



SAAA Newsletter

“Alone we can do so little, TOGETHER we can do so much”

Divine Service Speaker:

Chaplain Chandradass Ephraim

“A Room and a Table in the Palace”

Scripture: 2 Samuel 9:1



Alerts

New Year Sabbath Service:

Program Schedule:

Date: February 12, 2022

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:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83501566723?pwd=ZTNVeWtZTm9JekRDaTNRSjhZM3A2UT09>

Meeting ID: 835 0156 6723
Passcode: 680230

Telephone: Dial by your location +1 301 715 8592 US (Washington DC)

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February 12, 2022 Sabbath Service Monthly Coordinator

Coordinator: Anita Benjamin

Lesson Study: Title: “Jesus, the Anchor of the Soul”

Teacher: Bina and Nena Palivala

SAAA MONTHLY RECOGNITION



On February 8, 2022 the Southern Asia Adventist Association honored Mr. William Muller Isaac. Krupavaram Meesarapu said that Mr. Isaac was one of the early founders of the SAAA along with Mr. I. R. Thomas, who sacrificially contributed much to the SAAA, of particular importance, Krupavaram said, in 1985 when Mr. Isaac was the President of SAAA he formally Incorporated the SAAA with the State of MD, and also obtained the Non-Profit Tax-exemption Ruling from the IRS. Krupavaram also honored Mrs. Annamal Isaac as she

is the oldest Matriarch and the oldest Member of the SAAA and for her service, contributions, kindness and hospitality and for providing scrumptious and tasty meals at all the Association Business Meetings held at their home.

Malini Joel and Ezra Joel surprised Mrs. Isaac by presenting beautiful flowers during the service at the home of Mr. & Mrs. Jeyasingh Vadamuthu.

FUN FACTS

- The name of February comes from the Latin word “februum” which means purification
- February is one of the most misspelled words in the English language. Even the White House has misspelled the word “February” before in a press release!
- February is the only month where it’s possible to go the entire time without having a full moon.
- Over time, the length of February kept changing. At one point, it had as little as 23 days.
- February has been Black History Month for over 40 years

Asset Management Committee Fundraising event:

1. SAAA Members pledge fund raising
2. SAAA Crowdfund raising based on Asset Management, and Public Relations committee recommendations

Cooking session: Please let us know if you would like to demonstrate your favorite recipe by emailing minparaj@omm.com

Welcome and Congratulations New Birth Announcements:

Bernard and Michelle Samuel (children of Dr. Richard and Bernice Samuel and Dr. David and Hannah Koilpillai) were blessed with a baby girl, Olivia Kalyani Samuel on December 30, 2021. She weighed 6lbs 20oz and 19” long.

Sarah and Lonnie ‘Allen are happy to announce their daughter Aarya Alana Allen was born in Boca Raton Regional Hospital, Florida on January 10, 2022, weighing 7lbs 9oz and 20” long. The grandparents Catherine Stella and Shirlin Monickam and Valerie Allen are enjoying the bundle of joy.

Nominations for SAAA Monthly Star*

Featuring SAAA Member(s) who has/have contributed past/present. Kindly take advantage of a Pop-Up Link at www.saaa.org announcement page for opportunity to nominate

SAAA Recognition Program: Our Next Recognition will during March 12, 2022.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

We are happy and excited to inform that our Brookville property has been sold. We thank God and praise Him for His guidance in this process. Your prayers and support are greatly appreciated.

On behalf of the Executive Committee (EC) members, I would like to thank the Asset Management Team for their dedicated and continued effort for successful completion of the sale of Brookville MD property.

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 blessings take us all the way towards successfully breaking ground at our Burnsville Maryland property!

SAAA Board

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Krupavaram Meesarapu

Members:

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Don Injety

Starlet Vedamuthu

Maharajan Ponraj (Treasurer)

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Kingston Benjamin (Current President)

SAAA Sub Committee

Chairs

Religious Committee – Premila Pedapudi

Social Committee – TBD

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

Communications and Technology

Director – Chitty Palevela

SAAA Executive Committee

President - Kingston Benjamin

Vice President - Marjorie Inparaj

Treasurer - Ponraj Maharajan

Assistant Treasurer - Praktan Kokila

Secretary – Pauline Kokila

Assistant Secretary – Bina Palivela

Public Relations – Premila Pedapudi

SAAA Website

Development:

Rebranding project Completed.

Project team:

Web site developer and

Administrator/Owner– Iron Web

Design - Charles Merab

Project Manager - Brandon Injety

Project facilitator - Joseph

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Sabbath Speaker Bio:

Pr. Chandradass Ephraim is a third-generation Adventist from Pragasapuram, Tamil Nadu, India. His adherence to Adventist institutionalism as a way of life for spiritual advancement was devotedly instilled by his scrupulous parents, whose conscionable attachment to the SDA Church was commendable in the local community. Being anchored in Adventist faith with the virtues of perseverance and God's will, his educational pursuits in the disciplines of religious philosophy and history at Spicer Memorial College and in the University of Pune, India, pedastelled him to pastor the Madurai Central SDA Church, T. Nadu, India, prior to becoming a seminarian in Andrews University in 1981. From the infancy of his life in the USA, the constancy of his trust in the Lord so persuasively sustained his hopes to encounter the enormity of the complexities of daily life meaningfully.

Pr. Ephraim is eternally thankful to God for the miracles of genuine friendships and authentic relationships with a broad range of friends, family members, church leaders, pastors, and professionals. The wonder of graduation from Andrews University Seminary, the emancipating employment in the embassy of India, the joy of family's immigration to the USA, and the pastoral ordination by the Potonac Conference of the SDA Church are enduringly foundational and promotional to his growth as a chaplain.

With an attainment of ecclesiastical endorsement from the Adventist Chaplaincy Ministries at General Conference level and five units of Clinical Pastoral Education earned from the reputable healthcare establishments such as: National Institutes of Health, Medstar Washington Hospital Center, and Adventist Healthcare, Pr. Ephraim became a Board Certified Chaplain through the College of Pastoral Supervision and Psychotherapy, a nationally known accredited agency. Being a chaplain at the Washington Adventist Hospital in Takoma Park, MD, between 2008 and 2017, he was blessed to minister to hundreds of patients and families from all walks of life with clinical, emotional, and spiritual crises. His baptismal experience in the baptistry of SASDAC, Spencerville SDA Church and the Takoma Park SDA Church, administering baptism to three former Catholics and one Adventist soul was a heavenly witness to his ministry in the past.

Also, the actualization of his calling is very propitiously evident at the Medstar Washington Hospital Center where he proactively assists the FRONTLINE workers, patients, and families currently, in the midst of Covid-19 crisis with a heart of pastoral kindness and the face of Adventist image.

Pr. Ephraim is married to one Lilly from Kerala and blessed with two lovely daughters named: Sheba and Virginia, who are graduates of the University of Maryland. And three of his younger sisters: Mrs. Jenila Moses, Mrs. Theja Varadarajan, and Mrs. Ajantha Muthuraj are ardent supporters of SAAA. He strongly believes that this Association is a family oriented entity and we must prepare ourselves to meet the Lord in the air.

SAAA Website Features

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