

A MISSION STATEMENT OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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A 05 05 Our Mission—The mission of the Seventh-day Adventist Church is to make disciples of all people, communicating the everlasting gospel in the context of the three angels' messages of Revelation 14:6-12, leading them to accept Jesus as personal Saviour and unite with His remnant Church, disciplining them to serve Him as Lord and preparing them for His soon return.

A 05 10 Our Method—We pursue this mission under the guidance and through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit through:

1. *Preaching*—Accepting Christ's commission (Matt 28:18-20), we proclaim to all the world in these last days the everlasting gospel of God's love, most fully revealed in His Son's life, ministry, atoning death, resurrection, and high priestly ministry. Recognising the Bible to be God's infallible revelation of His will, we present its full message, including the second advent of Christ and the continuing authority of His Ten Commandment law with its reminder of the seventh-day Sabbath.

2. *Teaching*—Acknowledging that development of mind and character is essential to God's redemptive plan, we promote the growth of a mature understanding and relationship to God, His Word, and the created universe.

3. *Healing*—Affirming the biblical principles of the well-being of the whole person, we make the preservation of health and the healing of the sick a priority and through our ministry to the poor and oppressed, co-operate with the Creator in His compassionate work of restoration.

4. *Discipling*—Affirming the continued spiritual growth and development of all members, we nurture the newly converted, instruct them in righteous living, train them for effective witness, and encourage their responsive obedience to God's will.

A 05 15 Our Vision—In harmony with the great prophecies of the Scriptures, we see as the climax of God's plan the restoration of all His creation to full harmony with His perfect will and righteousness.

VALUES STATEMENT OF THE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

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A 10 05 Our Values—Seventh-day Adventist values are rooted in the revelation of God provided through the Bible and the life of Jesus Christ. Our sense of identity and calling grows from an understanding of Bible prophecies, especially those concerning the time immediately preceding the return of Jesus. Consequently all of life becomes a growing experience and demonstration of involvement with God and His kingdom.

Our sense of mission is driven by the realisation that every person, regardless of circumstances, is of infinite value to God and thus deserving of respect and dignity. Through God's grace every person is gifted for and needed in the diverse activities of the Church family.

Our respect for diversity, individuality, and freedom is balanced by regard for community. We are one—a world-wide family of faith engaged in representing the reign of God in our world through ethical conduct, mutual regard, and loving service. Our faithfulness to God involves commitment to and support of His body, the Church.