



Seventh-day
Adventist Church
Newlife
5th Ngong' Avenue, Nairobi

Sabbath Bulletin

Theme: **"A Song of Substance"**

Key Text: **Psalm 96:1–4**



19th July 2025

VISITORS' CORNER

We are glad you joined us today. God bless you for taking time to come worship with us. We would be happy for you to make this your place of worship. If you have any questions, do not hesitate to ask our welcome team on +254 706 222 326. Check our website, church noticeboard and various social media platforms for updates. Welcome and God bless you.

OUR MISSION

The Mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ who live as His loving witnesses and proclaim to all people the everlasting gospel of the Three Angels' Messages in preparation for His soon return (Matt 28:18-20, Acts 1:8, Rev 14:6-12).



TITHE AND OFFERINGS

"But this I say: He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. So let each one give as he purposes in his heart, not grudgingly or of necessity; for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound toward you, that you, always having all sufficiency in all *things*, may have an abundance for every good work."

2nd Corinthians 9:6-8 – NKJV

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Happy Sabbath! Shabbat Shalom!

We warmly welcome you to the **Music Sabbath**. We are blessed to have you worship with us today. Our speaker is **Bro. Andrew Owino**. He will share the Word under the theme: **"A Song of Substance"**, inspired by **Psalm 96:1–4**.

Please lift **Bro. Andrew**, his family, and all who are ministering today in prayer. May God anoint them, bless them, and use them to speak to our hearts.

PASTORAL MESSAGE: "SACRED MUSIC"

According to Ellen G. White, music is a sacred gift from God—an essential means of worship, spiritual growth, and communion with the divine. She describes music as having the power to uplift, purify, and elevate the soul when used rightly, while warning against its misuse for self-glorification or worldly pleasure. As Scripture declares, "Sing to the Lord, all the earth; proclaim the good news of His salvation from day to day" (1 Chronicles 16:23, NKJV). Music, then, becomes a powerful channel for expressing reverence, gratitude, and devotion to God.

In the Seventh-day Adventist tradition, sacred music is far more than art—it is a ministry of the soul. It prepares hearts to receive God's Word, teaches biblical truths, and reflects His holiness and order. Ellen White emphasized that music in worship must be reverent, not driven by performance or emotional excess. *"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord"* (Colossians 3:16, NKJV). Through such music, hearts are drawn heavenward and faith is deepened.

Furthermore, sacred music promotes unity across the global Adventist Church, offering a shared voice of hope and praise across languages and cultures. It gives a glimpse of the eternal worship in heaven, where the redeemed sing before God's throne. "Praise the Lord with the harp; make melody to Him with an instrument of ten strings. Sing to Him a new song; play skillfully with a shout of joy" (Psalm 33:2–3, NKJV). For Ellen White, sacred music is both a safeguard against worldliness and a divine gift preparing believers to join the heavenly choir.

God bless you!

1. Servants on Duty

Elder-in-charge of:

- Order and Visitation (Week: 20th – 26th July 2025): **James Tindi**: +254 722 907 755
- Pulpit: **Emmanuel Mayakah**
- Stewardship: **Isaac Wasonga**

Today's Lead Deaconate Team:

- **Bro. Michael David Ayieko**: +254 721 660 756
- **Sis. Martha Ombui**: +254 713 736 110

For any assistance or inquiries in these areas, feel free to reach out.

2. Camp Meeting 2025

- You are encouraged to plan ahead, **take leave**, and join us for this spiritually enriching annual convocation. The dates as tabled below:

Camp Meeting	Date
Saikeri Sabbath School	10 th – 16 th Aug 2025
Adult & Children Camp	16 th – 23 rd Aug 2025

We invite you to earnestly pray for the upcoming Camp Meetings.

- This year's Camp Meeting Offering goal is **KES 2.5 million**. You are encouraged to plan and give generously. Last year, we realized **KES 984,749** against a target of **KES 2.5 million**. It is from this financial pool that the South Nairobi Kajiadio Field (SNKF) supports mission activities, including cash appropriations to churches and schools.

3. One Church, One Budget, One Programme

You are urged to give a generous offering towards the Local Church Budget (LCB). Among others, this fund meets expenses towards evangelistic campaigns/missions, Camp Meetings, Administration, Welfare, Newlife Adventist School – Saikeri (NASS), Chaplaincy and other departmental programs. Please prayerfully plan your giving through any of the below options.

