



FLETCHER
SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST
CHURCH

Newsletter

February 5, 2026

THE SDA COMMUNITY SINGLES - are hosting a private potluck on Sabbath, **February 7**, at 12:30 pm in the Fletcher Church Fellowship Hall for single individuals. The program will include a devotional by Chris Perry, a celebration of February birthdays (please let us know if you have a birthday), and optional Bible games, feel free to bring your favorites. After the potluck, singles are welcome to organize a walk at a nearby park or location of choice, and anyone interested in participating in visitation is encouraged to let us know. Please bring food to share and invite a friend.

PAINTING CLASS - Thursday mornings 10:00 am to noon every other week beginning **February 12**. Class will meet in the Church Fellowship Hall and will include instruction in acrylics, oil, pastels, chalk, and watercolor. Dates: Feb 12, Feb 26, Mar 12, Mar 26, Apr 9, Apr 23, May 7, May 21. The cost is \$45 for all eight classes, payable at the second class. Interested participants may attend the first class before committing. For more information, contact Carl Ashlock (828-421-7180) or Debbie McDonald (828-606-6732).

Dinner with the Doctor

Aches and Pains and Other Things: Managing Pain Appropriately



Dr. Jeffrey Coston

Jeffrey Coston is a board-certified physician with interests in both academic and applied anesthesia practice. Dr. Coston has worked at AdventHealth Hendersonville for over 25 years. During this time, he became involved in clinical leadership including interim Chief Medical Officer, Chair of the Clinician Wellness Committee, and Chief of the Medical Staff. He is happy to announce his wife Debra recently promoted him to assistant to Chief Baker. The Costons share two adult daughters. His passions include travel, sometimes golf, and outdoor photography.



Sunday, February 15
1:00 PM



Vegetarian meal included
Register by February 11 by scanning the QR Code

Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist Church
1141 Howard Gap Rd. Hendersonville, NC 28792



Fletcher Church Singles Ministry

Valentine's Event

For All Single People

FEBRUARY 14 | 3:30 PM

Fletcher SDA Church Fellowship Hall
1141 Howard Gap Rd.
Hendersonville, NC

We plan to "Lift Up Jesus (our best Valentine) and Love Singles In.

For more information reach out to Kathy Lynch
828-693-9936
singles@fletchersda.org



Journey of Faith TOUR

USA TOUR 2026
LIVE CONCERT

HAYDEN WISEMAN

SATURDAY | FEBRUARY 21 | 7PM

FLETCHER SDA CHURCH
1141 HOWARD GAP RD, HENDERSONVILLE NC

Australian Violinist Hayden Wiseman will be returning to the USA to continue to promote his latest album, Journey of Faith. He'll be playing a collection of new and old worship favourites such as "Majesty", "El Shaddai", "What a Friend we Have in Jesus" and many more

Free Admission

www.haydenwiseman.com



FIND OUT MORE

CHURCH GYM AND POOL NIGHT THIS SATURDAY - February 7 the Lelia Patterson Center gym will be open as usual for a church gym night for various games, but this time the pool will be open as well. Come and bring a friend to enjoy the fun and fellowship. The evening begins at 6:30 pm with worship in the gym. Following worship at 6:45 pm the pool and gym will be open. Please note the LPC policies for pool attire: A modestly cut-



bathing suit that covers the midriff must be worn while using the facility. No bikinis, denim shorts, or cutoffs in the pool. Men's swim trunks must be mid-thigh or longer. Infants are required to wear plastic swim covers with elastic leg bands over swim diapers at all times. The pool will be open until 8:15 pm. Because the rotunda will be set up for a different event, it will not be available for games. Table games will be played on the gymnasium stage. Basketball and possibly volleyball will be available in the gym. The next church gym night is scheduled for March 28.

BENEVOLENT FUND - The Fletcher Church has a single combined fund for providing assistance to church members and community members in need. A small and confidential committee considers requests for financial assistance and provides help with a goal of sustainable empowerment. If you know of someone who is in need of financial assistance, please contact one of the pastors. You may give to the Benevolent Fund online or by marking an offering envelope accordingly. It is also our practice to collect an offering for the Benevolent Fund at the end of each communion service. The next communion service will be Thursday evening, April 2.

HELP US PAY DOWN THE THRIFT STORE MORTGAGE - CAMPAIGN LAUNCH - Our Community

Services & Thrift Store ministry provides affordable goods, free food, meaningful volunteer opportunities, and emotional and spiritual support to many people. In the summer of 2025, God opened open the door for us to purchase a new building, a former Baptist church located at 2231 Howard Gap Road. This space has already allowed the ministry to grow in visibility, accessibility, and effectiveness within our community. Now we are launching an initiative to

pay down the remaining mortgage on the store, which will allow more resources to be directed toward serving our community. The mortgage was \$698,750. Already, we have been able to pay down \$36,294.00. If you would like to support this effort and speed it up, gifts may be made:

Online: www.fletchersda.org/give. In AdventistGiving, select Local Offerings → Thrift Store / Comm Serv Mortgage Fund.

