



AEA Ministry *Spotlight*

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President's Letter

As you read this, we are about 30 days out from the 64th Anniversary Fall Regional Conference of the American Evangelistic Association and Christian leaders will be gathering in Melbourne, Florida from near and far on November 2nd-4th, 2018.

As we take a moment to prayerfully consider all the excellent Kingdom-building work by those who have come before us, we also consider our responsibility to provide a path for those who are coming up now, to bring the Gospel to the next generations.

That is why it is only fitting that our conference theme is **"AEA: Advancing the Cause of Christ"** and our team has assembled great speakers who bring light to various aspects of our collective efforts. Pastor Laura Wallace, of Missions: America and Beyond, Bishop Charles & Dr. Judy Farmer of Washington, DC-based, Refuge of Hope, Dr. Ed Connatser, of Eastern Shore, Maryland-based, Chesapeake Bible College and Seminary, Dr. Gregory Reid, from YouthFire Ministries, El Paso, Texas and Rev. John Small, (representing the International Christian Embassy, Jerusalem) are among those presenting on the topic "Advancing the Cause of Christ."

As I mentioned recently, more than 6 decades ago our founders, Dr. John E. Douglas and Dr. Marjorie Douglas set forth our mission statement: "To be Servants to those called to Ministry, so that Kingdom's ends will be served, Jesus Christ glorified and made known to all He has called."

This important weekend in November is not only a great time of Fellowship, it is also a great time of "iron sharpening iron" as we co-labor in the Kingdom-building business! We will also be celebrating our Fall 2018 Graduates for the Chesapeake Bible College & Seminary, Melbourne, Florida, with Commencement Exercises taking place on Saturday evening, November 3rd, 2018.

Get information at our official website, AmericanEvangelisticAssociation.org, and our Facebook page ([Facebook.com/AmericanEvangelisticAssociation](https://www.facebook.com/AmericanEvangelisticAssociation)). We hope to see you in a few short weeks – along the sunny shores of the Atlantic here in Melbourne, Florida.

May God Bless you!



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American Evangelistic Association 2018 FALL REGIONAL CONFERENCE

AEA Advancing the Cause of Christ

November 2-4, 2018

Community Gospel Truth Church
795 S. Wickham Road, West Melbourne, FL 32904

AEA FALL CONFERENCE AGENDA

FRIDAY

Nov. 2, 2018 6:30 pm Evening Meet and Greet at Olive Garden Restaurant
2508 New Haven Avenue, W. Melbourne, FL 32905. Reservations required.
Dinner at 7:00 pm. Call or Email Cyndi to reserve your seat by **Oct. 30th**.
Seating Limited. (Entree options \$19.00, plus tax and tip).

SATURDAY

NOV. 3, 2018 9:00 am "AEA ADVANCING THE CAUSE OF CHRIST" AEA Conference at
Community Gospel Truth Church. 795 S. Wickham Rd, W. Melbourne, FL
32904

Registration 8:30am / Conference 9:00 am-4:00 pm, AEA Bishop Jerry Lawrence and Pastor Maria
Lawrence hosting. There is no charge to this day's event. Lunch will be
provided on site for those that Pre-register.
A Free-will Offering will be taken.
Our conference will feature Keynote Speakers teaching on "Advancing the
Cause of Christ" related subjects: Pastor Laura Wallace, ([Missions: America
and Beyond](#)), Bishop Charles & Dr. Judy Farmer, ([Refuge of Hope](#)), Dr. Kerry
Fink & Dr. Ed Connatser, ([Chesapeake Bible College and Seminary](#)), Dr.
Gregory Reid, ([YouthFire Ministries](#)), Dr. Kerry Fink & Seth Fink, ([Marketplace
Media](#)), Rev. John Small, ([representing the International Christian Embassy,
Jerusalem](#)).

FREE TIME

6:00 pm Chesapeake Bible College & Seminary Graduation

SUNDAY

**Nov. 4, 2018 11:00 am Community Gospel Truth Church, 795 S. Wickham Rd, W. Melbourne, FL
32904, Morning Fellowship Service**, AEA Pastors Jerry and Maria Lawrence
1:00 pm Reception Fellowship with light refreshments

HOTELS Convenient for Conference: Call for reservations - QUALITY INN, 321-725-2952, 890 Palm Bay Road, Palm
Bay, Florida 32905, or HAMPTON INN of MELBOURNE, 321-956-6200, 194 Dike Road, Melbourne, Florida 32904

• Registration Form on Page 4. Fill out and return to Info@aeaministries.org or call: 888-526-3751 •

Members Corner

What's Up with Sabbath?

