

A stylized illustration of two palm trees with long, thin trunks and feathery fronds. Above the trees, three small birds are flying in the sky. The entire illustration is rendered in a light gray color.

Mesa + Palms

Seventh-day Adventist Church

Planting eternity in the hearts of all who come.



August 12, 2023

Church Life

CALENDAR

Today:

Tuesday: Bulletin deadline

Wednesday: Journey With Jesus

Friday:

Sabbath, August 19

Offering: Church Budget

Fellowship meal

Sunset 7:17 p.m.

7:00 p.m.

6:30 p.m.

Sunset 7:10 p.m.

Speaker: Pastor Vince

Elder on Duty: Francis Obaigwa

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A warm welcome to all of our visitors here today. We are blessed by your presence and hope that you are blessed, too.

Hey, kids! Remember to pick up your activity and coloring sheets on the foyer table.

AZ Leadership annual training for Leaders in Pathfinders, Adventurers, Master Guides, and TLTs (Teen Leaders in Training). August 18-19, Camelback SDA Church, 5902 E. Camelback Rd, Phoenix, AZ, 85018. Pathfinder Leaders, Adventurer Leaders, Master Guides, TLTs, and anyone who desires to become a Master Guide. \$10 registration fee includes seminars, materials, resources, and pizza dinner. TLTs only pay \$5.00.

The CAAFA needs for August & September: hygiene and household paper goods. Diapers and wipes, full-size shower gel, shampoo, deodorant, men's shaving cream, razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, feminine hygiene products, toilet paper, tissues, paper towels, paper plates and bowls (not styrofoam), napkins, plastic utensils.

A huge thank you for your CAAFA donations of school supplies and other items. They were delivered this past Wednesday.

"When, where and what was lost? Where and when that was lost, was in the Garden of Eden at the moment of disobedience. What was lost was the perfect representation of His Kingdom on planet earth, God's rule, His domain and dominion that was being managed through man who was made in His image."

Don Sturiano

Welcome to Worship

SABBATH SCHOOL CLASSES

Cradle Roll/Kindergarten		Nancy Baker
Primary		Carmen Mitchum
Junior		Elizabeth Nyakondo
Youth		<i>This ministry needs to be filled!</i>
Adult 1	<i>Sanctuary</i>	Pastor Buursma
Adult 2	<i>Fellowship Hall</i>	Don & Randy
Adult 3	<i>Last classroom in NE hall</i>	Willie Shamabanse

CHURCH SERVICE

Prelude		Alice Ray
Invocation		Francis Obaigwa
Welcome & Announcements		Francis Obaigwa
Meet and Greet		Congregation
Worship in Giving	<i>Christian Record Services</i>	Francis Obaigwa
Worship in Singing		MP4
Garden of Prayer		Pastor Buursma
Children's Story		Elizabeth Nyakondo
Special Music		Carmen Mitchum & Cindy Ellis
Scripture Reading	<i>Matthew 18:11</i>	Vincent Ortega
Sermon	<i>The Greatest in the Kingdom: Promise of Restoration</i>	Pastor Vince
Closing Song	<i>Redeemed</i>	MP4
Benediction		Pastor Vince
Postlude		Alice Ray

Come, Holy Spirit

Prayer List

Johnny & Pauline Araiza
Carry & Obara Families
Linda Moser
Bob & Joyce Osborne
Zella Smith
The people of Maui affected by the fires

Michael Battle
Ken Cleeves
Marc Negelspach
Roberta Rice
Randy & Paula Totty

Bill Bolen
Bob & Jan Mitchell
Dionne Nick
Cecelia Sisk
Timothy Uentillie

“When we acknowledge God’s supreme
role in our life and set our mind on
Him, He enables us to be women
[and men] of hope.”

Elizabeth George

With love from your
Women’s Ministries



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Sabbath, August 12, 2023

Scripture Reading: Psalm 105: 1–6, 16–22, 45b

*All parts of the human body get tired eventually — except the tongue.
—Konrad Adenauer, Chancellor of West Germany (1949–1963)*

Last week, I was cleaning through my files and I found this illustration on a 4-by-6 card that was in a sermon folder for 1 Corinthians. I don't know the source, but the content is the definition of anatomy — an explanation of how our bodies work—and it is obviously written by a very young boy.

“Your head is kind of round and hard and your brains are in it.

“Your face is in the front of your head and where you eat and make faces.

“Your neck is what keeps your head out of your collar. It is hard to keep clean.

“Your stomach is something that if you don't eat enough it hurts, and spinach don't help none.

“Your spine is a long bone in your back that keeps you from folding up.

“Your back is always behind you no matter how quick you turn around.

“Your arms you have to pitch with them and so you can reach the butter.

“Your fingers stick out of your hand so that you can throw a curveball and add arithmetic.

“Your legs is what if you have not got two of you can't get to first base.

“Your feet are what you run on, your toes are what are always get stabbed and that is all there is to you except what's inside and I never saw that.”

That's the perspective of a child. But the truth is that our bodies are amazing in conception, design and function. The psalmist David exclaimed, “I praise you, for I am fearfully and wonderfully made” (Psalm 139:14).

We can praise God for giving us bodies which we inhabit in order to give praise to his holy name!

—Timothy Merrill

Prayer: Lord, my body is a wonderful thing, to be sure. But it is old and creaking. It doesn't have the energy it used to have. Its “get-up-and-go” has “got-up-and-gone.” But like the psalmist, I will still praise you all of my days for your steadfast lovingkindness. Amen.

Daily Bible Reading

Sunday: Galatians 1-3

Monday: Jeremiah 43-46

Tuesday: Jeremiah 47-49

Wednesday: Jeremiah 50-52

Thursday: Lamentations 1-5

Friday: 1 Chronicles 1-3

Sabbath: Psalms 91-93

WORD CHOP

DIRECTIONS: The table below contains words that have been chopped in half. Find the pieces that fit together and write them in the answer area below. Each piece is used only once. The theme is "Animals." Here is one answer: diu-rnal = diurnal, meaning occurring during the day and not night. There are 13 words, including the one we gave you.

NORTH AMERICA SCRAMBLE

DIRECTIONS: Unscramble the following words which pertain to North America.

1. xtaes
2. ancaad
3. oexcim
4. amceari
5. titaacnl
6. ifpaicc
7. liuocxmffge
8. sinatroynuomkc

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DIURNAL

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ANSWERS TO WORD CHOP:
carnivore, omnivore, herbivore, conservation, diversity, extinction, prey, nocturnal, predator, habitat, invertebrates, vertebrates

ANSWERS TO NORTH AMERICA SCRAMBLE:
1. Texas; 2. Canada; 3. Mexico; 4. America; 5. Atlantic; 6. Pacific; 7. Gulf of Mexico; 8. Rocky Mountains.