

Church at Study (Sabbath School)

9:30 AM

This quarter's Lesson Study Guide is titled:
"Atonement and the Cross of Christ"

Songs of Praise
Welcome & Opening Remarks
Prayer Time

Lesson Study Time

Title: Atonement *at the Cross*

Memory Text: "For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins"
([Colossians 1:13, 14](#) NIV).

Thought: A man sued a fast-food company, claiming that his obesity, and the health problems that followed from it, resulted from his four or five meals a week at the fast-food restaurant. He blamed the company, not himself, for his problems! We all tend to be like that, though, blaming others for our misdeeds. But God does not accept excuses; He considers each one of us accountable for our sins. However, here's where the mystery of atonement begins to appear in its beauty. If we assume responsibility for our sins, and have true faith in Jesus, God is willing to forgive us those sins. When we acknowledge our responsibility, we are liberated from the penalty of our rebellion. What happened to that penalty? God did not overlook it. No, instead He allowed it to fall on Jesus, and Christ's experience of that punishment was our theme for the week.

Closing Remarks & Prayer

Mission Statement

To Welcome with Love and Minister to our Families, our Church, and our Community.

Church at Worship (Divine Worship)

11:00 AM

Prelude	Musicians
Introit	"Come Let Us Adore Him" Platform Participants
Call to Worship	Congregation Stand
Invocation	Elder Japhena Hall
Sharing with the Children	Committee Member
Praise & Worship	Congregation / Praise Team
Prayer of Intercession	Elder Larry Popplewell
	Prayer song: "O Come Let Us Adore Him"
	After Prayer song: "So Good"
Musical Selection	Inspirational Choir
Returning Tithes & Offering	Elder John Olive
Musical Selection	Inspirational Choir
Message	Pastor Royal Harrison
	"Getting Back To Our First Love"
	Scripture Text: Revelation 1:1-7
Benediction	Elder Larry Popplewell
Postlude	Musicians

Week At A Glance

Sabbath, December 6th

- Church At Study: 9:30 AM
- Special Bible Study Class (*chapel room area*): 10:00 AM
- Children's Choir Practice: Immediately after S.S.
- Church At Worship: 11:00 AM
- Youth Choir rehearsal: After church service
- Prison Ministry Visitation – Salem, OR
- Sharon's Got Talent (Lower Level): 6:00 PM
- Sunset: 4:28 PM

Monday, December 8th

- Choir Rehearsal: 7:00 PM

Tuesday, December 9th

- Elders Meeting: 6:30 PM

Wednesday, December 10th

- Finance Committee Meeting: 4:00 PM
- Bible Study: 7:00 PM

Thursday, December 11th

- Dave Ramsey's Financial: 7:00 PM

Friday, December 12th

- Sunset: 4:27 PM

Sabbath, December 13th

- Church At Study: 9:30 AM
- Special Bible Study Class (*chapel room area*): 10:00 AM
- Children's Choir Practice: Immediately after S.S.
- Church At Worship-(Elder Roger Hernandez): 11:00 AM
- Youth Choir rehearsal: After church service
- Sunset: 4:28 PM
- Bible Bowl: 6:00 PM (lower level)

Stewardship and Finance Report

Quote: When we offer true, unrestrained thanksgiving to God for blessings and the honor of communion with Him, we enter into a realm where only angels were previously privileged to attend. This is the Kingdom of God spoken of by Christ. It can be ours today.

--Anonymous

Today's Loose Offering: Church Budget

Our combined budget (\$14,000) was met for the month of November.

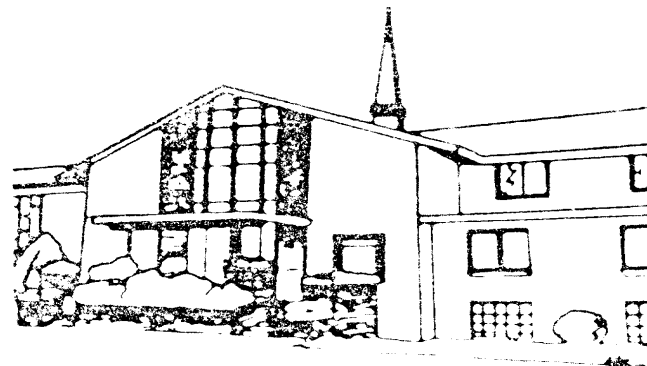
Our People

Pastor.....Royal Harrison.....503-760-4205
Head Elder.....Larry Popplewell.....503-760-1055
Head Deacon.....Elwood Reid, Jr.....503-674-5040
Head Deaconess.....Chantay Reid.....503-674-5040
Head Clerk.....Kimberley Hale-Beatty.....503-804-5209

Note: *Bulletin information subject to change without prior notice*

WELCOME TO **Sharon** **Seventh-day Adventist Church**

"Where the arms of Christ are Always open!"



"I rejoice with those who said to me, let us go to the house of the Lord" (Psalms 122:1, NIV).

If you are in search of a church home, we invite you to make our church your place of worship and become a part of our church family.

