

# Proclaiming The Good News

Quarterly newsletter of the Shiloh Seventh-day Adventist Church

JANUARY - MARCH 2024



## A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Written by Pastor Pace Fordham

Thank you for reading our newsletter! God allowed us to see some phenomenal things during this first quarter of 2024 here at Shiloh! We've already had some amazing sermons, like the Before You Give Up series that Pastor Smith led us through, and inspiring prayer meetings, like the "Prophet or Pretender" series we've been doing on Ellen G. White. We have had some historic moments like burning our mortgage and even winning our first church league basketball tournament in over 20 years, and it's only been three months! If God has done this much in only three months, I can only imagine what He will do next. I believe that this is still just the beginning! God wants to do exceedingly and abundantly above what we can even imagine.

So this is what I want you to do. As you read this newsletter, I want you to be reminded of what God has done for us in these short three months. I want you to allow the memory of His goodness to inspire you to have faith for what He will show us throughout the next stages of this year. Allow these reminders to inspire you so that we can further focus on our mission of Impacting the City together.

Lots of Love, Pace

“ *The mission of the Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church is to impact the city of Cincinnati and the surrounding areas with the gospel of Jesus Christ. We do this by experiencing God, empowering disciples, evangelizing a community, and expanding the kingdom.*  
-Shiloh's mission statement

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### WE ARE LOCATED

3660 WASHINGTON AVE.  
CINCINNATI, OH 45229

### SERVICE TIMES

- **MON-FRI**  
**LITTLE FOOTPRINTS**  
**LEARNING CENTER: 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM**
- **FOOD PANTRY DISTRIBUTION**  
**DAYS: MON & WED: 11:30 AM - 2:00 PM (2ND AND 4TH WEEK OF EACH MONTH)**
- **SAT**  
**SABBATH BREAKFAST: 9:30 AM - 10:45 AM**  
**SABBATH SCHOOL: 9:45 AM**  
**WORSHIP SERVICE: 11:15 AM**



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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## APR



- Grow Groups
- Elevation Service: The test, the trial, the triumph
- **Sensational Seniors Department**- Movin, Groovin Seniors Exercise Class (2nd Sunday of month March-June)
- 6th **Personal Ministry**- Earth's Final Days Watchman Arise
- 12th-14th **Men's Ministry**- Men's retreat
- 20th Men's breakfast/Push Forward Sabbath
- 27th Blessings of the Bike

## MAY



- 4th **Women's Ministry/Sensational Seniors** honoring women 80 and up
- 4th Mothers Day tea (AYS Department) /Mother's Day lunch prepared by Shiloh's men

## JUN

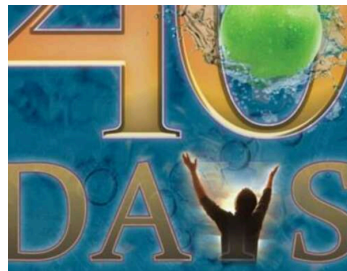


- 8th **Women's Ministry**- Women's Day Program

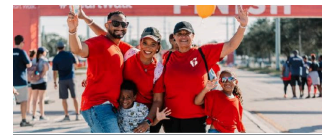
# PREVIOUS QUARTER HIGHLIGHTS



\*Congratulations\*  
 2024 Allegheny West Conference Championship Finals  
 Pee Wee team:1st place  
 Varsity team:2nd place



40 Day Devotional  
 (March 9th- April 20th)



Event:  
 2024 Cincinnati Heart Mini-Marathon & Walk  
 Sunday, March 17

Team Coach:  
 Tamara DuClair

Shiloh Steppers walking club had participated in the 2024 Cincinnati Heart Mini-Marathon



