

DECEMBER 2025

Services

December 13

Divine Service - 11:30am

Lesson Study - 10:15am

Prayer Breakfast – 9:30am

Location

Eglise Baptiste du Calvaire
(EBC), 10002 Riggs Road,
Adelphi, MD 20783



Newsletter

I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. Daniel 7:9 KJV



Shannon Injety



Prospective Church Building

Christmas is a festive time to celebrate the birth of our Savior. May the love He has shown grow in your lives daily. May you find in Him peace, joy, and abundant blessings.

Please join us at EBC for the special Christmas Sabbath service. The Christmas skit is organized by Shannon Injety (pg2).

Contact Us

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Upcoming Events

December 13

Sabbath Service @ EBC

SAAA Christmas Party

6:30 PM @ Remnant Church
15121 McKnew Road
Burtonsville, MD 20866

December 14, 21, & 28

SFF 9:15 am pg4

December 20

General Body Meeting
7:00 PM @ Inparaj Residence
14509 Jaystone Drive
Silver Spring, MD 20905

January 13

Sabbath Service @ EBC

Bio of Shannon Injety:

Shannon Injety is the daughter of longtime SAAA members Don and Shyamala Injety. Born and raised in Maryland alongside her twin brother, Brandon, and younger brother, Ryan, she has been part of the SAAA church family since birth. Many in the congregation have watched her grow up and encouraged her along her journey.

Shannon is an alumnus of Andrews University and the University of Maryland, Baltimore, and currently works as a registered nurse here in Maryland. She loves her work and finds joy in caring for her patients and helping them feel seen, heard, and valued.

In her free time, Shannon enjoys baking, spending time in nature, expressing creativity in many forms, and traveling. Her favorite Bible verse is Hebrews 11:1 “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.” This verse has been a source of encouragement for her, especially in today’s world where uncertainty is common, and it inspires her to lead a life that follows the example Christ left for us through the way He lived on earth — with faith, compassion, and purpose rooted in God.

Prayer Requests: Keep the following items in your prayers. Healing for those with health challenges, comfort for those who have lost loved ones, and prosperity for SAAA.



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“Here are my tips for enjoying this Christmas while keeping an eye on your waistline and health.

1. Don't overdo it. ...
2. Try to eat a bit less at other times. ...
3. Check the menu in advance. ...
4. Be demanding (politely) in restaurants. ...
5. Choose healthier options. ...
6. Tuck in to turkey - but beware of all the extras! ...
7. Fill up on vegetables.”

“Christmas in India, known as "Bada Din" (Big Day), blends global Christian traditions with unique Indian flavors, featuring Midnight Mass, caroling, festive feasts with curries/biryani, decorated homes with mango leaves and stars, and a fusion of sweets like plum cake and kheer. Celebrations are vibrant, inclusive, and vary regionally, with a strong emphasis on community, food, lights, and the spiritual significance of the church services, especially Midnight Mass, followed by feasts and gifts.”

“Christmas in the Western world comes from "Christ's Mass," combining the Greek *Christos* (Messiah) and Latin *missa* (Mass), but the festival also incorporates older Germanic words like Yule (a midwinter festival) and terms from Latin roots like *natalis* (birth), leading to Noël, Nativity, and names like Natalie. Pre-Christian winter celebrations of light and rebirth, like the Norse Yule, significantly influenced modern customs, with figures like Odin inspiring Santa Claus.”

“The Bible doesn't mention the holiday "Christmas" or its December 25th date, but it contains the Nativity story (Jesus' birth) in Matthew 1-2 and Luke 1-2, detailing prophecies (Isaiah 9:6), the angel's announcement to Mary (Luke 1:26-38), the journey to Bethlehem, his birth in a manger, shepherds' visits, and wise men's gifts (Matthew 2:1-12). The celebration's meaning centers on Jesus, God's gift of salvation, embodying hope, joy, and love (John 3:16).”

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1 Chronicles 28:20 (KJV)

And David said to Solomon his son, Be strong and of good courage, and do it: fear not, nor be dismayed: for the Lord God, even my God, will be with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee, until thou hast finished all the work for the service of the house of the Lord.



JOIN OUR WORKOUT!



Sunday Funday Fitness (SFF)

let's do it, Stanley Monickam
Please join us via zoom on
Sundays from 9:30am-
10:15am (Schedule on pg2)
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81858299367?pwd=YjU5U3V4cnB6dGMzWUtHcjh3blBuUT09>

Meeting ID: 818 5829 9367
Passcode: 630486

Building Project

Support the building project with monetary contribution and prayers.

Fundraising: Bina Palivela has homemade Andhra Masala. If you are interested, please reach out to her by email bcpalivela@hotmail.com



The Joy of Giving

~ John Greenleaf Whittier

Somehow, not only for Christmas,
But all the long year through,
The joy that you give to others
Is the joy that comes back to you;
And the more you spend in blessing
The poor and lonely and sad,
The more of your heart's possessing
Returns to make you glad.

What kind of room has no doors or windows?

- Answer: A mushroom.

I speak without a mouth and hear without ears. What am I?

- Answer: An echo.

What comes once in a minute, twice in a moment, but never in a thousand years?

- Answer: The letter 'M'.

What has keys but can't open locks?

- Answer: A piano.

What is full of holes but still holds water?

- Answer: A sponge.

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“Gratitude lifts our eyes off the things we lack so we might see the blessing we possess.” – Max Lucado

THANKSGIVING BASKETS - 11/16/2025



On November 16, a small group of SAAA members put together food boxes for 24 refugee families in need. During a time that many families lost their SNAP benefits, it was a timely project that we were blessed to be a part of. From kids as young as 4 years old to fully grown adults, all of them were grateful to have received whatever we gave them. The team was blessed and were even given tea along with a small meal prepared by one of the families. The smiles on these people's faces made us want to come back and serve them again.

-- Nina Palivela, Project Committee Chair