

Sabbath Bulletin

Theme: "Why is Jesus our Saviour?"

Key Text: Acts 2:41–47



26th July 2025

VISITORS' CORNER

We are glad you joined us today. God bless you for taking the time to 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 Prayer Cell Sabbath. We are blessed to have you worship with us today. Our speaker is Pr. Festus Njagi. He will share the Word under the theme: "Why is Jesus our Saviour?", inspired by Acts 2:41–47.

Please keep **Pr. Njagi**, 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: "GRACE THROUGH GRIEF"

Grief is a deeply human experience—one that even Jesus Himself embraced. When He stood at Lazarus' tomb, "Jesus wept" (John 11:35). Those two words, though short, are powerful. They remind us that our Saviour does not stand aloof from sorrow; He steps into it with us. Whether we are mourning a loved one, grieving a lost dream, or enduring silent pain, God is not distant. "The Lord is near to those who have a broken heart, and saves such as have a contrite spirit" (Psalm 34:18). His nearness is not theoretical; it is real, present, and deeply comforting.

In seasons of grief, we are not called to suppress sorrow but to carry it to the Lord. David cried out, "My tears have been my food day and night" (Psalm 42:3), yet he also declared, "Hope in God, for I shall yet praise Him" (Psalm 42:11). Grief and hope are not opposites; they often walk together. The presence of grief does not signal the absence of faith. Rather, it opens a door to experience God's faithfulness in new, tender ways. "Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted" (Matthew 5:4). That blessing is a promise from Christ Himself.

Ultimately, God does not just comfort us—He redeems our grief. Revelation 21:4 gives us a future hope: "God will wipe away every tear from their eyes; there shall be no more death, nor sorrow, nor crying." But even now, He begins that healing. He walks with us, gently gathers our tears (Psalm 56:8), and shapes our sorrow into a testimony. In Christ, grief is not the end—it is a sacred space where God meets us, transforms us, and leads us forward with grace.

God bless you!

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. &

1. Servants on Duty

Elder-in-charge of:

- Order and Visitation (Week: 27th July 2nd August 2025): Tom Omurwa: +254 723 539 813
- Pulpit: Denis Munda
- Stewardship: Denis Munda

Today's Lead Deaconate Team:

- Bro. Shadrach Amadi: +254 743 486 908
- Sis. Rose Matoka: +254 721 967 343

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

2. Camp Meeting 2025

i. You are encouraged to plan ahead, take leave, and join us for this spiritually enriching annual convocation. The dates are as follows:

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.

ii. 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 Kajiado Field (SNKF) supports mission activities, including cash appropriations to churches and schools.

3. Prayer Ministry

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

4. Dedication

There will be a Baby Dedication Ceremony on the Sabbath of **2**nd **August 2025**. Parent(s) who wish to avail his/her(their) child(ren) for this service is(are) encouraged to register via this <u>link</u> 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).

5. One Church, One Budget, One Programme

Next Sabbath, 2nd August 2025, being the first Sabbath of the month, 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 Number: 861200; Account:
 LCB. or
- ✓ Standard Chartered Bank, Kenyatta Avenue Branch; Account Number: 0102022990600. Reference: LCB

God bless you.

6. Security: Parking Lot Safety Reminder

You are reminded to exercise UTMOST CAUTION WHEN DRIVING within the parking lot. There have been avoidable incidents where children are accidentally knocked down. Kindly stay alert, drive slowly, and always check your surroundings—especially when reversing. Let's prioritise the safety of our little ones.

7. Diaconate

- 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.

8. Welfare Ministry

i. With a heavy heart, we announce the sudden death of our member Shepherdess Mary Tumpes, which occurred on Wednesday, 23rd July 2025, due to a brain aneurysm. The late Mary was the mother of Jemimah Nasila and Brighton Seruni, and the wife to our member and SNKF Executive Secretary, Pr. Emmanuel Tumpes (+254 727 317 631). The family is an

- active member of Ongata Rongai-Kiserian Prayer Cell and resides in Ongata-Rongai.
- 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 B. Makori lost their daughter, Lauryn Nyaboke Makori on Wednesday, 16th July 2025. A fundraiser is scheduled for Tuesday, 29th July 2025 at Nairobi Central Adventist Church (Old Sanctuary) followed by a funeral service from 12:00 noon to 4:00 PM on Wednesday, 30th July 2025 here in church. Burial will be held on Friday, 1st August 2025 at Riensune, Nyansiongo, Nyamira County. The family resides at Nyayo Estate, Court 190, House No. 51 and are active members of Embakasi Prayer Cell.
- iv. Bro. Daniel Odhiambo (+254 735 825 269), a deacon, lost his father-in-law, Mzee Norbert Otieno Radolo. Burial was held yesterday, Friday, 25th July 2025 at Ligega, Unyolo village, Ugenya Constituency, Siaya County.

Let us continue to uphold the bereaved families in our prayers. Your messages of comfort and gestures of support will mean so much in this difficult season.

- v. The Welfare Department is appealing to church members to support those in need through inkind 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.
- 9. 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.

