# **General Information**

# CHURCH FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT: CHURCH BUDGET

Dec. 31, 2022	Budget	Actual
Needed	\$405,159.96	
Received	\$395,007.78*	\$395,007.78*
Spent		(\$394,955.58)
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$10,152.18)	\$52.20

\*Includes restricted giving that offsets church budget expenses.

**BUDGET:** Our 2022 church budget is \$405,160 to cover our ministries, SLA subsidy, building maintenance, and operating expenses.

**ACTUAL:** This compares income vs. expenses. We'd like to fund everything according to budget, but we try not to spend what we haven't received yet.

**REMEMBER:** Tithe, although vital, goes to our local Conference and doesn't cover any of our expenses. Those come out of Church Budget. So let's make the Church Budget as regular a part of our giving as tithe. We believe God will bless us for it.

### SCHEDULE OF SPEAKERS

Feb. 11	Einar Rom
Feb 18	Einar Rom & CC Couples Panel
Feb. 25	John Amoah

# BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS are due Wednesdays by noon (except in certain holiday weeks) at <u>bulletin@wearecc.net</u>. All submissions require pastoral staff approval and are subject to editing.

PARENTS WITH INFANTS: We have a training chapel for your convenience in the right rear of the sanctuary. It includes a restroom, a private nursing area, and a baby changing station. *Note:* A Sabbath School class meets in that room from 10:00–11:00 AM.

 $\checkmark$  There are also changing stations in the rest rooms downstairs.

OUR SERVICES AIR on Sterling/Lancaster, Clinton, Leominster, and West Boylston cable TV. See schedule at <u>https://wearecc.net/local-tv</u>.

TO SPONSOR FLOWERS, go to <u>https://wearecc.net/flowers</u>.

AGAPE FUND AND WORTHY STUDENT FUND: The Agape fund helps College Church members who are in need, and the Worthy Student fund helps families pay for Adventist education. To donate, designate either fund in Adventist Giving or on your tithe envelope.

COMMUNITY SERVICE CENTER: 129 Bolton Rd., Lancaster, 978-365-7152.

- ✓ Help for the Needy: On Tuesdays from 9:30 AM–noon you can pick up clothing and housewares. They request a small donation.
- ✓ House of Refuge: 7:00–8:45 PM on the second Friday of each month. Sermonette, music, testimonies. To take part in the service, call or text Becky Renzi at 978-870-0266.

FEED THE HUNGRY: Second Friday of the month at 3:30 PM. We prepare and serve food for the needy at WHEAT in Clinton.

NURSING HOME MINISTRY: Fourth Friday of the month. Michelle Lee Williams leads this ministry for the residents of Sterling Village, 18 Dana Hill Rd, Sterling, MA. She needs pianists, singers, and speakers each month. For info, call her at 508-728-6495.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH BOXES: These boxes contain a variety of activities to keep little hands busy during the worship service. You can sign one out from the deacons' room off the upper foyer.

HARD OF HEARING? Try an assisted listening device from the sound booth in the back of the sanctuary. Bring your headphones to connect (needs standard headphone jack).

# **Education & Music**

SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY provides Seventh-day Adventist Christian education from Pre-K through grade 12. We are a constituent church of this fine institution, providing both financial & logistical support. Info: 978-368-8544, <u>www.mysla.org</u>.

- ✓ Newsletter: <u>www.mysla.org/school-newsletter</u>.
- ✓ SLA Alumni: Do we have your contact info, especially email? Contact us at <u>alumni@mysla.org</u>, or <u>www.slaalumni.org</u>. We also post on Facebook.

AUC ALUMNI: Are you getting the latest info on alumni events? Visit <u>AlumniofAUC.com</u> to sign up for monthly emails. If you don't have email, you can get a special note from the Alumni Association.

## EDUCATION GRANTS:

- ✓ The SNE Conference has scholarships for those pursuing a degree at an SDA college in the North American Division. Apply at <u>https://tinyurl.com/y2yytbx6</u> by Feb. 10, 2023.
- ✓ Get \$10,000 from SNEC: Junior and senior education majors may be eligible for grants. See the video bulletin board for details.