Welcome Brother Piper

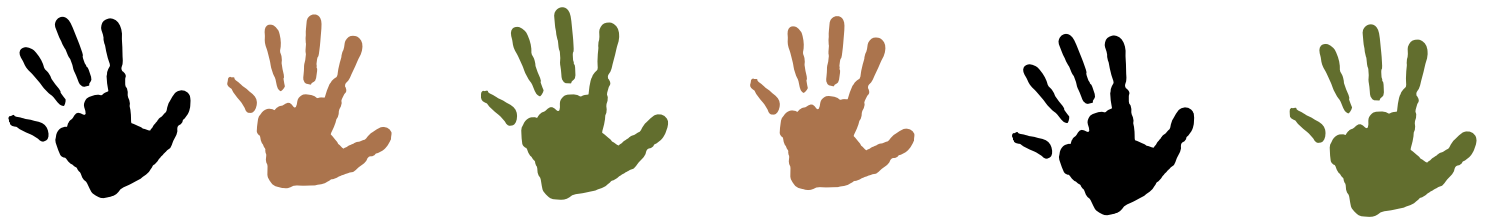


Shiloh Celebrated Black History Month



Shiloh Celebrated the Official Burning of Our Mortgage

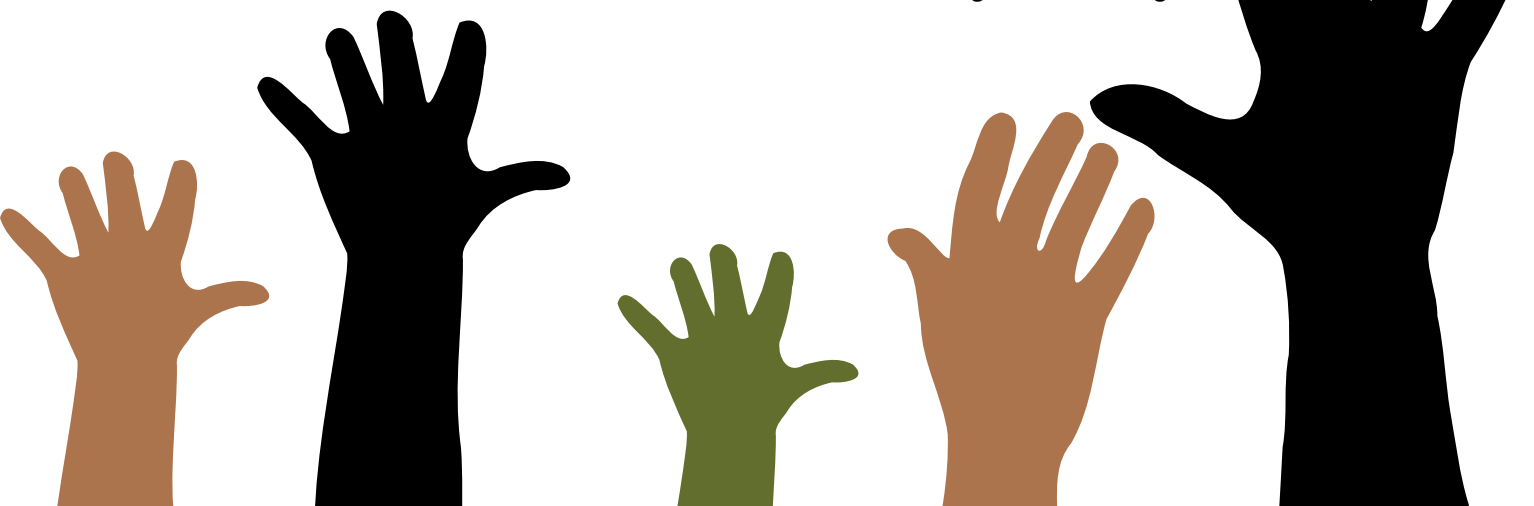




# Children's Corner

Note: Sometimes when people pray, God makes miraculous things happening because of prayer. Match each person with the miraculous happening because of prayer.

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| 1. Abraham (Genesis 18:23-33)              | a. Dorcas was raised                       |
| 2. Hezekiah (2 Kings 19:14-35)<br>fish     | b. Delivered out of a                      |
| 3. Elijah (1 Kings 18:36-38)<br>were saved | c. He and his friends                      |
| 4. Elisha (2 Kings 4:32-37)                | d. Fire consumed altar                     |
| 5. Daniel (Daniel 2:17-19)                 | e. Fire quenched                           |
| 6. Jesus (John 11:41-44)                   | f. Lazarus raised                          |
| 7. Thief on cross (Luke 23:42-43)          | g. Jail opened by<br>earthquake            |
| 8. Paul and Silas (Acts 16:25-26)          | h. Paradise assured                        |
| 9. Peter (Acts 9:40-41)                    | i. Shunammite<br>woman's son was<br>raised |
| 10. Moses (Numbers 11:1-2)                 | j. Lot spared from<br>Sodom                |
| 11. Jonah (Jonah 2:1-10)                   | k. Sennacherib's<br>army destroyed         |





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# Impacting the City of Cincinnati

Written by Candace S. Johnson PhD, Community Service Leader

## "Feeding Hope: Spotlight on Community Food Pantry"

**"Give, and it will be given to you. Good measure, pressed down, shaken together, running over, will be put into your lap. For with the measure you use it will be measured back to you." Luke 6:38 (NIV)**

The Adventist Outreach Ministries (AOM) is a beacon of hope for countless families in the Avondale community and beyond. AOM provides immediate relief by offering essential food items to individuals and families in need, access to nutritious food options, such as fresh produce and whole grain foods; and an accessible setting with a commitment to treating recipients with dignity and respect.

Pantries, such as AOM play a significant role in addressing food insecurity, especially for vulnerable populations. Food insecurity refers to limited and inconsistent access to sufficient food to support optimal living. This can have a significant impact on physical health, mental health, well-being, and educational and work performance. Food insecurity may be a consequence of poverty, lack of access to education and job opportunities, limited healthcare access, lack of affordable housing, chronic health conditions, racism, and discrimination. Let's also consider that there are times when an unexpected job loss, medical emergencies, natural disasters, and or family crisis may also contribute to food insecurity (Feeding America, <https://www.feedingamerica.org/hunger-in-america/poverty>)

The amazing statistics below illustrate how AOM has been serving the community and providing essential food items to those who are struggling to make ends meet. This data is consistent with recent feedback from our clients regarding reasons for coming to the pantry. Reasons include: "Helps my family.", "Socialization and the people are so nice. Do your heart good to see people donating their time for free.", "It helps out when you ain't got." (Family of 7); "It helps my kids. Open refrigerator and there's nothing in it to feed my kids." (Father of 4 kids), "Because of inflation and not being able to feed my family". The volunteers at AOM work tirelessly to meet this demand and disrupt the prevalence of food insecurity in the Avondale community and surrounding areas.