- ✓ Using the offering envelope – **Local Church Budget (LCB)** section.
- ✓ M-PESA Paybill **861200**; Account: **LCB**, or
- ✓ Standard Chartered Bank, Kenyatta Avenue Branch; Account Number: **0102022990600**. Reference: **LCB**

God bless you.

4. Prayer Ministry

You are reminded to attend the virtual Midweek Prayer Meetings every Wednesday at 4:30 AM.

5. Dedication

There will be a Baby Dedication Ceremony on the Sabbath of **2nd August 2025**. Parent(s) who wish to avail his/her(their) child(ren) for this service is(are) encouraged to register via this [link](#) or send the below information to church clerk, Sis. Janet Jematia, on +254 722 560 934.

- Full name of the child.
- Date of birth of the child.
- Full name(s) of the parent(s).
- Phone number of parent(s).

6. Diaconate

- i. To uphold order and reverence in the house of God, please refrain from removing chairs from the Main.
- ii. Kindly note that conducting business within the church precincts is not permitted, except for Newlife Garden Cafeteria Limited. We appreciate your cooperation in maintaining an orderly and reverent worship environment.

7. Welfare Ministry

- i. We regret to announce the death of our member, Bro. James Atati Getabu. The late was husband to Sis. Monica Atati. The burial is planned for Friday, 25th July 2025 at Mochenwa, Nyamira County. For prayers, visitation, and material support, kindly contact Sis. Doreen Atati on +254 717 116 902
- ii. Sis. Irene Omogi (Deputy Stewardship Leader), lost her beloved father, Mzee Robert Omogi, on the Sabbath of 28th June 2025. The burial is scheduled for Friday, 1st August 2025 at their home in Mfangano Island, Homa-Bay County. Sis. Irene stays in *House #241, Nyayo Estate*, in Embakassi and can be reached on +254 722 802 850.
- iii. Bro. James Torore Makori (+254 721 228 229) and Sis. Hilda Oburu-Makori lost their daughter, Lorean Makori on 16th July 2025. Additional details to be communicated later. The family resides at Nyayo Estate, Court 190, House No. 51

and are active members of Embakasi Prayer Cell.-

- iv. Bro. Fredrick Opande and Vincent Opande sincerely thanks the Newlife Community for the love, material support, and presence when they lost their beloved mum, Mama Kesia Aloo Opande. Your kind words and comforting presence before and after the burial of Mum meant so much to us. God bless you.
- v. Bro. Dickson Kipkirui Yego (+254 702 556 359 / +254 754 494 336) and Sis. Lilian Jepkoech sincerely thank the Newlife community for standing with them during the darkest days of their lives following the loss and burial of their one-year-old son, Hazariah Kipchirchir. Your presence, prayers, and kind words brought comfort and strength amid unimaginable grief. May God bless you abundantly.

Let us uphold the bereaved families in our prayers. Your messages of comfort and gestures of support will mean a great deal to them during this difficult time. "The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, And saves such as have a contrite spirit." – Psalm 34:18, NKJV.

- vi. The Welfare Department is appealing to church members to support those in need through in-kind donations. Many among us are facing hunger or could greatly benefit from clothing donations. If you have items to give, such as food or clothes that are no longer in use, please consider contributing to this noble cause. For more information on how to offer your support, contact the Welfare leader, Sis. Eucabeth Onuong'a, on +254 722 741 282.

8. Nurture, Retention and Reclamation: Baptism

Those who desire to be baptised are invited to get in touch with the Pastors or Elders and to join the Baptismal Class. The class meets every Sabbath from 8:30 AM for Bible study.

9. Ambassadors Ministry

The annual Ambassadors Retreat will be held in Diani from 27th August to 1st September 2025. The cost is KES 15,500 inclusive of transport, accommodation and meals. Those interested in

attending should reach out to the Treasurer, Sis. Sharon Ochuka on, +254 114 562 080.

10. Young Adults Ministry

Young Adults are reminded of their Sabbath School class every Sabbath at 8:00 AM. The class meets next to where the Church Choir sits.

11. Adventist Men's Ministries (AMM)

The leadership encourages all men who are not in the AMM WhatsApp group to contact the secretary to be added.