THAYER CONSERVATORY: Lessons in art, drama, music (piano incl. gospel piano, guitar, strings, harp, brass, woodwinds, percussion, voice). Groups: flute ensemble, brass ensemble, orchestras, and classes for homeschoolers. Info at 978-368-2100 or <u>ThayerConservatory.org</u>.



# **Online Services**

<u>HTTPS://WEARECC.NET</u> has our calendar, videos, bulletins, and more.

ONLINE/MOBILE GIVING: Download the Adventist Giving app or click the Giving link on our website. *Be sure to choose the College Church or we won't get your donation*. Questions? Please contact the church office.

# Search for collegechurchofsda on 🌅 YouTube 📑 🤘

Find our Sabbath School podcast on our website, Spotify, and Apple Podcasts.

# **Contact Us**

MINISTRY NEEDS/MEMBERSHIP: We'd love to hear your prayer and ministry needs, comments, or address changes. See below to contact us, or fill out the card found on the back of the pews. You can also request membership transfer with the card, or at <u>http://wearecc.net</u>.

## CHURCH OFFICE:

•	Mon.–Wednesday 8:45 AM–12:30 PM, 1:30–3:00 PM Friday: 8:45 AM–12:30 PM
Phone:	978-368-2130
Address:	337 Main St., South Lancaster, MA 01561
Mail:	PO Box 877, South Lancaster, MA 01561-0877

Einar Rom, Lead Pastor:

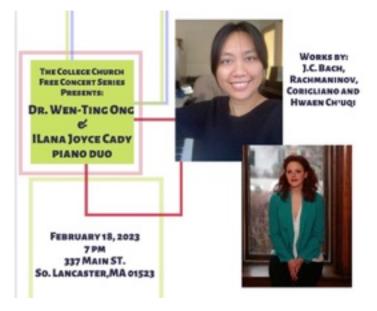
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Caleb Bastien and Ron Gründer, Treasurers: <u>treasurer@wearecc.net</u>





Bulletin



COLLEGE CHURCH

of Seventh-day Adventists

### Love. Grow. Serve.

NONVIO	Y PLEDGE MYSELF-MY PERSON AND BODY-TO THE LENT MOVEMENT. THEREFORE I WILL KEEP THE /ING TEN COMMANDMENTS:
1.	MEDITATE daily on the teachings and life of Jesus.
2.	REMEMBER always that the nonviolent movement in Birmingham seeks justice and reconciliation not victory.
3.	WALK and TALK in the manner of love, for God is love.
4.	PRAY daily to be used by God in order that all men might be free.
5.	SACRIFICE personal wishes in order that all men might be free.
6.	OBSERVE with both friend and foe the ordinary rules of courtesy.
7.	SEEK to perform regular service for others and for the world.
8.	REFRAIN from the violence of fist, tongue, or heart.
9.	STRIVE to be in good spiritual and bodily health.
10.	FOLLOW the directions of the movement and of the captain on a demonstration.
	I sign this pledge, having seriously considered what I do and with the determination and will to per- sever.
	NameAddress
	Nearest Relative Address
	Besides demonstrations, I could also help the move- ment by: (Circle the proper items) Run errands, Drive my car, Fix food for volunteers, Clerical work, Make phone calls, Answer phones, Mimeograph, Type, Print signs, Distribute leaflets.
	ALARAMA CHRISTIAN MOVTMENT FOR HUMAN RIGHTS BIRMINGHAM Affiliate of S.C.L.C. 505½ North 17th Street F. L. Shuttlesworth, President

Commitment card with Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.'s Ten Commandments of Non-Violence.

# The Church at Work

### PRAYER FOCUS

**Health Concerns:** Elnora King (who is back in Clinton), Lucy Santana and Roy McCoy (both at Fitchburg Health Care); Bella, John, and Mark (friends of Cameron Loss); Beth Vecchione, Julio Gonzalez (Laura Mapes' brother), Lorelie Linton (Dan's mom), Inigo Vega, Sean Nolan (friend of Adelita Weaver), Linda Oetman, six members of the Schad family, Keila Mejia, Salma Prata and Solange Baia (Keila's mom and aunt); Joe Drader (Odd Fellows Rehab); Rachel Gravelin, Dan Morris, Laura Lee Williams, David Tessier (brother of Wendy Hall), Isaac (relative of the Giffords), Bob Rogers.