December 6, 2008

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Church Fax.....503-287-8688
Church Email.....sharonsda@qwest.net
Church Website.....www.sharonsda.net

Remember In Prayer:

Nathaniel & Sallie Carter ¹	Glennie Butler ³
Marie Crane ³	Beauty Brown ¹
Arthur Payne ³	Mayne Main ³
James Foster ¹	Clarence Streeter ¹
Ernest Bryant ³	Shanice & family
Margaret Curtis & family	Maniscalco Family ¹
Ruby Franklin ¹ (Debra Lyday's Aunt)	Frank Clisby ¹
Loretta Williams ¹	James Gantt ¹
Clara Young ¹	Dovie Taylor ¹

Health Concern¹ Hospital² Care Facility³ Bereavement⁴ Spiritual⁵

Church Family: Let us not forget to express our concerns with tokens of love: such as a call, card, visit, plant/flowers, etc.

If you are aware of anyone who should be added to the list or is in need of visitation by the Elders, please contact the office.

If any senior or disable person (church or community member) needs transportation to visit the sick on the 5th Mon, 5th Wed or 5th Fri, please call 503-226-0700 for a ride.

Message Notes

Title: _____

Scripture(s): _____

Message Main Points:

What did God say to me during the Message?

Praise and Worship – Page One

Theme: *God is Good!*

Introit:

Come, come let us adore Him. Kneel down before Him
Worship and adore Him (repeat in parts)

Chorus:

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, Emmanuel, Emmanuel.

Emmanuel, Emmanuel, Emmanuel, Emmanuel.

We worship You, we worship You.

God is so good, God is so good, God is so good, He's so good to me.

I love Him so, I love Him so, I love Him so, He's so good to me.

He died for me, He died for me, He died for me, He's so good to me.

Been so good, been so good, been so good, and I just want to thank You Lord.

Thank You, Lord, thank, You, Lord, thank You, Lord,

I just want to thank You Lord.

Prayer Song:

O come let us adore Him, O come, let us adore Him. O come let us adore Him

Christ the Lord!

For He alone is worthy X3 Christ the Lord!

We cannot live without Him X3 Christ the Lord!

For He alone can save us X3 Christ the Lord!

After Prayer Song:

So good, I just can't tell it all, so good, I just can't tell it all, so good, so good!

I just can't tell it all! (repeat)

Solo:

It's not enough time to tell ya, how He saved my soul.

It's not enough time to tell ya, how He made me whole.

It's not enough time to tell ya, how He set me free.

All: He's been so good to me. (back to the top)

Praise and Worship – Page Two

Lord, You are good and Your mercy endureth forever (2x)
People from every nation and tongue, from generation to generation;

Chorus

We worship You, hallelujah (2x). We worship You for who You are. (repeat)
And You are good. (first time back to the top)

Bridge

You are good all the time, and all the time You are good
(repeat as directed)

Lord, You are good and Your mercy endureth forever (4x)
People from every nation and tongue, from generation to generation;
(To Chorus)

JOIN US

NEXT SABBATH, DECEMBER 13, 2008

DURING

DIVINE WORSHIP

FOR

OUR GUEST SPEAKER

ELDER ROGER HERNANDEZ

Associate Director Ministerial / Hispanic
Ministries Coordinator for the Oregon
Conference of Seventh-day Adventists



HIS MESSAGE WILL FOCUS ON “THE FAMILY”

We hope to see you there!!

PS: Then at 6:00 PM come out for our Youth Bible Bowl.

Announcements - Page Four

- ❖ These are difficult times and you can help. **The Oregon Conference Humanitarian Fund (in place of Ingathering)** is a way to for neighbors to help neighbors in the Oregon Conference throughout the year. Please place your gift in a tithe envelope marked *Oregon Conference Humanitarian Fund* for church credit or donate directly by mail.
- ❖ **Follow the Star**, the 7th annual holiday musical celebration and outdoor live nativity event at the Gladstone Conference Center will take place the first two weekends of December: 5-7 and 12-14, 2008. Tours begin at 6:00 p.m. on Fridays and 5:00 p.m. Saturdays and Sundays. Gates close at 8:30 p.m. or when the evening's capacity is reached. Invite your friends to attend with you - admission is free. But, plan to come early in the schedule and early in the evening to be sure you can get in. For more info visit www.followthestar.us.
- ❖ "The **Adventist Book Center** will be open extended hours during the *Follow the Star Program* at the Gladstone grounds. The extended hours are 6pm – 9pm on Saturday and Sunday night December 6, 7, 13, and 14. The Holiday sale prices will be available."
- ❖ Mt. Tabor Seventh-day Adventist Church is presenting their annual **Christmas Program: Lessons and Carols**, on December 19 at 7:00pm. Please join us as we sing and reflect on the true meaning of Christmas. For more information, contact the Mt. Tabor church office at **503.233.7606**
- ❖ **Invitation:** The Men's ministries of Hillsboro Adventist church have reserved the gym at TVJA (Tualatin Valley Junior Academy) for men's basketball night every Thursday from 7:00-9:00pm. Questions contact Sam Ginn at 503-332-2885.

