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Please forward this newsletter and/or print out copies for your local church bulletin board and for distribution.

The Chesapeake Conference Adventist Community Services (ACS) and Disaster Response teams were prepared and they mobilized quickly to help in areas hit by super storm Sandy. In the days immediately following the storm, ACS volunteers set up a personal care kit distribution point in Crisfield, Maryland, a town on the Chesapeake Bay where homes were flooded. The conference’s ACS food trailer was taken to Martinsburg, West Virginia, where ACS distributed food in partnership with Morgan County and the American Red Cross. Donations are urgently needed to continue to help families displaced by the storm. You can help by bringing personal care items (to be assembled in Ziploc bag “kits” by volunteers) such as razors, toothpaste, toothbrushes, soap, washcloths, diapers, deodorant, etc., to the Conference office located at 6600 Martin Road, Columbia, Maryland, 21044. You can also donate money to be used for supplies. Checks should be payable to Chesapeake Conference and sent to the conference office, attention: Evelyn Gates. For more information, call (410) 995-1910. Thank you for your generosity!

Daylight Saving Time for 2012 will come to an end on Sunday, November 4, at 2:00 a.m. local time. Remember to set your clocks back one hour. According to NASA, Benjamin Franklin developed the concept of Daylight Saving Time to make the best use of daylight hours by setting clocks forward in the spring and back in the fall. Daylight Saving Time is observed across most of the United States, Canada and Europe. Federal law allows any state to opt out of Daylight Saving Time by passing a State law.

Congratulations are offered to Julie and Matthew Pumroy who welcomed their first child, Abigail Annemarie Pomroy, on October 2. Julie Pomroy teaches Grades 1-2 at Frederick Adventist School. Matthew works for United States Pharmacopeia in Rockville, Maryland.

There is still time to catch the last two meetings in a series being held at the Pasadena church located at 10 Seaborne Drive in Pasadena, Maryland. Friday, November 2, at 7 p.m., featured presenter Karen Burke Bright covers the timely topic “Who Will Be in Charge in 2013?” On Sabbath, November 3, at 2:00 p.m., Bright addresses the question of “How Will the World End?” Childcare is provided during the meetings. For additional details, call (410) 598-1536, or visit bibleprophecyseminars.com.

“My You in Good Hands? —Answering Life’s Toughest Questions” is the theme of a youth-focused evangelistic effort led by the youth of the Atholton church. The event includes meetings, a community service project and a gym night. The meetings take place November 2-17 on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings beginning at 7:00 p.m. These meetings will be presented by young people for young people. For more information and to register, visit areyouingoodhands.net, or call (301) 204-3546. The Atholton church is located at 6520 Martin Road in Columbia, Maryland.

Calling all Baltimore area church members—an Evangelism Rally takes place Sabbath, November 3, from 3-5 p.m., at the Northeast church located at 6200 Loch Raven Blvd. in Baltimore. Come and be blessed and motivated for outreach. An afternoon of inspiring messages from Gary Gibbs, conference Evangelism director, and Anibal Hansell, conference pastor and evangelist, interspersed with music by talented artists is planned. Questions? Call Pastor Sedley Johnson at (410) 679-7249, or email sedeuljon@yahoo.com.

Highland View Academy’s Open House/Academy Days starts November 4 at 4 p.m. and continues the next day. All prospective students in grades 7-10 are invited to attend this free event. The academy is located at 10100 Academy Drive in Hagerstown, Maryland. Register at www hvaedu.com, contact Renee Williams at rwilliams@highlandviewacademy.com, or call (301) 739-8480.

The Middletown Valley church will hold a “Cooking for the Holidays” class on Sunday, November 11 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Recipes will be provided as well as other healthful information. Register by November 8 by contacting Angela Ball by email at RSVP@crystallake.com, or calling (301) 834-5056. The cost to attend this program is $10 per person. The church is located at 1811 Arnold Road in Jefferson, Maryland.

A Health Awareness Week is sponsored by the Glen Burnie church located at 508 Aquahart Road, Glen Burnie, Maryland. The meetings take place nightly from November 11-18 beginning at 7:00 p.m. John G. Clark, MD, shares exciting, life-changing natural remedies and offers strategies for the prevention of heart disease, cancer, high blood pressure, arthritis, diabetes and more. Questions? Email mrboquer@googlemail.com, or call (410) 766-6650.

