

May 2023

Services

Divine Service - 11:15am

Lesson Study - 10:00am

Prayer Breakfast – 9:30am

Location

Englise Baptiste Church

10002 Riggs Road

Adelphi MD, 20783



Newsletter

"I remember my mother's prayers and they have always followed me. They have clung to me all my life." -Abraham Lincoln



Jerry Arthur



Prospective Church Building

Jerry Arthur will be giving us our message (pg2). In the following pages of this newsletter you'll find information on staying healthy, CDC update, and other engaging materials for you.

We would like to include highpoints of your achievements and upcoming graduations. Please email them to Marjorie Inparaj at minparaj@omm.com.

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Upcoming Events

May 13

[Sabbath Service](#)

May 7, 14, 21 & 28

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June 10

[Sabbath Service](#)

June 17

[Feed the Homeless pg4](#)

June 18

[SFF 10:00 am pg4](#)

July 8

[No Sabbath Service](#)

July 16 & 30

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July 20-23

[Camp – SVA pg4](#)

Speaker Bio. Jerry Arthur

Jerry was born at the SDA Hospital in Surat, India to Gladstone and Anbu Arthur. Although his parents are both from Tamil Nadu, Jerry never lived in their home state but visited relatives in Madras, Pondicherry, Kudikadu, and Moolachel periodically throughout his childhood. After elementary school, he attended Central School, a non-Adventist school where he studied Sanskrit along with the usual subjects for three years. He studied at Spicer High School and then completed the Pre Med course at Spicer Memorial College. He holds a bachelor's degree in Botany and an MA in English Language and Literature from Kerala University.

He began his career teaching English and Biology at SDA High School, Lasalgaon. While teaching Jerry was introduced to Sophie Ida Isaac, the daughter of William Muller Isaac and Annammal Isaac. They were married at Salisbury Park SDA Church and then moved to the US a few months later and were blessed with two children Amanda and William. Jerry's first job in America was at the McDonald's in College Park, MD, but he now works as the Facilities Manager for the Wilderness Society, a national non-profit organization in Washington DC.

He and Ida attend Spencerville church, where they are currently members, and where Jerry helps out as a deacon and greeter.

God has blessed Jerry and Ida abundantly over the last few years, and now with 3 grandchildren - Axel, Penelope, and Henry, keeping them busy with babysitting duties! Jerry also has a sister, Juanita Anandam who lives in Canterbury England, and visits from time to time, with her lovely children, Wilston and Evelyn.

He has been a member of SAAA for the last 40+ years and has held many different roles, from running the PA system to being the 2005 Camp Director and also being the Vice President from 2007-2009. He and his family have had many happy memories of attending SAAA events throughout the years. We appreciate his contributions to this association.



Mother's Day Health Message, Amanda Harkless

Women are naturally the caretakers. According to the CDC, 2 out of every 3 caregivers in the United States are women. Women who are caregivers have a greater risk for poor physical and mental health.

It's important that everyone, especially mothers, take note of how often you:

- Drink water
- Feel rested
- Eat healthy
- Make time to unwind
- Connect with others

Our mothers do so much for us. Let's make sure we also check in with them and return the favor. Happy Mother's Day!

And God is able to bless you abundantly, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work.

2 Corinthians 9:8 NIV

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CDC Update, Mahiela Inparaj

The New Omicron Subvariant (XBB.1.5), also known as the "Kraken" has been spreading this year, although long-term data on this variant is not available at this time, it is contagious & it is still recommended to get vaccinated, and the bivalent booster.

Ways to stay safe :

- Get the vaccine & booster
- Wear a mask
- Avoid close contact with others
- Wash your hands often
- Get tested and stay home if you have any symptoms



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

Fundraising

“For it is in giving that we receive.”
-Francis of Assisi



Building Project

Support the building project with monetary contributions and prayers.

This Year 2023:

1-1-2023 Friday
2-2-2023 Friday
3-3-2023 Friday
4-4-2023 Friday
5-5-2023 Friday
6-6-2023 Friday
7-7-2023 Friday
8-8-2023 Friday
9-9-2023 Friday
10-10-2023 Friday
11-11-2023 Friday
12-12-2023 Friday

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Fun Facts of India

“World’s Largest Postal Network

India has a postal network of 1,55,531 post offices, as per India Post’s annual report 2018-19. Over 80 percent of the branches are located in rural areas.

Statue of Unity

India is famous for hosting the world’s tallest statue, known as the Statue of Unity. The 597 ft (182 m) high statue is the sculpture of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, an eminent freedom fighter and the first Home Minister of independent India. The Statue of Unity is twice the size of New York’s Statue of Liberty. It was unveiled on October 31, 2018, to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Patel.

World’s Highest Cricket Ground

Perched at an altitude of 2,444 m (8,108 ft), the Chail Cricket Stadium of Himachal Pradesh is the highest cricket ground in the world. In 1893, it was built by Maharaja Bhupinder Singh. The stadium offers breathtaking views of the surrounding Himachal Range (Lesser Himalayas).”

Carnation



Carnations have traditionally been the official flowers of Mother's Day for many years, with each color having a different meaning. It's said that pink carnations symbolize gratitude and love, while red signifies admiration.

renew . restore . refresh
Strengthen the Mind, Body & Spirit Connection

MAY 6TH

Mount Aetna Retreat Center
Hagerstown, MD
TIME: 9:30 am - 6:30 pm
FOR MORE INFORMATION:
sligowomensministry.org/
Sponsored by Sligo Women's Ministries

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WOMENS RETREAT

Sunday Funday Fitness (SFF), let's do it 🙌, Stanley Monickam

Please join us via zoom on Sundays from 10am–11am. (Schedule on pg2)
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81858299367?pwd=YjU5U3V4cnB6dGMzWUtHcjh3blBuUT09>

Meeting ID: 818 5829 9367 Passcode: 630486

SAAA Camp

Please save the date from July 20-23. The camp will be at Shenandoah Valley Academy. We are excited about camp and plan on having a blast!

Feeding the Homeless

Hope you are able to volunteer on Saturday, June 17 from 9am – 12:45pm at Daily Bread in Baltimore, MD. If you are interested and would like more information please email minparaj@omm.com.

LOVE

VALENTINE'S PARTY



JOY

EASTER FUN



PEACE



HAPPINESS

