

NEW WEEKLY SERIES

The Spirit of Prophecy | Vol 1 | Episode 10

Paul continues with an illustration of the present imperfect state, and the future state perfection and glory: "When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; But when I became a man, I put away childish things." Verse 11. His childhood represents the present imperfect state; his manhood, the perfection of the immortal state. This is evident. Now suppose we are wrong, and that Paul's childhood represents the church in his day, endowed with the gifts; and that his manhood represents the church after his death, stripped of the gifts of the Holy Spirit, and fast sinking away toward the great apostasy! Absurdity!

And still the apostle continues with another beautiful illustration of the change from the present dispensation, during which the Church was to enjoy the comparatively dim light of the gifts, as she walked by faith and hope, to the open glories of the world to come, when the redeemed shall walk with God in Eden restored, and talk face to face with Christ and angels. He says: "For now we see through a glass darkly; but then, face to face." Verse 12. To the view that the gifts were to cease at the death of the first apostles, and that with their death came the glorious change illustrated by these words of the apostle, we need only to repeat, absurdity!

The truth of God upon this subject is consistent and harmonious with itself, and with all divine truth. The spirit of prophecy, in consequence of the fall and man's separation from the visible presence of God, became a necessity. This necessity has not been obviated by any past change of dispensation. And no dispensation needs the gifts of the Holy Spirit more than the Christian age; and at no time in the long period of man's separation from God's visible presence, have they been so much needed as amid the perils of the raging tempests of the last days. But when the Redeemer shall come, the controversy be ended, the saints' rest given, and they, all immortal, meet around the throne with angels, and face to face behold the glory of God and the Lamb, the spirit of prophecy will be numbered among Heaven's choicest blessings of the past.

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"Reflecting God's Love, Advancing God's Kingdom"

Welcome

Welcome to the East Auckland City Seventh-day Adventist Church.
We pray that your time with us will be blessed as we worship together.

Tonight Prayer Meeting

Wednesday 29th January 7:00pm

Speaker: Sister Hinevai Leverd

Topic: Give us this day our...Matt 6:11 Forgive us our sins...Luke 11:4

Next Week Prayer Meeting

Speaker: Sister Saru Ndlovu

Topic: Bring us not into...Matt 6:13 + Thine is the kingdom...Matt 6:13

Sabbath

Divine Worship – 11:00am

Divine Service Speaker: Pastor Tehui Leverd

Topic: Nutrition: Fuelling Your Temple | Daniel 1:8

BIBLE VERSE

"But He, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, and did not destroy them. Yes, many a time He turned His anger away, and did not stir up all His wrath" (Psalm 78:38, NKJV)

This Week

SUNSET	OFFERING	CLEANING
Start Time: 08:32pm Date: 31 st January 2025	Sabbath School Offering GC for World Mission	Next Week Duty 1: Feb 2 nd – Feb 7 th Sister Saru Ndlovu
End Time: 08:31pm Date: 1 st February 2025	Divine Service Offering Local Church	Duty 2: Feb 2 nd – Feb 7 th Sister Saru Ndlovu

VISITORS

Welcome to our visitors and newcomers. Please let our greeters know that you are visiting today. We would like to officially welcome you, and we are so happy to have join us

INVEST IN OUR YOUTH

If you have any home jobs that the youth can do for donation to help them get to NZYC , please contact brother Jay on 0210508871 or email knox151988@gmail.com

SPECIAL ORDINATION

Special Ordination for Elders, Deacons, Deaconesses Sabbath, 1st February at 11am Divine Service. We invite all church members to witness the ordination ceremony and prayers.

EA LEADERSHIP DAY

EA Leadership Day, Sunday, 16th February 9am-3pm, with a fellowship lunch. We invite all church leadership from all church departments to attend for planning and GROW discussions for 2025.

MEN'S MINISTRY MEETING

The Men's Ministry Meeting, will be held Sabbath, the 15th of February at 4pm. We invite all Men single and married to attend for fellowship, planning and prayer.

SABBATH SCHOOL COUNCIL MEETING

This meeting for all Adult, Youth, Baptismal Sabbath School Class facilitators, Children's Ministries facilitators and volunteers | Sabbath, 1st February at 2.30pm. Please see Elder Ross D. for more information

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

We have arranged an amazing guest speaker for 7pm at EA Church on Thursday 13th February. Pastor Johnny Wong, Gateway Adventist Centre, is a church planter in Melbourne, Australia, and the founder of Gateway Adventist Centre. He has conducted training in over twenty (20) countries worldwide, covering topics such as Care Group, Discipleship, Leadership, and Church Planting.

SABBATH COMBINED LUNCH

Sabbath 8th February. We invite you to bring what you can but most importantly yourselves. Any other contribution is greatly appreciated. Please drop your vegetarian dishes off in the kitchen before Divine Service starts for our team to warm up. On behalf of the hospitality team, we thank you, God bless.

