

### HOW?

Contact Regina Davis (419)-403-9718 to sign up for the bootcamp. Deadline is 3/30/24.

### WHO?

Anyone who wants to learn how to be an effective soul winner for Christ Connect with new people Give Bible studies Ask people for decisions Pass out literature Pray with others

& More

# International Food Festival

March 23rd 8:00pm



# In His Steps

What would you do if it was your last day on earth?

Find out what Jesus did.

March 29th 7:00pm

# **New Church Directory**

A church clerk will be in the foyer after church on Sabbaths through April. Please stop by and update your information. You can also do it online, see the link in the Toledo First Newsletter email. You may choose what information you want published in the directory. You can have your photo included in the directory or not. We will not have a photography session, but we can snap a picture for you after Sabbath service or you can send one in to Cindy or Janessa.

Please contact Cindy Leibengood or Janessa Garman if you have pictures or questions. Thank you and happy Sabbath!

clerk@tfsda.org

## Your Week at a Glance:

Office Hours ~ Wed. Thurs. Fri. 10:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Pastor's Hours** ~ Kojo is out of the office until Friday March 23rd. He can be reached via phone.

Monday ~ Life Formation Bible Study 5:45 pm

**Wednesday** ~ God's Pantry 12:00 pm to 2:30 pm Bible Study at 6:30pm

Next Sabbath ~ Singspiration 9:30am
Sabbath School 10:00 am
International Food Festival 8:00pm



You can also give online by going to toledofirstadvenitst.org and selecting online giving from the menu.

# *Toledo First Seventh-day Adventist Church* 4909 West Sylvania Avenue, Toledo, OH 43623-3355

Church phone: 419-882-6200
Pastor Kojo Twumasi: 347-791-1391 cell
Office Manager: 818-399-7790 (text only)
Toledo Junior Academy: 419-841-0082
James Meade Learning Center: 419-843-5097
Pastor email: kojo.twumasi@ohioadventist.org
Church office email: office@toledofirstadventist.org
Church website: www.toledofirstadventist.org
toledofirst wifi password: godisgood



## **Toledo First Welcomes You!**

March 16, 2024

Welcome & Opening Prayer ~ Rose Cross

Worship in Song ~ Gary Gooden & Megan Cross "Oh How I Love Jesus Alpha & Omega Medley" "As The Deer"

**Praise** ~ Cathie Heath

**Special Music** ~ Toledo First Praise Team

Scripture Reading ~ Adrian Pryce 1 Thessalonians 4:13

**Sermon** ~ Cavin Atkins

GREATER Understanding:
I Do Not Want You to Be Ignorant

Closing Hymn ~ "I Will Rise"

Offering ~ Rose Cross

Blessing

# Praying for You

John Fortune: Healing for bad fall/ the ability to return home

**Helen Konewka:** Healing for infection **Joshua Whitaker:** Shelter & healing

Ray Wagner (Janell's Dad): Healing from car bad accident

Maria: Healing for her heart and stroke problems

Sally: Family healing

**Linda** (Saira's mom): chest pain & pressure **Judy Riley** (Bill's mom): Healing from cancer

**Sara Fryman:** Physical, familial, financial & spiritual health **Claire:** 13 year old having multiple undiagnosed seizures **Sharon Crosby:** Healing for her ankle and leg surgeries

Cavin Atkins: Healing of eyes

Betsy (Lou Bill's Niece): Health concerns

Nancy: Mental, financial and spiritual health & healing

**Aaron:** Proper diagnosis & healing from his health problems **Patricia Kash:** Blessings of healing & comfort with her cancer **Josh Arhns:** Healing, strength, & comfort for his stomach cancer

**Tena:** Healing & strength for cancer & difficult chemo treatment

Efrain Martes: Healing for back & leg pain

**Debbie:** Healing, good health, love, & solid finances **Jonathan** (Cathie's son): Strength from the Lord **Mary Snowberger:** Improvements of her health

Annette Martes: Health & healing

Jean Kline: Health & healing during her current health trials

Kimiko Kawakami: Health & healing

## Praying for families that have lost loved ones:

Sheridan Ellis lost her brother, Franklin. Cynthia Coffee lost her cousin; a dear friend. Linda Bilby lost her sister in law, Kelly Rutter.

# **COMING UP**

#### MARCH:

- Mar. 23 International Food Festival 8:00pm
- Mar. 24 Men's Wildwood Hike & Breakfast 9:00am
- Mar. 29 Resurrection Weekend Part One 7:00pm
- Mar. 29 In His Steps Youth Event 7:00-8:30pm
- Mar. 30 Resurrection Weekend Part Two 11:00am

#### APRIL:

- Evangelism Bootcamp Sabbaths 1:00pm
- Adventurers 1st/3rd 6:00-7:00pm
- Pathfinders 1st/3rd Sabbaths 1:00-3:00pm

#### **NEWSLETTER:**

Please notify the office immediately if you are not already getting the weekly Toledo First Newsletter email. Text 818-399-7790, email office@toledofirstadventist.org or leave a note in the office manager's church box with your name and email address.

### CHILDREN'S CHOIR:

 Any child from Kindergarten to 8th grade is welcome to join our new children's choir. Currently meeting right after church in the school. Please contact Elizabeth Jimenez (760-519-5427) for more information.

#### **CHURCH MINISTRIES:**

- Kings Closet- A clothing and non-food items ministry on Sundays by appointment only. (Call: 419-944-1706)
- God's Pantry Food pantry open Wednesdays from 12:00pm -2:30pm. Use entrance under the canopy.

# **Volunteers Needed!**

We are in need of a few physically strong & dependable volunteers to take on the free bread ministry. The bread needs to be picked up Thursday nights at 10:00pm at the Panera in Holland on Airport Hwy every week. The bread can be sorted and bagged after pick up or the next morning by another volunteer. Please help us keep this wonderful ministry going at Toledo First!

# WELCOME

We extend a special welcome to those who are single, married, divorced, gay, filthy rich, dirt poor, y no habla ingles. We extend a special welcome to those who are crying newborns, skinny as a rail, or could afford to lose a few pounds. We welcome you if you sing like Andrea Bocelli or can't carry a note in a bucket. You're welcome here if you're just browsing, just woke up, or just got out of jail. We don't care if you're more Catholic than the Pope, or haven't been in church since little Joey's baptism. We welcome service dogs and their handlers. We welcome Muslims, Jews, politicians, and sinners like us. We extend a special welcome to those who are over 60 but not grown up yet, and to teenagers who are growing up too fast. We welcome soccer moms, NASCAR dads, starving artists, tree-huggers, latte-sippers, vegetarians, junk-food eaters. We welcome those who are in recovery or still addicted. We welcome you if you're having problems, or you're down in the dumps, or you don't like "organized religion;" we've been there too. If you blew all your offering money at the casino, you're welcome here. We offer a special welcome to those who think the earth is flat, who work hard, don't work, can't spell, or come because grandma is in town and wanted to go to church. We welcome those who are inked, pierced, or both. We offer a special welcome to those who could use a prayer right now, had religion shoved down your throat as a kid, or got lost in traffic and wound up here by mistake. We welcome tourists, seekers, doubters, bleeding hearts . . . and you.

No one has ever seen God; but if we love each other, God lives in us and his love is made complete in us. - 1 John 4:12