AEA Rev. Rachelle Hamlin

I'd just met a woman over a church picnic table. We hit it off and lingered for a long chat.

She asked me, "What's up with Sabbath? My daughter married a guy I thought was a good Christian boy and now all she can talk to me about is how she's getting ready for Sabbath and how wonderful it is. She won't stop talking about it. I tried to stop her but she's so in love with him, she won't listen to me."

I guess the Holy Spirit had work for me because I've written a book called "Made Holy" which is a Bible study on Sabbath using every single reference to Sabbath in the book. I started this book with a summary statement of Christian beliefs about Sabbath. I ended the book with a corrected summary statement that reflects what I learned. Here is the corrected one highlighted in the center of this article.

God made Sabbath, revealed that it is Holy and told mankind to observe it every seventh day forever. He attached rewards and punishments to Sabbath observances to restore man's union with Him, to enable man to rise above his flesh life, to create a people for His Name, to stir up the hearts of unbelievers to desire salvation and to enthrone Jesus Christ as King of Kings.

The Bible states that the farmer is the first to eat his fruits. That happened with me. Convinced that out of an endless stream of days, God selected one out of every seven. He created Sabbath in the desert using Manna to distinguish the sacredness of the seventh day. Believers have observed Sabbath ever since. The Jews and the early church had it right. At the Council of Trent, the Catholic Church nearly returned worship to the seventh day but fearing consequences to their infallibility doctrine, they kept Sunday worship in place.

We began putting Saturday aside as a day for the Lord. We do no buying or selling in respect to commerce or making a living unless we can't help it; we rest and enjoy family and our good life; we have Bible study, prayer and fellowship; and we eat good food without slaving in the kitchen.

There are unlimited ways to keep Sabbath Holy. When the Holy Spirit shows up, wonderful things take place.

On Sunday morning, we attend church and participate in events and church service. Yet we begin the Lord's Day on Friday at sunset and end it on Saturday at nightfall. There is a promise that comes with Sabbath keeping. God promises to make your week as blessed working six days a week as if you had worked seven.

One thing in Christendom that really hurts lovers of God is ignorance in its leaders. Ignoring certain truths of a Bible subject can lead many eager people into twisted theology. It's all spiritual warfare. The Holy Spirit was given to us to lead us into all truth. But there are spiritual powers and authorities in high places, said St. Paul, (demons) who war against our understanding truth.

Demons don't want to relinquish control. They select ambitious men to stand up as leaders of whole congregations. Yet these men are ignorant. They don't study carefully. Twisting the truth, they say foolish things like, "Jesus had an earthly father who got Mary pregnant." They try to prove it the only way a demon knows how, by lying. The truth is that Mary herself was a descendent of David,

but the "teacher" will say that "only Joseph was a descendant of David, Mary was not, therefore here are the scriptures to prove I'm right."

Beware of wolves in sheep's clothing. They will rip your faith to shreds and not stop until your faith is gone. They did it to the early church when they convinced so many "believers" that it would be better for the Roman Empire's stability if they would worship Jesus on the day that pagans worshipped the Sun God. How did that work out I ask? What makes us any less vulnerable now?

Jesus (our rock) said, "Follow Me." He told us plainly that he was the son of God. This is the foundation of the Christian faith. Furthermore, Jesus observed Sabbath, and so did his early followers.

There is a road through the wilderness we call life. It divides two ways. One road leads to hell. One road leads to heaven where Jesus abides. Which one will you take?

AEA 2018 Fall Regional Conference Pre-Registration Form - November 2nd-4th, 2018

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!

Full Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

AEA Member Non-Member



Please indicate number attending & names below:

_____ **Friday, Nov. 2nd: Meet & Greet:** _____

_____ **Saturday, Nov. 3rd: AEA Advancing the Cause of Christ:** *(Lunch will be provided when you Pre-Register)*

_____ **Saturday Evening CBCS Graduation Ceremonies**

_____ **Sunday, Nov. 4th: Morning Fellowship Service and Reception** _____

Return your Pre-Registration Form to: (No later than Tuesday, October 30th): American Evangelistic Association, PO Box 121000, W. Melbourne, FL 32912-1000. Or Email the above information to: Info@AEAMinistries.org. Fax to: 321-765-6420. More information: 1-888-526-3751, 321-725-1186 or www.AEAMinistries.org

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