By check: Please note “Thrift Store Mortgage” in the memo line

Thank you for partnering with us as we strengthen this ministry and invest in our community’s future.



CAPTAIN GILMER CHRISTIAN SCHOOLS ANNUAL INTERNATIONAL FOOD FAIR - This event will take place on Sunday, **March 29** at the Lelia Patterson Center from 3:00 pm-7:00 pm. You can enjoy food from all continents of the world, crafts, and games, all while supporting Captain Gilmer. Please plan on joining and invite your friends! If you would like to donate food, money, or volunteer to help please contact Melinda Schurr at mjb079@gmail.com or (828) 776-5875. You can also contact the school office at (828) 684-8221. CGCS representatives will not be making individual phone calls to church members this year so if you are willing to participate/donate please reach out to the contacts above! Types of food needed include Greek, Latin, Eastern European, French, Asian, African, and Italian food.

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
- Christie Vandiver, friend of Michael Hill
- Colton Summey
- Dawn Christianson, daughter of Shirley Polivka
- Debbie Shaw's friend
- Gene Wilkie
- Gerald Moretz
- Hayden Brown
- Jeannie Larrabee
- John Carter
- Jon Smith
- JR Peters
- Leroy Brown
- Michael O'Connor
- Mike Summey
- Opie Winston
- Paula Saunders
- Rosa Kirwan
- Shirley Polivka's friends Christine & Jad Davis
- Shari & Kyrie Ruiz
- Sharon Brinson
- Steven Jones, military service
- Theresa Southard

SHARING STORIES FROM HELENE - As

part of the CERT training event that Jim and Becky Ingersoll will be conducting at the Arden SDA Church in February, there will be a testimony celebration from area churches reflecting on God's work during Hurricane Helene. Testimonies will be shared during vespers on Friday, **February 20** at 7:00 pm. You are invited to attend to hear stories and share stories of God's grace following the storm.

WHAT DO OUR POTLUCKS AND FEEDING THOSE IN NEED HAVE IN COMMON? YOU

- Whenever we have potluck. We will be boxing up leftovers from the potlucks and taking them to Free Fridge Asheville. Ah, What's Free Fridge Asheville? It is a program that began in November 2024 following Hurricane Helene to meet

the needs of residents who were struggling to have enough food. That need persists. There are several locations in Asheville that are open 24-7 where prepared meals may be dropped off and placed in refrigerators housed at each location enabling those who need food to have easy access. If you choose to contribute your leftovers there will be a table designated for you to leave the remainder of your potluck dish. It will be boxed up. And taken it to one of the Free Fridge locations. Not to worry, your dish will be ready for you to take home as always. Thank you for helping this ministry: It won't happen without you. The next all-church potluck will be February 21. We normally have potlucks on the third and last Sabbath of each month.



Wedding Shower

CIARA PATTON
AND ZACK GREER

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 22
IN THE FELLOWSHIP HALL.

CIARA IS THE DAUGHTER
OF JEREMY AND LORA
PATTON AND GRANDDAUGHTER
OF SHIRLEY POLIVKA.

ANY QUESTIONS
FOR GIFT IDEAS SHOULD BE
DIRECTED TO LORA PATTON AT
828-606-7894. THEY ARE
REGISTERED AT ZOLA.COM.

FLETCHER MISSION FUND - In December 2025 over \$25,000 was given to the Fletcher Mission Fund. The 2025 beneficiary of those mission funds is our very own Community Services & Thrift Store. Thank you to the many generous donors who are helping this ministry get on a solid footing.

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.

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.

❁ OTHER NEWS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY ❁

IN-HOME NURSING CARE AVAILABLE - Wayne W. Moenkhaus II, RN, a registered nurse with 31 years of experience, is now accepting new clients for in-home nursing care for the first time in two years. Services may include home visits, medication setup and reminders, coordination with healthcare providers and pharmacies, blood sugar monitoring, and transportation to medical appointments with patient advocacy. References available upon request. Call or text (828) 230-9558 (please leave a message if calling).



Welcome to the Family
2026
A Place for Everyone
Friday - Sunday, April 24-26, 2026
Nosoca Pines Ranch
2990 Singleton Creek Road, Liberty Hill, SC 29074

Welcome to the Family is a free, special retreat created to warmly welcome and celebrate the newest members of the Carolina Conference Seventh-day Adventist Church.

