frank M. Hasel, associate director of the Biblical Research Institute at the General Conference, contains true stories and practical tips to help you apply these virtues to your life and relationships. This is an extremely practical book which you will find yourself referencing again and again.

*Living for God* is a 128-page paperback and is the deal for the month of March from Pacific Press. You may add this to your library for only \$11.24 instead of the regular price of \$14.99.

To obtain a copy of *Living for God*, go to [www.adventistbookcenter.com](http://www.adventistbookcenter.com) and place your order. Don't forget our church code of 44090.

SHOW ME  
YOUR WAYS,  
**LORD,**  
TEACH ME YOUR PATHS.  
GUIDE ME IN YOUR TRUTH, &  
**TEACH ME,**  
FOR YOU ARE GOD MY  
SAVIOR, AND MY HOPE IS  
IN YOU ALL DAY LONG

PSALM 25:4-5

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