Be prepared—A Disaster Preparedness Day is planned for Sabbath, November 17, at the South Carroll church located at 2020 West Liberty Road in Westminster, Maryland. The event begins with the 11:00 a.m. worship service featuring guest speaker Pastor Marilyn Scott. Lunch will be served from the Conference Adventist Community Services Disaster Response trailer. An afternoon seminar by Don Bonchack highlights the key points in the book “Are You Ready?” published by FEMA. A free copy of the book will be given to the first 100 attendees. For more information, contact Sharon Williams at sdwilliams25@gmail.com, or call (240) 370-3114.
The last of three conference-sponsored Church Ministries Leadership Training events planned for 2012 in the various regions of the conference takes place Sabbath, November 10, 3:30-6:00 p.m., at the Baltimore-White Marsh church located at 7427 Rossville Boulevard in Baltimore. The workshops are designed for pastors, elders, church treasurers, clerks and ministry leaders, but anyone with an interest is welcome to attend. Topics include conflict resolution, treasurer and clerk training, inspiring young people to be champions for God, stewardship, outreach, communication, and wills and trusts. There is no need to register—just show up! For seminar descriptions, visit ccosda.org.

Dr. George Rice presents a Revelation Series at the Middletown Valley church during six Sabbath worship services October 13-November 17. The church is located at 1811 Arnold Road in Jefferson, Maryland. For more details, call (240) 415-8268, or email mvsdaevents@gmail.com.

The Highland View church’s young adult Sabbath school class has started an exciting new ministry called Eutychus Today. Eutychus Today is a worship service designed to meet the needs of collegiate and young adult professionals. Events and services are centered on the lifestyles of young adults. Young people from local area churches, communities, and workplaces are all welcome. The primary purpose of Eutychus Today is to reenergize today’s young people for Christ by sharing resources and worship ideas to equip the next generation of leaders to spark a ministry in their own churches. The dress code is casual. The discussion-based services are relevant and contemporary. Music, art, drama, prayer, and café style fellowship are features of the Eutychus Today ministry. To learn more, call (301) 800-5979 or (610) 781-8050. The next scheduled event is December 1, 2012. Childcare is provided.

Deep sympathy is offered to the families and friends of:
~ Carol Thomas, 74, who died October 15 following a happy weekend spent with her beloved family. Carol was the wife of Elder Dick Thomas, pastor of the Middletown Valley church in Jefferson, Maryland. She is survived by their three adult children—Mark Thomas, president of the Review and Herald Publishing Association, Kent Thomas of Hagerstown, Maryland, and Cheryl Thomas Peters of California, and their spouses and children. Carol and Dick have a long history of pastoral ministry and Publishing work in the Chesapeake Conference. In the past few years, she battled cancer with courage and grace.
~ Gale Smith, the father of Debbie Glass, who died October 15 in a nursing home in Benton, Illinois. Debbie works in the secretariat department of the Columbia Union Conference and is the wife of David Glass, pastor of the Linthicum/Pasadena district.
~ Blanche Jones, a member of the West Wilmington church in Delaware, died October 18, at age 103. She was one of Chesapeake Conference’s oldest members. She will be greatly missed by her daughters and her church family.

Communication professionals are invited to join the Society of Adventist Communicators, an organization for the socialization, continuing education, recognition, and nurture of Seventh-day Adventists whose careers are in fields of communication. Become a part of a network of communication professionals who support one another professionally and spiritually. Learn more at adventistcommunicator.org, or call (301) 680-6057.

Resource:
Teach your child the Christian principles of stewardship using the engaging new Stewardship Jack books written by Janice Mathews. The first two books in the series are available at the Adventist Book Center for $7.99 each. The books feature Jack, a charming goldendoodle owned by the author. The first book covers the topic of tithe, and the second focuses on the 10 Commandments. Visit AdventistBookCenter.com, or visit the Potomac Adventist Book Center at 12004 Cherry Hill Road in Silver Spring, Maryland, to get a copy.

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