— SPEAKERS —

Ryan Ashlock
Pastor,
Fletcher SDA Church

Leslie Louis
President, Carolina
Conference

Brad Cauley
VP for Administration

Rick Russell
VP for Finance

Jeffrey Horn
Undertreasurer

This retreat offers:

- A warm welcome for individuals and families who were baptized or joined the church by Profession of Faith in 2024 or 2025
- Introduction to the Carolina Conference leadership team
- Insight into the mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church
- Engaging worship & uplifting music
- Fun camp activities: Horseback riding, Boating, Swimming & More!
- Children's & Youth Programs during adult sessions
- Connect with other new members!

A Better Covenant
Musical Concert

Space is Limited! Early Registration Encouraged!

For More Info & To Register: www.carolinasda.org

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, February 6	7:30 am 5:55 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, February 7	8:15 am 9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 6:30 pm 6:03 pm	Elder's Meeting, Conference Room Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock SDA Community Singles Potluck, Fellowship Hall Gym Night, Lelia Patterson Center Sunset
Sunday, February 8	10:00 am 7:30 pm	Card Making Class, Room 306 Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332#
Monday, February 9	7:00 pm	Bible Study-Hebrews, Conference Room, Mary Alice White
Tuesday, February 10	10:00 am-4:00 pm	Thrift Store, Merle Peterson, 2231 Howard Gap Rd
Wednesday, February 11	11:00 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Faith Lift, Malachi and us today, Room 311, Elvera Blake Mid-Week Prayer Service, Sanctuary, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Bible Study, Room 212, Mitchell Nicholaides
Thursday, February 12	6:45 am	Men's Bible Study, Conference Room, Pastor Ivan Blake
Friday, February 13	7:30 am 6:09 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, February 14	9:30 am 10:50 am 3:00 pm 6:10 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service, Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock SDA Community Singles Valentine's Event, Fellowship Hall Sunset

CHURCH BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR

JULY 2025 - JUNE 2026

YTD through December:

Needed: 240,417.00

Received: 238,833.43

January:

Needed: 40,069.50

Received: 24,686.29

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 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



COMMUNITY OUTREACH BY THE FLETCHER SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Many church members are actively involved in serving their community. They do it freely, generously, without making known what they do. But we hear about some of what is done in the name of Christ, and we give thanks to God for this effective ministry.

Below is a list of some of the organized and known activities that serve the needs of people in our community and beyond. If you would like to get involved in helping with one or more of these ministries, please contact a pastor or one of the ministry leaders.

1. The **Thrift Store**, a ministry of Fletcher Church, is staffed by volunteers from our church community and beyond. It provides clothing, furniture, and household items to the public. Often the store assists people who face hard times by donating materials.
2. The **Fletcher Christian Counseling Center** is a ministry of the Fletcher Church and provides Christ-centered mental health services. We currently employ five therapists who meet with clients throughout the week.
3. We partner with other Seventh-day Adventist Churches to support our schools **Fletcher Academy** and **Captain Gilmer Christian School**. Members of our congregation work and volunteer at the schools and provide scholarship funds for children from the community as well as for members of our church family.
4. Programs on **Mental and Physical Health, Divorce Recovery, and Depression Management** attract people from the community. The programs run for several weeks at a time and occur throughout the year.
5. **Bible Presentations** are held each year to serve those who respond to our invitations with opportunities to know God, the Gospel of Jesus Christ and life in the Spirit.
6. Our church facility is a venue for weekly meetings held by **Alcoholics Anonymous** and **Narcotics Anonymous**. Such organizations often have difficulty being accommodated by churches. We are happy to open our doors to these recovery support groups.
7. Each year up to 70 children attend the **Foster Children's Christmas Party** which is put on by our church. Henderson County Social Services partners with us to select the families. Our church members purchase gifts for the children and provide food and funds to shower the kids with love.
8. Children and youth from the community are sponsored each summer to attend age-appropriate **Summer Camp** at NOSOCA Pines Ranch in South Carolina.
9. We partner with the Lelia Patterson Center on Sunday mornings for an **Adult Men's Basketball Ministry** starting at 9am. Please contact Jacob Stout at 573-303-1969 for more information.
10. A faithful team of volunteers from our church serves lunch every Sunday to the homeless at the **Hendersonville Rescue Mission**.
11. Our congregation supports the **Interfaith Assistance Ministry** organization with funds and volunteer help. This organization has skilled personnel who assist needy people in Henderson County with food, clothing, rent assistance, and utility payments.
12. Agencies such as **Safelight, Free Clinics, and Open Arms Pregnancy Center** in Hendersonville are supported by members of our church who provide volunteer help.