12. Adventist Women's Ministries (AWM)

- i. There will be the Sabbath Afternoon "Straight Talk" today at 2:00 PM in the garden. All women are encouraged to attend.
- ii. The AWM is visiting the Industrial Area prison today, 19th July 2025. Please remember them in prayer.
- iii. There will be outreach missions on the Sabbath of 26th July 2025 in three groups as follows:
 - KNH in conjunction with the Chaplaincy department.
 - Sagana church ministered to by AWM in 2024 – follow-up visit.
 - Kibera follow-up visit.
- iv. All women who are not in the AWM WhatsApp group are urged to reach out to the Secretary, Sis. Rebecca, on +254 742 379 009, to be added.

13. Publishing & SOP Department

The Publishing and Spirit of Prophecy (SOP) Department invites all members to read the *books of the year* and join our weekly Reading Fellowship, held every *Sunday from 8:00-9:00 PM via Zoom*. Active discussions are ongoing, with updates and resources shared through our WhatsApp group. Follow this [link](#) to join. All are welcome!

14. Public Campus Ministries (PCM)

- i. You are requested to continue uplifting our institutions of higher learning in prayer as we minister to expand God's Kingdom in these 'white fields'.
- ii. The PCM kindly reminds all members who pledged to support the Campus Ministry to follow through by reaching out to either the PCM

Secretary, Korimbas Odiwuor through +254 796 648 125, or the PCM Leader, Elder Maxwell Ngala through +254 720 306 675.

- iii. The ministry invites members interested in serving as mentors or guest speakers at public campuses to enroll and contribute to this initiative. For more information, kindly contact the Secretary, Bro. Korimbas Mophine, on +254 796 648 125.

15. Family Life Ministries

- i. The ministry is holding bi-monthly online Zoom sessions every Tuesday from 8:00 – 9:00 PM effective 13th May 2025. The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, **22nd July 2025**. Please don't miss. This initiative is anchored on the belief that the family is a vital institution for nurturing faith, values and character. Please plan to join.
- ii. Are you struggling with social, spiritual, emotional, mental health challenges and in need of support? Family life and counseling departments are offering free counseling services to individuals, couples and families through the Pastoral office. Those who are interested, please contact, Family Life Ministries Leader (+254 723 415 137), Church Pastors, or Counseling Ministry Leader (+254 788 311 306) for facilitation. The services are available from Monday to Friday here in church.

16. Counselling Ministry

The ministry reminds you that it is here to support your mental, emotional, and spiritual well-being. Why Counselling Matters?

- i. **Therapy is Normal:** It's okay to seek help—mental health is just as important as physical health.
- ii. **Safe & Confidential:** A private space to heal, grow, and be heard.
- iii. **Faith & Healing:** Christian therapy supports your walk with God while addressing life's challenges.
- iv. **Stronger Relationships:** Learn healthy communication and strengthen your connections.
- v. **Build Resilience:** Gain tools for coping, self-care, and emotional strength.

Let's break the stigma & grow together in Christ.

17. Chaplaincy Ministry – Hospital

The ministry supports the sick both at home and in hospitals. If you need these services, reach out to the Chaplaincy Ministry – Hospital leader, **Sis. Nelly Koskei**, on **+254 721 864 793** or the Diaconate leadership.

All visitors are humbly requested to meet the **Interest Coordination** team immediately after the Divine Service on the right-hand side of the sanctuary next to where the pulpit team sits. 🙏

18. Church Clerks’ Desk

a. Wedding Banns

Youth intending to get married and married couples intending to formalise their union should notify the church **AT LEAST 3 MONTHS** before the date of the wedding. Wedding notification forms are available from Monday to Friday at the Pastor’s office (church secretary). You may also contact any of the Church Clerks or reach us through our church website.

b. Collection of Baptismal and Baby Dedication Certificates

Members are requested to collect their baptismal and baby dedication certificates. Some certificates, dating back to 2024, remain uncollected.

c. Church Membership Review

The church is in the process of reviewing and updating its Register of Members. Church Members are requested to visit our website through the [link](#) to submit their records or visit the Church Clerks’ Desk to confirm their membership details.

d. Church Clerks’ Services

Church members and visitors are reminded of the services offered at the Church Clerks’ Desk (**next to EXIT 3**). They include; Membership Review, registration for Baby Dedication, collection of Baby Dedication certificates, Baptismal Certificates, Wedding Notification Forms, and Membership Transfer Request forms. You are most welcome.

