

August 2021

## SAAA Executive Committee

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## SAAA Website Development:

Rebranding project underway.  
 Project team:  
 Charles Merab (Web site developer and Administrator/Owner– Iron Web Design)  
 Brandon Injety: Project Manager  
 Joseph Pakianathan: Project facilitator  
 Content: Executive Committee and Board Members  
 Contributors: SAAA Members

## Maryland COVID-19

- Please follow local guidelines.

## SAAA Contact:

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- WEBSITE: [SAAA.org](http://SAAA.org)
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INSPIRATION: "Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts." - **Winston Churchill**



## Alerts

### Monthly Sabbath Service:

#### Program Schedule:

**Date: August 14, 2021**

**Time: 10:00 AM to 1:15 PM Eastern Time (US and Canada).**

*Sabbath Lesson Study 10:00AM*

*Divine Service 11:15AM*

*Social Networking 12:45PM or soon after Divine Service.*

### Join Zoom Meeting:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/6312707038?pwd=ekINZHdwemJ6ekZnMHBQcjlETm5zZz09>

Meeting ID: 631 270 7038

Passcode: 0pfF88

**Telephone: +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)**

Meeting ID: 631 270 7038

Passcode: 428960

**Cooking session:** Please let us know if you would like to demonstrate your favorite recipe by emailing [minparaj@omm.com](mailto:minparaj@omm.com).

### Opportunity to win \$50 dollar gift card! Challenges:

1. SAAA Logo
2. (current logo statement ***Building a better tomorrow***)

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## Announcements

### August 14, 2021 Sabbath Service:

Religious Committee Coordinator: **Helen Charles**

**Sabbath School Lesson: Dr. Dhaya Prasad**

### Sabbath Speaker Divine Hour

**President Ezras Lakra**

**Southern Asia Division Hosur India**

**Title of Sermon**

The Abundant Life

**Scripture Reading**

John 10:10



Ezras Lakra is the son of Helon and Dayamani Lakra from Jharkhand the eastern part of India. He completed his education at Spicer Memorial College and Pune University. Ezras Lakra is currently the President of Southern Asia Division since 2015. Prior to this, he has served in a number of capacities including Evangelist, Teacher, Headmaster, Principal of 2 schools, President of a Section, Associate Director of Education at Southern Asia Division office, Secretary of a Union and President of a Union.

He is married to Mridula who is currently the Children's Ministries Director of Southern Asia Division. They have a son and a daughter and three grandchildren.

Ezras Lakra is very committed to the Mission of the Church and cares about the welfare of its members. He is very keen in following the "I Will Go" initiative of the General Conference and emphasizes that every worker go out and spread the Word to hasten the coming of the Lord.

## SAAA Sub Committee Chair

Religious Committee – Premila Pedapudi

Social Committee – Joy Devaraj

Project Committee – Dr.

Devanand Jillipalli

Hospitality Sabbath Potluck – Rajee Thomas

Website/Rebranding – Brandon Injety

Camp Director – TBD

Marketing - TBD

Building Fundraising – TBD

Building Committee – Selvin Inparaj

## SAAA Board Chair

Krupavaram Meessarapu

### Members:

Paulson Tharapatla

Neeraja Jillapalli

Swinitha Osuri

Pierson Tharapatla

Don Injety

Starlet Vedamuthu

Maharajan Ponraj (Treasurer)

Jeyasingh Vedamuthu (Past President)

Kingston Benjamin - current President

## Monthly Feature

### LIFE STEPS

"Rest is not idleness, and to lie sometimes on the grass under trees on a summer's day, listening to the murmur of the water, or watching the clouds float across the sky, is by no means a waste of time."

- John Lubbock.



## Fun Facts

- Beaches became popular as tourist attractions during the 18th century.
- Beaches come in all different colors, including white, grey, gold, brown, red and black.
- Coral reefs protect coastlines from storms and erosion.
- Tallest sandcastle ever made was 37 feet, 10 inches tall. It was constructed in Connecticut, in May of 2011.
- Surfing was invented in Hawaii.

## Volunteer Opportunities at SAAA

### Year 2022

#### Annual Camp Director

#### Social Committee Chair and members

#### Project Committee Chair and members

#### Public Relations Chair and Members

#### Marketing Chair and Members

#### Website Management

**Note:** Please contact EC or Board Members to indicate your interest in Volunteering.

## SAAA Contributions:

Finance Committee informs we need to collect \$5000 dollars towards payment of Property taxes. SAAA also has a need for funds to pay toward Audit and other monthly expenses.

*Kindly consider contributing towards these expenses along with our Building project.*

## Fundraising Reminders

### Amazon Charities:

Smile Amazon.com.

Please consider selecting SAAA as the Charitable Organization of choice When we purchase items from Smileamazon.com

Amazon contributes a certain percentage of total sales towards selected charitable organization.

## SAAA Building Project

We are on to a great start with fundraising and we encourage all to prayerfully consider supporting and watch God's blessing take us all the way towards successfully breaking ground at our Burtonsville Maryland Property!

**Visit our new Webiste and share with friends, family and community.**

[WWW.SAAA.org](http://WWW.SAAA.org)

**Nominations for SAAA Monthly Star\* Starting August 2021**

\*Featuring SAAA Member(s) who has contributed past/present

## Announcements

### Our thoughts and prayers

- Are with families who have lost their loved ones, others currently at Nursing and Rehabilitation homes.
- Those who are facing Covid19 difficulties.
- Most of all we appreciate our frontliners and our caretakers.

Thank you!

### Birth Announcements:

Welcome and Congratulations to the newest parents in our community, Anusha & Reavens Fenelon and Grandparents, Pastor Jean M. Fenelon and Seetha & Milton Sivalingam.

Milan Jocelyne Fenelon, was born on July 22, 2021 at Shady Gove Hospital, at 10:24am, weighing 6 lbs 11 oz. We are excited to welcome her into this world.

**Annual Survey:** Please take a few minutes to complete the survey by clicking the link below. [https://www.surveymonkey.com/create/?ut\\_source=create\\_survey&ut\\_source2=li\\_home\\_bottom](https://www.surveymonkey.com/create/?ut_source=create_survey&ut_source2=li_home_bottom)

Username: [saaa.org](http://saaa.org)  
Password: Riggs123

**Note: Based on Survey Results Annual Camp is cancelled for 2021 – we will plan and look forward to SAAA Annual Camp 2022**