10. 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.

11. 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.

12. 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.

13. Adventist Women's Ministries (AWM)

- The AWM has two outreach missions today as follows:
 - Sagana church follow-up visit ministered to by AWM in 2024.
 - Mbagathi County Referral Hospital at 2:00 PM.

Please remember the Newlife AWM family in prayer as they engage in today's outreach missions and as they mourn the loss of their active member, the late Shepherdess Mary Tumpes. May the God of all comfort surround them with peace, strength, and hope (2 Corinthians 1:3–4).

- ii. Kindly note that the AWM Breakfast, originally scheduled for tomorrow, has been postponed to a later date to be communicated.
- iii. 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.

iv. Publishing & SOP Department

The Publishing and Spirit of Prophecy (SOP) Department invites all members to read this year's books 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. Click here to join. All are welcome!

14. Family Life Ministries

- i. The ministry is holding bi-monthly online Zoom sessions every Tuesday from 8:00 9:00 PM. The next session is scheduled for Tuesday, 5th August 2025. Please make every effort to attend. This initiative is based 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, or mental health challenges and in need of support? Family life and counselling departments are offering free counselling 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 Counselling Ministry Leader (+254 788 311 306) for facilitation. The services are available from Monday to Friday here in church.

iii. 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.

15. 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.

16. 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 either to the PCM Secretary, Korimbas Odiwuor through +254 796 648 125, or to 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.

To have your announcement included in this bulletin, kindly submit it to the church clerks by Tuesday, 5:00 PM (EAT). &

17. 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 THREE 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 Baptism 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 <u>link</u> 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.

CHURCH BOARD OF RECOMMENDATIONS

a. Incoming Membership Transfers (First Reading)

S/No.	Name	Seventh-day Adventist Church From
1.	Omondi Oscar Amuom	Awendo East, Ranen Conference
2.	Scola Marion Nyakweba Papin	Satellite Newlife, Central Kenya Conference
3.	Willys Odour Orwe	Otange, Lake Victoria Field
4.	Wycliff Sylvannas Oroo	Multi Media University, SNKF

b. Outgoing Membership Transfers (First Reading)

S/No.	Name	Seventh-day Adventist Church To
1.	Dalvin Bosibori Momanyi	Mwangaza, East Nairobi Field
2.	Irene Moraa Ondari	Western Brook - Oloika, SNKF

c. Additional Church Workers (First Reading)

Proposed Re-organisation of Voice of Prophecy Department 1. Bro. Edison Moreno (Leader) 2. Bro. Frank Apiyo (Deputy Leader) 3. Sis. Betty Gabantu (Council Member) 4. Sis. Emily Okuku (Council Member) 5. Bro. Timothy Anyona (Council Member)

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 Counselling
- 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







ORDER OF WORSHIP

Prayer Cell Sabbath

26th July 2025

SABBATH SCHOOL (08:00 - 9:00 AM)

Song Service: Choristers

Opening Prayer: Sis. Melonet Ongeche
Welcome & Introduction: Sis. Beatrice Ombewa

Welcome & Introduction:

Opening Song:

Sis. Beatrice Ombewa

Bro. Collins Kimathi / Choristers

Special Thought: Bro. Edward Omollo

Special Song: Bro. Alloyce Langa (Sis. Evelyn Lelei)

Mission Story: Eld. Billy Otieno (Title: "Crying for Rain" – Sibongile, Zimbabwe)

Closing Song: Bro. Alloyce Langa / Choristers

Closing Prayer: Sis. Beatrice Ombewa

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 (Topic: "Handling Grief"):

Announcements Highlights:

Eld. Tom Omurwa

Worship in Music: Choristers

DIVINE SERVICE (10:30 AM - 12:35 PM)

Doxology: Choristers

Invocation: Pr. Festus Njagi
Welcome & Introduction: Eld. Jared Manyara

Welcome Song (**SDAH #469**): Choristers

Scripture Reading ("Acts 2:41-47"):

Sis. Mercy Odiwuor

Hymn of Praise (SDAH #269):

Sis. Mercy Odiwuor

Pastoral Prayer: Eld. Jared Manyara
Offertory / Stewardship: Bro. Eutychus Matagaro

Special Song (1 Item each): Sis. Evelyn Lelei, Young Adults Choir

Offertory Response: Choristers

Children's Sermon (Title: "The Brave Queen"): Esther Hadassah Amondi Onyango

Special Song: Young Adults Choir

Sermon (Title: "Why is Jesus our Saviour?"): Pr. Festus Njagi

Closing Song (SDAH #12): Choristers

Benediction: Pr. Festus Njagi

Recessional Hymns: Choristers

AFTERNOON SERVICE (2:00 – 4:00 PM)

Church Business Meeting: Pr. Gerald Mochoge, Personal Ministries Leader, & Church Clerk

Sign Language Interpreters: Hope Mandela and Stephen Koina

Choristers: Evelyn Lelei, Joy Alai, Lenin Were, Owen Moseti

Pianist: Bro. Kevin Onyango

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