Announcements – Page One

- ❖ **AYA (Adventist Youth Association):**
 - **This evening at 6:00 PM:** the AYA & Health & Temperance Departments presents "Sharon Got Talent" in the Fellowship Hall area lower level.
 - **Saturday, December 13, 2008 @ 6:00 PM:** Youth Day Bible Bowl. See a member of AYA for details.
 - **Big Lake Weekend:** March 13-15, 2009. Cost: \$75.00 per person. \$25.00 of the cost is due NOW. Put payment in Tithe & Offering envelope and mark it Big Lake.
- ❖ **Bulletin Information:** Both written and/or verbal announcements need to be submitted by Wednesday evening at 5:00 PM. Please submit your information via the church's e-mail or voicemail. Announcements may be edited due to limited space.
- ❖ **Church Courtesies:**
 - Please turn off or silence alarms, pagers, phones, etc.
 - Please be sensitive to others by not talking during services.
 - No food or drinks are to be consumed in the sanctuary.
 - No writing on Tithes & Offering envelopes.
 - Please see that the Children's Quiet Bags are left behind after use.
 - Please be sure to check around you and take all your belongings and any debris.
- ❖ **Communications:**
 - **Weekly Website Highlight Tip:** Don't forget to visit www.sharonsda.net and sign up for an account if you are a member of the Sharon church. That way you will have access to additional information on our website.
 - **Bulletin Board:** if you would like to post items on our bulletin board, fill out a form found in the communications box, attach the item you would like to post and your item will be reviewed and posted within 2 weeks.
- ❖ **Education Department:** Tutorial Session – **P.E.T.A.L.** (Preparing, Educating, Teaching, and Learning) - Wednesday evenings from 6:00-8:00 PM. Questions contact Heather Hawkins or Drechelle Larry.

Announcements - Page Two

- ❖ The Sharon Church Communication and Music Departments Present: **“A Family Christmas” 2008 Sabbath**, December 20th 11:00 AM. Come as a family with the same last name or join with other church members to share your spiritual talents of music or spoken word. SPACE IS EXTREMELY LIMITED, so sign-up now on the bulletin board in the foyer. Each family will be allowed 5 minutes to perform. If you are going to read something, a copy must be submitted to Linda Foxworth by Monday, December 8th. **Also, there will be a rehearsal on Friday evening, December 19th at 7:00 PM.** More details are posted on the bulletin board located in the foyer.
- ❖ There will be a **Finance Committee Meeting** on Wednesday, December 10, 2008 at 4pm at the Church.
- ❖ **Music Department:**
 - **Inspirational Choir Rehearsal** on Mondays at 7:00 PM sharp!
 - **Children’s choir practice** is immediately after Sabbath school every Sabbath. Hope to see all children who love to sing from ages 2-12. Contact Sis. Shelly Larry if you have questions.
 - **Youth choir rehearsal** after church service on Sabbaths. Questions see Drechelle Larry.
- ❖ We need your help to **Update our Records** with current addresses and phone numbers. Contact the church clerk or the church secretary.
- ❖ **Sabbath School:**
 - **Lower Division (Ages 4-7)** - Please join us as “Jesus Goes to Africa”. Time: 9:30- 10:45 AM
Where: The Kindergarten class (upper level).
When: Sabbath mornings
 - **The C.R.E.W.** (Christians Representing Everywhere)
For more information call 971-227-1619.
Who: Teens in grades 9-12
What: Giving the Bible a new twist
When: Saturday from 9:30-10:45AM (Lower Level)
Why: Because it’s time to decide which side you are going to REPRESENT!

Announcements – Page Three

- ❖ **Tape / CD Ministry:** Our entire church services are available on CD, please stop by the Tape Ministry booth or contact the church secretary.
- ❖ **Transportation Ministry:** Is ready to provide service for seniors 60 plus and/or disabled riders. Any one wanting a ride to the doctor, shopping, visitation and/or church please call Ride Connection 503-226-0700 by 4:00 PM Wednesdays.
- ❖ **Take Notice:**
 - ✚ Thursday, December 11th @ 7:00 PM:: Closing evening for the fall Dave Ramsey seminar
 - ✚ Saturday, December 13th @ 3:00 PM: Portland Adventist Academy Christmas Concert
 - ✚ Sunday, December 14th -
10AM-12PM: Man-up Meeting
2:00 PM: Women’s Holiday Tea
 - ✚ Tuesday, December 16th @ 7:00 PM: Church Board Meeting
 - ✚ Sabbath, December 20th: Family Christmas Program
 - ✚ Wednesday, December 24th: Christmas Eve
 - ✚ Thursday, December 25th: Christmas
 - ✚ Friday, December 26th: Agape Feast
 - ✚ Wednesday, December 31st: New Years Eve
- ❖ **Loretta Williams says thank you** for your prayers, visit, and calls that was received while in the hospital. Your expressions of love were greatly appreciated.
- ❖ **PACS** (Portland Adventist Community Services) has an urgent need for volunteers in the food distribution department. The number of people needing emergency food is growing. You can help these people by giving your time. Days and hours are flexible. To get involved, call 503.252.8500 and ask for Carol Paulson.