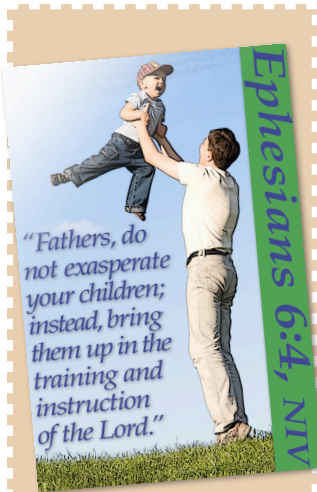


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# the FOCAL Point

CENTERED ON ACTIVITIES OF TOLEDO FIRST SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH FAMILY



*The most important thing a father can do for his children is to love their mother.*

*Hesburgh*

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## ✕ Volunteer for FUN ✕

On June 27<sup>th</sup>, in what will be the culmination of our *Mission Trip To Toledo*, we will be throwing a block party on the street in front of Aurora House. We are planning a full blown art show, having live music, as well as serving hot dogs, and doing fun stuff like face painting. It will be a time to gather the community together and get to know them, as well as a time to celebrate the new “pocket park” that is created for the children. At 3:00 p.m. Mayor Finkbeiner will be at our event to cut the ribbon on this new sod and play area.



We are very excited at the opportunity the Lord has given us to help a place that does such an important work in the lives of these families. Below is a schedule of the days events. Please join us!

## Let's Party at Aurora!

- 1 p.m. – Block off street and start set-up
- 3 p.m. – Ribbon cutting ceremony begins
- 4 p.m. – 7 p.m. – Food service/Music/Art show
- 7 p.m. – 8 p.m. – Break down and clear street

We need volunteers for every aspect of this event. Please email me at [buckeyenathan@gmail.com](mailto:buckeyenathan@gmail.com) or sign up if you can help. Thanks.—Pastor Nathan ##

*They are the true disciples of Christ, not who know most, but who love most.—Spanheim*

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# Women Gather for Mother's Day Tea

On Sabbath, May 12th, women of the church and their friends enjoyed a relaxing afternoon together. For their enjoyment were

dainty sandwiches, wonderful desserts and different flavors of tea at the annual Mother's Day tea hosted by Women's Ministry

under the direction of Carla Szczechowski. Speaker for their year's event was Kendra Bills who spoke on "Things I Know for Sure." Friends of

Edith Kolmar and Marion Thomas were so delighted with the tea that they can't wait for the next one! They are telling all their friends. ##

CALENDAR OF EVENTS	JUNE 9 <i>We Honor Our Grads</i>	JUNE 10-16 Ohio Camp Meeting	JUNE 24-27 <i>Mission Trip to Toledo</i>	JUN 28-JUL 1 Friendship Getaway
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## Youth will Rally!

On May 19, we went to the last of four regional youth rallies held by the Ohio Conference in Columbus. While the youth went and did visitation at a local nursing home (which was made more exciting by the bus breaking down, causing everyone to walk the rest of the way there and ALL the way back to the church!), several of us rehearsed in the church for the evening's worship service. Our worship band included Jon White, Lesa Marshall,

Stacy Rankin, myself, and none other than our very own Daniel Hall on percussion! Daniel did an excellent job and was like a pro in how he handled himself and played. We played two sets of worship music with pizza and games in the gym squeezed in the middle. Johnny Luv, as he's called affectionately, gave a compelling testimony and spoke God's truth to us about how much we are loved by the Father. A special thanks needs to go to Kells and Vicki Hall for helping with our transportation. All in all I think it was a great experience for everyone! —

Pastor Nathan ##

## Youth enjoy breakfast & Sabbath School

Pastor Nathan treated the students in his Sabbath School to breakfast on one of



his first Sabbaths at Toledo First...way back in April! All went well with the kids pitching in to help with the meal.



Here the students study and listen on another Sabbath morning.

We're all happy to have Pastor Nathan as part of our pastoral team in Toledo! — Dee Caulder ##

## Special rule for IRA Distribution of people over 70 1/2 years old

Now that you've reached the age where you need to make mandatory withdrawals from your IRA, you may be looking for ways to minimize the tax burden these withdrawals can incur. What many people don't realize is that Congress has provided a way to help. The Pension Protection Act of 2006 created an opportunity during years 2006 and 2007 for a direct transfer from an IRA to charity without any tax

consequences. IRA owners age 70 1/2 and older may transfer up to \$100,000 from an IRA directly to a qualified public charity. Because the funds are transferred directly by the custodian of the IRA to a qualified charity, the transfer is not included in taxable income but still qualifies for the IRA

owner's required minimum distribution. Actually, you get to achieve two major goals in one transaction—a major gift to



### TJA finishes school year

June 1st was the last day of school for students at our church school. The 8th grade graduation was held May 31st with two graduates: Jasmine Harris from Parkwood Church and Ronniesha Sims. The student body sang several songs and Jasmine's father gave the graduation address. The Kindergartners wore blue caps and gowns at their graduation on Wednesday evening. Their teacher, Dana Holland promoted nine graduates. ##

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### VBS planning

**Quest for Truth** Vacation Bible School will be held July 29 - August 3rd. Please pray that God will bring children to hear the truth about Jesus—the Way, the Truth, the Life! If you can volunteer to help, please contact Kim Wilkins at 517.673.0522. The final evening we'll have a Block Party and invite parents, friends, neighbors to join us! ##



### Director sought

We have made a change in our Learning Center Director and we are now accepting resumes for the director position. Anyone interested should submit his/her resume before June 15th to Toledo

your favorite charity, and no increase in taxes.

If you are interested in making a gift in any amount up to the \$100,000 limit from your IRA to the Church or other qualified charity, just contact the people handling your account and have them transfer the funds directly. The church or other organization will issue the appropriate receipt for this contribution.

If you have any questions, please contact the Ohio Conference Planned Giving Department for more information. We'll be happy to help in any way that we can. —Ohio Conference Planned Giving, P. O. Box 1230, Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050 ~ Phone: 740.397.4665, ext. 123 or email: [plannedgiving@ohioadventist.org](mailto:plannedgiving@ohioadventist.org) ##

First Seventh-day Adventist Church, 4909 W. Sylvania Ave., Toledo, OH 43623. ##

### Lots available

The church has been given cemetery lots which we can sell to raise money. If you are interested in choice lots in Ottawa Hills Memorial Park (Talmadge/Central Ave. in Toledo), please call the church office for details. ##

### Auditor needed

The Ohio Conference has a full-time position for an Auditor. Candidates must have a business or accounting degree. Accounting experience is preferred. Forward resumes to P. O. Box 1230, Mount Vernon, OH 43050 or to [adsutton@ohioadventist.org](mailto:adsutton@ohioadventist.org) ##

### Thank You!

Charles & Marti Williams thank all of you who sent cards and good wishes to Charles on his 100th birthday. They had a wonderful day. ##

### Worley at Newark

July 20-22 is a spiritual renewal weekend at Newark Church, Heath, Ohio. Clarissa Worley will speak. For information call Gloria Whitling, 740.522.9746. ##

### Work Bee July 1st

Afternoon work bee starts at 1:30. Please help trim & cleanup our property. ##

### Children's Pastor vote

At the Business Meeting on June 4th, we voted to invite Arelis Benitez to become our children's pastor. Pastor Ali will head the new children's church which begins Aug. 4th. Funds have been received for a year's salary for her and for Nathan French, our youth pastor. — DeLaura Caulder ##

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