



FLETCHER

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

Newsletter

November 6, 2025

CROWDED PARKING LOT - Sabbath, **November 8**, we expect the church parking lot to be extra full. There is a big event happening next door at the The Lelia Patterson Center and guests of the event are being instructed to park in overflow parking lots elsewhere, but we expect that some will park in the church parking lot anyway. Please be courteous to each other and to guests. Plan to arrive early to avoid any issues with parking. Deacons will be available to assist you with parking. Our deacons provide a valet service each Sabbath.

CONDOLENCES -Judy Hodges passed away quietly at her home on Sabbath, November 1. Judy was a member of the Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist church for many years, and during that time served in numerous ministries. Judy rests now, awaiting the glorious resurrection when Jesus comes again. Judy and her husband Mike were blessed with four children: Christopher Gene Hodges (Rita), Kimberly Ann Hodges (deceased), Michael Clayton Hodges, Heidi Michele Hodges. We pray for God's comfort to fill the hearts of her surviving husband for 60 years, Mike; three children; two grandchildren, Cameron and Cayla; siblings, Janet Pharo, Mark Anderson, and all her extended family and friends, who miss Judy greatly. A memorial service for Judy will be held in the Fletcher SDA Church on Sabbath, **November 15**, at 2:30 PM. In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to a local animal shelter to honor Judy's love for animals.

CONDOLENCES - Nancy Merz passed away quietly at Elizabeth House (hospice) on Sabbath, November 1. Nancy is loved and missed by her family: Elsie, daughter; Robert, son; granddaughter, siblings, extended family and many friends. Nancy was a member of the Fletcher Seventh-day Adventist church for many years, and, among other activities, supported her late husband, George, in his teaching ministry. Nancy lived at Fletcher Park Inn until just a few days before passing to her rest. Nancy is now asleep in Jesus, and will be raised up to eternal life when Jesus comes again. We pray for God's comfort to fill the hearts of all who miss Nancy. A service for Nancy is to be announced.

JAIME JORGE
THE
Healing Music
CONCERT TOUR

Fletcher Adventist Church
1141 Howard Gap Rd., Hendersonville, NC
Saturday, November 15, 2025
6:00 p.m.

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 Georgina Hill
- Anne Krishinger
- Annette Heller, friend of Greg & Connie Peters
- Bob Hansen
- Brad Hansen
- Brexton Fleming
- Brittany (Weis) Kinney
- Cheri Matthews, her step-father & mother
- Colton Summey
- Dawn Christianson, daughter of Shirley Polivka
- Dave Pendleton's friends
- Debbie Shaw's friend
- Gene Wilkie
- Gerald Moretz
- Hayden Brown
- Jeannie Larrabee
- Jill Barnett & Julio Chavez
- John Campbell
- John Carter
- Jon Smith
- Julie C. and her family
- Kathy Sterner's sister-in-law
- Larissa Moon's teacher & teacher's daughter
- Leroy Brown
- Linda & Gary Thiry
- Lorraine Gang
- Mike Summey
- Opie Winston
- Paula Saunders
- Rodney Johnson, brother of Sarah Huston
- Rosa Kirwan
- Shirley Polivka's friends Christine & Jad Davis
- Shari & Kyrie Ruiz
- Sharon Brinson
- Sharon McGraw and her Aunt Mary, Betty and cousin Gary Wayne Sanders
- Steven Jones, military service
- Sylvia Donahue
- Tara Rains and Emilee, family of Kathy Lynch
- Theresa Southard
- Tisha Kirwan
- Velda Capps

GYM NIGHTS FOR 2025-2026 - There will be four more gym nights this school year. Each gym night begins on a Saturday shortly before sundown with worship. Afterwards the gym will be open for various games - basketball, volleyball, table games, etc. Come and bring a friend!

November 22

January 17

February 7 Pool & Gym

March 28

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>.



CARD MAKING - Thanksgiving and Christmas are fast approaching! Come and enjoy creating cards. We have everything you need. Join us this Sunday, **November 9**, at 10:00 AM in Room 306.

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 **November 15**. Please bring food to share.

INTERESTED IN SINGING? - The Church Choir, directed by Tim Browning, is looking for all voice parts. Email: music@fletchersda.org with questions.

MAINTENANCE TASKS - You can help us keep our facility and grounds in good working order by filling out an online form at www.fletchersda.org/forms when you notice something that needs attention.

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.

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!](#)



COMMUNITY SERVICES & THRIFT STORE - The thrift store is busier than ever at its new location, 2231 Howard Gap Rd. Thank you to the many volunteers who helped with the move and are now serving people at the new location. We need more volunteers! Jobs include sorting donations, placing clothing on racks, greeting customers, praying with people. To get involved, stop by the thrift store during regular business hours on Tuesdays 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM and tell one of the staff members that you are interested in volunteering. Or inquire at the church office for a volunteer application.

