

The Shining Light is a bimonthly newsletter produced by the 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/To submit articles and calendar events, please contact editor Rachel Moody at (518)229-4075 or visit <http://shininglightsda.weebly.com>.

The Northeastern Conference Of Seventh-day Adventists & Revelation Worldwide, Inc. Hosts Their **Annual Purity Ball**

Young people and their parents are invited to a grand banquet that encourages the youth to keep their bodies as temples of the Lord. The Purity Ball helps youth to make healthy and holy choices and to be witnesses to their peers. This year, the Purity Ball takes place on Sunday, September 26 under the white tent at the Stamford Hilton Hotel in Stamford, Connecticut. Tickets are \$35 per person. For more information, contact www.necyouthministries.org | 718-291-8006

Fun Fun Fun Fun Fun Fun

SOCIALS FOR EVERYONE

AT THE GREATER ALBANY SDA GYM Every 2nd & 4th Saturday!

The youth departments of several churches in the Capital Region have joined together to host bi-monthly socials. Every 2nd and 4th Saturday, all are welcome to come to the Greater Albany SDA Gym for basketball, volleyball, group games and board games. **"Together we pray and work and play in happy harmony"**. We hope that you can make it!

Northeastern Conference of Seventh-day Adventists
Youth Ministries Department Presents



"PROTECTING GOD'S
PROPERTY"
ADOLESCENT AWARENESS
WEEKEND

Registration Form

September 24-26, 2010

At the Hilton Hotel

1 First Stamford Place, Stamford, CT

Call the Hilton to make your room reservations
\$95.00 per night with up to 4 people in a room.
203-967-2222

Weekend REGISTRATION IS \$99.00 PER PERSON.
Includes Meals and All Needed Materials

PURITY BALL IS \$35.00 PER PERSON.
FOR THOSE WHO REGISTER FOR THE ADOLESCENT AWARENESS WEEKEND,
THE PURITY BALL TICKET PRICE IS JUST \$10.00

September 10, 2010 to the Youth Department:
NEC Youth Ministries, 115-50 Merrick Boulevard, Jamaica, NY 11434.
718-291-8006, Ext. 244 Fax: 718-739-5133
jjohnson@northeastern.org

Criticisms of Ellen G. White Joy of Troy Church Afternoon Seminar October 23, 2010

Operation Syracuse

This Summer, ThisGeneration (TGen) went to Syracuse, New York to spread the good news of the Gospel. Josh Schmieder, Director of TGen sent out a report about what took place:

"Over 40 young people received very focused training, on sharing the love and good news of Jesus, knocked on doors, and performed in concerts with simple Christian music in 4 different parks. There were over 5000 books distributed to the Syracuse community. Thousands of homes were visited resulting in 304 bible study requests. There are 5 bible workers helping to follow up on these requests and to transition the active bible studies to local church members for the next three months. Most importantly, there were dozens of young people who left on fire and excited about bringing this excitement back home to their churches and to go home to motivate and train other young people to get involved with sharing Jesus. They want others to have the same experience and they realize you can have that whenever you are sharing Christ."

TGen is a mission movement of young adults and church members birthed at the 2008 New York Conference Annual Camp Meeting for the purpose of outreach to hasten the coming of Jesus Christ. Please visit their website to see how you too can minister to this generation!

www.tgenministry.org



EDIFICATION STATION



Words of Spiritual Encouragement !

The kingdom of God comes not with outward show. The gospel of the grace of God, with its spirit of self-abnegation, can never be in harmony with the spirit of the world. The two principles are antagonistic. "The natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know them, because they are spiritually discerned." 1 Cor. 2:14.

But today in the religious world there are multitudes who, as they believe, are working for the establishment of the kingdom of Christ as an earthly and temporal dominion. They desire to make our Lord the ruler of the kingdoms of this world, the ruler in its courts and camps, its legislative halls, its palaces and market places. They expect Him to rule through legal enactments, enforced by human authority... The establishment of such a kingdom is what the Jews desired in the days of Christ. They would have received Jesus, had He been willing to establish a temporal dominion, to enforce what they regarded as the laws of God, and to make them the expositors of His will and the agents of His authority. But He said, "My kingdom is not of this world." John 18:36. He would not accept the earthly throne.

