



# FLETCHER

## SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

# Newsletter

December 25, 2025

**END-OF-YEAR MISSION PROJECT** - The recipient of the 2025 end-of-year mission offering will be our very own Community Services and Thrift Store. The center provides free food, low-cost clothing and home goods to hundreds of people each month. Dozens of people who walk through the doors of the center are able to pray with one of our volunteers. They consider the center to be their "church." We aim to expand the hours of operation, further improve the facility, and expand the ministry offerings. Your end-of-year gift to the Fletcher Mission Fund will bolster the effectiveness of the Community Services and Thrift Store. Give online <https://www.fletchersda.org/give> or mark your offering envelope for "Fletcher Mission Fund."

**POTLUCK SCHEDULE** - We normally have a vegetarian potluck on the third and last Sabbath of each month after the worship service. The next potluck will be **December 27**. Please bring food to share.



**DONATIONS** - A Reminder - Only donations received in the Church Treasury or given online via AdventistGiving before the end of the day on Wednesday, **December 31**, will be included in your 2025 contributions receipt. Last year AdventistGiving froze up on December 31 so don't wait til the last minute to donate. Thank you.

**HIKING CLUB** - Due to the Holidays, as well as probable weather, the church hike scheduled for **December 27** is CANCELLED. Hope you will be happy, healthy, and blessed during this time, and at all times. Make plans to get together the 4th Sabbath of the new year!

**KENYA MISSION TRIP** - Want to participate in the Kenya Mission Trip without leaving home? Sponsor a clean water filtration bucket for \$30. It will provide clean water for a family for up to 10 years. The filtration systems are purchased through RipplAffect and are geo tagged, so once we've handed them out in June 2026, you'll be able to see a photo of the family who received it, and track their location on the website's map.

**COMMUNION SERVICE** - We celebrate communion with our Lord and with each other once each quarter through the services of foot washing (see John 13:1-17) and the Lord's Supper (see Matthew 26:17-30). The next communion service will be Sabbath, **January 10, 2026**, at the 10:50 am worship service. All followers of Jesus Christ are welcome to participate.

**GYM NIGHTS FOR 2026** - There will be three more gym nights this school year. Each gym night begins on a Saturday with worship. Afterwards the gym will be open for various games - basketball, volleyball, table games, etc. Come and bring a friend!

On the next gym night, **January 17**, food will be sold to benefit the 2026 Kenya Mission Trip.

Mark your calendar for the other two gym nights:

February 7 Pool Party & Gym Night

March 28 Gym Night

**JEANNIE'S CARINGBRIDGE** - Updates about Jeannie Larrabee's battle with cancer are available at the CaringBridge website. Use the link or QR code to sign up for access - <https://tinyurl.com/7kv275b3>.



**SDA COMMUNITY SINGLES** - will be hosting a potluck on Sabbath / Saturday, **January 3** at 12:30 PM in the Fletcher Church fellowship hall. Please bring food to share and bring a friend.

**REMINDER** - Please check the Lost and Found for any missing items. Anything left after **December 28** will be discarded or donated, so be sure to pick up your belongings before then!

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FOUND

**COMMUNION AT FLETCHER PARK INN** - For those unable to attend the **January 10** communion service at church on Sabbath morning, Pastors Ivan and Elvera will be leading out in a communion service at Fletcher Park Inn in the Upper Room that same day at 2:00 pm.

**ESL TEACHING MINISTRY** - Are you willing to volunteer for a new Fletcher Church ministry as an ESL Teacher? Several Spanish-speaking people in our community have requested an ESL (English as a Second Language) class. This could be a wonderful way to serve people by helping them learn to speak English. Please contact the church office if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

**MIDWEEK PRAYER SERVICE** - Resumes **January 7** at 6:30 pm in the church sanctuary. There is no service happening on Wednesday, December 31.

**PODCAST** - Have you missed a sermon or want to revisit a powerful message from our church? Now you can! Our podcast features recordings of past sermons, allowing you to listen and reflect on inspiring messages from our dedicated pastors anytime, anywhere. Listen on [Spotify](#)!



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# CLARITY IN CHAOS

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY OFFERING  
**JANUARY 10, 2026**



Give your offering online at  
[adventistgiving.org/events/parl2026](https://adventistgiving.org/events/parl2026)

**RELIGIOUS LIBERTY OFFERING** - The annual religious liberty offering will be **January 10, 2026**. Unmarked offerings collected on the 10th will go for religious liberty. Offerings for religious liberty may be given through the end of March and counted for this year's campaign. Please mark your envelope "Religious Liberty" or give online at [adventistgiving.org](https://adventistgiving.org) and search for "Liberty" under "World Offerings" or give at <https://www.libertymagazine.org/donate>. The religious liberty offering is used to send Liberty magazine subscriptions to government officials, federal, state, and provincial judges, and prominent social and religious leaders throughout North America. Your generous gift will also be used to support the North American Division litigation fund—resources needed to defend and preserve your religious liberty in court when necessary.