**Other Concerns:** Victims of earthquake in Turkey & Syria [to assist go to <u>www.adra.org</u>; Ukraine.

Week at a Glance. See the announcements or wearecc.net for more.

### South Lancaster Sunset: Today 5:15 PM, Friday 5:22 PM

Today	After Church	Adventurer Potluck (Adventurers Only)
	1:30 PM	Adventurers
	6:00 PM	Courage to Sing Concert
Sun.	2:00 PM	Pathfinder Drill Team
Mon.	10:00 AM	Personal Ministries Steering Committee
	2:00 PM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	6:00 PM	VBS Planning Meeting
	7:30 PM	Iron Sharpens Iron
Tues.		Happy Valentine's Day!
	9:00 PM	Late Night Bible Study (Zoom link on website)
Wed.	12:00 PM	Bulletin Deadline
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting
Thur.	3:30 PM	Kids' Prayer Meeting
	6:00 PM	King's Kids
	7:00 PM	SLA Board
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon (Youth Chapel)
Fri.	7:30 PM	Friday Night Study
Sat.	9:00 AM	Fellowship Breakfast Provided
	10:00 AM	College Church TV Broadcast (more airings)
	10:00 AM	Sabbath School (Various Locations)
	11:15 AM	Worship Service: Einar Rom & CC Couples
	After Church	Potluck Fellowship Dinner
	7:00 PM	Free Concert Series

### IRON SHARPENS IRON MEN'S GROUP THIS MONDAY, 7:30 PM | IN PERSON & ONLINE

All men are welcome, regardless of membership. Info at <u>https://</u><u>wearecc.net/iron-sharpens-iron</u>.

#### KIDS' PRAYER MEETING THIS THURSDAY, 3:30 PM | YOUTH CHAPEL & FELL. HALL

More info & registration: <u>https://wearecc.net/cc-kids</u>.

- ✓ 3:30–4:30 PM: Light early supper and activities
- ✓ 4:30–5:30 PM: Worship, Bible study, prayer, crafts

# FELLOWSHIP MEALS

# SABBATH, FEB. 18, 9:00 AM AND AFTER CHURCH | FELL. HALL

✓ Breakfast: 9:00–10:00 AM. This will be provided for us.

✓ Potluck Dinner: Right after church. Visitors are welcome and don't need to bring anything. Members, please bring your favorite dish ready to serve.

## MEMBERSHIP TRANSFERS: SECOND READING

Out: Hannah Allain, Jonathan Ramos to Redemption Community SDA Company, Marlborough, MA Benjamin Arnott to Worcester, MA Airport Dr. Trudi Delmastro to Littleton, CO Kimberly Gibbs, Hannah Knowles to Crosswalk Clinton SDA Company, West Boylston, MA

## CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

## SATURDAY, FEB. 25, 5:30 PM

The main purpose will be to approve our budget for this year.

# SOUTH LANCASTER ACADEMY CONSTITUENCY MEETING THURSDAY, MAR. 2, 7:00 PM | MULTIPURPOSE ROOM

All SLA parents and constituent members are invited to attend. All official College Church members are constituent members and can attend and vote at this meeting.

## PATHFINDER CLUB REGISTRATION

Please register your Pathfinder online at: <u>College Church Catamounts</u> <u>Pathfinder Club Registration</u>. First meeting of the new year will be March 4, 2:00–4:00 PM. Our club is geared for kids in grades 4–8. Those in grades 9–12 are also encouraged to register and will be transitional staff. Jill Hodson, Club director, jilldchodson@yahoo.com.

# CRISIS MANAGEMENT & SPIRITUAL CARE CERTIFICATION MAR. 10–12 | CAMP WINNEKEAG

More info at infoacssdc@gmail.com or https://tinyurl.com/5xrm2h3t.

# COLLECTING CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Our children's ministry department is collecting supplies for crafts. Markers, construction paper, glue sticks, crayons, toilet paper rolls, tissue paper, etc.—if you have any of these to donate, please put them in the white bin outside the church office door.

## SABBATH SCHOOL PODCAST

We have a weekly podcast dealing with the Sabbath School lesson. You can find the episodes in the <u>Messages</u> section of our website, or on Spotify or Apple Podcasts. The episode for each Sabbath's lesson drops each Sunday morning.