COUNSELLING MINISTRY MEMO

LOSS AND GRIEF

Support Systems in Times of Grief: The Role of the Church Community

Grief is one of the most profound and personal experiences a human can endure. Whether it stems from the loss of a loved one, a relationship, health, or a life dream, the pain can feel isolating and overwhelming. In such times, one of the most powerful tools for healing is community support—and in particular, the compassionate embrace of the church congregation.

1. God Created Us for Community

- Being surrounded by a caring and understanding community helps to:
- Affirm their humanity and emotions.
- Counteract isolation that often accompanies loss.
- Serve as the hands and feet of Christ, offering tangible love and support.

2. What Congregational Support Looks Like

A grieving person often won't say what they need, and sometimes, they don't know themselves. As a church, we are called to step into that silence with compassion. Some practical ways the church can support grieving members include:

- a. Presence Over Words
- b. Prayer and Spiritual Encouragement
- c. Practical Help

Provide meals for the grieving family.

Help with household chores or errands.

Offer transport or companionship for appointments or church events.

- d. Grief Support Groups and Counseling
- e. Long-Term Care

Grief doesn't end after the funeral. Often, the pain intensifies in the weeks and months that follow.

BE PRESENT TO SUPPORT



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ORDER OF WORSHIP

Music Sabbath

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SABBATH SCHOOL (08:00 – 9:00 AM)

Song Service:	Choristers
Opening Prayer:	Bro. Rodgers Marema
Welcome & Introduction:	Sis. Erica Odhiambo
Opening Song:	Sis. Deborah Maangi / Choristers
Special Thought:	Sis. Jeda Jemmy
Special Song:	Bro. Rodgers Marema (Young Adults Choir / Choristers)
Mission Story:	Bro. Robert Olewe (Title: "A Wise Decision" Genius, Zimbabwe)
Closing Song:	Bro. Richard Okoth / Young Adults Choir / Choristers
Closing Prayer:	Sis. Erica Odhiambo

CHURCH AT STUDY (9:00 – 10:00 AM)

Lesson Study:	Lesson Classes in Church and the Online Church Panel
Closing Prayer & Song Service:	Sabbath School Superintendent & Choristers

HEALTH NUGGET & ANNOUNCEMENT HIGHLIGHTS (10:00 – 10:30 AM)

Health Nugget:	Sis. Stephanie Kemunto, (Topic: "Herbal Intoxication in Children")
Announcements Highlights:	Eld. James Tindi
Worship in Music:	Choristers

DIVINE SERVICE (10:30 AM – 12:35 PM)

Doxology:	Choristers
Invocation:	Bro. Andrew Owino
Welcome & Introduction:	Eld. William Otieno
Welcome Song (SDAH #469):	Choristers
Scripture Reading (Psalm 96:1–4):	Bro. Jeff Omondi
Hymn of Praise (SDAH #452 & #253):	Bro. Jeff Omondi
Pastoral Prayer:	Eld. Duncan Amayo
Offertory / Stewardship:	Sis. Anne Okemwa
Special Song (1 Item):	Young Adults Choir, AWM Choir, Redemption Choir
Offertory Response:	Choristers
Children's Sermon:	Sis. Rebecca Opere & Children's Choir
Special Songs (3 Hymns & 2 Items):	Congregational (3 Hymns), Newlife Choristers Choir, Church Choir
Sermon (Topic: "A Song of Substance"):	Bro. Andrew Owino
Closing Song (SDAH #452):	Choristers
Benediction:	Bro. Andrew Owino
Recessional Hymns (2 Hymns):	Choristers

AFTERNOON SERVICE (2:30 – 4:30 PM)

Song Service:	Pastoral and Deaconate
Music Session:	Church Choir, Young Adults Choir, Newlife Choristers Choir, Redemption Singers, Proactive Choir, AWM Choir
Bible Study / Presentation:	Bro. Andrew Owino
Music Session:	Church Choir, Young Adults Choir, Newlife Choristers Choir, Redemption Singers, Proactive Choir, AWM Choir
Closing Remarks / Vote of Thanks:	Eld. Duncan Amayo

Sign Language Interpreters: Hope Mandela and Stephen Koina

Choristers: Melanie Osuri, Laura Otieno, Godwin Ouma, Gilbert Okinyi

Pianist: Nathan Ongoya

Music Department Council: Duncan Amayo (Director), Fredrick Mege (Deputy Director) Erica Odhiambo (Secretary), and Eld. William Otieno (Elder-in-Charge)

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