**SPECIAL NOSOCA PINES RANCH REUNION VESPERS** - Join us on **January 9** at 7:00 PM at Fletcher Church for a special reunion vespers! Come and celebrate the ministry with a fun and uplifting service. Everyone is welcome!

**BENEFIT CONCERT** - Please join us on Sabbath evening **January 10** at 5:00 PM in the church sanctuary for a keep our facility and grounds in good Benefit Concert for the Kenya Mission Trip. Members working order by filling out an online of our church family, as well as neighboring churches form at [www.fletchersda.org/forms](https://www.fletchersda.org/forms) will be sharing their musical talents. An offering will be when you notice something that needs taken. You can look forward to special numbers from the attention. Cho, Powell, Darnell, and Ashlock families, Pam Hughes and Donna Boehmer, as well as many others.

**CHURCH DIRECTORY** - An online and secure church directory which provides contact information for the church family is available to all church members. If you would like to be included in the directory and/or have access to it, please contact the church office.

**RIGHTNOW MEDIA** - An extensive video library of Christian content for Marrieds, Parents, Young Adults, Singles, Kids, is available, free of charge to you through our church's Family Life Ministries. Contact the church office for access instructions.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

If you would like to be added to our prayer list, please speak with one of the pastors or contact the church office during office hours.

You are welcome to join us in praying for the following people:

- Individuals with private needs.
- AdventHealth
- Captain Gilmer Christian School
- Fletcher Academy Ministries Inc.
- Our home-bound members
- Radio Station WFHC
- Also:
- Ana Roberts, friend of Georgiana Hill
- Anne Krishinger
- Brad Hansen
- Brexton Fleming
- Brittany (Weis) Kinney
- Colton Summey
- Dawn Christianson, daughter of Shirley Polivka
- Debbie Shaw's friend
- Gene Wilkie
- Gerald Moretz
- Hayden Brown
- Jeannie Larrabee
- John Carter
- Jon Smith
- Leroy Brown
- Mike Summey
- Opie Winston
- Paula Saunders
- Rosa Kirwan
- Shirley Polivka's friends Christine & Jad Davis
- Shari & Kyrie Ruiz
- Sharon Brinson
- Steven Jones, military service
- Sylvia Donahue
- Theresa Southard

## ✳ OTHER NEWS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY ✳

**Romance at the Ranch 2026**

**Love IN ANY LANGUAGE**

Amour *Αγάπη* Kärlek *Amore*

любовь *Liebe* *Kjaerlighet* אהבה

Miłość *स्वार* 사랑

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**Couples Retreat**  
**February 13-15**  
Nosoca Pines Ranch

**Special Presenters**  
**Steve and Tamara Conway**

To Register:  
Scan this code or visit  
[www.carolinasd.org](http://www.carolinasd.org)

**QR Code**

### EVANGELISM IMPACT 2026

- Grow Carolina: Together in Mission **January 1–3, 2026**. Start the new year with Evangelism Impact 2026, a weekend of inspiration and training hosted by the Carolina Conference. Beginning Thursday evening at 7:00 PM and continuing through Sabbath night, the event features plenary sessions and breakout workshops from multiple ministries. Make your own hotel reservations. Sabbath lunch is included; all other meals are on your own. <https://register.adventsourceevents.org/EvangelismImpact>



**YAL EXPERIENCE - January 23–25, 2026** Registration Deadline: January 12 The NAD is sponsoring a special division-wide Young Adult LIFE (YAL) Experience in Louisville, Kentucky, and you're invited to be part of it! If you are interested in attending, or would like more information, please contact Pastor James Reyner.

# THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

<i>Friday, December 26</i>	7:30 am 5:24 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
<i>Sabbath, December 27</i>	9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 5:24 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Potluck, Fellowship Hall, Workman Team Sunset
<i>Sunday, December 28</i>	7:30 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332#
<i>Monday, December 29</i>	7:00 pm	Bible Study-Hebrews, Conference Room, Mary Alice White
<i>Tuesday, December 30</i>	10:00 am-4:00 pm	Thrift Store, Merle Peterson, 2231 Howard Gap Rd
<i>Wednesday, December 31</i>		
<i>Thursday, January 1</i>	6:45 am	Men's Bible Study, Conference Room, Pastor Ivan Blake
<i>Friday, January 2</i>	7:30 am 5:29 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
<i>Sabbath, January 3</i>	9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 5:29 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ivan Blake SDA Community Singles, Fellowship Hall Sunset

## CHURCH BUDGET JULY 2025 - JUNE 2026

YTD through November:

Needed: 200,347.50

Received: 159,642.27

December:

Needed: 40,069.50

Received: 31,020.72

*A copy of the Church Budget is available at the desk in the narthex.*

You can make contributions online by going to [fletchersda.org/give](https://fletchersda.org/give) or you can mail your tithe and offering for Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church: 1141 Howard Gap Road, Hendersonville, NC 28792

Note: All appeals for funds are to be approved by the Finance Committee.

Send tax deductible donations for WFHC Radio to: PO Box 153, Naples, NC 28760