PLEASE HELP - COMMUNITY SERVICES

Some of our local church members are facing some hard times and are seeking help with groceries. Our supplies are very low at the moment, and we kindly ask for any donations of food, toiletries and cleaning materials so we can assist our families. All contributions will be much appreciated. Thank you.

CAP MONEY

Are you interested in learning how to manage well the money God has given you? To Spend well, Budget well and Save well? Well we have a 3-night course over 3 Thursdays running at our Church called CAP Money! Starting Thursday 16th Jan, then 23rd and 30th Jan all at 7pm. Please register here

https://capmoney.org/en_NZ/joinacourse/677f0d62950f0cd3ac0e0852

Or contact Brother John Mata'afa 021 165 3772

We just ask for a Koha or donation of whatever you can afford sometime during the course thank you

REMINDER HOUSEKEEPING

1. As a general condition we request **No Food to be eaten in the Church Sanctuary** anywhere immediate area at any time and including IT Room. Snacks for children can be eaten in Children's Room | Mothers Quiet Room during Church Services but we request no hot food or plates of food during combined lunches are to be eaten inside the Children's Room | Mothers Room

2. **PLEASE! NO chewing gum** is to be bought into the EA Church facility at any time.

3. A gentle reminder for all Church Departments to remember to secure the gate before leaving EA Church premises and facilities.

FIRST-AID TRAINING

We ask that all members participate in the first-aid training that we will have at the church on 23rd February 2025. This is special training which will incorporate the usage of our new defibrillator. We never know when someone will need the help of this device, so it is necessary for all members to know how to use it in the event that someone needs lifesaving first-aid.

UPCOMING CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Sabbath School Council Meeting | Sabbath 1st February | 2:30pm
2. Ordination | Sabbath 1st February | Elders | Deacons | Deaconesses
3. Combined Church Lunch | 8th February 2025
4. Men's Ministry Meeting | Sabbath 15th February 4pm
5. EA Leadership Day, Sunday, 16th February 9am-3pm | Fellowship Lunch
6. First-Aid training to be held in church on 23rd February 2025 at 10am.
7. Next Church Board Meeting | 23rd February 2025 | 5:30pm on Zoom
8. Outreach Concert | Australian Violinist Hayden Wiseman | At EACSDA Church | 2:00 PM (to be confirmed) | Sabbath, March 22, 2025
9. Next Church Business Meeting | Sunday, 30th March 2025 | On Zoom and In Person (Time to be confirmed)

Prayer Requests

"...Lord, teach us to pray,..." Luke 11:1

The very first step in approaching God is to know and believe the love the He has to us (1 John 4:16) for it is through the drawing of His love that we are led to come to Him. — MB 104.5

- 🙏 Pray for child-like faith to acknowledge God's changeless love towards you.
- 🙏 Cultivate the attitude of praising God in your prayers. Allow the Holy Spirit to deepen your conviction of your great need of God.
- 🙏 Ask God to teach you how to pray faith—fuelled prayers in the Spirit, just like the disciples asked Jesus. He is willing to teach us.
- 🙏 Pray for the blood of Christ to cover our leaders in the frontline, Pastor and family, Elders and family, Deacons and Deaconess, Board members and Ministry leadership team.
- 🙏 Pray for church evangelism plans 2025 and prayerfully prepare your heart and family for God's mission and harvest in our East Auckland Suburb.
- 🙏 Uplift in prayer our young people planning to attend NZYC in Christchurch from Feb 6 till Feb 10, for God's providence and Spirit's leading.
- 🙏 Special prayers for our sister Lewa and children's visa in process by God's grace to live closely by their immediate family and allow kids to join school when school begins.
- 🙏 Surrender our children and students into Christ's capable hands. For wisdom and might are His as they start the new school year and protection for 2025.
- 🙏 Pray for sister Leanne's foster family who lost a young man (Jade) to stroke. His sister Billie-Joe is struggling to come to terms after finding him. Pray for support and uplifting in this time of grief.
- 🙏 Keep close in prayers all struggling Spiritually, Physically, Mentally n Financially intercede and lend a hand when the Lord prompts.
- 🙏 Pray for outpouring of Holy Spirit upon our church and Worldwide churches and Pastors in our North NZ Conference and abroad to be steadfast in the Word and filled by the Holy Spirit and make disciples for His glory.
- 🙏 Remember in prayers all affected by natural disasters, war n etc worldwide, pray for outpouring of the Holy Spirit to comfort, help, prepare and transform lives as there is a better world to come.
- 🙏 Special prayers for the unemployed trying to find work in this tough economic climate. Ask for God's guidance, support, and provision.

They will be included in our prayer list for the next 30 days.

If you have a prayer request please contact Sister Penny at pnakuta679@gmail.com