

The Shining Light is a bimonthly newsletter produced by the New York State Capital Region Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) Churches to let the community know about what we are doing to let the love and light of Jesus Christ shine in our lives. We want you to know that we are here to help serve the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of all in the Capital Region. We invite you to visit any of our area churches and to let us know how we can better help you! For more information or to submit articles and calendar events, please contact Rachel Moody at (518)229-4075 | shininglightsda@gmail.com or visit <http://capitalregionsda.org>.

Mark Your Calendars

For the 2011 "United in Christ" Jubilee Weekend

The New York Capital District Council of Seventh-day Adventist Churches will host a Jubilee Weekend on Friday, August 26—Sunday, August 28. The theme will be "United in Christ" based on John 17:21, "that all of them may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe that you have sent me."

With over fifteen Seventh-day Adventist churches in New York State's capital region, headed by three different conferences, it can be difficult to remember that all of us who believe in Christ have the same mission: to Go and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things that Christ has commanded us to do (Matthew 28:19,20). Psalms 133:1 says, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity!" The Jubilee Weekend aims to help us experience this great joy by focusing on our individual relationship with Christ and our collective relationships with each other. There will be programming for all ages including, camping; team-building activities; community-building workshops; encouraging, Bible-based messages; a game night, an "Olympic" Field Day and more!. The Jubilee Weekend will take place at the Greater Albany SDA Church in Cohoes, New York.

A "Save-the-Date" flyer will be sent to your churches soon. If you would like to assist, or would like more information, please e-mail shininglightsda@gmail.com.

New York Conference Rally Day Saturday, March 19, 2011 Greater Albany SDA Church

GYC IN OUR AREA



Did you know that there were local chapters of GYC? GYC Atlantic has several training events that are relatively close-by including a Rally Day at the Mamre SDA Church in Brooklyn, New York on March 5-6 and their annual conference on June 2-5 in Bloomfield, Connecticut. Other rally days will be announced soon and will be posted in this newsletter and on www.capitalregionsda.org. For more information visit www.gycatlantic.org.



Picture from www.gycweb.org

Several youth and "young at heart" from various churches in New York State's capital region traveled to Baltimore Maryland last year to attend the annual Generation of Youth for Christ (GYC) Convention. GYC is a movement of young people begun in 2002 by a group of college students who wanted a deeper understanding of God's Word and who were moved to share the good news about salvation and liberty to as many people as possible.

The GYC conventions have grown from a few hundred attendees to several thousand as depicted by the picture above. The wonder of what GYC is doing is not illustrated by the numbers but by the determination and passion of the participants to have a closer relationship with Christ and to share the Gospel in word and in deed. Every GYC includes intense Bible study, worship and witnessing to the communities surrounding the areas in which the conventions are held. GYC aims "to mobilize existing youth and young adult ministries that are fully committed to the distinctive message and mission of the Adventist church towards the proclamation of the Three Angels' Messages" (gycweb.org).

Last year's convention theme was "No Turning Back". This year, GYC will take place in Houston, Texas and focus on the theme, "Fill Me." The organizers solicit your prayers.

For More information about GYC, please visit their website at www.gycweb.org or call 734.418.2857

The Shining Light Events Calendar

Please send your church announcements to shininglightsda@gmail.com

Every 1st Monday	New York Conference Capital District Council of Churches Meeting
Every Friday	7pm Prayer & Bible Study @ Joy of Troy SDA Church, Kinderhook SDA Church; 7:30pm New Life Youth Ministries at the University at Albany
2nd Thursday	Joy of Troy SDA Church Men's Meeting
2nd and 4th Friday	Schenectady SDA Church Bible Study
2nd and 4th Saturday	Combined Church Social at the Greater Albany SDA Gymnasium
Every 2nd Sunday	Schenectady SDA Church Vegetarian Food Store 10am-11am Weather Permitting. Contact Charlotte Owen for more information 518-280-1635
Jan - March	Schenectady SDA Church Citrus Fruit Fundraiser Visit www.capitalregionsda.org for more info
February 26-April 29	Capital City SDA Church 40 Days of Prayer Visit www.capitalcitysdac.org for more information.
March-April	Kingsbury SDA Church Friday Night Lay Training Seminars
March 4-5	Buskirk SDA Church "What does the Future Hold" Guest Speaker: Kerry L. Schoonmaker, Director Christianity, Inc.
March 5-6	GYC Atlantic - Rally Day at Mamre SDA Church, Brooklyn, NY
March 6-12	Northeastern Conference Youth Week of Prayer
March 7	New York Capital District Council of SDA Churches Meeting
March 11-20	Northeastern Conference Medical Missionary Training Visit www.northeastern.org for more information.
March 12	Kingsbury SDA Church Pinewood Derby Rally
March 13	Joy of Troy SDA Church 2pm Leo Milman (Violinist) and Michael Clement (Pianist) In Concert.
March 19	New York Conference Rally @ The Greater Albany SDA Church
March 19	Capital City SDA Church Communion Service
March 26-April 16	Greater Albany SDA Church Sabbath Stewardship Seminars 2:30pm "Its My Money Isn't It" - Facilitated by Elder Edward Reid
March 26	Kingsbury SDA Church Movie Night 7:30pm
March 26	Hud-Cap Youth Federation-Beacon Light Tabernacle Youth Day
April 3	Capital City SDA Church Community Services Giveaway and Health Screening
April 4	New York Capital District Council of SDA Churches Meeting
April 6-10	BAYDA Youth Congress, Orlando, Florida
April 16	New York Conference Prayer Retreat
April 16	Capital City SDA Church Community Guest Day
April 16	Northeastern Conference Hud-Cap Area Communication Workshop
April 17	Capital City SDA Church Father-Daughter Brunch
April 22	Capital City SDA Church G.E.M.S. Retreat Generations Edifying and Mentoring Sisters of All Ages.
April 24	Adventist BookMobile at the Greater Albany SDA Church 1:30pm
April 28-May 1	Greater New York Conference Women's Prayer Retreat
April 23	Joy of Troy SDA Church Resurrection Musical Program
April 30	Joy of Troy Children's Day
May 1	Capital City SDA Church Single Parents Brunch
May 4-7	Atlantic Union Conference Courage to Shine Camporee

Seventh-day Adventist Churches In New York's Capital Region:

ALBANY

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(518) 465-7814
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AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam SDA Church
379 Division Street, Amsterdam
(518) 843-2577

Amsterdam Hispanic SDA Church
214 Guy Park Avenue, Amsterdam
(518) 843-4391

BUSKIRK

Buskirk SDA Church
2176 West Hoosick Road, Buskirk
www.buskirk22.adventistchurchconnect.org

COBLESKILL/SCHOHARIE COUNTY

Schoharie SDA Group
141 Legion Drive, Cobleskill

COHOES

Greater Albany SDA Church
Albany Hispanic Adventist Group
298 St. Agnes Hwy, Cohoes
(518) 785-4445
www.albanysdachurch.org

GLOVERSVILLE

Gloversville SDA Church
18 Jeffers St. Gloversville
(518) 725-3750
gloversville22.adventistchurchconnect.org

HUDSON FALLS

Kingsbury SDA Church
3991 US Rte 4, Hudson Falls
(518) 747-2871
www.kingsburysdachurch.org

KINDERHOOK

Kinderhook SDA Church
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LANSINGBURGH/TROY

Joy of Troy Community SDA Church
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(518) 273-6400
www.joyoftroy.org

SARATOGA SPRINGS

Saratoga SDA Church
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Macedonia SDA Church
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