The government under which Jesus lived was corrupt and oppressive; on every hand were crying abuses, -extortion, intolerance, and grinding cruelty. Yet the Saviour attempted no civil reforms. He attacked no national abuses, nor condemned the national enemies... He who was our example kept aloof from earthly governments. Not because He was indifferent to the woes of men, but because the remedy did not lie in merely human and external measures. To be efficient, the cure must reach men individually, and must regenerate the heart. Not by the decisions of courts or councils or legislative assemblies, not by the patronage of worldly great men, is the kingdom of Christ established, but by the implanting of Christ's nature in humanity through the work of the Holy Spirit. "As many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name: which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." John 1:12, 13.

Excerpt from the Desire of Ages, p509, Ellen G. White

The Shining Light Events Calendar

ATLANTIC UNION INSPIREEQUIPDEPLOY
YOUTH CONGRESS
www.atlantic-union.org/yc2010.html October 14-17, 2010

ATLANTIC UNION INSPIREEQUIPDEPLOY
YOUNG ADULT CONGRESS
www.atlantic-union.org/yc2010.html October 15-17, 2010

Every Friday	7pm Prayer & Bible Study @ Joy of Troy SDA Church, Albany SDA Central Church Plant, Kinderhook SDA Church (Visit their website for details)
Every Saturday	Joy of Troy SDA Church Children's Church Glad Tidings Radio Ministry on the ALIVE Network 10am Capital City SDA Church Evening Free French Class
Every 3rd Saturday	Saratoga SDA Church Community Luncheon Joy of Troy SDA Church Women's Meeting
Every 3rd Sunday	Capital City SDA Church G.E.M.S. Meeting for Women of all ages
September 1-6	Kinderhook SDA Church Outreach at the Columbia County Fair in Chatham
September 4	Capital City SDA Church Men's Day of Prayer
September 10-11	Joy of Troy SDA Church Guest Speaker Jean Ross from Amazing Facts
September 11-17	Capital City SDA Church Family Togetherness Week
September 17-18	New York Conference Annual Men's Retreat
September 18	Capital City SDA Church Communion Service
September 24-26	Northeastern Conference Adolescence Awareness Weekend
September 24-26	New York Conference Teen Backpacking Trip
September 26	Northeastern Conference Annual Purity Ball
October 1-3	New York Conference Young Adult Retreat
October 7-10	Northeastern Conference 6th Annual Nutrition and Wellness Training
October 10	Joy of Troy SDA Church Apple Picking and Dessert Making Social
October 14-17	Atlantic Union Conference Youth & Young Adult Conference
October 22-24	New York Conference Annual Women's Retreat
October 23	Joy of Troy SDA Church Seminar: Criticisms of Ellen G. White

Be In the Loop! Submit your Church Announcements @ shininglightsda.weebly.com

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

ALBANY

Capital City SDA Church
2 South Lake Ave
(Corner of Western and South Lake)
Albany, NY 12203
(518) 465-7814
www.capitalcitysdac.org

Albany SDA Central Church Plant
Services Held at:
Emmaus United Methodist Church
715 Morris Street
Albany, NY 12208

AMSTERDAM

Amsterdam SDA Church
379 Division Street
Amsterdam, NY 12010
(518) 843-2577

Amsterdam Hispanic SDA Church
214 Guy Park Avenue
Amsterdam, NY 12010
(518) 843-4391

BUSKIRK

Buskirk SDA Church
2176 West Hoosick Road
Buskirk, NY 12090
www.buskirk22.adventistchurchconnect.org

COHOES

Greater Albany SDA Church
Albany Hispanic Adventist Group
298 St. Agnes Hwy
Cohoes, NY 12047
(518) 785-4445
www.albanysdachurch.org

KINDERHOOK

Kinderhook SDA Church
3429 US Route 9
Valatie, NY 12184
(518) 784-4400
www.kinderhooksda.com

LANSINGBURGH/TROY

Joy of Troy Community SDA Church
600 3rd Avenue
Lansingburgh, NY 12182
(518) 273-6400
www.joyoftroy.org

SARATOGA SPRINGS

Saratoga SDA Church
339 Union Avenue
Saratoga Springs, NY 12866
(518) 587-6951
www.saratogasda.org

SCHENECTADY

Macedonia SDA Church
9 Swan Street
Schenectady, NY 12307
(518) 347-9441

Schenectady SDA Church
1413 Quackenbush Road
Schenectady, NY 12306
(518) 355-0959