## MISSION TRIP FUNDRAISER

SNEC *Mission It's Possible* is going to Clarendon, Jamaica April 13– 23 to work on multiple ministries—schools, VBS's, evangelistic series, and more. Support us by mailing your donation to SNEC Youth Ministries, 34 Sawyer Street, Lancaster, MA 01523. Please make checks payable to SNEC Youth Ministries, write MIP on the memo line, and to donate toward a specific person, write their name on a sticky note & place it on the check. Keep us in your prayers.

## PRAYERS FOR THAILAND

Andrew Pak is asking us to pray for the situation in Thailand. He says he can't go into detail, but there are lots of changes happening and lots of difficulties his team is experiencing. He would really appreciate it if we could support them during this time.

## PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY NEEDS NAMES

Are you graduating from high school this spring, or do you know someone who is? Please let us know with this <u>form</u> so that the CC prayer shawl team can make you one for graduation this year!

# The Church at Study, 10:00 AM

See more online and in-person study options at wearecc.net/sabbath-school-options. Get free study guides at www.ssnet.org, download the Sabbath School app, or scan the QR code on the right.



, CLASSES F	CLASSES FOR CHILDREN & YOUTH		
Downstairs:	Upstairs:		
Newborn-Age 2	Grades 4-5 (Juniors)		
Age 3-Kindergarten Grades 6–8 (Early Teens)			
Grades 1-3 (Primary)	Grades 9–12 (Youth	)	
CLA	SSES FOR ADULT	S	
Bible Journaling	Fellowship Hall	Multiple teachers	
The "Cheers" Class	Fellowship Hall	Ralph Gifford III	
Deep Calling: Digging Deeper	Fellowship Hall		
Young Adults	Young Adult Room	Multiple teachers	
Blatt, Radford	Training Chapel		
Spanish	Sanctuary	Multiple teachers	
Livestream	Sanctuary	Multiple teachers	
Robertson	Conference Room		

### MUSICAL SPOTLIGHT

Our prelude today is an improvisation on Dr. Martin Luther King Jr's favorite hymn, "Precious Lord, Take My Hand." This hymn was written by Thomas Dorsey after the death of his wife and newborn son during childbirth.

Our closing hymn, "We Shall Overcome" quickly became the unofficial anthem of the civil rights movement in 1959, and continues to be a powerful song used in many protests today. The song has seen some changes over the years and was originally published in 1901 with the title "I'll overcome some day," and had a epigraph that stated, "Ye shall overcome if ye faint not." This is thought to be taken from Galatians 6:9. We shall overcome, together han d in hand, without fear, because God will see us through; a prayer for all of us.



# The Church in Praise, 11:10 AM

Please silence all devices.

### WELCOME, OFFERING, & ANNOUNCEMENTS (11:10 AM)

Einar Rom, Steve Aubin, Megan Jones Special Offering: Adventist TV Ministries (mark your tithe envelope). Loose offerings go to local church budget.

### PRELUDE (11:15 AM)

Improvisation on "Precious Lord, Take My Hand" (A. Sheranian)

### CALL TO WORSHIP AND INVOCATION

Isaiah 40:3, 4 Keila Mejia

PRAISE

Keila Mejia, leader

### LAMB'S OFFERING AND CHILDREN'S STORY

Kumbayah *(Kum Ba Yah)* Asa Hearson, piano *Story:* Megan Jones

### PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Prayer Song: See column to the left; sung twice. Prayer: Josephine Robertson

### SCRIPTURE

Matthew 5:43–48 Jaslin Aubin

### MUSICAL SELECTION

l Am a Promise (Gloria Gaither) King's Kids, Kirosha Sidelca, director

### A RADICAL PRESCRIPTION FROM A RADICAL DOCTOR FOR RADICAL TIMES

Einar Rom Einar is our lead pastor.

#### HYMN OF DEDICATION

We Shall Overcome (see insert)

### BENEDICTION

Einar Rom

### POSTLUDE

Toccato (from Suite) (Florence Price) Feel free to remain in the sanctuary for a time of reflection during the postlude.

Andrew Sheranian, organ

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