CHRISTMAS CAROL SING-ALONG

Silent Night, Holy Night



KELLY
MOWRER
CONCERT PIANIST

December 6, 2025
4:00 PM

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

FOLLOW-UP TO HOPE
- Wednesdays at 7:00 PM and continuing through December 10, there will be a Bible study follow-up to the HOPE meetings. If you'd like to come early, there will be a light meal at 6:00 PM, prayer at 6:30 PM, and Bible study at 7:00 PM. All events (meal, prayer, study) will take place in or around the fellowship hall.

✧ OTHER NEWS AROUND OUR COMMUNITY ✧

THE CREATION CASE LIVE - Join international speaker and TV personality Rich Aguilera for a unique stage show experience "The Creation Case LIVE" coming on Sunday, **November 16** at 4:00 PM to the Hendersonville Seventh-day Adventist Church! All ages will enjoy this amazing multimedia experience as Rich travels the world looking for clues about creation in science, nature, literature, history, and the Bible! Get more information and tickets at www.TheCreationCase.com. The cost is \$13 per ticket.

CRAFT AND BAKE SALE - Sunday, **November 16th**, 10:00am-4:00pm at the Arden SDA Church. All funds go to support the Bags of Love Ministry, a ministry to help children in need, and is currently serving children in 5 counties.



FOR ALL AGES!

COMING TO CAROLINA CONFERENCE!

THE CREATION CASE LIVE EVENT

Nov 7: Ral-Dur	Nov 13: Asheville
Nov 8: Charlotte	Nov 14: Columbia
Nov 9: Spartanburg	Nov 15: High Point
Nov 12: Summerville	Nov 16: Hendersonville

Tickets/info: TheCreationCase.com



EMERGENCY RELIEF NEEDED NOW

Hurricane Melissa has torn through communities, leaving families without homes, power, or essentials.

THEY NEED OUR HELP; AND THEY NEED IT NOW.

Your gift can bring hope, food, and shelter to those in crisis.

ADVENTIST COMMUNITY SERVICES

North American Division of Seventh-day Adventists

EVERY DONATION MAKES A DIFFERENCE.

AFTER SCHOOL CARE NEEDED - A single mom needs help with after school care. She has two children who need to be picked up from Captain Gilmer at the end of the school day on Wednesdays, Thursdays and every other Friday. Children to be kept until about 5:30 PM when their mother can take them home once she gets off work. For more information please call Jana at 828-545-1044.

HELP WANTED - Personal caregiver for disabled 72 year old male, wheelchair confined, near Advent Health Hospital in Hendersonville, NC. Part-time 12 hrs per week. \$25 per hour. Resume, references required. Please text 828-243-2059 for more information.

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Friday, November 07	7:30 am 5:28 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, November 08	9:30 am 10:50 am 5:28 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ryan Ashlock Sunset
Sunday, November 09	10:00 am 7:30 pm	Card Making, Room 306 Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332#
Monday, November 10	6:15 pm	Bible Study-Hebrews, Conference Room, Mary Alice White
Tuesday, November 11	10:00am-4:00 pm	Thrift Store, Merle Peterson, 2231 Howard Gap Rd
Wednesday, November 12	11:00 am 6:30 pm 7:00 pm	Faith Lift Women's Bible Study, Psalm 22, Elvera Blake Mid-Week Prayer Service, Fellowship Hall, Ryan Ashlock HOPE Bible Study, Fellowship Hall, Mike Cabana & Don Wetmore
Thursday, November 13	6:45 am	Men's Bible Study, Conference Room, Pastor Ivan Blake
Friday, November 14	7:30 am 5:23 pm	Praying Together on the Phone, call 425-436-6304 access code 684-0332# Sunset
Sabbath, November 15	9:30 am 10:50 am 12:30 pm 2:30 pm 5:23 pm 6:00 pm	Sabbath School, all ages, classes listed in bulletin Worship Service Sanctuary & Livestream, Pastor Ivan Blake Potluck, Fellowship, O'Connor/Bliven Team Memorial Service, Judy Hodges, Sanctuary Sunset The Healing Music, Jaime Jorge, Sanctuary

CHURCH BUDGET JULY 2025 - JUNE 2026

YTD through October:

Needed: 160,278.00

Received: 133,117.07

September:

Needed: 40,069.50

Received: 5,235.32

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



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

It's that Time Again!

Annual Foster Children's Christmas Party!
December 7th from 2:00pm- 4:00pm, Lelia Patterson Center

As always, if you would like to help, We are in need of people to sponsor a child(ren), the wrapped gifts should equal around \$75 and be brought to the church before Saturday, November 29th.
(I will email and text you all the information needed as soon as I can)



Beth Brinson (828)674-3530 Kalen Brinson (828)702-3201
Email: dssfosterparty@gmail.com
(Any questions call, text, or email any time)

Name (Print): _____ Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Email: _____

Number of child(ren) you wish to sponsor: _____

Would like to help:

Setting up Sunday Morning

During the Party

Cleaning Up Sunday at 4:00

Extra Comments: _____

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.
13. Our church sponsors a family who has devoted years of their lives to serve in a country where Jesus is not known, to share Christ through incarnational ministry in **Overseas Missions**.