2024 Monthly Statistics for Q1

People Served	Jan	Feb	Mar	First Quarter
Families	507	599	535	1641
Individuals	1300	1482	1314	4096
Seniors (60+)	285	361	325	971
Adults (18-59)	565	673	592	1830
Children (Birth-17)	450	448	397	1295
Total Served	1300	1482	1314	4096
New Families	56	96	45	197
Meals Provided	11,700	13,338	11,826	36,864

By examining these statistics and stories of our clients, it becomes clear that food pantries, such as AOM are vital resources for individuals and families facing food insecurity. AOM provides a lifeline for those in need and plays a critical role in addressing hunger in communities across the country.

-Candace S. Johnson, PhD, Community Service Leader

## Support the Pantry While You Shop

Sign up for the Kroger Community Rewards Program - select Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church (organization number CD041) as the charity and we will receive donations from Kroger at no cost to you!!

<https://www.kroger.com/i/community/community-rewards>

Instructions:

1. Sign in to your Kroger digital account.
2. Scroll to locate "Community Rewards: Earn money for your social causes when you use your Plus Card".
3. Search for your organization (Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church".
4. Enter the organization name or NPO number (CD041).
5. Select the organization name from the list and click "Save".

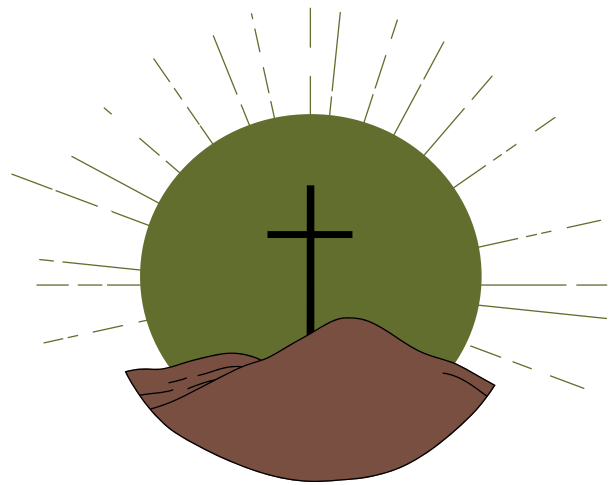
Shiloh Seventh Day Adventist Church will appear in the Kroger Community Rewards section of your Kroger Plus Card account. If you have questions and need assistance, please contact the Shiloh Community Services Department.



*Mental Health Moment  
for Women's Month  
(March)*

As we commemorate Women's Month, we recognize the resilience, strength, and invaluable contributions of women to our society and celebrate the achievements of women around the world. We especially want to recognize those within our local community and church family. However, amidst the celebrations and the busyness of daily life, it's important to consider the significance of self-care – a practice that empowers women to prioritize their well-being and thrive physically, emotionally, and spiritually. There are several meaningful ways to cultivate self-care as a cornerstone of empowerment, such as reclaiming time and space, nurturing the body and mind, establishing healthy boundaries, and fostering community and connections. However, we will focus on self-compassion as an essential component of cultivating self-care.

So, let's define self-compassion. Dr. Corine Williams (2020) describes self-compassion as "The ability to understand, accept, love and be kind to yourself. In the midst of trouble, failure, or deep regret, it is the tool God gave you to continue running this race called life." The Word of God also addresses self-compassion (ADRA, 2021, Williams, 2020). Like David, we can say, "I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful; I know that full well." Ps. 139:14 (NIV). You are God's child and He made you in His own image. If you are struggling with self-compassion, here are a few ways to increase your self-compassion: 1) Read the Bible to discover who God says you are; 2) Speak to yourself with kindness instead of harsh self-talk; 3) Seek counseling; 4) Spend time in nature; 5) Journaling; and 6) Spending time in prayer. Ladies, let's embrace self-compassion as an essential tool in our lives that allows us to treat ourselves with kindness and it reflects the love and compassion God has for us.



## A Prayer for Self-compassion

Dear God,

I pray for self-awareness today, please show me who you created me to be. Help me to love, understand, and accept myself, despite my flaws and mistakes. Show me how to love myself like you love me. I desire to run the race you've set before until I reach the finish line and I know for that, I will have to practice self-compassion over and over again. Please comfort me and help me to practice self-compassion. Lord, it's not easy to forget the things I've done but I know that You already have. Help me to receive the grace You've freely given me through your Son, Jesus Christ. I pray that I can love myself and my neighbors the way you want me to. May all that I do bring glory back to you. Thank you for your love, for forgiveness, for grace, and for hope. I am forever grateful, in Jesus' name, Amen.

Written by: Dr. Corrine Williams

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